

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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September 23, 2018

PENTECOST XVIII

ST. LINUS, PM

ST. THECLA, VM



¶ PENTECOST XVIII

The Blessing of Expectant Mothers will be available at the Communion Rail following all Masses today. Sunday Catechism Classes are at 10:40 AM. Vespers with Benediction will be at 4:45 PM.

¶ MARIAN INTENTIONS

Mass Intention forms are in the vestibule for one more Marian Mass tomorrow, the feast of Our Lady of Ransom. Fill one out and return it to the office or bookstore.

¶ NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS

On Wednesday we honor "saints from our soil," the North American Martyrs, at 8:00 AM, 11:25 AM High Mass, and 5:00 PM. Please join us.

¶ MICHAELMAS

Saturday is the very great feast of the Guardian Protector of the Church, St. Michael the Archangel, with Low Mass at 7:30 AM and the High Mass at 8:20 AM. Come and implore this powerful messenger and intercessor to beg God for us, to restore our Church.

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: ANGEL SUNDAY

The Blessing of Children and their dedication to their Guardian Angels will take place after all Masses. Sunday Catechism Classes will be at 10:40 AM. There will be no Vespers. Vespers will resume on October 7.  *Set Your Misal*: Pentecost XIX, with a commemoration of St. Jerome. Trinity Preface.



*In the Cross is salvation;
In the Cross is life;
In the Cross is protection against our
enemies;
In the Cross is infusion of heavenly
sweetness;
In the Cross is strength of mind;
In the Cross is joy of spirit;
In the Cross is excellence of virtue;
In the Cross is perfection of holiness.
There is no salvation of soul,
Nor hope of eternal life,
Save in the Cross.*

- Thomas à Kempis



¶ ROSARY SUNDAY

Sunday, October 7, is Rosary Sunday. Newly ordained Fr. Damien Dutertre will be our celebrant for the High Mass, and the speaker during the annual Rosary Confraternity Breakfast. He will tell the story of his path to the priesthood. Mark your calendars and plan to be there! Tickets are on sale today.

¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Fred Woods, Henry Sieverding, Kent & Linda Maki, Helen Tschosik, Ethyl McKinley, and the repose of the souls of †James Broussard and †Paul Batkowski.

"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good, therefore, that I can do, or any kindness I can show to any human being, let me do it now, let me not defer it or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

(This was a favorite quote of Paulina Strauss, whose first anniversary of death was September 3.)

¶ UPCOMING

Forty Hours, October 26-28
All Saints Sunday, November 4
Bishop Dolan's 25th Anniversary, November 30

THE MASS:

A CHILDHOOD REMINISCENCE

I used as a child in the innocence of faith to bring myself out of bed through the cold lucid water of the Cumberland morning and to serve at the altar at earliest lonely Mass, whose words were thrilling brooks of music and whose motions, a grave dance: and there between spread hands the body and the blood of Christ was created among words and lifted before God in a threshing of tripliate bells.

Collection Report

Sunday, September 16th.....\$3,538.00
Thank you for your generosity.

CONSIDERATION AT THE CREED

O spotless Lamb of God! while Thy judges proclaim Thee an imposter, I rise without fear or shame to declare, in the face of heaven and earth, that Thou art Christ, the Son of the living God, and that I unreservedly assent to every article proposed by Thy holy Church to my belief: but, O divine Lord, give me grace to profess by my actions as well as by my words the faith that is in me. Have mercy on all who art involved in the dreadful night of infidelity: may the light of Thy grace shine upon them, and so penetrate their hearts that they may embrace the truth, and be admitted to the communion of Thy holy Church.

This beautiful prayer for the Creed combines the current step of the Passion, and a prayer for Faith. Clip and save.



AT THE CREDO, OR NICENE CREED

I believe, O Lord, all Thou hast taught me by Thy holy Church; in this faith, by the assistance of Thy grace, I desire to live and die. By Thy divine grace, I am convinced of the sincerity and wisdom of those who have delivered those sacred truths to me.



Their miraculous success is a sufficient proof. Where shall I go, my Lord? Thou hast the words of eternal life. Of Thy truth thus delivered my reason and will shall never doubt, though my senses and vain imaginations should. I believe; O Lord, help my unbelief.

ST. NOTBURGA

Virgin (ca. 1264-ca. 1313)

As a young woman, the Austrian peasant St. Notburga was employed as a kitchen servant by Count Henry of Rattenburg and his wife. Notburga maintained the discreet practice of distributing leftover food to the poor, rather than feeding it to the pigs as she was instructed. Eventually this cost her her job. After this, she worked for a farmer at Eben. From this period comes one of the best-known stories about Notburga. One Saturday afternoon, upon hearing the bell ring for Vespers, she prepared to leave the field where she was working. When the farmer ordered her to keep working she refused. Since the weather was fine, she argued, there was no excuse not to answer the call to worship. But when the farmer protested that the weather might change, Notburga said, "Let this decide." She tossed her sickle into the air, where it remained suspended, like the first quarter of the harvest moon.

In 1862 Pope Pius IX declared her the patroness of peasants and domestic workers.

She went to Vespers. You should too. Would it take a miracle?



DISTORTION

Once upon a time in America,
There was a he, a she and a me;
We became a family.

Now there is a he and a he
And a she and a she and no me.

After decades of strife

A majority of justices magically
Found a way to tragically deprive a me
of life and liberty...

They ask again and again

When does life begin;

Is it even sane

To ask if a fetus feels pain?

What penumbras will deform a tomorrow,
As we slip slide and slither into Gomorrah?

This week's poem is by Dr. John Powell († 8/28/14), of Brown County. Jack and his dear wife, Diane, came all the way from Brown County each Sunday, and during the week to teach as well. His was a formidable intellect. This poem seems almost prophetic for the Kavanaugh theater currently playing. How soon we forget the "He, the she and the me."

SONNET OF THE STATIONS

*I For me sweet Innocence is doomed to die
II Upon the cross which He receives with
smiles;*

*III But as He goes, He falls 'mid jeering aisles
IV While Mary's eyes meet His, and two
hearts cry.*

V He totters, Simon helps Him, passing by,

*VI A woman wipes His Face, despite the files
VII Of soldiers, and again He falls 'mid
riles—*

*VIII Yet can console those women weeping
nigh.*

*IX Christ, help me carry on, though oft I fall,
X And strip from me whatever earth can
give;*

*XI Come, crucify my flesh, my will, my all,
XII And let me die for love of You, and live.*

*XIII In Mary may I rest after the strife,
XIV And then, entombed with You, arise to
life. Amen.*

- Fray Angelico Chavez

Try our outdoor Stations this Fall.

Last Sunday's picnic was a great success, with its good numbers and cooling breeze. Everybody spread out for games and visiting, and seemed to have a great time. Thanks to Mark Lotarski for making it happen, and all of you who brought something to share. The cheeseburgers were absolutely delicious, and who brought that great Oriental Salad? Put me on your list. Thanks to Marlys for another punch resistant Piñata. Lots of fun. We left before it yielded its treasures, but some enterprising young ones were collecting first fruits. These things take a lot of organizing and helping hands, and I am thankful.

I'm trying to organize myself now for an almost two week mission trip. Thursday I depart for San Diego and Tijuana, Mexico for a long weekend with Fr. Arnoldo Villegas and his faithful. Fr. Martin Gomez of Dos Rios will be joining us. On October 1, I continue my travels to Argentina, where I will meet new priests and religious from Brazil as well.

In the meantime, our next big occasion is Rosary Sunday on the feast itself this year, October 7, with its Mass, procession and Confraternity Breakfast. Newly ordained Fr. Dutertre will be our speaker. Later that month, Christ the King weekend marks our Forty Hours Devotion. Opening services are on Friday, October 26, and conclude with our "Chili Sampler Supper." Plan to be with us, as well as to make an extra visit during these forty hours of prayer.

Looking ahead to November, its first Sunday calls all of our saints for the procession, High Mass and party. Time for creative moms (when are you not creative?) and cooperating children to learn about their saint, and share him with others.

Here's an early "Save the date." Friday, November 30, I'll be celebrating the 25th Anniversary of my Episcopal Consecration with Pontifical Mass at 10:00 AM, followed by a reception. Everyone is invited.

Meanwhile, back to September. The last of our Marian Masses is tomorrow, for Our Lady of Ransom or of Mercy, who delivers Christians from Moslems. Very timely. Midweek we honor the North American Martyrs, Jesuits from the time when they were a blessing to the Church, not a curse. The Indians lived in a filthy way and were very given to cursing, but they had immortal souls to be saved. So do you, and all you meet. Remember that.

We end the week with Michaelmas, great St. Michael whose protection is needed now more than ever. He is Guardian Angel of the Catholic Church. The next day we dedicate all of our innocent little ones to their own angel. The month of the angels will have begun.

The Rosary will soon follow.

I send a blessing home with you, and ask for your good prayers.

– Bishop Dolan



CATECHISM CORNER

"No prophecy of scripture," says the Prince of the Apostles, "is made by private interpretation" (II Pet. 1, 20). Holy Writ, which contains the word of God, must be explained by the Church, for the Holy Spirit assures to her alone an infallible Magisterium to do this. This universal Church exercises this Magisterium particularly by Ecumenical Councils. So at Mass, which is one of the forms of her ordinary Magisterium, the Church directs that the Credo shall be read. Herein the Councils of Nicea (325) and of Constantinople (381) have expressed in phrases, which come either from Scripture or from other documents provided by written or oral Tradition, the mystery of the Blessed Trinity and of the salvation of men by the Word Incarnate and by His Church.

Bishop Fellay and the Pius X people deny this truth of the Faith.



MY CREDO

This is a new column, to explain old, ageless truths. Please read it twice if necessary, and think about it. Credo. I believe.

The Gospel is followed by the *Credo*. The object proposed by the recitation of the *Credo* is, to lead the Faithful to confess the Faith; and since their Faith is based upon the holy Gospel, the *Credo* comes immediately after the sacred text. It is but right, that the Faithful should utter this profession of faith against the heresies that have been broached.

The *Credo* is to be said, not only on all Sundays, but, moreover, on the feasts of the Apostles, who preached the faith; on the feasts of Doctors, who defended it; on the feast of St. Mary Magdalen, who was the first to believe the Resurrection, announced it to the Apostles, and thus became an Apostle to the Apostles; on the feasts of the holy Angels, because allusion is made to them, in these words: *Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible*; on the feasts of the Blessed Virgin, because the *Credo* also speaks of Our Lady. It is said also on great feast days.

– Dom Gueranger

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

MON	9/24/18	OUR LADY OF RANSOM 8:00 AM Low Mass Jim's Mass 11:25 AM High Mass Marian Mass
TUE	9/25/18	FERIAL DAY 8:00 AM Low Mass Special Intention – MD (deceased) <i>(Richesson Family)</i> (rescheduled from 9/18) 11:25 AM Requiem High Mass Purgatorial Society 5:00 PM Low Mass Special Intentions <i>(Rich VanderRyt)</i>
WED	9/26/18	Ss. ISAAC JOGUES & COMPANIONS, MM Ss. CYPRIAN, M & JUSTINA, VM 8:00 AM Low Mass Monica Prell – Thank you! <i>(Anastasia Prell)</i> 11:25 AM High Mass †Barbara Schmelzer (10 year anniversary) <i>(Mike Briggs Family)</i> 5:00 PM Low Mass In honor of St. Isaac Jogues & Companions for †Janice West <i>(K.M.W.)</i>
THU	9/27/18	Ss. COSMAS & DAMIAN, MM 8:00 AM Low Mass My Family & Friends <i>(Rich VanderRyt)</i> 11:25 AM High Mass †Connie Kamphaus (Month's Mind) <i>(Patsy McConnell)</i> 5:00 PM Low Mass Special Intentions (JRV) <i>(Volz/Kuebler)</i>
FRI	9/28/18	ST. WENCESLAUS, DUKE, MM 8:00 AM Low Mass Special Intentions <i>(Rich VanderRyt)</i> 11:10 AM Confessions 11:25 AM High Mass †Connie & †Tom Kamphaus <i>(Steve & Becky Hammon)</i> 5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary 5:45 PM Low Mass For Our Children & Godchildren <i>(Mr. & Mrs. Simpson)</i> 6:30 PM Sacred Heart Novena & Benediction
SAT	9/29/18	DEDICATION OF ST. MICHAEL, ARCHANGEL 7:15 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass The Sisters of Our Lady of Reparation <i>(A friend)</i> 8:05 AM Salve & Sermon 8:15 AM High Mass In honor of St. Michael for †Janice West <i>(K.M.W.)</i>
SUN	9/30/18	ANGEL SUNDAY PENTECOST XIX ST. JEROME, CD <i>BLESSING OF CHILDREN AFTER ALL MASSES</i> 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass †Ronald E. Kitchen <i>(Marge)</i> 9:00 AM High Mass †Bea Lutkehaus (Month's Mind 9/20) <i>(The Fathers)</i> 10:40 AM Sunday Catechism Classes 11:05 AM Rosary 11:30 AM Low Mass †Virgil McCormick <i>(Margaret & A.D. Kinnett)</i> 5:45 PM Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great

SAINT JEAN DE BRÉBEUF
 Martyr († 1649). Feast September 26



Jean was born in Condé-sur-Vire, a village in La Manche, France. He entered the Jesuits, and in 1625 was among the first to go to the Native American mission in New France. Living with the Huron tribe, Jean slept on pine boughs in tents filled with smoke. He had little priva-

cy to pray or say Mass. The Huron suspected the priest of sorcery, and daily threatened him with violence. All the while Jean worked steadily at learning the Huron language.

In 1629 Jean was forced to go back to France. While on retreat, he begged God to return him to the mission, and drew very close to Jesus and His Mother in prayer. At retreat's end, Jean received a series of visible consolations that ended with an appearance of Mary, "as though in an azure cloud, nursing the Child Jesus." A year later Jean made a private vow to serve God to the point of death.

In 1633 Jean went back to the Huron for sixteen more years. In 1649 the warlike Iroquois tribe captured and brutally killed Jean and his fellow missionary Gabriel Lalemant. Jean was bound to a stake. His flesh was torn off and roasted before him. Hot irons were plunged into his body. His lips were cut off. He was "baptized" with boiling water. Jean died without uttering a single moan. The Iroquois had never known one so courageous. They cut out his heart and ate it, hoping to gain some of his power.

Father of mercies, through the intercession of Saint Jean de Brébeuf, draw me very close to Jesus and Mary. May my heart be one with theirs in the moment of trial.



Servers

SAT 9/29 8:15 AM HIGH: MC: J. Simpson TH: P. Omlor ACs: M. & D. Simpson

SUN 9/30 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
 9:00 AM HIGH: MC: P. Omlor TH: P. McClorey ACs: T. Lawrence, M. Simpson TORCH: N. Kolenich, J. Stewart, C. & J. Mourer
 11:30 AM LOW: A.D. Kinnett, Na. McClorey
 5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller