

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

July 22, 2018
PENTECOST IX
ST. MARY MAGDALEN, PENITENT



¶ PENTECOST IX

Vespers with Benediction are at 4:45 PM today. The Blessing of Cars will take place during all Masses.



¶ THIS WEEK: BOYS CAMP & GREAT SAINTS

We begin Boys' Camp this year with High Mass each day, starting on Tuesday at 9:00 AM, followed by the great Apostle of Our Lady, Spain, and the Christada, St. James, Wednesday at 8 AM, and closing with God's own dear Grandmother, St. Anne, on Thursday at 8 AM. The Summer Novena follows all Masses on Tuesday. Release forms for the Boys Camp are in the vestibule. Parents, please sign them so your boys may attend the camp.

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: PENTECOST X

Vespers with Benediction will be at 4:45 PM next Sunday.

☞ *Set Your Missal:* Pentecost X, with collects of St. Martha and St. Felix, Ss. Simplicius & Companions. Proper Last Gospel of St. Martha. Trinity Preface.

¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Connie Kamphaus; Larry Borne; a priest having a medical procedure; and the persecuted Christians in Nigeria.



Congratulations to Patrick and Cristin Lotarski on the baptism of their son, Liam Joseph, on Sunday, July 1, 2018.

Lumen Christi

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before the Blessed Sacrament during the next fortnight for the following intention:

For God's Light
(Patrick Curry)



SALVATION

This could be the most important thing you ever read

Mary revealed to a number of saints that it is very pleasing to her if we, in her stead, thank God for the graces and prerogatives He bestowed on her. A slight degree of devotion, if practiced daily and perseveringly, may obtain for us great graces. It may even be the sole means of our salvation. The Mother of God once said to Ven. Mary of Agreda: "Numberless are those whom I have snatched from the infernal dragon because they still practiced some devotion to me, even though it was but one Hail Mary, or some invocation which they pronounced in my honor."

Collection Report

Sunday, July 15th.....\$2,746.00
Thank you for your generosity.

TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

O picture, of my Mother
up on high,
You'll be my joy for ever—for you will
For ever be my treasure...
Oh! may I



In my last moments gaze upon you
still.

I'll go and see *you*—always!—when
I quit
This foreign shore, O Mary. Ah, but
how
Good that your picture's here, for it
Is my Perpetual Help—now!

- St. Therese

THE MOTORIST'S PRAYER

Lord grant me a steady hand & watchful eye
That no man may be hurt when I pass by
Thou givest life; I pray no act of mine
May take away, or mar, this act of Thine.
Save those, dear Lord, who bear me company,
From shock and pain, and all calamity.
Teach me to use my car for others' need,
Nor miss through love of speed
The beauty of this world; that so I may
With joy and courtesy go on my way.



VALUE OF THE HOLY MASS

A pious author says: "Place together the merits of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the adorations of the Angels, the labors of the Apostles, the sufferings of the Martyrs, the purity of the Virgins, the virtues of the Confessors, in a word, the good works of all the Saints from the beginning to the end of the world. Add thereto, in imagination, the merits of the Saints of a thousand worlds more perfect than ours. It is of faith, that, you will not have even the value of a single Mass." The reason is because the sacrifice of the Mass is identical with the sacrifice of the Cross, which sacrifice is of *Infinite Merit*.

Hence a thousand devotions, a thousand Rosaries, a thousand Litanies are as nothing comparing to the value of a single Mass.



OUR EYES AND OUR EYELIDS

Father Bernard Vaughan is quoted as saying in an address to young folk: "God has given us eyelids as well as eyes. Our eyes are to see with. Our eyelids are not to see. There are a great many things in life—bad things—and God gives us eyelids that we may not see them, and eyes to look at good things. Use your eyelids as well as your eyes."

A CHRISTMAS CHANT

Four thousand years earth waited,
Four thousand years men prayed,
Four thousand years the nations
sighed,
That their King so long delayed.

The prophets told His coming,
The saintly for Him sighed.
And the star of the Babe of Bethle-
hem
Shone o'er them when they died.

Their faces towards the future,
They longed to hail the light
That in the after centuries
Would rise on Christmas night.

But still the Savior tarried,
Within His father's home
And the nations wept and won-
dered why
The promised had not come.

At last earth's hope was granted,
And a God was a child of earth;
And a thousand angels chanted
The lowly midnight birth.

Ah! Bethlehem was grander
That hour than Paradise;
And the light of earth that night
eclipsed
The splendors of the skies.

Then let us sing the anthem
The angels once did sing;
Until the music of love and praise,
O'er whole wide world will ring.

Gloria in excelsis!
Sound the thrilling song;
In excelsis Deo!
Roll the hymn along.
Gloria in excelsis!
Let the heavens ring;
In excelsis Deo!
Welcome, new-born King
Gloria in excelsis!
Over the sea and land,
In excelsis Deo!
Chant the anthem grand.

Gloria in excelsis!
Let us all rejoice;
In excelsis Deo!
Lift each heart and voice.
Gloria in excelsis!
Swell the hymn on high;
In excelsis Deo!
Sound it to the sky.
Gloria in excelsis!
Sing it, sinful earth,
In excelsis Deo!
For the Savior's birth.

Thus joyfully and victoriously,
Glad and ever so gloriously,
High as the heavens, wide as the
earth,
Swelleth the hymn of the Savior's
birth.

Excerpt from the much longer A Christmas Chant, by the great Poet Laureate of the South, Fr. Abram Ryan. This poem takes us from the Kyrie to the Gloria, from Advent to Christmas. Like all poetry, it wants to be read aloud. A beautiful Gloria meditation.



The Gloria is a sublime hymn of praise, and we should repeat it in the spirit of a joyful welcome to our Savior who is soon to be born anew upon the altar as He was born in the cave at Bethlehem. Jesus is present in the Most Blessed Sacrament as truly as He was in the grotto. The tabernacle is as the stable of His Eucharistic life, the ciborium as His manger, the white form of the Sacred Host as His swathing bands. Here, too, He is often exposed to bitter cold; it is winter about Him because many times He is surrounded by the cold blasts of the indifference and ingratitude of the hearts of men. Let us join with the angels in praising Him, with the shepherds in adoring Him, with the Magi in glorifying Him.

Thank you for your prayers for our travelling clergy. We're praying for you in turn, and blessing cars today to honor St. Christopher, whose patronage we invoke for all kinds of travel. May it all be safe.

Fr. Cekada has gone "home" to Milwaukee for his annual birthday visit, with Mass at St. Hugh. Some of the St. Hugh boys will be coming to our camp this week, and are welcome. The **McFathers** are staying close to home base (although still serving south/central Illinois [Holy Face] and Chillicothe [St. Clare]) as they are preparing for the annual three day adventure of Boys Camp. One of its apostolic "extras" is the Dads' Campfire each evening. Your prayers, please. Much good is done these days.

Fr. Lehtoranta is in very warm Sweden today, and comes back at the end of the week. I returned from cooler, green Mexico to dried out West Chester. I am grateful for the recent rain. But the heat has not been too bad. St. Anne's Lace is in bloom everywhere, as are our two Rose of Sharon. On Friday, between rains, the cats were intently watching a hummingbird feed from them. We remember Sharon, and Becky, and the litany of mostly ladies who died starting one year ago. Such devotion. So many memories.

My short Mexican trip was productive, exhausting and encouraging. Forty Confirmations/First Communion for the Fiesta of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Dos Rios, Veracruz. Great Reception procession with flowers, many people, a canopy and a real Mariachi Band. I loved the Mariachi version of the Fatima hymn.

But I was so impressed at how these poor, hard-working people scrimped and saved and sacrificed for their church. They made from local trees, entirely by hand, fifty fine wooden pews. It was a real group effort, a labor of love.

Friday they had another 5.8 earthquake in Mexico City. **Fr. Siordia** came to see me during my visit last Saturday, and reports his church is now safe, from the Novus Ordo at least. But the government agency for historical buildings is only plastering over the cracks, without addressing structural concerns. Father is still saying Mass in a tent chapel. More are attending Mass since the earthquake, about 250. That's progress. Father is thinking he will have to build a church.

A second Brazilian priest from the Resistance has expressed an interest in joining us. He rejects the illogical theology and modernist liturgy of the Pius X world, and is rejecting most of all being "one with" Bergoglio. But remember the rot goes back to modernist infiltration during the reign of Pius XII. Did you see Fr. Cekada's

latest video on the new Holy Week? It is charming, profoundly informative, and enlivened with Irish wit, which is not bad for a Slovene: [Fr. Cekada Talks with Pius XII](#).

Nigeria is under the patronage of great St. Patrick, and a good thing. I knew both Mexico and Nigeria were unsafe for priests. But I learned last week of a veritable genocide of Nigerian Christians at the hands of our hereditary enemies, the Moslems. 6,000, mostly women and children and helpless have been murdered by our friends in Bush's "religion of peace," Islam, in the first six months of this year alone. Of course, nobody is talking about it. They never do. It is like the American wars in the Middle East, which have about destroyed Christianity in its very cradle. Silence. But talk about, and pray for the poor persecuted Christians of the world.

Be sure to look at the Bishop's Apostolate page at our website, and learn about **Fr. Nkamuke's** Nigerian missions, seminarians, and apostolate, so worthy of our support.

A good report from a blessed Friday the 13th this month. A good turnout for a very warm evening as you prayed the 15 decades for peace to honor Our Lady's Immaculate Heart. You know this is everything. There, in her heart, God's will and man's aspirations come together in glory!

God bless you,

Bishop Dolan



Kindling wood...for the Altar

The Mass is the meeting-place of the sincere, who recognizing their proneness to act stupidly—in small things or in great—come to ask God's forgiveness (only the Pharisees believed themselves to be perfect).... Certainly, I must not torture my conscience if nothing startling appears, but I should at least regret my past negligences...

ARGUMENT

People do not argue with the wind—they simply close the window.

People do not argue with a fire—they simply throw water on the flames.

People do not argue with poison—they simply do not drink it.

Likewise:

One does not argue with Satan—one simply sends him away.

One does not argue with vicious friends—one simply avoids them.

One does not argue with a bad book—one simply throws it away.

One does not argue with one's duty—one simply performs it.

One does not argue with the Gospel—one simply practices it.

One does not argue with God—one simply serves and adores Him.

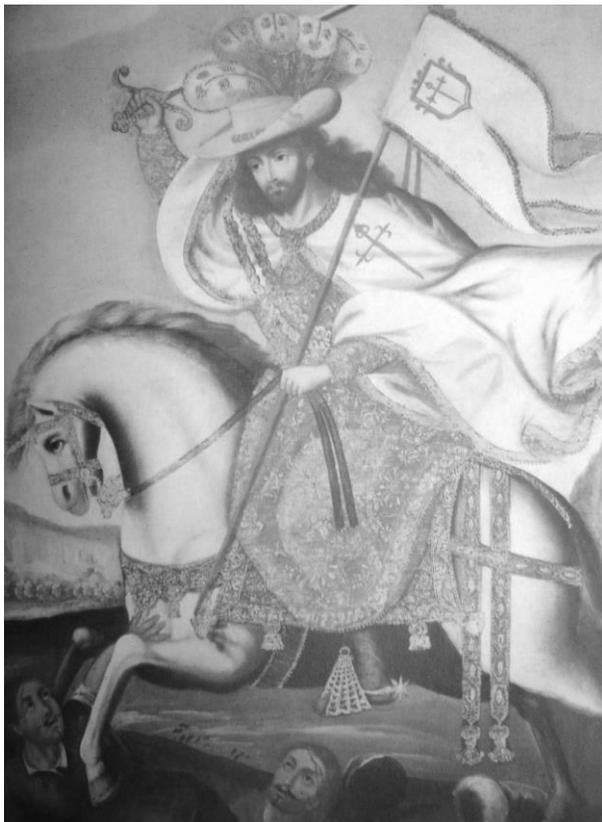
BOYS CAMP 2018



JULY 24-26

***BRING YOUR BOYS FOR THREE DAYS OF HOLY
MASS, SERMONS, AND SPORTS!***

TUESDAY 9:00 AM, WEDNESDAY 8:00 AM, THURSDAY 8:00 AM



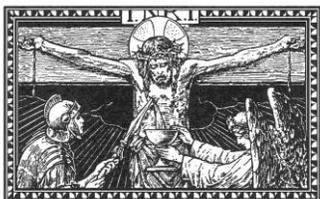
SAINT BOTVID

Patron Saint of Finnish converts...and fisherman

According to his 13th-century *Life*, Botvid was a pagan Swedish merchant who encountered Christians in England and converted to the Faith. He returned to his homeland, where he began to preach Christ through Vastmanland and Norrland.

It is said that once Botvid went fishing on a lake where the owner demanded that every fourth fish be handed over to him. Anxious to avoid an argument, Botvid discreetly rowed to an island in the lake that he himself owned. The fish followed him, and his catch was so great that he was able to share with other local fisherman who had found their way to Botvid's spot. When the owner of the lake rowed to the island out of curiosity, Botvid encouraged the man to fish for free, and the man's heart was won over.

Another of Botvid's charitable acts was ransom of a Finnish slave. Botvid had catechized the man and baptized him. As he and a servant prepared the boat to take the former slave back to his homeland, the man turned on them and brutally killed them. Botvid's friends later found his body and buried it; his grave became a place of prayer and conversion. The site of his tomb in Botkyrka, Sweden, is still honored by a stone church. In the town's seal, Botvid holds a fish and an axe.



THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD
OF THE NEW & ETERNAL TESTAMENT



PRAYER TO THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

O Sacred Blood, that flowed so copiously seven times for my salvation, I love Thee, I praise Thee, I adore Thee with the deepest feeling of gratitude! The purest fountain from which Thou didst flow makes Thy memory so sweet. O Precious Blood, with trumpet tones Thou speakest to me of the love of my God and Redeemer. How I deplore my coldness and indifference towards Thee! Now, at last, I wish to return love for love, blood for blood, if necessary. As often as my pulse beats, it shall greet Thee, Thou sweet Guest of my soul, and shall return to the arteries warmed and purified by Thy love. As long as the blood courses through my veins, it shall flow only for love of Thee; it shall circulate only for Thy interests and it shall turn cold and stand still only because I am about to love Thee in eternity. Oh, let this stream of Thy love flow through every heart and inebriate it with holy joy!

¶ WE GET LETTERS...

Dear Bishop Dolan,

Every Friday here, at 4:30 PM, on our closed circuit religion channel, 8 consecutive sermons by Fr. Cekada are broadcast, followed by Bp. Sanborn's sermon, "Cut from the Novus Ordo." Despite having heard each of these sermons over 20 times, I still listen to each one. Fr. Cekada is an excellent speaker and he has a good sense of humor, also. I think it's remarkable that we have been able to accomplish getting these sermons on the air here, when you consider how difficult it is to work with the current administration, which is something akin to North Korea.

From an apostolic prisoner in Arizona

CAPITALISM & COMMUNISM

If by capitalism is meant, not dif-fused ownership of property, but monopolistic capitalism in which capital bids for labor on a market, and concentrates wealth in the hands of a few, then from an economic point of view alone, the Church is just as much opposed to capitalism as it is to communism. Communism emphasizes social use to the exclusion of personal rights, and capitalism emphasizes personal rights to the exclusion of social use. The Church says both are wrong, for though the right to property is personal, the use is social.

Capitalistic economy is godless; communism makes economics God.

— Fulton J. Sheen,
Communism and the Conscience of the West
(Indianapolis and New York:
The Bobbs-Merrill Company, 1948)



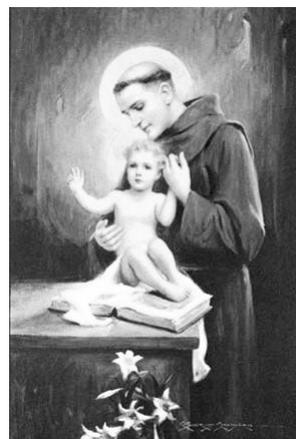
O most merciful Jesus, I give Thee thanks for that work of piety which the blessed Mary Magdalen wrought on Thee, when she washed Thy feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair on her head, and kissed them and anointed them with fragrant ointment; whereby she obtained from Thee such signal grace that Thou didst pour into her heart and soul so great a love of Thee, that she could love nothing apart from Thee; beseeching Thee, that by her merits and intercessions Thou wouldst vouchsafe to give me tears of true repentance and pour into my heart Thy divine love. Amen.

— St. Mechtilde

MON	7/23/18	ST. APOLLINARIS, BpM ST. LIBORIUS, BpC 8:00 AM Low Mass Paul Benedetto (<i>Marguerite Benedetto</i>)
TUE	7/24/18	VIGIL OF ST. JAMES ST. CHRISTINA, VM ST. FRANCIS SOLANO, C SUMMER NOVENA AFTER ALL MASSES W 8:00 AM Low Mass †Joseph Githens (<i>Rebecca Hinton</i>) W 9:00 AM Opening of the Boys Camp High Mass John Eldracher & Josef Eldracher – Happy Fathers Day! (<i>Colleen Eldracher</i>) 11:25 AM Low Mass †Mary Jane Donadio (<i>John Brockman</i>) 5:00 PM Low Mass Bishop Dolan & Priests of St. Gertrude (<i>Rich VandeRyt</i>)
WED	7/25/18	ST. JAMES THE GREATER, AP ST. CHRISTOPHER, M W 8:00 AM High Mass In honor of St. James & St. Christopher for a special intention 5:00 PM Low Mass Happy Birthday Mom & Dad (<i>Jennifer Richesson</i>)
THU	7/26/18	ST. ANNE, MOTHER OF OUR LADY W 8:00 AM High Mass Father Philip Eldracher – Happy Birthday! (<i>Colleen Eldracher</i>) 5:00 PM Low Mass Special Intention (<i>Rich VandeRyt</i>)
FRI	7/27/18	ST. PANTALEON, M 8:00 AM Low Mass †Margaret L. Soli (<i>Jim Soli</i>) 5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary W 5:45 PM Low Mass Patrick & Anne Marie Omlor (<i>Alexander Arthur</i>) 6:30 PM Novena & Benediction
SAT	7/28/18	SS. NAZARIUS & CELSUS, MM ST. VICTOR I, PM ST. INNOCENT I, PC 7:15 AM Confessions W 7:30 AM Low Mass †Anne & †Denis McMahon (<i>Colleen Greenwell</i>) 8:05 AM Salve & Sermon W 8:15 AM Requiem High Mass Purgatorial Society
SUN	7/29/18	PENTECOST X ST. MARTHA, V ST. FELIX II, PM SS. SIMPLICIUS & COMPANIONS, MM 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass †Katie Bischak birthday remembrance (<i>Doloris Ritze</i>) (from 7/20) 9:00 AM High Mass In honor of St. Martha for the repose of the soul of †Janice West (<i>Katie West</i>) 11:05 AM Rosary 11:30 AM Low Mass Joshua & Elizabeth Gunsher & daughters (<i>friends</i>) 4:45 PM Vespers & Benediction 5:45 PM Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great

PRAYER TO ST. ANTHONY AFTER COMMUNION

O St. Anthony, worker of miracles, I now possess in my heart Him Whom, from thy youth, thou didst serve so zealously, for Whom thou didst earnestly long to shed thy blood, Who came to thee in the form of a most beautiful child, and lovingly caressed thee. Oh, that He would look upon me with the pleasure He regarded thee, St. Anthony, His most faithful servant, upon whom He bestowed the richest measure of grace! Oh, that He would manifest the same liberality to me! But I hardly dare desire such favors, which, alas! I have so ill deserved. Yet thy intercession is so powerful, St. Anthony, I beg thee to beseech Him, now that He is united with me, to give me also His grace, to embrace my heart, to take my soul unto Him as His friend, to strengthen me that I may be gloriously victorious in all the assaults of the world, the flesh, and the devil. O Jesus, I beg Thee, through St. Anthony, who was so pleasing to Thee, to have mercy on me. O St. Anthony, I ask thee, through thy heavenly joy at the visit of the Infant Jesus, to be my patron, and to obtain for me from thy dear Infant Jesus whatsoever is necessary and profitable for my salvation.



All ye saints of God, I beg ye, through the fervor with which ye received Him in the Blessed Sacrament, to help me to extol, praise, and thank Him for all eternity. Amen. *(Clip for your prayer book)*

*O Holy Child Jesus, Doctor of the Sick,
I form the belief that I shall be granted
forgiveness of sins, and healing of soul and body.
I place this prayer into the hands of Thy Most Holy
Mother Mary;
I commend myself to all
and every Holy Mass
that is celebrated this day all over the world,
and I offer all this in behalf of the
poor souls in Purgatory. Amen.*

SERVERS

SUN 7/29 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: R. VandeRyt, P. Omlor TH: M. Simpson ACs: C. Richesson, T. Lawrence TORCH: D. Simpson, C. Arlinghaus, J. Stewart, T. England
11:30 AM LOW: A.D. Kinnett, J. Klenich
4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller