

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

April 22, 2018

SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH

EASTER II



¶ ST. JOSEPH SUNDAY

Sunday classes are at 10:40 AM today. Recited Vespers are at 5 PM, followed by Benediction.

¶ ST. MARK – GREATER LITANIES

Wednesday, April 25th a solemn procession will take place at 11:00 AM, and High Mass will be celebrated, to implore the Divine blessing on the fruits of the earth. At the same time, beseech the Lord, in His mercy, to remove from us the chastisement which we have deserved for our sins, and to grant us the grace to avoid committing fresh offenses, as well as the grace of persevering in our spiritual resurrection. The Mass of St. Mark will be offered at 5:00 PM.

¶ OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Thursday, April 26th, is the feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel. Come to her Mass to plead for her help and guidance for our Holy Mother Church. We continue a triduum in her honor through Saturday.

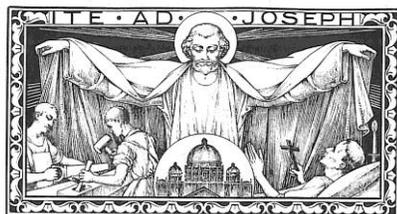
¶ NEXT SUNDAY: EASTER IV

Sunday classes will be at 10:40 AM. Vespers will be at 4:45 PM, followed by Benediction.

📖 *Set Your Missal:* Easter IV, collects of St. Peter Martyr and St. Joseph Cottolengo. Easter Preface.

¶ OUR SICK

Please pray for Charlie Henry and Chris Browne, as well as for all of our sick and shut-in.



Wedding Banns

Second time:

Joseph Young & Jacinta Hill

¶ WE ARE TRADITIONAL

We are traditional Catholics, so we keep the tradition of dressing respectfully for Sunday Mass, formally even, as you would if you were going to an important event. Because you are.

Men and boys must wear a tie and a jacket or a sweater, with dress pants and shoes. Ladies and girls must wear a modest dress, your Sunday best, which honors God's House, one which conceals rather than reveals. Sleeves *at least* to the neighborhood of the elbow, please! It won't kill you. Priests and gentlemen are wearing at least two layers. Catch up. Let's all be modest and give a good example. These are rules, not suggestions, and just common sense, really.

O holy Patriarch Joseph, ever blessed be thy soul, which was adorned with all the virtues and gifts of the Holy Ghost. Glory be to the Father...

THE PASCHAL SACRAMENTS 2018

Please note these important dates:

CHILDREN'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION: Thursday, May 17th.

CONFIRMATIONS: Vigil of Pentecost, Saturday, May 19th.

FIRST COMMUNION: Corpus Christi Sunday, June 3rd.

¶ CONFIRMATIONS

The sacrament of Confirmation will be solemnly administered on Saturday, May 19th. Anyone, child or adult, who wishes to receive the sacrament, should contact the church office at (513) 645-4212 or parishoffice@sgg.org for the necessary form. If you're new and were confirmed in the Novus Ordo (since 1971), you *really* should receive a conditional Confirmation.

Sponsors must be members of St. Gertrude the Great, or a church affiliated with us. Please ask if you have a question.

¶ GIRLS' CAMP APPROACHES!

Girls' Camp is June 27-29. If you are planning on bringing your girls, please make sure to call or email the office to let us know, so we have an idea of how many to prepare for. All girls ages 6 and up are welcome. 513-645-4212; parishoffice@sgg.org.

¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

2018 YAG: June 22-24. For more information and to register, please visit yagincincy.org.

Girls' Camp: June 27-29

Boys' Camp: July 24-26

Collection Report

Sunday, April 15th.....\$3,579.00

THE PROTECTOR & PATRON OF HOLY MOTHER THE CHURCH

The duties which Joseph once performed for Jesus and Mary he now performs for Holy Mother Church and all her children. He performs these functions for us with the same love, the same fidelity, the same strength which he once displayed with respect to Jesus and Mary. The liturgy of the day presents him in this way. We gratefully accept his protection as we recite the words of the Introit: "The Lord is our helper and protector; in Him our heart shall rejoice, and in His holy name we have trusted, alleluia, alleluia." Then we make this request: "Give ear, O Thou that rulest Israel [Holy Mother the Church], Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep." St. Joseph in turn assures us: "In whatever tribulation they shall cry to me, I will hear them, and be their protector always" (Alleluia verse). Then in the name of Holy Mother the Church we beg of St. Joseph: "Do thou, O Joseph, make us lead an innocent life; may it ever be shielded by thy patronage" (Alleluia verse).

