

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

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Rev. Charles McGuire • Rev. Vili Lehtoranta • Rev. Stephen McKenna



October 23, 2016

PENTECOST XXIII

MISSION SUNDAY

FORTY HOURS DEVOTION



¶ FORTY HOURS

Sunday Classes are at 10:50 AM today. October Devotions are at 4:15 PM, with Vespers at 4:45 PM. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament continues all day. Please note that the evening Mass is at 5:30 PM, and the Closing of 40 Hours is at 6:45.

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: CHRIST THE KING

Sunday Classes will be at 10:40 AM. October Devotions will be at 4:15 PM, with Vespers at 4:45 PM.

📖 *Set Your Missal:* Christ the King, with commemorations and Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost XXIV. Third collect of Our Lady & All the Saints. Preface of Christ the King.

¶ OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

The Rosary is recited every school day at 3:10 PM. On Wednesdays it is said before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed at 3:00 PM with Benediction and Holy Communion at 3:20. Rosary and Benediction Friday, Saturday, and Sunday as well!

¶ ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

All Souls Day envelopes are available in the pews for your convenience. Remember your beloved deceased! Please turn envelopes in to the office, collection basket, or bookstore by Sunday, October 30th. The envelopes will remain on the altar all during the month of November.

Collection Report

Sunday, October 16th.....\$3,397.00
Bake Sale.....\$675.00



HE TOOK HER BY THE HAND, AND THE MAID
AROSE.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that Thou art present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things, and I desire to receive Thee into my soul. Since I cannot now receive Thee Sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace Thee as if Thou wert already come, and unite myself wholly to Thee. Never permit me to be separated from Thee. Amen.

“Sacrament of my God, my Jesus, my life and my love, how I love to be with Thee. Ah, how necessary art Thou to my heart! How sweet and tender are the sentiments Thou excitest in my soul! God of love, divine object of all earthly happiness, what peace I enjoy when near Thee! What holy joy, what transports even amidst the troubles and sorrows of my offenses. Before Thee the universe is in a profound silence! Before Thee all things are as nothing to me; Thou alone, O my Jesus, art all to me.”

—St. Catherine of Genoa

THE POWER OF PRAYER

When Joseph of Egypt was being led in triumph no doubt many approached him with more or less urgent petitions for this or that favor, advancement, promotion and so on. He was powerful and his influence counted for a great deal. Yet his power was limited, as he depended entirely on the king's grace for its exercise. Not so Jesus Christ. When He says to an ill that harasses us: “Go!” it goes; and when He says to a blessing we want: “Come!” it comes forthwith.

Unlike Joseph of Egypt, who probably forgot many of the petitions or, with the best of will, was powerless to grant them; Jesus will not forget. He will grant you your petition at once, thus precluding all danger of forgetting it, although He will reserve it to Himself to reveal to you in His own time and method just how He has heard your prayer. Say a prayer to St. Joseph. In Heaven, he commands, says St. Theresa.

¶ DRESS CODE

Ladies: Please remember to wear a blouse or sweater over that form-revealing shirt or top.

Men & Boys: Coat and tie!

¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

All Saints Sunday Procession & Party: Sunday, November 6.
Rosary Confraternity Cemetery visit: Sunday, November 20.

THE CLOSE OF FORTY HOURS

Throughout the Forty Hours Jesus has been exceedingly generous to us; just how generous He has been only the Last Day will disclose. But never during the Forty Hours is Jesus quite so generous as He is at the close or the farewell celebration. There again His love outdoes itself. He simply cannot withhold His consent to every reasonable request. This, then, is the time and the opportunity for each one of us to obtain what we have most at heart. We must whisper it softly, pleadingly and confidently as He passes through our midst. Above all we must ask Him for the grace of final perseverance, for we all need and want, besides that, however, we must make other particular requests, the granting of which will mean much to us and others. We cannot ask too much, provided we have faith.



WHY DID IT HAPPEN?
ANTICHRIST

One of the most obscure mysteries of our age is why God has permitted this severe damage to His Church, after having protected it from its enemies time and time again in the past. Why did He permit the failures of these three pontificates which resulted in Vatican II?

The only answer which I

venture to this question is that the permission of Vatican II is wrapped up in the permission of the great apostasy and the Antichrist, both of which are predicted in Sacred Scripture, and which must come true. If the three pontificates from 1914 to 1958 had been like that of Saint Pius X, there would have been no Vatican II, and then no great apostasy and no Antichrist. It seems to me that the Antichrist can only come to a world virtually stripped of the Catholic Faith, an apostatized world, a world that adheres to a "new Christianity" of dogma-less humanitarianism, which is exactly what we are getting from Bergoglio.

Therefore I see the mystery of Vatican II intimately connected to an even deeper mystery: *How will the coming of Antichrist and the great apostasy from the faith bring about the greater glory of God?*



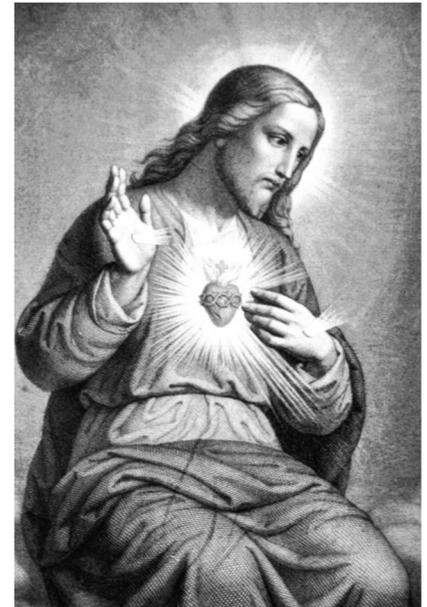
I do not know the answer to the question, but I do know by faith that God will somehow be glorified indirectly by these horrific events. God never permits an evil except for a greater good, that good being His glory. No doubt His glory will consist in the profession of faith and ardent love of God of those who have resisted the apostasy, even probably by their bloody martyrdoms.

Consequently those who have received the grace to persevere in the true Faith ought not to seek compromise and accommodation with the forces of apostasy and the Antichrist, but should oppose these forces with all their spiritual might. It is the spirit of *accommodationism* which has brought us to this misery of Vatican II. Let us have the wisdom, for once, to oppose our enemies, and not to join them. Let us have the wisdom of Saint Pius X.

-Bishop Sanborn Sept. 2016

THE FORTY HOURS

A holy calm,—
Stillness profound, like to none
other. So,
Before the Eternal, angel choirs
bend low
With shining pinions furled, as we
do to-day,
Kneeling in adoration, cast our
souls
On His sweet mercy, weeping as
we pray,—
Laying each burden where the
bleeding Heart
May wash it clean. This is a place
apart
From the vexed outer world, that
seethes, and rolls
Its waves upon the silent shores of
Death.
Light, fragrance, stillness, the
white Host above—
A gracious, wondrous Presence.
'Tis a breath
Of Heaven,—on the wrapt soul
dews of Love
Dropping like balm.



*Hail, O true Body, born of the Virgin
Mary, and which for man was sacri-
ficed upon the Cross.*

*Be thou blessed, O holy Virgin,
through whom we received the Heav-
enly Bread that preserves and increases
true life within us.*

Forty Hours happily falls for us this year on Mission Sunday. We are all called to be Theresian missionaries, missionaries by constant daily prayer and conscious little sacrifices, as well as by more obvious means. May the Patroness of the Missions bless the final hours of this our Forty Hours prayer, and render each hour fruitful for souls.

May this year's Devotion stir up your own. Persistence in prayer may mean getting what we ask for, but these things are hidden in the designs of God's Providence. But never forget, dear beleaguered Catholic and "stay at home" missionaries, that our persistence in prayer keeps us in touch with God, focused on the things worth praying for, and ready to receive with gratitude what God gives.

"Adjutorium nostrum in nomine Domini, our help is in the name of the Lord," as we so often say. How often the Divine Assistance surpasses our lowly desires. God is never outdone in generosity, and knows our needs better than we.

And what peace, what power is to be found in this Eucharistic prayer before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed. Thank you for all of the praying you've been doing this weekend, and for all of the help so that others may pray, and be prayed for. Thank you for all of your prayers all month.

It is Mission Sunday, but our focus these days is surely on our own country, itself mission territory once again. May God have mercy on us, and the electorate have mercy on our poor unborn babies. It's been a pretty filthy election campaign, which should make us turn with yet more insistence to Mary Immaculate, our country's patroness.

Fr. McGuire is feeling better now. **Fr. Lehtoranta** and I both had bad colds (on top of allergies!) last week. **Fr. Cekada** continues to feel quite energetic. The indefatigable **Fr. McKenna** gave a nice report on his latest travels to Spokane and North Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin...! He visits Quito, Ecuador again this week. We're glad he landed for a few days home with us for Forty Hours.

Sr. Jeanne Marie's knee surgery was postponed until All Saints Day, a good date for an operation. One of the novices, **Sr. Perpetua Marie**, left the convent last Sunday, having determined that Religious life was not her vocation. Although we were sad to see her go, this is exactly the purpose of the novitiate, to determine if there is a vocation. Miss Theresa Schroeffer goes with our blessings, and many prayers for her future!

Fr. Siordia, down Mexico way, was recently in danger of losing his church to the Novus Ordo, due to conflicting legal claims with the Archdiocese. The people of the town of Cocoyoc now have a period of grace in which to pursue in a kind of democratic process, their claims, as they do not want the Novus Ordo. Prayers, please. The church was built a long time ago (perhaps 200 years), and enshrines a miraculous image of Our Lord of the Expiration.



Fr. Roger, in far off France, is having surgery Tuesday. **Fr. Nkamuke** reports a busy but fruitful apostolate and is grateful for your help, especially in view of rising food prices. He could use some help in the way of another priest, but it seems a far off goal. Pray for vocations.

Word is that they're keeping Brendan busy down at the seminary, and Thomas as well. We pray for them daily, as well as for our sick and all of your intentions.

Yours in the Little Flower,

—Bishop Dolan

Anima Christi

*Soul of Christ, be my sanctification;
 Body of Christ, be my salvation;
 Blood of Christ, fill all my veins;
 Water of Christ's side, wash out my stains;
 Passion of Christ, my comfort be;
 O good Jesus, listen to me;
 In Thy Wounds, I fain would hide;
 Ne'er to be parted from Thy side;
 Guard me should the foe assail me;
 Call me when my life shall fail me;
 Bid me come to Thee above,
 With Thy Saints to sing Thy love,
 World without end. Amen.*





For the Mexican Children this Christmas.

The *"Blessings Bag Project"* is this: Take a provided bag from church, attach the appropriate tag for the age and gender of child then fill it with little items you have. Bags will be located in the vestibule. We would like to have a *Catholic* theme for these gifts.

Include items such as: small toys, little games, jewelry, toy cars, yo-yos, jump ropes, balls, toys that light up and make noise*, flashlights* (*with extra batteries), rosary, books, missal, small statue, t-shirts, socks, tooth brush & paste, bar soap, combs, washcloths, school supplies, crayons, pencils, hard candy, taffy etc.

Please do not include: Damaged items; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

Decorate the bag if you like. You could let the children use stickers, markers, decorative paper, ribbons etc. It doesn't *have* to be decorated.

Include a personal note. A Christmas card or picture, a note about you or your family adds a nice touch and makes it personal.

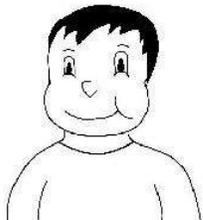
Say a prayer for the recipient. We would like the package to go to the right child. The Lord knows just what each child needs and will guide your gift to the right child.

Attach the proper label and check the age group. Labels are available in the vestibule.

Drop at church by Nov. 24th Thanksgiving with a \$7 shipping donation for each bag. Please do not add the check to the gift bag! Just tape it to the outside or drop it in the office or collection. We hope to have the packages sent to Mexico by mid December..

DO NOT SEAL THE BAG!

THE ELVES WILL BE ADDING A SPANISH / ENGLISH CARD TO EACH BAG



Please choose for your bag:

Boy OR **Girl**



Age group 2-4, 5-9, or 10-14

Or... Don't think you would like to fill a whole bag? Help someone else by bringing small items of your own that will be added to other bags. Please have these items to church by the first week of November. There will be a box in the social hall for collection of items.

Or... Sponsor shipping costs with a cash donation. Just make a note on the check for *Blessings Bags*.

Help us send "Blessings" to our neighbors in the south. Need more information? call the Arlinghaus family. 859-384-0103

PRAYERS FOR A VISIT

Dearest Lord! Make us remember when the world is cold and dreary and we know not where to turn for comfort, that there is always one spot bright and cheerful, the Sanctuary. When we are in desolation of spirit; when all who are dear to us have passed away, like summer flowers, and none are left to love us and care for us, whisper to our troubled souls that there is one friend Who dies not—One Whose love never changes—Jesus on the altar.

When sorrows thicken and crush us with their burden, when we look in vain for comfort, let Thy dear words come forth with full force from the Tabernacle: "Come to Me all ye who labor and are heavily burdened, and I will refresh ye." Thy friendship, dearest Lord, henceforth shall be the dearest treasure we possess. It shall compensate for the treachery and ingratitude of all creatures.

It shall be our consolation when the wild flowers are growing over the best-loved ones, and when all who hold a dear place in our hearts are withered and gone. With Thy friendship the world shall never be dreary, and life never without a charm. Would that we would realize the pure happiness of possessing Thy sympathy. Would that we could feel—when we are crushed and humbled—when the hope we have lived for has withered—when sorrows and trials that we dare not reveal to any, make our souls sick well nigh unto death—when we look in vain for someone to understand us, one who will enter into our miseries, make us remember that there is One on the altar Who knows every fiber of our hearts, every sorrow, every pain special to our peculiar natures, and Who deeply sympathizes with us, and to suffer seems nothing to the bitterness of suffering alone.

"I AM THE LIVING BREAD"

In the offering of the bread and wine we give material things, as our Lady gave her humanity, to be changed into Christ. At the words of consecration the bread and wine are not there any more;...instead, Christ is there. In that which looks and tastes and feels like unleavened bread, Christ comes closer to us even than the infant could come, even than the child in the womb. He is our food, our life. We give ourselves up to Him. He gives Himself to us. He is lifted up on the priest's hands, sacrificed. God accepts the sacrifice and gives Christ back to us. He is lowered

onto the altar; He Who was taken down from the cross is given to us in Communion, buried, laid to rest in our hearts. It is His will to rise from the dead in our lives and to come back to the world in His risen Host-life. In His risen life on earth Christ often made Himself recognized only by the characteristic of His unmistakable love, by showing His wounds, by His infinite courtesy, by the breaking of bread. He would not allow the sensible beauty and dearness of His human personality, His familiar appearance, to hide the essential Self that He had come back to give. Wholly

consistent with this is Christ's return to us in the Host. We know that in it He is wholly present: body, blood, soul, and divinity. But all this is hidden; even His human appearance is hidden. Because this is the way of absolute love, He insists on coming to us stripped of everything but Himself. For this self-giving Christ in the Host is poor, poorer than He was when, stripped of everything, He was naked on the Cross. He has given up even the appearance of His body, the sound of His voice, His power of mobility... He has made Himself as close to nothing as He could be, while still being accessible to us... In the host, He is our life on earth today.

-Caryll Houselander

Read this meditation slowly during your visit.



THE GRACES OF THE FIVE THOUSAND IN US
How much I love You, O my Jesus. I wish to love You with my whole heart; yet I do not love You enough. My lack of devotion and my sloth make me anxious. I have one desire, that of being near You in the Blessed Sacrament. You are the sweet bridegroom of my soul. My Jesus, my love, my all, gladly would I endure hunger, thirst, heat and cold to remain always with You in the Blessed Sacrament. Would that in Your Eucharistic presence I might unceasingly weep over my sins. Take entire possession of me. To you I consecrate all the powers of my soul and body, my whole being. Would that I could infuse into all hearts a burning love for You. What great glory would be given to You here on earth, if every heart were an altar on which every human will were laid in perfect conformity with Your will to be consumed by the fire of Your love. -Ven. John Neumann

John Neumann († 1860) was born in Bohemia. He moved to America, joined the Redemptorists, and was appointed bishop of Philadelphia in 1852.

MON	10/24/16	ST. RAPHAEL, ARCHANGEL 8:00 AM Low Mass Special Intention (Paul Puglielli) 11:20 AM High Mass In honor of St. Raphael for his faithful care (Ken & Colleen Schroepfer) 3:10 PM October Devotions
TUE	10/25/16	SS. CHRYSANTHUS & DARIA, MM 8:00 AM Low Mass Becky Uhlenbrock – birthday (Bob) 11:20 AM High Mass †Teddy Dunn (Mary Beth Grumblatt) 3:10 PM October Devotions 5:00 PM Low Mass Karen Puglielli – Happy Birthday (Paul & kids)
WED	10/26/16	ST. EVARISTUS, PM 8:00 AM Low Mass Marianne Youngworth (Paul Puglielli) 11:20 AM Requiem High Mass Purgatorial Society 3:00 PM Exposition, Rosary, October Devotions 3:20 PM Benediction, Holy Communion 5:00 PM Low Mass †Cyril F. Jankowiak (Todd & Jennifer Porter)
THU	10/27/16	VIGIL OF SS. SIMON & JUDE 8:00 AM Low Mass Poor Soul who needs it most (Mary Beth Grumblatt) 11:20 AM High Mass Mary Beth Grumblatt (Mary Beth Grumblatt) 3:10 PM October Devotions 5:00 PM Low Mass In honor of Mother of Perpetual Help & for Holy Souls for private intention (Patrick Omlor)
FRI	10/28/16	SS. SIMON & JUDE, APP 8:00 AM Low Mass For Fr. Cekada, his health & recovery (Omlors) 11:20 AM High Mass Grumblatt children (Mary Beth Grumblatt) 3:10 PM October Devotions 5:15 PM Exposition, October Devotions & Confessions 5:45 PM Sacred Heart Novena, Benediction 6:00 PM Sermon, Low Mass In honor of Mother of Perpetual Help & for Holy Souls for private intention (Patrick Omlor)
SAT	10/29/16	OUR LADY'S SATURDAY 7:10 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass †Frank Youngworth–Birthday Remembrance (Diane Puglielli) 8:05 AM Salve, Exposition, October Devotions, Benediction & Sermon 8:35 AM High Mass In honor of Mother of Perpetual Help & for Holy Souls for private intention (Patrick Omlor)
SUN	10/30/16	CHRIST THE KING PENTECOST XXIV 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass Children & Godchildren (Dan & Mary) 9:00 AM High Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great 10:40 AM Catechism Classes 11:05 AM Rosary 11:30 AM Low Mass Uncles Rob & Dick Breitenstein (Connie Kamphaus) 4:30 PM Solemn Vespers, October Devotions, Benediction 5:45 PM Low Mass In honor of Mother of Perpetual Help & for Holy Souls for private intention (Patrick Omlor)

ST. JUDE THADDEUS & ST. SIMON, APOSTLES

This coming Friday, October 28, is the feast of Ss. Simon & Jude Thaddeus.

St. Simon the Cananean, was also known as Simon the Zealot. Little is known of St. Simon. He evangelized in Egypt and Mesopotamia. Several places claim to have been the site of his martyrdom. Abyssinians claim he was crucified in Samaria; Lipsius says he was sawn in half at Suanir, Persia; Moses of Chorene writes that he was martyred at Weriosphora in Iberia; many locations claim to have relics. He is the patron of curriers, sawmen, sawyers and tanners.

St. Jude Thaddeus was the son of Cleophas, who died a martyr, and Mary who stood at the foot of the Cross, and who anointed Christ's body after death. He was the brother of St. James the Lesser and the nephew of Mary and Joseph; a blood relative of Jesus Christ, and reported to look a lot like him. He may have been a fisherman.

St. Jude Thaddeus was a writer of a canonical letter. He preached in Syria, Mesopotamia, and Persia with St. Simon. He could exorcise pagan idols, which caused the demons to flee and the statues to crumble.

St. Jude was beaten to death with a club, then beheaded post-mortem in first century Persia. His relics are at Saint Peter's, Rome, at Rheims, and at Toulouse, France. He is the patron of lost or impossible causes.



O Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, have mercy on us!

Indulgence of 300 days

Praise and adoration ever more be given to the most holy Sacrament. Indulgence of 300 days

O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine! All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine!

Indulgence of 300 days. Indulgence of 3 years when recited in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

S E R V I C E S

SUN 10/30	7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros. 9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: R. Vande Ryt, P. Omlor CROSS: L. Arlinghaus TH: S. Arlinghaus ACS: M. Simpson, D. McConnell MITRE: T. Lawrence STAFF: C. Arlinghaus TORCH: D. Holbrook, J. Stewart, D. Simpson, L. Arlinghaus, P. & A. McConnell 11:30 AM LOW: Nicholas & Peter McClorey 4:30 PM VESPERS, DEVOTIONS, & BENEDICTION: G. Miller 5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller
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