

ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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 Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM High, 11:30 AM, 5:45 PM



Most Reverend Daniel L. Dolan, Pastor
 Rev. Anthony Cekada, Rev. Charles McGuire,
 Rev. Vili Lehtoranta, Rev. Stephen McKenna

October 12, 2014 Pentecost XVIII



JESUS SAID,
 MY SON, THY SINS ARE FORGIVEN THEE

¶ TODAY

Sunday Catechism classes are at the usual time of 10:40 AM. The Rosary will be prayed at 5:00 PM, followed by Benediction.

¶ ALTER CHRISTUS



Thank you for your almsgiving this month. \$374.00 was received for Mass stipends for the support and sanctification of priests.



¶ TOMORROW: OUR LADY OF FATIMA CANDLELIGHT ROSARY PROCESSION FOR PEACE

Tomorrow, **Monday**, is Columbus Day and there's no school, but don't forget it's also the evening for our the final 2014 **Fatima Rosary Procession**.

We meet in the parking lot at Union Centre Blvd. & Floer Drive (look for First Watch restaurant). Candles will be distributed for all the participants to carry. Plan to arrive by about **7:00 PM** to get your candle and line up. The procession will commence promptly at 7:15 PM. (In the event of rain, the Rosary will be recited by candlelight in church.)

*"I am the Lady of the Rosary...
 Continue always to pray the Rosary
 every day."*

— Our Lady of Fatima
 October 13, 1917

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: MISSION SUNDAY

The blessing of expectant mothers will be available after all Masses. The **Autumn Bake Sale** takes place in Helfta Hall after the morning Masses. Please support this important fundraiser for our school. Catechism classes as usual at 10:40 AM. Vespers at 4:30 PM, followed by Rosary and Benediction.

Set Your Missal: Pentecost XIX, collects of St. Peter of Alcantara & for the Propagation of the Faith; Trinity Preface.

*By the Rosary, the darkness of heresy has
 been dispelled.*

— St. Pius V

¶ UPCOMING: FORTY HOURS OPENING & CHILI SUPPER – Friday, October 24th

Our annual devotion of the Forty Hours begins with High Mass at **5:30 PM** on **Friday, October 24th**. Mark your calendars and plan to be with us!

A **Harvest Chili Supper** follows the Mass. Bring your favorite chili (with meat or meatless) to share. The church will provide beverages, "fixin's" and dessert. All those who **attend the opening Mass** on Friday evening may consider themselves dispensed from the abstinence.

The full Forty Hours weekend schedule will appear in next week's bulletin.

¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please remember all the intentions of our Rosary Chain. Call the church office to request prayers for your own intentions, or to join the Rosary Chain.



Please remember Anne D'Souza, a correspondent and long-time supporter of ours from faraway Bombay, India, who died recently. The Novus Ordo church, full of Bergoglio's mercy, was going to deny her burial in a Catholic cemetery, until her son arrived and arranged the reformed rites against his mother's wishes. Bishop Dolan offered her Requiem and Funeral service last Wednesday.



The Rosary

There is one harp that any hand can play,
 And from its strings what harmonies arise!
 There is one song that any mouth can say,
 A song that lingers when all singing dies.
 When on their beads our Mother's children
 pray
 Immortal music charms the grateful skies.

— Joyce Kilmer

Servers: OCTOBER 13 - 19, 2014

FRI 10/17	5:45 PM LOW: Friday Night Servers
SAT 10/18	7:30 AM HIGH: Simpsons 8:45 AM LOW: M. Briggs
SUN 10/19	7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros. 9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: B. Lotarski, J. Simpson ACS: S. & L. Arlinghaus TH: A. Richesso TORCH: T. Lawrence, C. Richesson, A. Soli, C. Arlinghaus 11:30 AM LOW: P. Omlor, Nath. McClorey 4:30 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller 5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller

Collection Report

Sunday, October 5th\$4,962.00
Second Collection\$930.00

SUBSIDIARITY IN THE SPIRITUAL ORDER

The cornerstone of Catholic social teaching is the principle of subsidiarity. According to this maxim, economic and political disputes should be adjudicated at the most local level first. Only when they cannot be successfully resolved there should they be referred to the next highest level of authority, and so on. Thus, one should not refer to the President of the United States the question of whether a traffic light should be installed at a neighborhood intersection, but rather begin with the city council.

Subsidiarity is a good guide in matters political – and also in the spiritual order. If someone sins against you, Jesus says, go to him first. Only if he doesn't listen should you bring two or three others into the conversation, and only if he doesn't listen to all of you, should you bring the matter to the entire church. By a very deep and unhelpful instinct, we tend not to follow this wise advice. Instead, when someone harms us, we complain to others, criticize the offender behind his back, take steps to ruin his reputation, etc. And of course this accomplishes nothing of real spiritual or moral importance.

By heeding the Lord, we keep the focus, not on our wounded and needy egos, but on the matter at hand. We thereby stand a far better chance of addressing and truly resolving the hurt, injustice, or misunderstanding. Applying the principle of subsidiarity in the context of moral dispute assures that the naming of a brother's sin is an act of love and not of recrimination.

– Rev. Robert Barron



✠ SUNDAY SEVEN

Seven ways to introduce the Rosary to children

1. After tucking the little one in to bed, let him hold his beads, while you whisper the Rosary until he falls asleep.
2. Go to Mass a little earlier and let the children see and hear you pray your Rosary.
3. Turn off the TV and cellphones, and pray the Family Rosary.
4. Say the Rosary aloud in the car, even on short trips, with your children.
5. Pause during the day to kneel down and pray one decade; brief, but beneficial.
6. Let the little one hold up a picture book of the Mysteries during the Family Rosary.
7. Allow your little ones to lead a decade as soon as they can lip the prayers. Encourage their participation!

*“The Rosary learned at your mother’s knee,
in after years becomes a sharer in your joys,
in sorrow your solace, and in temptation your strength.”*

– The Madonna (1915)

SONNET I

(Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, 2014)

Weak heart, that bears the lash of holy fear,
Ascend the breathless height where true Love died,
Before the waning of another year,
Before the endless death that comes of pride.

Pursued and hounded by deceiving dreams,
Deep in the forest on a starless night,
Where no fair shape is ever as it seems,
And all things shun the stirring of the light,

Mount Sorrow’s sacred summit and behold
The breaking of the dead enshrouded earth,
With bones made flesh arising from the cold
To warm and breathing life in second birth!

Lest all thy poet’s words be dull and vain,
Let Love Himself from thy sin’s chaff yield grain.

SONNET II

(Rosary Sunday, 2014)

How many wreaths of roses white and red,
Mis padres y madres, did your songs weave,
And gently place on Beauty’s guiltless head
From morning’s blue and white to crimson eve?

How many diadems of mother’s tears
And martyr’s blood, for she who needs no crown,
Across the slow procession of the years,
Did you make for our Virgin of renown,

Braiding prayers as your humble hardened hands
Wound autumn’s *ristras* ripened in a sun
Whose philosophic light once filled our lands,
When *alabados* praised Maria’s Son?

I hear the echo of your prayers in mine
And these my beads with yours I intertwine.

– Joseph Charles McKenzie

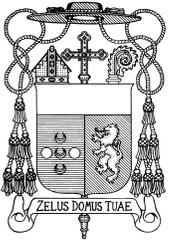


✠ CATECHISM CORNER:

I BELIEVE that there is a *Purgatory*; that this is a consoling and reasonable doctrine.

I believe that since nothing defiled can enter Heaven, and since many die with the guilt of venial sins on their souls, without having sufficiently atoned for sins forgiven, thereby having rendered themselves unworthy to enter into the presence of God – yet not guilty enough to suffer the punishment of hell – that there is a Purgatory where these souls are cleansed.

✠ THE BISHOP'S CORNER ✠



Wednesday's mystical blood-red moon seems to have brought us back our sunny Autumn, even as it left a calling card of coming Winter, a delicate deposit of hoarfrost, glistening for one bright moment in the morning sun. Our wet cold weather was wintry indeed for the Rosary feasts last week, but all was bright and...rosy within, and we did have bits of sun, especially for the procession.

Two beautiful Sundays in a row, two treasured observances! Many thanks to Jeanne Hille for arranging the roses, and to God for their beauty, and sending cool weather to preserve them so long. Of all things, our regular visitor and honorary parishioner Chris Browne, right after an eight-hour car trip, ended up preparing Helfta Hall for the Confraternity breakfast, ably assisted by Darlene (who kindly took time out from a very busy sacristy Saturday) and by Mike Briggs. Later that day Ina Harpen completed the work with candles and autumn leaves. Rich Vande Ryt served both as MC for the Mass and procession, and emcee for the breakfast, having loaned us a good PA system for **Fr. Nkamuke's** excellent talk. I was offering the 11:30, but am told it was most interesting...and entertaining! The breakfast was delicious and generous as usual, ably provided by Pat Kolb and family. Thank you for coming so far! The door prizes were unusually fine, the Madonna statue having been expertly repaired and restored by Marlys and daughters. I *think* it came from the estate of William Harris. Congratulations to our two winners, Joseph Simpson and Helena, a new member of the parish.

Thanks, of course, to all of the Rosarians who heard Mass together and processed for the Rosary, and ate breakfast with us. God reward you! I note that all of these parish events are open to all who wish to attend (and we wish you would!) not just members of the Confraternity.

Upcoming events include tomorrow evening's closing Fatima Rosary procession for peace, and the opening (Friday evening, October 24th) and closing (Sunday evening, October 26th) Mass and procession for our annual Forty Hours Devotion. God reward your piety and perseverance.

Speaking of which, we had another good All Night Adoration last weekend. Thank you to the men of the Guard of Honor – and the women! Your presence is noted and appreciated; your prayers, priceless. Please

note that the November All Night Adoration is advanced to Forty Hours, Friday night, October 24th. There is **NO** November First Friday Adoration, as everyone takes a little rest from all for the October devotions.

Fr. Julian Larrabee is on vacation this week, and will be visiting us for a few days. It will be nice to see him again. Meanwhile, **Fr. McKenna** is accompanying me for a Confirmation tour to two of his missions, Rochester, Minnesota and Grand Forks, North Dakota. Please pray for a safe and fruitful trip for us. We should be returning on Wednesday.

Isn't our newest "parishioner," St. Francis de Sales, grand? Many thanks to Chris Browne for having found our Cincinnati patron saint in some antique store in the middle of Iowa, and for having delivered him here. Thanks again to Marlys and daughters for the *beautiful* restoration. He makes a fine addition to our family of saints. Why so many in our church? Why, partly in reparation because most churches threw out their saints (as well as their Catholic faith) at the changes.

Enjoy your Columbus Day tomorrow, especially dear students and teachers in our school. Take a little breather in the midst of a busy October. As we honor the saintly Christopher Columbus, we should remember that some evidence suggest that Catholic Norsemen were the first to visit our land many centuries before. Scandinavia rules! But really, Christ the King rules, and Mary His Queen. Come to the last Rosary in West Chester tomorrow, and be a candle in the darkness!

God bless you all!

– Bishop Dolan

WHEN we consider the whole course of Our Blessed Lady's life, our hearts are filled with tenderness and sweetness; and calling to mind the great and rare examples of virtue which she has bequeathed us, the truth comes home that, if we would share in her sweet spirit ourselves, we must acquire it by meditating on her life.



Look upon Our Lady wherever she may be. In her chamber at Nazareth, exercising the most perfect modesty with holy fear; see her simplicity, her resignation, her humility. Consider her at Bethlehem; she leads a simple life of poverty...see her with the kings...see her at the Purification....She is at the foot of the Cross, humble, lowly, and sorrowful.

– St. Francis de Sales

✠ THE CALENDAR

All Sunday Masses, school day Masses, Friday evening and Saturday morning Masses are webcast at SGGResources.org

- MON 10/13/14 ST EDWARD, KING, C**
OUR LADY OF FATIMA
COLUMBUS DAY – NO SCHOOL
8:00 AM Low Mass My sister's health (*Diane Puglielli*)
5:45 PM Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
Special intention (*Mary Brueggemann*)
7:15 PM Concluding Candlelight Fatima Rosary
Procession for Peace (Union Centre Blvd. & Floer Drive – If rain: in church)
- TUE 10/14/14 ST CALLISTUS I, PM**
8:00 AM Low Mass Ida Youngworth (*Diane Puglielli*)
11:20 AM High Mass †William Harris (*Damian Arthur*)
3:10 PM October Devotions
- WED 10/15/14 ST TERESA OF AVILA, V**
8:00 AM Low Mass Bishop Dolan (*ACC*)
11:20 AM High Mass Fr. Cekada (*ACC*)
3:00 PM Exposition, Rosary, October Devotions
3:20 PM Benediction, Holy Communion
5:00 PM Low Mass Denny & Pat Weisinberger-50th wedding anniversary (*Judy Metz*)
6:30 PM Choir Practice
- THU 10/16/14 ST HEDWIG, W**
PURITY OF MARY
ST GERARD MAJELLA, C
6:00 AM Low Mass Fr. McGuire (*ACC*)
8:00 AM Low Mass Fr. Lehtoranta (*ACC*)
11:20 AM High Mass Fr. McKenna (*ACC*)
3:10 PM October Devotions
- FRI 10/17/14 ST MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE, V**
8:00 AM Low Mass Fr. Nkamuke (*ACC*)
10:55 AM Confessions
11:20 AM High Mass Fr. David Baryj (*ACC*)
3:10 PM October Devotions
5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary
5:45 PM Low Mass Samantha Current- Birthday (*F.R. Mattingly*)
6:30 PM Sacred Heart Novena and Benediction
- SAT 10/18/14 ST LUKE, EV**
7:10 AM Confessions
7:30 AM High Mass †Fr. Martin Stepanich (*Samantha*)
8:20 AM Rosary, Simple Benediction
8:45 AM Low Mass For all the faithful departed (*Patrick Omlor*)
- SUN 10/19/14 PENTECOST XIX**
MISSION SUNDAY
ST PETER OF ALCANTARA, C
7:05 AM Rosary
7:30 AM Low Mass Mom - Patty McConnell (*Paul & Lisa McConnell*)



ANNUAL AUTUMN BAKE SALE

(to help defray annual start-of-the academic year expenses)

Sunday, October 19, 2014

Please bring your baked goods
to the Helfta Hall on either
Saturday, October 18th
or on the day of the sale
Sunday, October 19th

*Please be generous and help support
St. Gertrude the Great School.*



Prayer to the Queen of the Rosary

Queen of the most holy Rosary, in these times of such brazen impiety, manifest thy power with the signs of thine ancient victories, and from thy throne, whence thou dost dispense pardon and graces, mercifully regard the Church of thy Son....Do thou, who art the powerful vanquisher of all heresies, hasten the hour of mercy, even though the hour of God's justice is every day provoked by the countless sins of men. For me who am the least of men, kneeling before thee in supplication, do thou obtain the grace I need to live righteously upon earth and to reign among the just in heaven, while in company with all faithful Christians throughout the world, I salute thee and acclaim thee as Queen of the most holy Rosary:

Queen of the most Holy Rosary, pray for us.

(An indulgence of 500 days – Leo XIII, 1886)

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- 9:00 AM High Mass** For the people of St. Gertrude the Great
10:40 AM Sunday Catechism Classes
11:05 AM Rosary
11:30 AM Low Mass Thanksgiving to Poor Souls (*Donna Patton*)
4:30 PM Vespers, Rosary and Benediction
5:45 PM Low Mass †Mrs. June Keller (*Dennis & Jeanne Hille*)