THE SEVEN SORROWS & SEVEN JOYS OF ST. JOSEPH

1. The doubt of St. Joseph. (*Matt. 1:19*). The message of the Angel. (*Matt. 1:20*).
2. The poverty of Jesus' birth. (*Luke 2:7*). The birth of the Savior. (*Luke 2:7*).
3. The Circumcision. (*Luke 2:21*). The Holy Name of Jesus. (*Matt. 2:7*).
4. The prophecy of Simeon. (*Luke 2:34*). The effects of the Redemption. (*Luke 2:34*).
5. The flight into Egypt. (*Matt. 2:22*). The overthrow of the idols of Egypt. (*Is. 19:1*).
6. The return from Egypt. (*Matt. 2:22*). Life with Jesus and Mary at Nazareth. (*Luke 2:39*).
7. The loss of the Child Jesus. (*Luke 2:45*). The finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple. (*Luke 2:46*).

We know that St. Joseph will care for us with the same solicitude and love with which he cared for Jesus and Mary. That is the ground for our implicit faith in him. He assures us: "In whatever tribulation they shall cry to me, I will hear them, and be their protector always." St. Joseph hears in our prayers the voice of the Savior who prays in us. Can he refuse to give ear to us? Can he leave our petition unanswered? He cannot if we have the confidence which the liturgy has in his burning zeal. It would have us honor him and fly to his patronage in all matters of our external life and in our exertions to acquire virtue and sanctity.



LILIES OF SAINT JOSEPH

Oh! of all the lovely flowers
That dedeck the garden bowers,
Or illumine, with rainbow light, the
woodland and the lea,
One is fair and the fairest,
Richer, rarer, than the rarest,
Ay, the sweet and stainless lily is
the queen of flowers for me.

When I see its snowy chalice,
Like a white and shining palace
From its stalk uprising grandly, I
bethink me of the rod
With its mystic lilies laden,
That to Israel's royal maiden
Showed the fitting Spouse selected
by the miracle of God.

Other blooms of earthly bowers
Sister are to starry flowers
That, within the fields above us,
have their bright, celestial birth.
But thy sheen, O royal lily!
Is the moonlight, calm and stilly,
Shedding streams of silvery splendor
o'er the firmament of earth.

Lily leaves of balm and brightness,
Ye have shrined the fragrant
whiteness,
From the angel wings reflected,
downward through the desert
gloom.
And ye blossom sweetly, solely,
For the lighted altars holy,
Emblems of the blessed Joseph,
types of Mary's virgin bloom.

- Harriet M. Skidmore

For Katie Bischak



Friday I left for my annual Confirmation visit to Milwaukee. A beautiful, rare Spring morning. Sunshine, Robins, rabbits and cats in the cool early hours. The first lawn of the season is luxuriously green. The dandelions ("lions' teeth," remember, from the French) look like charming Spring flowers, little naturalized narcissus, not enemies at all. But good Brendan was out Thursday evening to do a little mowing. 'Tis time, I'm sure.

Our High Schoolers, two parents and one priest, will have returned from their Spring trip to Washington, D.C. **Fr. Lehtoranta** has been texting a McFather with a daily report as they accomplished their daunting agenda. A lot to see.

The school year will soon be over now. I think our Gertrudians have had a really educational year, with challenging classes and our own **Fr. Cekada** for music appreciation, and the trip to the capitol, as well as some concerts. Many of the homeschoolers get in on the music. Some of them will be graduating this year, and we hope to organize a Mass for them, as we did before.

Our First Communicants did well for the test, with Fr. Cekada, who calms frayed nerves as needed, and distributes a handful of candy at the day's conclusion. Father is our guest preacher this morning.

Weather permitting, the roofers have been roofing. They work quickly. Their hammering made a fitting background for the St. Joseph Solemnity Wednesday, for he was a tektón, a carpenter, a builder, a contractor even. He taught the Boy Jesus how to work with nails, which was His life's work.

