
ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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JUNE 5, 2011

• SUNDAY WITHIN OCTAVE OF ASCENSION •

¶Blessing of Religious

Articles: First Sunday of the month after all Masses, at communion rail.

¶Blessing of Expectant

Mothers: Third Sunday of the month after all Masses.

¶Rosary Chain: To request prayers for your special intentions or needs, or to assist in the Rosary Chain, please call the office.

¶Baptisms: Saturday morning by appointment. At least one parent as well as the sponsor (only one sponsor is required) must be practicing Roman Catholics who do not belong to the Novus Ordo Religion. Novus Ordo and non-practicing Catholics may not serve as sponsors. The Church will provide a sponsor in case of necessity. The Churching of New Mothers follows the baptismal ceremony. Please make arrangements through the church office.

¶Mass Intentions:

Individual Mass intentions as well as Purgatorian Society enrollments are available in the vestibule, and may be given in with the collection or at the office.



The Paraclete, whom I will send you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceedeth from the Father..

¶Dress Code: Ladies—Please wear a modest dress and a head-covering. No tight fitting, low-cut, short, slit, or sleeveless dresses. No pants or shorts. Men & Boys—Please wear a shirt and tie, with either suit coat, jacket or sweater, and dress shoes. No T-shirts, sweat shirts, sweat pants, tennis shoes, sneakers, shorts, jeans or Sports logo jackets.

¶New at St. Gertrude's?

Welcome! In the vestibule you'll find a pamphlet explaining the traditional rules observed here for the reception of Holy Communion. There is also a Visitor's Card to fill out if you want more information on St. Gertrude's or on the traditional Latin Mass. A free information packet on the traditional Latin Mass is available to newcomers. Stop by the Social Hall after Mass for refreshments.

¶Catholic Books & Religious

Articles: A fine selection is available in the Gift Shop after the Masses on Sunday.

¶Registration: Please complete a card at the Gift Shop or phone the church. Collection envelopes will be mailed.

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Our **Second Collection** is for our seminary. The **Blessing of Religious Articles** takes place after all Masses at the Communion rail. There are no Sunday classes. Graduation follows the High Mass, after which you are invited to a reception in Helfta Hall. Benediction follows the 11:30 AM Mass.

THIS WEEK:

✠ MONDAY DOUBLE

The Knights of the Sacred Heart and the Maidens of the Immaculate Heart will both meet at the park in Sharon Woods on Monday at 4:00 PM.

✠ TUESDAY - A WORK OF MERCY

Bill Sandmeyer's family wanted only "a brief prayer service" at the funeral home, so we will once again gather to send his soul to eternity with the customary suffrages. Bishop Dolan will lead his Rosary at 4:30 PM on Tuesday afternoon, with Low Mass and Absolution at 5:00 PM. May he rest in peace.

✠ THURSDAY - JUNE 9TH

All children who are Confirmation candidates must attend an *obligatory* **Day of Recollection**. The day begins at 9:00 AM. Please be on time! Please bring a lunch. Children should be in Sunday clothes and have a prayer book and rosary with them. The day ends with **Sacred Heart Devotions and Benediction** at 2:45 PM - Parents are invited!

✠ FRIDAY - JUNE 10TH

Please note there are no evening services, due to preparation for the Pontifical Pentecost Vigil. Mass with Novenas and Benediction is at 11:20 AM.

✠ VIGIL OF PENTECOST - JUNE 11

Saturday, June 11 is the **Vigil of Pentecost**, a day of *Fast and Partial Abstinence*. You are invited to the beautiful **Vigil of Pentecost Mass** and ceremonies of **Confirmation** beginning at 8:00 AM. After Mass, we process outside for photos, then return to church for the enrollment in the Brown Scapular. A reception follows in Helfta Hall.

✠ NEXT SUNDAY

Pentecost. There are no Sunday classes. First Holy Communion takes place at the High Mass. Vespers, and Benediction are at 4:45 PM.

Set your missal: Pentecost Sunday; Vidi Aquam; Preface of the Holy Ghost; Proper Hanc Igitur & Communicantes.

✠ EASTER DUTY

Trinity Sunday, two weeks from today, is the last day on which to fulfill your **Easter Duty** of a worthy Holy Communion. *Those who neglect this duty are no longer Catholics in good standing and sin mortally.* Pray and offer sacrifices these next two weeks for all to make a good Confession and Communion.

✠ NECKLACE TODAY, ROSARY TOMORROW

How many women have unused necklaces? These necklaces have sentimental value, but they usually are very good at collecting dust. The number of beads needed are only 59 to make a necklace into a Rosary: Imagine your necklace can be an inexpensive Rosary, functional and still a keepsake! If you are interested please contact a member of the Boyd family, (859-957-9612) or e-mail: Jboyd38219@aol.com.

✠ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Jim and Maria Brueggemann and family, whose house was destroyed by fire last week. Pray for our sick, including Diane Powell, recovering from surgery, Kim LeBlanc, found at last, Mary Safrey, Janet Clementi, and all of our sick and shut in.

✠ HELP

Darlene asks me to let you all know that we're busy in the sacristy now through July 4th, and that any help, even **an hour or two**, would be appreciated. You could sign out linens for home ironing, or come in for a bit to clean or help with votive candles. Give the office a call, or speak with Darlene. If you don't she'll be speaking with you! Thank you for your kind consideration.

✠ CONGRATULATIONS

To Andrew Beaver and Audrey Moeller on their marriage on June 4th.

Servers JUNE 11 - JUNE 12, 2011

- SAT 6/11 9:30 AM HIGH: MC's: R. VandeRyt, J. Lotarski, J. Soli
TH: B. Lotarski BOOK: S. Lawrence BUGIA: P. Lawrence
MITRE: A. Richesson CROZIER: N. McClorey
ACS: T. Simpson, J. Simpson TRAIN: J. Lacy
- SUN 6/12 7:30 AM LOW: S. & A. Brueggemann
9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: R. VandeRyt, J. Lotarski
TH: T. Simpson CROSS: B. Lotarski
ACS: A. Lawrence, S. Lawrence MITRE: J. Simpson
CROZIER: P. Lawrence
TORCH: J. Lacy, A. Richesson, S. & L. Arlinghaus,
N. Kuebler, J. Morgan
11:30 AM LOW: F. & N. Puglielli
4:45 PM VESPERS AND BENEDICTION: G. Miller,
J. Gunsher
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller

Ushers

- JUNE 12, 2011
- 7:30 AM Scott Pepiot, Kent Maki, Volunteer
 - 9:00 AM Mike Briggs, Mark Lotarski, Steve Weigand, Paul Puglielli
 - 11:30 AM Bob Uhlenbrock, Dennis Hille, Kirby Bischel, Volunteer
 - 5:45 PM John Seyfried

✠ THE CALENDAR

MON	6/6/11	ST NORBERT, BPC
	11:20 AM	Low Mass †Eileen Bartels (<i>Katie Bischak</i>) Pentecost Novena
	4:00 PM	Knights of the Sacred Heart and Maidens of the Immaculate Heart
TUE	6/7/11	WITHIN THE OCTAVE
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Darlene's special intention (<i>M/M Maki</i>)
	11:20 AM	High Mass (<i>Purgatorial Society</i>) Pentecost Novena
	4:30 PM	Rosary †Bill Sandmeyer
	5:00 PM	Requiem Low Mass and Absolution †Bill Sandmeyer
WED	6/8/11	WITHIN THE OCTAVE
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Special Intention (<i>Dan Beaven</i>)
	11:20 AM	High Mass †Alfred Martin (<i>Clare Lotarski</i>) Pentecost Novena
	4:00 PM	Low Mass In honor of our M.P.H. and for Poor Souls (<i>Patrick Omlor</i>)
	6:30 PM	Choir Practice
THUR	6/9/11	OCTAVE DAY OF THE ASCENSION SS PRIMUS & FELICIAN, MM
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Special Intention (<i>JCF</i>)
	9:00 AM	Confirmation Day of Recollection
	11:20 AM	High Mass †Alfred Martin (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Scott Richesson</i>) Pentecost Novena
	2:45 PM	Closing Benediction with Sacred Heart Devotions
	5:00 PM	Low Mass Poor Souls Gratitude-Janet Clementi (<i>DJR</i>)
FRI	6/10/11	ST MARGARET, W
	8:00 AM	Low Mass All Pour Souls (<i>Kueblers</i>)
	10:55 AM	Confessions
	11:20 AM	Low Mass †Alfred Martin (<i>Katie Bischak</i>) Pentecost Novena, Sacred Heart Novena and Benediction
	<i>N.B. No Friday Evening Service due to Pentecost Vigil</i>	
SAT	6/11/11	VIGIL OF PENTECOST ST BARNABAS, AP DAY OF FAST AND PARTIAL ABSTINENCE
	7:45 AM	Closing of Pentecost Novena
	8:00 AM	Pentecost Vigil
	9:00 AM	Pontifical High Mass In honor of the Holy Ghost for our Confirmands Confirmation follows Mass and the Enrollment in the Brown Scapular, Photos and Refreshments follow
SUN	6/12/11	PENTECOST SUNDAY
	7:30 AM	Low Mass †Jeanne Harpen (<i>M/M Victor Ritze</i>)
	9:00 AM	Veni Creator and High Mass First Communions For the People of St. Gertrude
	11:30 AM	Low Mass Poor Souls (<i>Mrs. Mattingly</i>)
	4:45 PM	Pentecost Vespers with Benediction
	5:45 PM	Low Mass Special Intention (<i>JCP</i>)

✠ BISHOP'S CORNER

Memorial Day weekend, almost on cue, saw the start of summer, sudden, brusque, burning away with it startling heat all of the moisture of our cold wet spring. We were out in the middle of it each morning of Rogationtide, chanting the Litany of the Saints, praying for all of our needs.



We are in the middle of this wonderful but taxing week of prayer as I write this on June 1, the opening of the Sacred Heart's month of June. It is only a month from now that we will keep the actual **feast** of the Sacred Heart on July 1, due to so late an Easter. This is a grace, as we prepare for and celebrate Pentecost, and Confirmation, Graduation and Trinity and Corpus Christi, St. John the Baptist and Ss. Peter and Paul, all in the loving light of the Sacred Heart, whose flames are the Holy Ghost. The Paraclete will prepare us to keep well the feast of Him who sent Him to our hearts. May they be inflamed with His love!

Keep June sacred to the Sacred Heart by "lifting up your hearts" as the celebrant admonishes us at Mass. Do this by hearing Mass frequently, to honor the Sacred Heart during His month. Make a family Holy Hour at your Sacred Heart shrine. Rediscover the Friday night Mass and Novena. Enthroned the Sacred Heart as King of Love in your home. (Give us a call to set it up.) Remember, in the midst of marriage and family problems, the powerful promises of the Sacred Heart. Resolve to make, starting next month, July 1, the Nine First Fridays, and to take your children to make theirs. Help us to make once more this devotion as **our** parish devotion at St. Gertrude the Great.

This week we continue our Holy Ghost Novena, praying for a renewal of Pentecost in our hearts and homes, and the end of heresies and schisms. Pray for our future Soldiers of Christ, to be confirmed on Saturday. Pray for our graduates, whom we proudly send off today. Pray for Fr. Cekada, who's heading down to steamy Florida, where the school bells still ring through July 1st, for our future priests. Pray for our students, on summer vacation, and for all of ours who will be traveling soon.

Let us pray as well for our families in need, and those families who help us in **our** need. May God bless our gardeners and lawn mowers, hot and hard work under the blazing sun.

May God bless you for a good summer, for it seems it is well begun!

In the Sacred Heart,

—Bishop Dolan

P.S. Thank you for your prayers, greetings, gifts, spiritual bouquets, food and breakfast for my birthday last Saturday. God reward your generosity!

The following were private Masses said by Fr. Larrabee

(3) Special Intentions (*J.C.F.*)

PENTECOST

Sunday next will be the great day of Pentecost, on which the Holy-Ghost, the third Person of the Holy-Trinity, descended, in the form of fiery tongues, upon the Apostles and disciples.

It was on that day, that the Church was first established, and that the Apostles, filled with the Holy-Ghost, began openly to preach the Gospel. It is a day consecrated by the Church to the adoration of the Holy-Ghost, and also to the acknowledging of the wonderful effects which He produces in our souls.

Let us, during the week, imitate the Blessed Virgin and the Apostles. Let us prepare ourselves to receive the Holy-Ghost, by retirement from the world, by practicing prayer, silence, humility, and good works, by a good and sincere confession, and above all, by a sincere avowal of our need of the Holy-Ghost. Let us acknowledge that, by the aid of His grace, we can do every thing, but that without it, we can do nothing for our salvation. Let us fervently invoke Him to come and dwell in our hearts; and then let us do our best to follow His holy inspirations, lest we should grieve and drive Him from us.

Saturday, the eve of that feast, will be a fast and partial abstinence day. On that day, the Church will solemnly perform the ceremony of blessing the water used for Baptism. Assist at that holy ceremony, as well as at the Mass and Confirmations which follow, with piety and devotion, begging of God, that you may be cleansed and purified from sin, in order to receive on the morrow, the Holy-Ghost, Who communicates Himself to none but such as are pure of heart, humble, and detached from the world.

**The Coming of the Advocate**

The Holy Spirit takes up His abode in our souls at the moment of Baptism as the gift of God and dwells in us as in a temple. But it must not be thought that He is inactive there. He must be the first principle of all our supernatural actions. He pours forth His grace into our hearts, illumines our minds, strengthens our wills, and assists our weakness. If one does not take the expression too literally, it could almost be said that He is the soul of our soul. He is in us and we are in Him. And just as a piece of cold metal placed in a fire soon partakes of the fiery glow and emits heat, so we are set on fire by His presence, for He is the love of God for God, the living flame of divine love, and our cold hearts are set aglow by the radiance and contact of His ardor. Not only is He in our souls, but He is truly *ours*. He is our life and strength and love in all that we would do for God. By His sevenfold gifts, we are made more pliable, and can cooperate more readily in the movements He initiates in our souls.

It is true that wherever the Holy Ghost is present the other two Divine Persons of the Blessed Trinity are present also, but certain operations are for special reasons attributed to Individual Persons. The Son of God is also in our souls, making us share in His Sonship. This participation puts us immediately in a special relation with the Father, for we can truly say to Him speaking in our own name as well as that of Christ, "This is Thy beloved Son in whom Thou art well pleased: hear Thou him!"; and whatsoever we ask of the Father in the name of Jesus Christ, that He will give us.

—Dom M. Eugene Boylan, O. CIST. R.

Dom Boylan (†1963) was a monk of the Cistercian Abbey of Mount Saint Joseph, Roscrea, Ireland.

"REMAIN IN MY LOVE"

The love which our Blessed Lady had for God was so great that she suffered keenly through her desire of union with Him; hence the Eternal Father, to console her, sent her His only and beloved Son. If you wish to come where I am going, that is to glory, you must come this road, that is, through thorns. Before Holy Communion, we ought to exercise ourselves in many acts of virtue. Prayer and Holy Communion are not to be made or desired for the sake of the devotion we feel in them, for that is seeking self, and not God; but we must be frequent in both the one and the other in order to become humble, obedient, gentle, and patient. When we see these virtues in a man, then we know that he has really gathered the fruit of prayer and of Communion. Our sweet Jesus, through the excess of His love and liberality, has left Himself to us in the Most Holy Sacrament...

He who works purely for the love of God desires nothing but His honor, and thus is ready in everything either to act or not to act, and that not in indifferent matters only, but even in good ones; and He is always resigned to the will of God. The Lord grants in a moment what we may have been unable to obtain in dozens of years. To obtain perfectly the gift of humility, four things are required: to despise the world, to despise no person, to despise one's self, to despise being despised. **Perfection consists in leading captive our own will, and in playing the king over it.** A man ought to mortify his understanding in little things, if he wishes easily to mortify it in great ones, and to advance in the way of virtue. Without mortification nothing can be done. We ought to hope for and love the glory of God by means of a good life.

—Saint Philip Neri

Saint Philip Neri (†1595) was an Italian priest and the founder of the Oratory.

✠ FOR OUR GRADUATES

ST. KEVIN AND THE BLACKBIRD

This poem is based on a legend: the blackbird laid its egg in the saint's outstretched hand as he prayed. But the legend so charmingly recalled is merely a pretext for meditating upon the power of prayer. It can draw us free from the constraints of the body, or rather, make the body itself into prayer.

And then there was St. Kevin and the blackbird.
The saint is kneeling, arms stretched out, inside
His cell, but the cell is narrow, so

One turned-up palm is out the window, stiff
As a crossbeam, when a blackbird lands
And lays in it and settles down to nest.

Kevin feels the warm eggs, the small breast, the
tucked
Neat head and claws and, finding himself linked
Into the network of eternal life,

Is moved to pity: now he must hold his hand
Like a branch out in the sun and rain for weeks
Until the young are hatched and fledged and
flown.

And since the whole thing's imagined anyhow,
Imagine being Kevin. Which is he?
Self-forgetful or in agony all the time

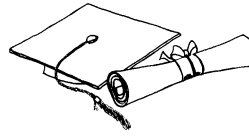
From the neck on out down through his
hurting forearms?
Are his fingers sleeping? Does he still feel his
knees?
Or has the shut-eyed blank of underearth

Crept up through him? Is there distance in his
head?
Alone and mirrored clear in love's deep river,
"To labour and not to seek reward," he prays,

A prayer his body makes entirely
For he has forgotten self, forgotten bird,
And on the riverbank forgotten the river's
name.

St. Kevin's feast day was Friday, June 3, but I print this poem in honor of our Graduation Sunday. Consider the fourth stanza. Our good schools and teachers and clergy stand stable over the years "like a branch out in the sun and rain for weeks, until the young are hatched and fledged and flown."

A PRAYER FOR OUR GRADUATES



O God, bless our graduates.
Make them pure without stain,
docile without weakness, wise
without pride, and lovers of
Catholic culture, their precious
inheritance. Help them, dear Lord, to grow always in that
Faith, Hope, and Love which they received in Baptism.

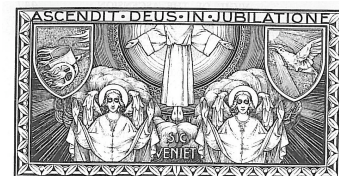
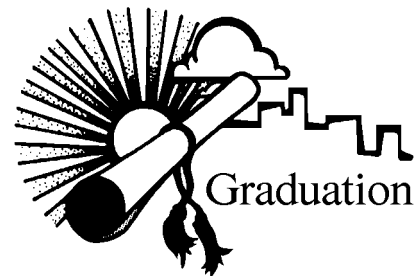
Help them to maintain strong, noble, and upright
characters which will resist both the open and hidden
attacks of the world, the flesh, and the devil. Fill them with
a holy zeal to use to the utmost the gifts that Thou hast
given them. Aid them to give to the Church and the state
the service which Thou desirest, by doing their duty as well
as they can. Bring them safe through the storms and battles
of the world to the happy home of Heaven, when Thou
wilt be their reward, as Thou art now their help and stay,
where, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, Thou livest
and reignest one God, world without end. Amen.

***Congratulations St. Gertrude the Great High School
Graduates:***

***John Lotarski
Jane Lotarski***

Princeton High School:

Kevin O'Donnell



Collection Report

Sunday May 29th\$3,601.00

*Thank you for your generosity!
Remember St. Gertrude's in your will!*
