

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

September 9, 2018

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

PENTECOST XVI

ST. PETER CLAVIER, C • ST. GORGONIUS, M



¶ PENTECOST XVI

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

¶ THE SUMMER NOVENA

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

¶ FEASTS THIS WEEK

Wednesday is the feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary. Thursday's special 5:45 PM honors the Nativity of Mary, and leads into the Procession. Friday we have the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, with the blessing and veneration of the relic of the True Cross after the 11:25 AM and 5:45 PM Masses. Saturday is the feast of the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady. Hear Mass at 7:30 or 8:15 AM to console the Blessed Mother, and to bring your own sorrows to her.

¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Robert Weber, Tom Gardner, Henry Sieverding, and Jim and Lorrie Grumblatt.



¶ CALLING ALL CHORISTERS!

Thanks to all who sang out all summer for the Sunday High Masses. Our choir Masses resume next Sunday, with first choir practice this Wednesday at 6:30 PM. New members are welcome and encouraged! Remember, *he who sings, prays twice*. See you Wednesday!

¶ ROSARY PROCESSION

Our September Fatima Rosary Procession for Peace is this Thursday, the 13th, in West Chester. Join us for Mass beforehand at 5:45 and for Rosary at 7:15 PM in the First Watch parking lot.

Do not lose a single word of the Gospel, says Origen; because if, when you are receiving Holy Communion, you rightly take care to see that not even the smallest particle falls, why should you not believe that it is wrong to neglect even a single word of Jesus Christ?

¶ MARIAN INTENTIONS

Mass Intention forms are in the vestibule for three more Marian Masses. Fill one out and return to the office or bookstore.

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: SOLEMNITY OF THE SEVEN SORROWS OF OUR LADY

Next Sunday is the Solemnity of the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady. The Blessing of the Sick will be available at the Communion Rail. (The Blessing of Expectant Mothers will be moved to the following Sunday.) Sunday Catechism Classes will be at 10:40 AM. There will be no Vespers due to the Parish Picnic at Sharon Woods Park. Everyone is invited! Join us anytime between 1-5 PM at the Cardinal Crest Shelter. We're providing hot dogs, hamburgers, and drinks. Bring a dish to share or a favorite game if you would like.

📖 *Set Your Missal:* High Mass: Solemnity of the Seven Sorrows. Commemorations of Pentecost XVII, Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian, and Ss. Euphemia & Companions. Preface of the Blessed Virgin. Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost XVII. Low Masses: Pentecost XVII, with Collects of Ss. Cornelius & Cyprian, and Ss. Euphemia & Companions. Trinity Preface.

¶ UPCOMING: 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!

THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

It seems amazing that Gabriel, the messenger of God, sent to the Virgin as God's groomsman and best man, did not use her express and proper name when he greeted her. The angel did not say: *Hail, Mary* but rather: *Hail, full of grace*. We do not learn the name of the Virgin from the angel but from the Evangelist who says: *The virgin's name was Mary* (Lk 1:27).

The Jewish people do not dare to name God. They believe that it is not permitted to them. Moreover, they believe that it is permitted to no one, except to the high priest, but once a year when he customarily enters the Holy of Holies and blesses the people on the Day of Atonement. Thus Isaiah said that his lips were impure, and he thought himself unworthy to take the divine name in his unclean mouth.

Indeed, God Himself holds His own name to be of such great worth that He did not reveal it to the holiest of patriarchs as He said to Moses: *I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by my name, the Lord, I did not make myself known to them* (Ex 6:3). He did reveal His name to Moses, but first He desired that Moses take off his shoes so that he might hear the name while approaching God with the highest reverence. For priests in a posture of reverence do not enter the sanctuary except with their feet bare and washed.... Thus God wished for Moses to hear the most sacred and most secret name with the greatest reverence....

Perhaps this reason, namely for the sake of showing great reverence, the angel dared not speak the most sacred name of Mary. I think that, after the name of Christ, which is above every other name, is the name of Mary, revered and adored even by the angels themselves. One must not think that the most glorious name

of Mary does not abound in mysteries nor that it was not given to her by divine inspiration as were the names given to Christ and to John the Baptist. For if no mystery were hidden in names, then God would not have changed the name of Abraham, Sarah and Jacob, and Christ would not have called the prince of the Apostles by the new name of Peter.

- St. Lawrence of Brindisi

St. Lawrence of Brindisi († 1619) was a minister general of the Capuchin Franciscans and preached throughout Europe. He is a Doctor of the Church.

I grieve for thee, O Mary most sorrowful, in the martyrdom which thy generous heart endured in standing near Jesus in His agony. Dear Mother, by thy heart afflicted in such wise, obtain for me the virtue of temperance and the gift of counsel.



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 Newman (1801-1890)

Think of the Lamb which appeared on the altar at Knock in Ireland.

TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER ON HER BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday, dearest Mother!
Sing our youthful hearts today,
And the birds and flowers seem joining

In a merry roundelay.
How the angels must be singing
Round thy white, resplendent throne,
While the saints in holy rapture
Claim thee as their very own!

But, dear Mother, deign to listen
As thy children here on earth
Offer unto thee their greetings,
Though they be of little worth,
Save that love is pulsing through them

From thy little ones sincere,
Who are hoping they may meet thee
On some birthday, Mother dear!

- S. Marr

THE INFANT MARY

After centuries of weight, the waters
break and flow.
The desert leaps with fruit. How can
this be so?—
A temple made of flesh without the
strain of Eve,
A full and promised moon, a servant
and a queen.
A womb within a womb, cocooned in
swaddled silk
Of morning glory blue, the scent of
myrrh and milk.

The prophet would foretell the piercing
of her soul
That Eden's flaming sword had
wounded long ago
When bitterness was named for a
sweetness made to last
Though newborn memory is a star
too far to grasp.
The spread of sea is calm. The infant
Mary sleeps.
The firmament reflects its sparkling,
faultless queen.

- Rita A. Simmonds

Two quite different poems, both in homage to Our Blessed Mother for her birthday. An exquisite, tightly packed poem from contemporary Rita Simmonds calls you to read it once and again. It is a prayer, a gaze of praise. The light cheering verses were a children's poem a century ago, and never grow old.

Heavy weather these days, but the fruits of late Summer delight us. Two beautiful feasts of the Blessed Mother greet us this weekend, yesterday's Birthday and today's Solemnity of her Holy Name. At the High Mass we bless the little plants and seed packets, and give them to our children to take home and plant. Oh, and a little birthday treat in her honor as well. Be sure to visit the cloister garden, all in its late Summer finery. Enough to distract us from the weather. And be sure to continue on the path to visit the striking new stations, made to last. Make them while you're at it. September is the month of the Sorrowful Mother.

Many thanks to the Arlinghaus family for this work. Thanks too for your charity and assistance for the funerals of Bea Lutkehaus and Connie Kamphaus. I was so sorry to have missed them, for these ladies were dear friends, and longtime and once very active members of the parish. Bea's elegant kindly *prayerful* presence was a fixture for so many years at St. Gertrude, as was her always welcome Rum cake! Connie came to us at the prayer and only after the death of her mother Rosemary Britenstein. But when she did, she brought many of her family with her.

Last week was the first anniversary of the death of Paulina Strauss who was everything for St. Gertrude for so many years. We also remembered last week Elsa Bowman, so active in our church in the early years. May these dear ladies all rest in peace. The old order passeth, but they make us who we are today.

Sunday Catechism commences today, and we thank the Sisters for their dedication to our future, our children. Thank you for your concern, charity and prayers for them. They are doing better now, having found a house to rent, and also with a lead on a vehicle. May St. Joseph continue to assist them.

The school choir sings the High Mass today, as they do each school day at 11:25 AM. Our school opened another year on Wednesday with some new students and helpers, and that same fine devotion which inspires teachers and students alike. The church choir has its first rehearsal on Wednesday evening. All voices are welcome, but **Fr. Cekada** is still searching for a few more good men. Thank you to the 9 AM congregation for your fine singing this Summer. It was a delight. We continue to give you the three main hymns so that you may join in.

Fr. Cekada and I had a fine vacation in Sante Fe, New Mexico, which is really America's "Holy Land." I prayed daily to Our Lady the Conquistadora for you all. St. Joseph's Staircase is also there, and the miraculous

shrine of the Crucifix at Chimayo with its "holy dirt," as well as the Holy Child of Atocha. You could, of course, "do" Santa Fe in a day, but it's really meant to be a place to stay, and it's a privilege to do so. Oh, did I mention the magnificent weather, beautiful desert scenery, and low humidity?

Fr. McKenna is off to the Sceptered Isle for his holiday this week, touring England, Wales, and Scotland. He is also charitably offering Mass for the London faithful next Sunday; *and* getting in some golf on one of Scotland's celebrated cliffside greens. **Fr. McGuire** is kindly taking his place on the northern mission rounds.

Don't please forget Our Lady's September Fatima Rosary Procession this Thursday the 13th. October already will be the last. Friday is Holy Cross Day. Next Sunday we solemnize Our Lady's Sorrows and bless the sick in the morning. By afternoon we're all feeling better and head out to Sharon Woods Park for our annual picnic. See you there?

Remember the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary, a powerful one word prayer, a blessing. And remember to bow your head.

– Bishop Dolan

A MUCH-ABUSED WORD

One of the most overworked adjectives in everyday English use is "nice," colloquially employed as a general term of satisfaction applicable to anything that pleases. We hear of nice weather, nice people, nice books, nice sentiments, nice music, nice poems,—nice anything and everything existent or conceivable.

The literal meaning of the word (from the Latin *nescius*) is "ignorant, unknowing"; but it has passed through a variety of significations, until one of its legitimate present meanings is rather the reverse of ignorant—namely, "discriminating, critical, discerning, acute." The English philologist, John Earle, gives this account of its gradual change of meaning: "The word dates from the great French period, and it first meant 'foolish, absurd, ridiculous'; then in course of time it came to signify 'whimsical, fantastic, wanton, adroit'; thence it slid into the meaning of 'subtle, delicate, sensitive,' which landed it on the threshold of its modern meaning." As for its use in social slang, that, says Johnson, is too unscientific to be traceable.

In its correct literary use at the present day, "nice" is a synonym of "dainty, fastidious, squeamish, finical, delicate, exquisite, effeminate, fussy"; or of "definite, rigorous, exact." To apply the word to every concrete object and abstract idea is evidence that one is lacking in a *nice* perception of word-distinctions.



Fatima Rosary Procession for Peace



Thursday, September 13

5:45 PM: Low Mass in church

7:15 PM in West Chester



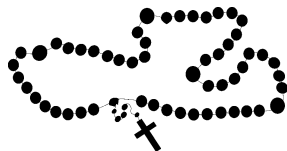
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

1-5 PM in Sharon Woods Park,
Cardinal Crest Shelter.

We will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, and drinks. Bring a dish to share or a favorite game if you would like, but most of all, bring yourself!



ROSARY SUNDAY



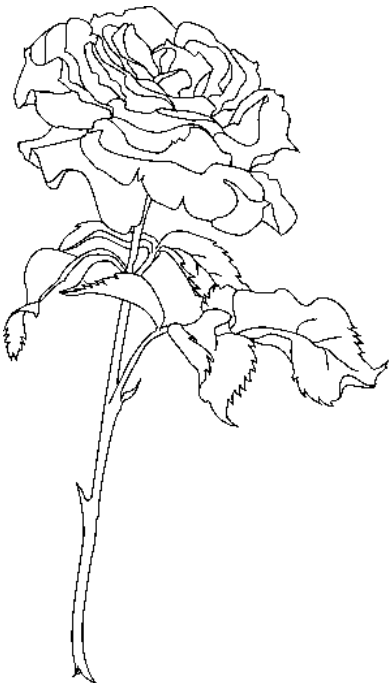
OCTOBER 7

ROSES WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE VESTIBULE
TO BE BLESSED AFTER MASS

ROSARY CONFRATERNITY BREAKFAST
TO FOLLOW PROCESSION

OUR GUEST SPEAKER: FR. DAMIEN DUTERTRE

TICKETS FOR THE BREAKFAST ON SALE SOON!
MARK YOUR CALENDAR.



SAINT REGINA
Martyr († 2nd century)
 September 7

Regina is said to have been the daughter of an unnamed Christian woman and her pagan husband Clement. After her mother died in childbirth, Regina was put in the care of a nurse who was a Christian. The woman raised her in the Faith. When at last Regina was presented to her father, he was deeply upset to discover that she had been baptized. He ejected her from the house and returned her to the nurse, who sent the girl to tend the sheep. In the solitude and the silence, Regina gave herself over to prayer. In time, she came to think of herself as Christ's bride.

When the local prefect, Olybrius, expressed an interest in marrying Regina, Clement was delighted that his apparently useless daughter would make a good match, and consented to the marriage. For his part, Olybrius made it his aim to make Regina renounce her faith, but she refused him at every point. At last he took Regina into custody and had her subjected to cruel tortures. But Regina remained absolutely firm, submitting to the executioner's knife rather than renounce her attachment to Christ.



for prayer."

Regina's shrine at Alise, in the region of Autun, France, dates to the 8th century. She is invoked by those who are struggling in poverty.

"Loving Father, through the intercession of Saint Regina, grant that amid the clamor of the world, I might find silence and a solitary place

BL. JOHN GABRIEL PERBOYRE
Missionary Martyr (1802-1840)

After hearing a sermon at the age of fifteen, John Gabriel Perboyre was inspired to enter the seminary of the Congregation of the Mission, founded by St. Vincent de Paul. Nine years after his ordination in 1826, he received his long-awaited assignment to China. "I do not know what awaits me in the journey that lies ahead," he wrote—"without a doubt the cross, which is the daily bread of the missionary. What better can we hope for, going to preach a crucified God?"

After four months studying Chinese in Macau, where he delighted in his new appearance—"my head shaved, a long pig-tail, stammering my new languages"—he set off to join his fellow Vincenians in Hunan.

Chinese Christians had been subjected to intermittent waves of persecution. With the outbreak of the Opium War in 1839, however, foreign missionaries came under renewed suspicion. Fr. Perboyre and his companions went into hiding, but he was eventually arrested, thus beginning a yearlong ordeal of interrogation and abuse. Despite floggings and other tortures, he refused to betray his comrades or renounce his faith. At one point he was branded on his face with characters reading "teacher of a false religion."

Finally, on September 11, 1840, he was tied to a cross, along with several common criminals, and strangled.

The Novus Ordo "canonized" this martyr in 1996. Curiously enough the Communist Chinese, fast friends of the One World Church, objected strongly, describing this wonderful saint as a "bandit." They should know. Speaking of One Worlders and thieves, note that Blessed John Gabriel died on 9/11, and would surely make an excellent patron of this day of shame, when so many of our liberties were stolen from us. St. Gertrude the Great Church possesses a relic of this martyr.

— Bp. Dolan

Vatican II. The root cause of this change in doctrine is Vatican II, as always. For the Council changed many doctrines, but most notably the one concerning religious liberty, which was condemned by Pope Pius IX as being against Scriptures, i.e., the revelation of God. Vatican II taught *exactly* what Pius IX condemned in a binding way.

Vatican II's fundamental principle is the *relativization of truth*. It taught this idea, which is absolutely lethal to the Catholic Church, by its embracing of ecumenism and religious liberty.

The only way out of this doctrinal mess is the dumping of Vatican II, as I have always held. It is the root cause of the problem.

— Bishop Sanborn

THE GOSPEL

The priest makes the Sign of the Cross on the book at the beginning of the Gospel, then on his forehead, lips and breast. This is a prayer



that the holy Gospel may be, first, in our mind, that we may know Our Lord's teachings; secondly, on our lips, that we may fearlessly proclaim the truths of our holy Faith; thirdly, in our heart, that we may faithfully live according to the precepts of the holy Gospel. The faithful also rise, to express their readiness to follow the teachings contained in our Savior's words.

While kissing the Gospel, the priest says in a low voice: "Per evangelica dicta deleantur nostra delicta—By the words of the Gospel may our sins be blotted out." The words of the Gospel, attentively and devoutly received, impart grace which leads to contrition and confession for the cleansing of our sins. It is thus a sacramental of the Church.

MON	9/10/18	ST. NICHOLAS OF TOLENTINO, C 11:25 AM High Mass †Edward Marko (<i>Dave & MaryAnn Marko</i>)
TUE	9/11/18	SS. PROTUS & HYACINTH, MM CLOSING OF SUMMER NOVENA AFTER ALL MASSES 8:00 AM Low Mass Healing of our family (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Oleyar</i>) 11:25 AM High Mass †Connie Kampaus (<i>Rob & Jane Brockman</i>) 5:00 PM Low Mass †Keith Brabender (<i>K & J Bischel</i>)
WED	9/12/18	THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY 8:00 AM Low Mass For the Poor Souls (<i>Leanne Arlinghaus</i>) 11:25 AM High Mass Marian Mass 5:00 PM Low Mass Special Intention (<i>Rich VanderRyt</i>)
THU	9/13/18	FERIAL DAY 8:00 AM Low Mass Special Intention (<i>Rich VanderRyt</i>) 11:25 AM High Mass: Resumed Sunday Mass, Pentecost XVI †Edward J. Andreski (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Mark Lotarski</i>) ☞ 5:45 PM Low Mass of the Nativity of Mary Michael Volz – Birthday (<i>Kuebler</i>) 7:15 PM Fatima Rosary Procession for Peace in West Chester
FRI	9/14/18	EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS 8:00 AM Low Mass Special Intention – Deceased (<i>Dean & Carolyn McClorey</i>) 11:10 AM Confessions 11:25 AM High Mass †Michael Oleyar (<i>Oleyar family</i>) Blessing with the Relic of the True Cross 5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary 5:45 PM Low Mass †Keith Brabender (<i>Levi Giese</i>) Blessing with the Relic of the True Cross 6:45 PM Sacred Heart Novena & Benediction
SAT	9/15/18	SEVEN SORROWS OF OUR LADY ST. NICOMEDES, M 7:10 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass †Connie Kamphaus (<i>Vince & Terrie Minniti</i>) 8:05 AM Salve & Sermon 8:15 AM High Mass Marian Mass
SUN	9/16/18	SOLEMNITY OF THE SEVEN SORROWS OF OUR LADY PENTECOST XVII SS. CORNELIUS, P & CYPRIAN, BPMM SS. EUPHEMIA, LUCY & GEMINIANUS, MM BLESSING OF THE SICK AFTER ALL MASSES 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass Special Intention: Members of the Minnick Family (<i>Audrey Dunaway</i>) 9:00 AM High Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great 10:40 AM Sunday Catechism Classes 11:05 AM Rosary 11:30 AM Low Mass †Connie Kamphaus (<i>Kamphaus Family</i>) 1:00 PM Parish Picnic 5:45 PM Low Mass André Faber (<i>Matthew Giese</i>)

PRAYER OF ST. ANTHONY TO OUR LADY

Though it was St. Mechtilde that the Blessed Virgin first instructed in the holy practice of the daily recitation of three Hail Marys and its effective aid in securing the grace of final perseverance or a happy death, it was our glorious patron, St. Anthony of Padua, who first made use of it and recommended it to the faithful, and his example was followed, and the practice approved, among others, by St. Leonard of Port Maurice and the illustrious St. Alphonsus.

St. Anthony's practice was daily to recommend the purity of his soul to Mary conceived without sin, for this purpose reciting three Hail Marys, preceded by the following invocations:

O Mary! Virgin before the Divine Birth, guard my body and soul. Hail Mary.

O Mary! Virgin during the Divine Birth, guard my body and soul. Hail Mary.

O Mary! Virgin after the Divine Birth, guard my body and soul. Hail Mary.



Collection Report

Sunday, September 2 nd	\$3,715.00
Second Collection.....	\$1,069.00
Alter Christus.....	\$226.00

Servers

SUN 9/16	7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
	9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: J. Simpson, P. Omlor TH: M. Simpson ACs: T. Lawrence, D. Simpson TORCH: J. & C. Mourer, J. Stewart, C. Arlinghaus, J. & N. Kolenich
	11:30 AM LOW: Peter & Na. McClorey
	5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller