

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

September 2, 2018

PENTECOST XV

ST. STEPHEN, KING OF HUNGARY, C



¶ PENTECOST XV

The Blessing of Religious Articles is available at the Communion Rail following all Masses today. The second collection to support our seminary will be taken up. There are no Vespers.

Forms are in the vestibule today which can be used to submit your intentions for the September Marian Triduum. Please fill one out and place it in the collection, or return it to the bookstore or office.

¶ ALTER CHRISTUS



The little church is in the vestibule today to receive your alms for Masses for the support of priests. God reward your generosity.

¶ THIS WEEK

Honor St. Joseph, patron saint of those who work, tomorrow on Labor Day, which is also the feast of St. Pius X, the scourge of modernists. (Pray for the SSPX!) Tuesday we continue our Summer Novena after all Masses. Wednesday our school bells ring and the beautiful 11:25 AM High Masses resume. First Thursday calls for prayers for priests, and First Friday to renew our devotion to the Sacred Heart, and continue our Communions of Reparation. Keep watch with Jesus in the Monstrance overnight. Mary's Nativity ends the week. Surprise her by hearing Mass (7:30 and 8:30 AM).

Collection Report

Sunday, August 26th.....\$3,629.00
Thank you for your generosity.



¶ FIRST FRIDAY

8:00 AM Low Mass

10:55 AM Confessions

11:25 AM Low Mass & Benediction

5:00 PM Exposition

5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary

5:45 PM Low Mass, Novena

All Night Adoration

Intention for First Friday: Reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and for God's blessings upon our new school year; our teachers and students.

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

Next Sunday is the Solemnity of the Holy Name of Mary. The Blessing of Seeds and Seedlings will take place after the High Mass. There will be a blessed plant and a blue cupcake for each child. The first Sunday Catechism Classes of the season will be at 10:45 AM. Vespers with Benediction will be at 4:45 PM.

Set Your Missal: High Mass: Solemnity of the Holy Name of Mary. Commemorations of Pentecost XVI, St. Peter Claver, and St. Gorgonius. Preface of the Blessed Virgin. Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost XVI. Low Masses: Pentecost XVI, with Collects of St. Peter Claver and St. Gorgonius. Trinity Preface.

¶ THE SUMMER NOVENA

Our Thirteen Tuesdays of St. Anthony with a novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help continue this week after all the Masses. Come to participate in these powerful devotions! Masses are at 8 and 11:25 AM and 5 PM.

¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wednesday, September 5 – First Day of School
- Sunday, September 9 – Solemnity of the Holy Name of Mary – Blessing of Seeds and Seedlings after the High Mass, a blessed plant and a blue cupcake for each child. 10:45 AM (special time) First day of Sunday Catechism Classes
- Wednesday, September 12: First choir practice of the season, 6:30 PM
- Sunday, September 16 - Parish Picnic at Sharon Woods Park

¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose of the soul of †Connie



Kamphaus, who died on Tuesday, August 28, 2018. Her requiem was Friday, August 31.

Please pray as well for Carol Niehaus, and all of our sick and shut in.

Lumen Christi

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

God's Holy Word
(Patrick Curry)

MEDITATE WITH ST. IGNATIUS



How can we come to know God's love in the same way that the disciples did? How can we experience the peace that Jesus promised them? The key lies in prayer. Prayer should engage "thought, imagination, emotion, and desire." Mobilizing our God-given faculties in this way can bring the truths of our faith to life and help us feel God's presence in new ways. Prayer works best when we ask the Holy Ghost to take our imagination and fill it with insight.

St. Ignatius of Loyola often relied on his imagination when he prayed. With a Bible before him, he would picture the setting and time of whatever story he was reading, and then imagine himself in the scene. He would pay close attention to the details in the scene and imagine himself asking Jesus questions about what was going on. He especially liked to picture himself at the Last Supper, at the Sermon on the Mount, or on Calvary as Jesus was dying on the cross.

Try it yourself. Imagine yourself at one of St. Ignatius' favorite scenes, or one of your own. What is Jesus saying and doing? What is the expression on His Face? What does His voice sound like? Now, imagine Jesus talking directly to you as the scene is playing out. What message do you think He has for you? and more importantly, what does His peace feel like now?

"Jesus, I want to know Thee more! Come relieve my anxieties with a taste of Thy love."

JESUS, OUR DAILY SACRIFICE

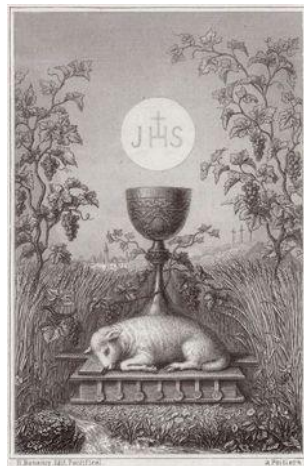
Our Lord not only offered Himself as a Sacrifice on the Cross but He makes Himself a perpetual, a daily Sacrifice, to the end of time.

In the Holy Mass, that One Sacrifice on the Cross once offered is renewed, continued, applied to our benefit.

He seems to say, "My Cross was raised up 1800 years ago—and only for a few hours and very few of My servants were present there—but I intend to bring millions into My Church. For their sakes then, I will perpetuate My Sacrifice, that each of them may be as though they had severally been present on Calvary. I will offer Myself up, day by day to the Father, that every one of My followers may have the opportunity to offer his petitions to Him, sanctified and recommended by the all-meritorious virtue of My Passion. Thus, I will be a Priest forever, after the order of Melchisedech—My priests shall stand at the Altar—but not they but I rather will offer. I will not let them offer mere bread and wine but I Myself will be present upon the Altar instead and I will offer up Myself invisibly, while they perform the outward rite."

And thus, the Lamb that was slain once for all, though He is ascended on high, ever remains a victim from His miraculous presence in Holy Mass under the figure and appearance of mere earthly and visible symbols.

- John Henry Cardinal Newman (1801-1890)



"LABORE EST ORARE"

Not always kneel I when to Thee I pray,
My God, my Father; but Thy grace I ask
Ere I essay each high, exacting task
Thy Hands Almighty on my spirit lay.
Nor find I work for Thee all toil, no play;
For in Thy fields of sunshine oft I bask,—
Fields white with joy of Thee, not with the mask
Of shadowy light which men misname the day.

So make I this life a living prayer
As ceaselessly I breathe; I sink to rest,
Knowing I can not pass beyond Thy care,
That e'en in sleep I shall by Thee be blessed;
And should I die, my spirit would be where
Thy Love should lead it, and that place is best.

- George Benson Hewetson

THE FACE OF CHRIST

There is no portrait of the perfect face.
The Master, He who made the teeming sun,

All colors in its whiteness meetly one,

And light's twin, shadow,—none was there might trace

An image of the unfathomable grace
That grew within His eyes: when life was done

Death sealed that beauty's day; His victory won

Left but great deeds that time could not erase.

Is it not better so? That form, what art
Could fitly keep? That glory and that brow

Not life nor death can ever touch or dim.

It is enough: the hunger of the heart
A hundred years that dreams upon
Him now shall have eternity to feast on Him.

- C. L. O'D.



Dear faithful,

Here at St. Gertrude the Great Church we remember two of our beloved parishioners, both of whom have already been laid to the rest of their graves. Mrs. Bee Lutkehaus, who was 99 years young when she died on August 20, was buried last Monday. The day following we received news from the family, that Connie Kamphaus had lost her battle against cancer; her Requiem Mass and burial were on Friday. May they rest in peace.

You read about Bee from last week's bulletin. She was one of the strict old time Traditionalists, whose generation is fast disappearing. When the changes came, she refused to go to the new Mass. But **Fr. McGuire** mentioned in the funeral sermon that she also never bought or had anything which came from Communist China. It reminded me of the late **Fr. Francis Fenton**. Once he spotted one of the faithful in Louisiana wearing a new hat, walked up to him, and promptly demanded: "Give me your hat!" And only after seeing the safe "Made in America" written inside, Father said: "Okay, you can keep this." The old timers were a generation of strong principles, regarding both spiritual and material things.

With all the deaths and funerals in our parish, we also see the American flags now flying half-staff all over the country, because of the death of Senator McCain. Allegedly, the custom of expressing mourning by flying the flag comes from Denmark. The Danes used first for funerals a black flag with a white cross on it, but later replaced this by lowering the ordinary flag half-staff. Norwegian writer Knut Hamsun writes in his memoirs that in his childhood days the custom was that as soon as the casket was lowered into the earth, the flag was raised from half-staff to the top. What a beautiful way to express the hope and expectation of resurrection.

This week, on Wednesday, we will start the school year. With Bee and Connie, and so many of our old timers gone, we look to the new generation of Catholics, and run our school to raise them, too, to have strong principles both in faith and morals. We are Traditionalists, in the words of St. Paul, "citizens of the saints, and the domesticals of God, built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the highest corner stone." (Eph. 2:19-20). One of my summer projects was to publish a book about a Chilean girl Laura Vicuña, to show how great is the necessity of a good Catholic education. Laura called her school her "heaven," even

though attending there meant that she and her sisters had to live away from their dear mother, whom they only saw on vacation times. The reason why she so loved her school was that she could daily go to see God in "the little house of Jesus," as she called the tabernacle, and how she could instruct her schoolmates to make visits in the church and how to act properly and devoutly during the daily Mass. And it is thanks to our school and the daily Mass broadcasted live, that people around the world can also see "the little house of Jesus," and unite themselves to the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, of which they are so widely deprived of attending.

Even though **Bishop Dolan's** Cincinnati mission started in the late 1970's, the Catholic traditions of the Sharonville area go farther back than that. It was in August 1874, when **Bishop Edward Fitzgerald** of Little Rock, Arkansas laid the cornerstone of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, located on Market Street in Reading, Ohio. It became known as the "Irish Church" to separate it from mostly German-speaking parishioners of Reading's Ss. Peter and Paul Church. Two years later Our Lady of the Sacred Heart School was established, taught by the Sisters of Notre Dame.

Our parish and our school venerate and continue the work of the past generations and centuries. **Father Julio Chevalier**, who started the devotion to Our Lady of the Sacred Heart not long before it was introduced in our neighborhood, was convinced that devotion to the Sacred Heart was the remedy for the religious indifference and social evils of the age. We most certainly can't oppose the fanaticism of those who hate God and the traditional society and family by being indifferent. We are in obligation to the past generations, but especially to God our Creator, not just to be good, but also to oppose evil wherever we can. And Our Lord has in His Church and in the devotion to His Mother given us the best possible means for this.

Yours in Christ and Mary,
Fr. Lehtoranta



ST. ANTHONY'S APPEAL TO MOTHERS

When God destines a child to become a great Saint, He first of all entrusts it to the mildest, sweetest, and most salutary of priesthods: that of a good mother. This was the birthright of St. Anthony. His mother was one of those women in whom the spirit of faith and piety reigned; blended with courage and strength, and the insinuating sweetness of maternal love.

Because he was born on the Feast of the Assumption, August 15th, Anthony was especially dedicated from infancy to the greatest of all mothers, the Blessed Virgin. Through his whole life, she was his patron—his counselor. Because of his marked devotion to the Mother of God, it is small wonder that Anthony should find such great favor before Him.

In times of trial and tribulation, it is a universal custom for the mothers of the world to turn to St. Anthony for help and consolation. So widespread is this appeal, that he may well be termed the "Big Brother of the World." Mothers everywhere, bowed down by the cares and sorrows of this life, gather at his Shrine, to invoke him with confidence.

We know the story of the mother's frantic plea when little Thomasino was drowned in the pond at Padua five years after the death of Anthony; and how, through his intercession, her son was restored to her long after all hope had been abandoned. In another case, a mother, finding her baby dead in his crib hurried to Anthony where he was preaching in Padua. Paternally listening to her tale of grief, he consoled her and bade her return home, where she found the child playing with his toys.

These instances would fill an entire volume, but nothing would more fittingly illustrate this appeal than the miracle which has

symbolized Anthony through the ages, the appearance of the Christ Child. Mary herself, whom Anthony loved so tenderly, brought her Son to him and placed Him in Anthony's arms. When the greatest of all Mothers so loves one of her followers that she brings him her Divine Son to console him, we can readily understand why the mothers of the world have brought their woes to him, full of the knowledge of a sympathetic hearer, and a most powerful advocate for their relief.

Before the Shrine of St. Anthony we have seen mothers kneel in anguish and plead for the things which only a mother's heart can know; kneel and implore help in those things which only a mother's soul can fear. Anthony speaks to



the Christ Child in his arms in a prayer that has no words; the floodgates of heaven open, and comfort, strength and light descend to heal the broken heart of the appealing mother.

A PRAYER BEFORE HOLY MASS & COMMUNION

Divine Savior,
We come to Thy sacred table
To nourish ourselves,
Not with bread but with Thyself,
True Bread of eternal life.
Help us daily to make a good and perfect meal
Of this Divine Food.
Let us be continually refreshed
By the perfume of Thy kindness and goodness.
May the Holy Ghost fill us with His Love.
Meanwhile, let us prepare a place
For this Holy Food by emptying our hearts.
Amen.

FR. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE

During his time as a student in Rome, he witnessed vehement demonstrations against Popes St. Pius X and Benedict XV during an anniversary celebration by the Freemasons. According to Kolbe: *"They placed the black standard of the 'Giordano Brunisti' under the windows of the Vatican. On this standard the archangel, St. Michael, was depicted lying under the feet of the triumphant Lucifer. At the same time, countless pamphlets were distributed to the people in which the Holy Father was attacked shamefully."*

Soon afterward, Kolbe organized the Militia Immaculae (Army of the Immaculate One), to work for the conversion of sinners and enemies of the Catholic Church, specifically the Freemasons, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary. So serious was Kolbe about this goal that he added to the Miraculous Medal prayer:

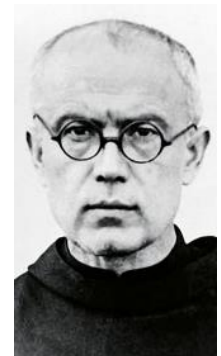
"O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. And for all those who do not have recourse to thee; especially the Masons and all those recommended to thee."

"Be a Catholic!"

*When you kneel before an altar,
Do it in such a way that others
May be able to recognize
That you know before Whom you
kneel."*

- Fr. Maximilian Kolbe, OFM Conv.

Fr. Maximilian Kolbe († 1941) was a Conventual Franciscan priest who spread devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary through printing and radio in Japan and his native Poland. He was killed in Auschwitz, having offered his life in exchange for that of a young Catholic family man.





WATCHING WITH CONFIDENCE

Let me tell you something strange: even the most beautiful souls, who burn to be in the Heart of Jesus, do not want to believe that confidence is the key which will open the door for them, because this door is a wound made by love. They look for other ways, as if this way were too beautiful to be reliable. How many times people have said to me, "It is too beautiful to be true." And I answer, "Jesus bought at a dear enough price, at the price of all His Blood, the right to bring to earth something 'too beautiful.'"

So what then? He calls me just as I am? I can go to Him with all my miseries, all my weaknesses? He will repair what I have done badly? He will supply for all my indigence? Yes, provided that you go to Him, that you count on Him, that you expect everything of Him, that you say with Saint Paul, *Omnia possum* (Phil 4:13): I can do all things in Him Who is my only strength and my only virtue.

A beautiful prayer to pour forth from your heart throughout the day is, "Jesus, repair what I have done badly, supply for what I have left undone."

Or an even more beautiful way to pray is: "Jesus, I know that You make reparation in me, that You supply for me, I know that You will draw the good from the bad that I do, and even, as Saint Augustine said, a greater good than if there had been no evil in it." Is this not worthy of adoration? I have a Jesus Who does all that in me and for me!

And I am very sure—oh, yes indeed!—that He will never say to me, "You hoped too much of Me."

- Fr. Jean de Cœur de Jésus d'Elbée



A WORKER'S PRAYER TO CHRIST

I worked hard yesterday, Lord—not like a saint, You know, but like the poor man I am. For life is no "picnic." We keep going, but we grumble (at least, inside). We do someone a favor, but not always with a smile....

So this morning, I come to bring this to You—to You, my Big Brother—to buy Heaven with for me and mine, and to purchase the conversion of souls. But, frankly, I'm not very proud of my "money." No, my poor human work, so humanly done, cannot "buy" infinity.

That is why, Lord Jesus, I want very simply, to make You a little proposition! You have suffered, too; You have toiled, You bled and died. And You offer this every day to our Heavenly Father in the Mass.

If You are willing, I'll go to this Mass and I'll put what I have to offer in with Your offering. And we'll be so united at that moment, that You can present my efforts as if they were Yours; and it will be as though it were You who toiled yesterday.

And everything that Christians all over the earth have suffered, all that they do, and all that they hope, the Mass is going to blend this in with Your offering, like the drop of water placed in the chalice, which is so mingled with the wine that it practically IS wine. And You will accept this sacrifice, dear Heavenly Father; and Your life in the Church will increase.

- H. Godin, priest



A FARM LAD'S PRAYER

Lord Jesus, who willed to live thirty years of our peaceful and laborious life in a small and humble hamlet, grant us to work with Thee, to pray with Thee, to love in Thee, our village and all our brother farmers.

Deliver us forever from the fear of human respect, from faintheartedness, from all evil, and from all sin.

May Thy divine life dwell and be radiant in our souls.

May Thy grace help us to work in peace for the union of all in our village.

Strengthen in the hearts of all militants the will to rechristianize their brothers.

Place in the hearts of our sister farmers the true spirit of Christian womanhood. Unite us in common ideals, and grant us to found homes that will people our beloved country with true Christians and Thy Heaven with saints. Amen.

THE SEA

"Rose, no has visto nunca el mar?"

-Ruben Dario

Rose, have you ever seen the sea?
Its farther mountains wave up blue,
Like train-seen sierras, constantly;
The nearer hills of greener hue
Slope toward shore, and down the stretch

White horses race in foam-maned herds

To sprawl exhausted on the beach...
All this is spray and play of words:
No grasses grow on ocean swards,
No roses blow in ships' front yards.

Rose, have you ever been at sea?
Here all is blue, the mountains seem
Grown dense with spruce, each hill
and lea

A-bloom with gentians—all a dream.

No roses grow to make a wreath
For heroes buried in the waves;
No crosses mark the bladeless heath
That breaks in endless mingling graves.

No wonder that my thoughts fly far
To hills I love where roses are.

- Fray Angelico Chavez

✠ CALENDAR

MON	9/3/18	LABOR DAY ST. PIUS X, PC <i>MOTHER OF THE DIVINE SHEPHERD</i>
W	8:00 AM	Requiem Low Mass †Paulina Strauss First Anniversary (<i>The Fathers</i>)
	9:00 AM	Votive Low Mass of St. Joseph †Katie Bischak (<i>Theresa Simpson</i>)
TUE	9/4/18	FERIAL DAY <i>ST. ROSE OF VITERBO, V</i> SUMMER NOVENA AFTER ALL MASSES
W	8:00 AM	Low Mass Dan Brueggemann family (<i>TS</i>)
W	11:25 AM	Low Mass Our children (<i>Andreottas</i>)
W	5:00 PM	Low Mass Special Intention (<i>Anonymous</i>)
WED	9/5/18	ST. LAWRENCE JUSTINIAN, BpC FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Poor Souls (<i>Rich VandeRyt</i>)
W	11:25 AM	Votive High Mass of the Holy Ghost †Sharon Patton
	5:00 PM	Low Mass Günter Franz (<i>Matthew Giese</i>)
THU	9/6/18	FIRST THURSDAY FERIAL DAY
	8:00 AM	Low Mass My Family & Friends (<i>Rich VandeRyt</i>)
W	11:25 AM	Votive High Mass of Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest For the sanctification of priests (<i>Alter Christus Confraternity</i>)
	5:00 PM	Low Mass For Priests (<i>Christopher Browne</i>)
FRI	9/7/18	FIRST FRIDAY FERIAL DAY <i>ST. CLOUD, C</i>
	8:00 AM	Low Mass †Bea Lutkehaus (<i>Christopher Browne</i>)
	10:55 AM	Confessions
W	11:25 AM	Votive Low Mass of the Sacred Heart The Arlinghaus family (<i>Janet Strauss</i>)
		Benediction
	5:00 PM	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	5:15 PM	Confessions & Rosary
	5:45 PM	Low Mass †Mrs. Connie Kamphaus (<i>Theresa Simpson</i>)
	6:30 PM	Sacred Heart Devotions & Novena <i>All Night Adoration</i>
SAT	9/8/18	NATIVITY OF OUR LADY ST. ADRIAN, M
	7:10 AM	Confessions & Rosary
	7:30 AM	High Mass Isabella Gardner (<i>Theresa Simpson</i>)
	8:10 AM	Devotions & Benediction
W	8:30 AM	Sermon & Low Mass The Poor Souls (<i>Leanne Arlinghaus</i>)
SUN	9/9/18	SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY PENTECOST XVI ST. PETER CLAVIER, C ST. GORGONIUS, M
	7:05 AM	Rosary
	7:30 AM	Low Mass Fr. Cekada Happy Birthday (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Victor Ritze</i>)

Our Beloved Dead ~ September

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>
Earl Eugene Roth	9-02-1988
William Harris	9-03-2014
Paulina Strauss	9-03-2017
Dennis Kramer	9-04-1981
Josephine Boyce	9-05-1982
Bernard Reid	9-08-1983
Don Gilker	9-08-2012
Eliza B. Kohlbrand	9-09-1985
Sr. M. Gerard Vincent	9-12-2002
Jill Wright	9-15-2012
Ryan Greenwell	9-20-2017
Frederick G. Herington	9-21-1990
Matilda Hauserman	9-29-2000
Ronald E. Kitchen	9-30-2002
Kenneth J. Ripperger	9-30-2005



¶ CATECHISM CLASSES

Online registration for the Sunday Catechism Classes is now open:

<https://fs2.formsite.com/AEMF02/form1/index.html>

Forms can also be found in the vestibule. The Sisters will be available after the 7:30 AM and 9 AM Masses, and before the 11:30 AM Mass, if there are any questions.

Classes begin on September 9, at the special time of 10:45 AM. Say a prayer for our Catechism Sisters, and their helpers

Servers

SUN 9/9	7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
	9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: R. VandeRyt, J. Lacy TH: P. Omlor ACs: C. Richesson, Na. McClorey TORCH: S. Richesson, J. Stewart, C. Arlinghaus, A. McClorey
	11:30 AM LOW: A.D. Kinnett, J. Kolenich
	4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
	5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller

9:00 AM	High Mass †Paulina Strauss – First Anniversary 9/3 (<i>Bishop Dolan</i>) Blessing of Seeds & Seedlings
10:45 AM	Sunday Catechism Classes
11:05 AM	Rosary
11:30 AM	Low Mass Chip & Paige McClorey – Thank you (<i>Theresa Simpson</i>) (rescheduled from 8/31)
4:45 PM	Vespers & Benediction
5:45 PM	Low Mass For the Expansion of the Missions (<i>Christopher Browne</i>)