

# 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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## August 12, 2018

### PENTECOST XII

#### ST. CLARE, V



#### ¶ PENTECOST XII

Vespers with Benediction are at 4:45 PM. Don't forget to check the Gift Shop for new items!

#### ¶ THREE DAYS IN AUGUST

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week are sacred to the Virgin Mary assumed into Heaven, and to St. Anthony, so devoted to Our Lady under this title. Portugal gave the Church not only St. Anthony, you know, but also Fatima, Ground Zero for Heaven's Peace Plan. See how much you can do this week, to work for peace, by prayer and processions, novena and rosary, and most of all Holy Mass.

Monday's Mass is at 5:45 PM for the feast of Our Lady, Refuge of Sinners. Meet us in West Chester at 7:15 for the August Fatima Rosary Procession. Tuesday of course is one of St. Anthony's Thirteen, with Novena after Mass: 8 & 11:25 AM and 5 PM. Wednesday is the Holy Day, of course, which concludes this Triduum with three Masses: 7:00 & 9 AM, and 5:45 PM. Whoever you are, whatever burdens you, don't worry. Pray!

#### ¶ THE ASSUMPTION

On Wednesday we keep the Summer Holy Day of Obligation, Our Lady's Assumption. The 7:00 AM Mass is the Workers' Mass, with no sermon.

The main Mass of the day is the 9:00 AM Pontifical. We join the servers, clergy, and choir in processing to the Grotto for the



traditional blessing of the First Fruits. Bring some produce, herbs, and flowers from your garden. Bring your children, who represent the angels who filled the sepulchre of Our Lady with beautiful flowers. This procession leads us back into church for the High Mass.

In the afternoon, we sing Vespers at 4:30, and then expose the Blessed Sacrament for Rosary. Benediction is at 5:30, with Mass at 5:45 PM.

#### ¶ NEXT SUNDAY: PENTECOST XIII

The Blessing of Expectant Mothers will be available at the Communion rail. Vespers with Benediction will be at 4:45 PM.

📖 *Set Your Missal:* Pentecost XIII, with a commemoration of St. John Eudes and within the Octave of the Assumption. Trinity Preface.

#### ¶ ALTER CHRISTUS

\$258.00 was received this month for Masses for priests. God reward your generosity.

#### Collection Report

Sunday, August 5<sup>th</sup>.....\$3,147.00

Second Collection.....\$1,148.00

Thank you for your generosity.

#### ¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Victor Ritze and all of the intentions that have been recommended to us.

#### *Kindling wood...for the Altar*

The Mass used to be, sometimes, the meeting place of too many "dolls," come to show off their finery... Much time would go into the hair-do, the makeup, and manicure—but they would arrive with an often dusty, not to say soiled, soul! ...The aim was to please the boys, and not God... But that's in the past, right. Oh, girls and ladies *do* dress "up," not down. Up for Heaven, and honor and good thoughts. (Am I a "doll"? And to the boys: Do I know how to tell a "doll" from a girl whose religion is sound and whose first Love is God?)....

All understanding of history depends on one's understanding of the forces that make it, of which religious forces are the most active and the most definite.

— Lord

Acton

*Consider the religious, and anti-religious forces which shape our world today, especially the "organized forces of Naturalism," and you'll increase your understanding of history and current events. The one world church. Why the perpetual war? "War on terror?" Deep State, Hollywood and Fake News all around too!*

#### Private Masses said by Fr. Cekada:

†Richard T. Dailey – 17<sup>th</sup> Anniversary July 3  
(Tom & Karen Simpson)



### HERALDS PREPARE THE WAY

Jesus Christ was announced by the prophets and prefigured by numerous types in the Old Law to prepare the people for His coming. Now that He abides with us under the appearances of the Eucharist, it is the same. At every Holy Mass He sends His precursor before Him to prepare the way. The great line of patriarchs and prophets has been increased by the apostles and evangelists. All these great men of God were heralds of the Almighty. They spoke of a God, a Man, a Redeemer, a King of heaven and earth, a Lawgiver, a Judge and a Recompenser. They made known His commands, His promises, His threats. They also portrayed His life and death.

### EPISTLE

In the first ages of Christianity, passages from the prophets were read before the holy Gospel; later, also passages from the letters of the Apostles. In the Roman liturgy, the Epistle varies. It is taken from the Old or from the New Testament, and the lessons are more frequently taken from the letters of the Apostles than from the prophets. Therefore, we call the Lesson "Epistle," which means "letter." Formerly the Epistle was read by the lector from a special elevated place, a kind of pulpit; since the eight century, the Epistle is read by the subdeacon at Solemn High Mass, and at the ordinary celebration of Mass, the priest himself reads it. Formerly, the celebrating bishop or priest decided what was to be read each time. The present order of the Epistles and Gospels was arranged by St. Jerome (died 420) and finally

established by Pope St. Pius V, in 1570.

The priest lays his hand upon the book or altar while reading the Epistle, to show us that we should be ready at once to put our hand to the work in order to conform our life to the principles laid down for us in the Epistle.

At the conclusion of the Epistle, the server answers, in the name of the people, "Deo gratias!—Thanks be to God!" in order to express their gratitude for the Divine revelation, which God does not grant to everyone. Willingness to fulfill God's precepts, and gratitude for His sacred Word are the sentiments which should animate the Christian during the Epistle and the Gradual which immediately follows it.

### EPISTLE PRAYER

*O eternal God, Who never ceases to excite us to the worship and love of Thy holy Name, or to arm us against the attacks of the world, the flesh, and the devil, by the public ministry of Thy Church, by the doctrine of Thy Prophets and Apostles, and by many other holy admonitions, grant that we may faithfully attend to these lessons of salvation, that thus our knowledge of Thy Law may never rise in judgment against us, but guide us securely to Thee, through Christ our Lord. Amen.*



### AT THE EPISTLE

*St. Alphonsus Liguori*

*Ah, my Sovereign God! have mercy on me, and grant that, being instructed in Thy law, and in*

*Thy holy will, I may endeavor to fulfill them in all things, that so what Thou teachest may be the rule of my conduct. Amen.*

### OUR LADY'S ASSUMPTION

As when was stayed the universal fate  
Of mankind, Madonna, at thy birth,  
Exultant grew the long-expectant earth  
Because thou camest here immaculate,

So it rejoiced that day which saw for thee  
The common doom averted once again,  
And myriad angels bore thee hence, to reign  
As Queen of Heaven for all eternity.

- William D. Kelly

*Our Lady, who died once, at Calvary, mystically but truly, "dieth now no more" but falling asleep is borne by angels to be born in glory.*



### OUR CO-REDEMPTRIX

How should the Word be flesh without her aid?  
The breach 'twixt God and mortals thus to span  
Needed her fiat. Lo, the sinless maid  
Is the correlative of God made man.

- R. W. G.

These are August's days of Grace, which gently wreath (regardless of weather) Our Lady's Assumption, past the clouds, into heavenly glory. The Curé of Ars, St. Lawrence, St. Philomena, and St. Clare direct our gaze these not so lazy days of late Summer Fatimawards. Rosary in hand we will accompany Our Lady and her Rosary Monday evening; Tuesday's vigil and novena would be excellent if you can make it. But all of us will return to church Wednesday for the most ancient of Mary's feasts, the Assumption, with first fruits for Heaven's First Fruits.

Our young Mexican visitors seem to be having a good time. **Fr. Villegas'** visit was a brief one, and he is back offering Mass today in Tijuana and hot, hot Mexico. His August is a busy one. Padre Arnoldo still is leading a pilgrimage to Our Lady of Guadalupe (wouldn't that be a good idea?) and a young ladies vocational retreat this month.

**Fr. Cekada** and the Singing Simpsons both worked with the more musical of our Mexicans to learn some of the basic High Mass chants and hymns. This is a good apostolate as well. Once again, we want to pass our treasures on to the next generation. "Ad maiorem Dei gloriam," all "to the greater glory of God," as the Jesuits used to say. This is why we sing. Oh, also for very joy in our Faith.

I heard from **Fr. Saavedra** the other day. He thanks you for the prayers for his mother, and reports he's doing well in Australia, even though it's a bit chilly on the other side of the Equator. **Fr. Eldracher** says that Father has moved all of the chapel furnishings to the new location. Fr. Saavedra is quite the organizer, and an expert at moving. His visit comes at a good time. Meanwhile, Fr. Eldracher is hoping to visit us this week after the Holy Day.

**Fr. Lehtoranta** drove to Milwaukee for the weekend and the Holy Day. This way he can bring back the much anticipated baby proof board books, to enable not just toddlers but the whole family to learn about Holy Mass.

**Fr. McGuire** came back from Florida on Friday, only to hit the missions running. Yesterday Father drove to Holy Face Mission in Illinois. Three of their faithful visited us recently to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Today is the patronal feast of our little St. Clare Chapel, and we are so grateful to the senior McGuires for their loyal and generous hospitality to Our Lord. **Fr. McKenna** will be offering Mass there Wednesday evening for the Holy Day.

Some of our Home Schoolers' Circle organized a

summer outing to Xavier University Library, to see memorabilia from their **Fr. Finn** collection. Fr. Finn was a talented Jesuit author of children's mystery books. Later I think they visited and prayed at the graves of Fr. Finn and another Cincinnati treasure, **Fr. Lasance**. Renee was going to write me a report.

Soon it will be back to school for everyone. The Sisters are organizing a convenient online Sunday Catechism registration. We are putting the finishing touches on plans for another great school year at St. Gertrude the Great. It's almost time to go back, but our two seminarians have finally returned home for a little well earned rest. We always say "Pray for vocations," but I think they might have been praying for vacation as well. But I know they were of great help to His Excellency and the Seminary priests.

Many thanks to Gino for cleaning out the Lourdes Grotto fountain and installing a new motor in time for Our Lady's feast. The old motor burned out for lack of water in the pond at some point. Yipes! Next time we will be more careful.

Meanwhile the cloister garden is looking great, thanks to Bischels. Its fountain also needs filled from time to time. The ensemble is a real delight. But the lawn there is overtaken by crabgrass. I'm wondering if any enterprising individual would be willing to take on this "postage stamp" size bit of lawn? Probably a few applications of something in the Fall, and again in Spring?

Keep the good Sisters in your prayers this week, as they will be busy moving to temporary quarters. The Go Fund Me has stagnated like the pond, and we need to get the motor going again to help our Sisters. We know Our Lady will bring a solution, but she probably wants you to be the means.

Think of it. Our Lady would deign to use *you* to be her instrument, her means, for many a good work which would otherwise flounder. Can you think of a better Holy Day Resolution?

May Mary, Queen Assumed into Heaven, bless you and yours.

– Bishop Dolan

If a man does not exercise his arm, he develops no biceps muscle; and if a man does not exercise his soul, he acquires no muscle in his soul—no strength of character, no vigor of moral fibre, nor beauty of spiritual growth.

– Henry Drummond



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# *Fatima Rosary Procession in West Chester*



*7:15 PM TOMORROW!*  
*Pray for peace!*



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## *THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION*

SPECIAL WORKERS' MASS – 7 AM

BLESSING OF FIRST FRUITS BEFORE THE 9 AM MASS  
*Bring your Garden Produce and Flowers to be blessed.*



VESPERS & ROSARY AT 4:30 PM FOLLOWED BY BENEDICTION

FINAL MASS AT 5:45 PM



BISHOP SANBORN ANSWERS BISHOP  
FELLAY

The third heresy of Vatican II: The new ecclesiology. By *ecclesiology* we mean the Church's doctrine concerning its own nature, that is, its essence and characteristics. Vatican II teaches a *heretical* ecclesiology. It is contained in *Lumen Gentium*.

The traditional dogma of the Catholic Church is that the Catholic Church, and it alone, is the one true Church of Christ, and that therefore any entity outside of itself is a false religion. This includes even those schismatic religions of the East which may have a valid priesthood and valid sacraments. If you are cut off from the center—the pope—you are nothing but a dead branch that has fallen off the vine.

Vatican II altered this doctrine in order to include other Christian denominations in the Church of Christ, saying that the Church of Christ, as an organized body, *subsists* in the Catholic Church.

...If the Church of Christ does not subsist on its own, but must subsist in something else, it means that the Church of Christ is really distinct, by nature two different things. It means that the Church of Christ *is not* the Catholic Church, and the Catholic Church *is not* the Church of Christ. If they were by nature not two different things, then they would be the same thing, and it would be necessary to say that the Church of Christ *is* the Catholic Church, which is precisely the dogma of the Catholic Church.

The "subsists in" doctrine also means that the Church of Christ could subsist in something else, like the Lutheran Church, for example.

While this doctrine does wonders for the heresy of ecumenism and religious liberty, it destroys the Church's teaching that the Catholic Church is exclusively the Church of Christ, and vice versa. The Church

of Christ and the Catholic Church are one and the same, and exclusively so, meaning that no other "Christian" organization can call itself the Church of Christ in any way whatsoever. The only appropriate name for them is a heretical or schismatic sect.



What is it that keeps us perpetually straining and moiling and wearing ourselves away, but some desire which is not chastened, some thought of the heart which is not dead to this worldly state? What makes us lament the flight of time and the changes of the world, but that we are still a part of it, and share its life? What makes us die so hard, but that we leave behind us more treasures than we have laid up in heaven—that our hearts are not there but here?

— Cardinal Manning

Learn how ineffable is the goodness of the Holy Ghost, Who interests Himself in our salvation, and not only prays for us, but intercedes for us with unspeakable groanings. Who could believe this were it not expressly stated in Holy Scripture? Who can now doubt that we have a true friend in the Holy Ghost? Let us love and trust in Him, Who is indeed our true and faithful friend. And since it is preeminently at Mass that He pleads for thee, thou wouldst do well to hear Mass sometimes for His special honor and delectation.



## On Mass Intentions

The Remainder of the Go Fund Me donations for Sharon Patton's funeral is being used, as announced, for Masses for her soul.

HOW PLEASING IT IS TO OUR LORD TO  
PRAY WITH HANDS OUTSTRETCHED IN  
THE FORM OF A CROSS

St. Gertrude said to Our Lord: Teach me, O Thou best Teacher, one way at least in which we may most specially commemorate Thy holy Passion. Our Lord answered her thus: "When you pray, spread forth your hands so as to represent to God the Father the memory of My Passion, in union with that love with which I stretched out My hands on the cross; and if you do this habitually, without fear of ridicule or reproach, you will pay Me an honor as great as is shown to a king when he is solemnly enthroned."

PRAYER FOR AN ENGAGED  
COUPLE

*O God who has chosen us to found a Christian home, grant that we may prayerfully and chastely prepare ourselves for the worthy reception of the Sacrament of Marriage.*

*Help us, Dear Lord, to understand the seriousness of our vocation. Prepare us ever to love You faithfully; always to prefer Your sovereign will to our own; to accept with equanimity the joys and burdens of married life; and to bring up in a Christian manner the children that Your Providence may confide to our keeping.*

*May the home that we are soon to set up, be pleasing to You. May Your Name be sanctified in it, and Your kingdom on earth extended; to the end that in You we may be united forever and ever. Amen.*



MON	8/13/18	SS. HIPPOLYTUS & CASSIAN, MM ST. JOHN BERCHMANS, C OUR LADY REFUGE OF SINNERS
☞ W	5:45 PM	Low Mass Larry Kunkel – Thank You (Kirby & Jean Bischel)
	7:15 PM	Fatima Rosary Procession in West Chester
TUE	8/14/18	VIGIL OF THE ASSUMPTION ST. EUSEBIUS, C SUMMER NOVENA AFTER ALL MASSES
W	8:00 AM	Low Mass †George Zang (Judy)
W	11:25 AM	Low Mass †Mary Jane Donadio (John Brockman)
	5:00 PM	Low Mass Special Intention (Rich VandeRyt)
	6:00 PM	First Vespers of the Assumption
WED	8/15/18	THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY <b>HOLY DAY</b>
W	7:00 AM	Special Workers' Mass Happy Birthday Anthony! (Katia Holbrook)
W	9:00 AM	Procession to Grotto, Blessing of Fruits & Flowers, Procession into Church, Pontifical High Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great
	4:30 PM	Assumption Vespers, Exposition, Rosary
	5:30 PM	Benediction
W	5:45 PM	Low Mass In honor of St. Joseph for answer to a Prayer (Regina Gilliam)
THU	8/16/18	ST. JOACHIM, FATHER OF OUR LADY ST. ROCH, C
	8:00 AM	Low Mass †Special Intention (PR)
	5:00 PM	Low Mass Honor of St. Joseph – Special Intention (Tom & Karen Simpson)
FRI	8/17/18	ST. HYACINTH OCTAVE DAY OF ST. LAWRENCE
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Ad Cautelam
	5:15 PM	Confessions & Rosary
W	5:45 PM	Low Mass Bishop Dolan & Priests of St. Gertrude (Rich VandeRyt)
	6:30 PM	Novena & Benediction
SAT	8/18/18	WITHIN THE OCTAVE ST. AGAPITUS, M ST. HELENA, EMPRESS
	7:10 AM	Confessions
W	7:30 AM	Low Mass †Sharon Patton
	8:05 AM	Salve & Sermon
W	8:15 AM	High Mass †Sharon Patton
SUN	8/19/18	PENTECOST XIII ST. JOHN EUDES, C WITHIN THE OCTAVE
	7:05 AM	Rosary
	7:30 AM	Low Mass Joseph McMahon (Colleen Greenwell)
	9:00 AM	High Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great
	11:05 AM	Rosary
	11:30 AM	Low Mass Pat Patton Family
	4:45 PM	Vespers & Benediction
	5:45 PM	Low Mass †Thos. & †Margaret (nee Daly) Loftus – Repose & Mercy of God (Tim Hopkins)

## THE TWO BOXES

There are two St. Anthony Boxes in the vestibule for your use. Both are for giving something to St. Anthony. Both have a statue of St. Anthony. The little box on the table receives your petitions, which go into the golden chest at his feet in the sanctuary. Give him your prayers with loving confidence.

The other box is a “bread box,” a slot in the wall next to the Gift Shop to receive your offerings in honor of St. Anthony for our poor. We have some, indeed, and they do count on us. We count on St. Anthony to help them, sometimes literally to feed them. This is called “St Anthony's Bread,” and it functions all year round.

The idea is to give so that you may get—your prayers answered. This arrangement started in Toulouse, France in 1890, and soon became a popular way of petitioning the Saint of Padua.

*Glorious Saint of Padua, dear Anthony,  
Like thy Master thou hast compassion with the multitudes;*

*Thou art the defender of the laden and oppressed;  
Thou givest aid to the poor and suffering;  
Thou hast resisted the cruel and the usurers,  
And continues to act as provider of the hungry—  
O good Saint Anthony,  
Inflame my heart with thy practical charity.  
May I always see in the poor, the Lord Himself.  
May my hand be always open to relieve the needy,  
Help me to become a consoler of the oppressed.  
Let me do good to all for the sake of Christ.  
Then I can await the hour of judgment with confidence.*

*Because the reward of heaven shall be mine.  
Most Holy Trinity! Thou desirest to be loved in my neighbors, especially the poor, helpless and suffering.  
Through the merits and intercession of Thy confessor Saint Anthony, inflame my heart with true charity and compassion, in order that I may earn Thy grace on earth, and Thy reward in heaven.*

*Praise, thanks and honor be to thee, O Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Forever. Amen.*

## SERVICES

## WED 8/15

9:00 AM HIGH: MGS: R. VandeRyt, J. Simpson, J. Lacy CROSS: P. McConnell TH: P. Omlor  
ACs: D. McConnell, T. Lawrence BOOK: A. McConnell BUGIA: D. Simpson MITRE: C.  
Richesson CROZIER: M. Simpson TRAIN: S. Richesson TORCH: C. Arlinghaus, T. England, J.  
& C. Mourer, N. & J. Kolnich  
5:30 PM BENEDICTION & LOW MASS: G. Miller

## SUN 8/19

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

Ad Cautelam

*“Ad Cautelam” translates as “to be on the safe side.” These Masses are meant to cover any intentions which were somehow lost or forgotten over the years.*