The lilies this year were elegant and are lasting a long time in the cold April. But I wondered why there was no fragrance? Usually the smell was overwhelming, and Katie would suffer terribly with her allergies. But for the first time, nothing. Katie would be pleased. A sign? Perhaps, but maybe just a reminder, like the crocuses for Sharon's funeral. The Weeping Cherry Blossom tree which Beckie Mattingly put in my garden bloomed on Easter Sunday, all in white. Easter Monday saw it doubly white, under the snow. Well, let us remember our dear dead. Remember to pray for them. "They are as close to us as a prayer."

The cats take turns methodically patrolling the high grass for little eatable animals, a threat if ever there were one. Caravaggio has been depositing medium size viscera on my porches. He must think me a pagan priest who reads entrails.... I'm afraid he eats the rest. He's been overdoing on Easter Bunnies of

late, and suffers for it terribly. But things always have a way of working out as he sleeps it off.

Wednesday we process for the Greater Litanies, which like this feast of St. Joseph, are powerful prayers for the Church, and for Rome our spiritual home. Next week it will be May, and a busy May it will be indeed. Rest up and prepare.

May St. Joseph keep you close, so close, to Jesus and Mary!

- Bishop Dolan



O holy Patriarch Joseph, ever blessed be thine intellect, which was full of the most sublime knowledge of God and was enlightened with revelations. Glory be to the Father...

O holy Patriarch Joseph, ever blessed be thy will, which was all inflamed with love for Jesus and Mary and always perfectly conformable to the Divine will. Glory be to the Father...

O holy Patriarch Joseph, ever blessed be thine eyes, to which it was granted to look continually upon Jesus and Mary. Glory be to the Father...

Servers

WED 4/25 **GREATER LITANIES 11:00 AM:** MC: J. Simpson TH: D. McConnell CROSS: P. McClorey ACs: A. McConnell, M. Simpson TORCH: D. Simpson, C. & J. Mourer, S. Richesson, A. McClorey, B. Kamphaus

SUN 4/29 **7:30 AM LOW:** Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: R. VandeRyt, J. Lacy TH: T. Lawrence ACs: C. Richesson, D. Simpson TORCH: S. Richesson, C. & J. Mourer, B. Kamphaus
11:30 AM LOW: A.D. Kinnett, P. McClorey
4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller



2018 YOUNG ADULT GET-TOGETHER

June 22 - Fri.

5:00 pm

Arrival & Sign-In

5:15 pm

Confessions

5:45 pm

Mass with Sermon

About 7:00 pm

Dinner

Carpool Arrangements

10:30 pm

Premises close for the night



June 23 - Sat.

8:30 am

Breakfast in Helfta Hall

Bookstore will be open

10:30 am

Arrival at Chateau Laroche

Arranging of groups for tours

1:00 pm

Lunch

Optional canoeing depending

on river conditions

5:00 pm

Evening Mass with Sermon for

beginning of St. John's Bonfire

Festivities - open to parish

7:00 pm

Square Dancing - open to

parish

9:15 pm

Blessing of Bonfire

Campfire Songs & S'mores!

June 24 - Sun.

Mass Times

7:30 - 9:00 High Mass - 11:30

1:00 pm

Bowling at Game of Fairfield

Pizza lunch served ASAP

3:00

End of YAG

Airport shuttles as arranged



***Come meet* fellow Catholics
AND HAVE FUN!***

Registration ends June 17. Sign up today at yagincincy.org

**Meeting not required if you're not big on social things. Seeing is fine too. Hey, there are s'mores. Just come!*

WE GET QUESTIONS

Someone recently wrote to ask whether it is permissible to attend a Novus Ordo funeral, since it is not the Catholic Church. Is a dispensation required? And, importantly, “how to handle this situation without adding any problems to the family?”

How indeed? The problem part is perplexing, and admits of no ready explanation. Each family, each situation is different. Emotions run high at a family death. Oh, you may attend, the Funeral. Canon Law permits that, out of respect. Just sit in the back and don't participate. Somebody will probably come round and try to shake your hand, though. Sigh.

But *should* you attend? Are you obliged to? That's another question. What if you couldn't bear it, or considered it unnecessary, offensive even, in the circumstances? Pray to the Mother of Good Counsel. Ask advice of others. Consult the clergy. Explain, in any case, your own beliefs to the family, calmly, and quietly. Just do your best. If you are a devout Catholic and take your faith seriously, your Novus Ordo and Nothing relatives probably look upon you as a nut already. Maybe there's not much to lose. But be gentle and kindly in your manner, as you explain your Faith to family.

Would a wake, a Rosary, and even some informal eulogies in a Funeral Home suffice, and spare you the circus of the Ordo? Perhaps. “Full disclosure.” I did not attend my own mother's funeral, but offered Mass for her at the same hour. Granted, mine was a special case.

You may certainly attend a Novus Ordo, or even one of those imitation Latin Masses they have nowadays, out of respect to the deceased. But I wonder why one has to be present when God is so “disrespected” in order to show respect. I hope this helps, and promise my prayers.

WE GET LETTERS...

Your Excellency and good Fathers,

Thank you—and your fine altar servers and choir—for the magnificent Holy Week and Easter Liturgies, which you so generously shared through the internet. We are deeply grateful. Happy Easter!

Dear Excellency & Fathers,

I can't tell you enough how renewed coming to St. Gertrude the Great makes us feel.... It is a Godsend that we have found you.... Thank you for also having the webcast.... We do appreciate all the blessings that are bestowed upon us when we do come. Know that all of you are in our prayers daily as well as your “flock” at West Chester Ohio. Wishing you a glorious Easter Season.

SPIRITUAL EXERCISES OF ST. IGNATIUS FOR LADIES

according to the method of Fr. Vallet (+1947)

*at St. Joseph's Church
Mount Vernon, Washington*



Preached by Fr. Daniel Ahern & Fr. Carlos Ercoli
from **June 11** at noon to **June 15** at noon

*"For what shall it profit a man, if he gain the whole world,
and suffer the loss of his soul?" (Mk. 8, 36)*

5 days to prepare our happy eternity ... what are they in comparison with the rest 360 days which every year we spend in this present world of darkness? ...

Practical notes:

- To participate in the Spiritual Retreat, one must be 18 years old.
- We recommend that you bring with you your own bed sheets and towels. We will provide blankets.
- We advise you to bring a notebook to take notes, a gospel book, a missal and the Imitation of Jesus Christ.
- The normal fee for the retreat is \$100 in order to cover expenses of room and board. A \$25 deposit may apply at the time of enrollment as a sign of commitment.
- However, nobody should abstain from doing the exercises for financial reasons. If you find this difficult, we encourage you to contact us, and we will find a way to make this possible. The salvation of your soul should be above any other consideration.

Since the number of rooms is limited, you are encouraged to submit your enrollment as soon as possible. For more information & enrollment, please contact Holy Redeemer Chapel at 206-299-1522, or send an email to: fr.ercoli@gmail.com

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| MON | 4/23/18 | ST. GEORGE, M 8:00 AM Low Mass The faithful departed (<i>Patsy McConnell</i>) 11:25 AM High Mass †Sharon Patton (<i>Member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel</i>) |
| TUE | 4/24/18 | ST. FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN, M 8:00 AM Low Mass †Sharon Patton (<i>Koehlers</i>) 11:25 AM High Mass †Jane Donadio (<i>Patsy McConnell</i>) 5:00 PM Low Mass Thanksgiving St. Anthony (<i>S. Kurtz</i>) |
| WED | 4/25/18 | ST. MARK, EV GREATER LITANIES OCTAVE DAY OF ST. JOSEPH 8:00 AM Low Mass †Elaine Pawinski (<i>Annie Young</i>) 11:00 AM Greater Litanies 11:30 AM High Mass Happy Name Day, Mark (<i>The Fathers</i>) Closing of St. Joseph Novena 5:00 PM Low Mass of St. Mark Private Intention (<i>Mr. Tobias Bayer</i>) |
| THU | 4/26/18 | SS. CLETUS & MARCELLINUS, PPM <i>OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL</i> 8:00 AM Low Mass My family & friends (<i>Rich VandeRyt</i>) 11:25 AM High Mass of Our Mother of Good Counsel Happy Birthday, Fr. Lehtoranta Opening of the Triduum 5:00 PM Low Mass Judy's Intentions (<i>Judy Ewing</i>) |
| FRI | 4/27/18 | ST. PETER CANISIUS, CD <i>ST. TURIBIUS OF MOGROVEJO, BPC</i> 8:00 AM Low Mass Special Intention (<i>Rich VandeRyt</i>) 11:06 AM Confessions 11:25 AM High Mass †Abp. Marcel Lefebvre, 27 th Anniversary (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Mark Lotarski & family</i>) 5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary 5:45 PM Low Mass Happy Birthday, Dad (<i>Theresa Simpson</i>) 6:30 PM Novena & Benediction |
| SAT | 4/28/18 | ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS, C ST. VITALIS, M <i>ST. LOUIS DE MONTFORT, C • ST. PETER CHANEL, M</i> <i>OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION</i> 7:10 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass †Sharon Patton (<i>The Wilker Family</i>) 8:05 AM Regina Coeli & Sermon 8:20 AM High Mass †Sharon Patton & her family (<i>Jason Murray</i>) |
| SUN | 4/29/18 | EASTER IV ST. PETER MARTYR <i>ST. JOSEPH COTTOLENGO, C</i> TRIDUUM TO DR. JESUS AT ALL MASSES 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass †Sharon Patton (<i>Lacy Family</i>) 9:00 AM High Mass Bishop Selway (<i>Dave & MaryAnn Marko</i>) 10:40 AM Sunday Classes 11:05 AM Rosary 11:30 AM Low Mass †Jane B. Donadio (<i>Robert & Carmel DeChristofaro</i>) 4:45 PM Vespers & Benediction 5:45 PM Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great |

THE STANDARD SSPX BOILERPLATE ON THE
MAGISTERIUM AND INFALLIBILITY

Its underlying error is misapplying the term “infallible” in such a way as to present solemn extraordinary magisterium alone as requiring the assent of faith.

This sleight-of-hand leaves out the other part of the equation: universal ordinary magisterium, which also requires the assent of faith and is likewise infallible. And while Paul VI, in speaking of Vatican II, may have excluded *solemn definitions*, he did not exclude universal ordinary magisterium.

One way this magisterium is exercised, says the *Dictionary of Catholic Theology*, is “by the express teaching habitually imparted, outside of formal definitions, by the pope and the body of bishops dispersed throughout the world.” (“Église,” DTC 4:2194) And of course, this was exactly the case with the V2 teachings.

First, all the bishops who were at the Council went home and, in union with Paul VI, taught the doctrines of Vatican II to the faithful.

How do I know? I was there and lived through this garbage. It was V2, V2 and nothing but V2 — in declarations of the bishops’ conference, in statements from individual diocesan bishops, in sermons from the pulpit, in the religion classroom, and in articles week after week throughout the Catholic press.

Second, Vatican II’s doctrines are enshrined in Catechism of JP2, who declared the catechism “a sure norm for teaching the faith,” “a sure and authentic reference text for teaching Catholic doctrine... to assist in the writing of new local catechisms... while carefully preserving the unity of faith and fidelity to Catholic doctrine.” (Constitution *Fidei Depositum*, 11 October 1992)

Only a theological idiot would claim that the teachings contained a universal catechism promulgated by a (putative) Roman Pontiff to the universal Church and used by bishops everywhere is not universal ordinary magisterium.

So, confronted with the errors and heresies of Vatican II promulgated by the Conciliar Church’s “universal ordinary magisterium” on one hand, and Vatican I’s teaching that the universal ordinary magisterium is infallible and demands the assent of faith on the other, a Catholic has exactly two choices as explanations:

1. The Church of Christ has defected, and promulgated heresy, OR
2. The promulgators of this heresy did not and do not possess the authority of the Church of Christ.

Faith tells us the obvious answer.

— Fr. Cekada

Don’t be deceived. And undeceive your friends. More and more people are recognizing the rank heresy from Rome. Even an old R&R stalwart, Fr. Ringrose, has opened his eyes at last!

Two choices, remember — that’s all!