

# 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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## April 21, 2019 EASTER SUNDAY



#### ¶ RESURRECTION SUNDAY

A blessed Easter! to all our parishioners, friends, family, visitors, and as well to the members of our Internet congregation around the world. You are all remembered in a special way in this day's Masses. Holy Mass is offered for all of the faithful today, and is also the first Mass of the Easter Novena. Easter Vespers are at 6:00 PM. Please note, there is no 5:45 PM Mass today.

#### ¶ THE EASTER OCTAVE NOVENA

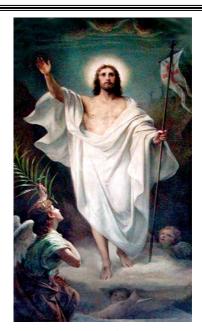
Intentions have come in to us from around the world for our Novena of High Masses. Monday and Tuesday (5:00 PM), are feasts of devotion. Wednesday and Thursday the Mass is sung at 5:00 PM as well, and the regular Friday 5:45. We hope this gives everyone an opportunity to "head back to church" this week. The daily Low Masses are listed in the Calendar.

Careful! Return to "normal life" slowly after the heights of Holy Week. Taper off with a Mass or two this beautiful *Easter Week*. Don't let the lilies, and the quiet loveliness of the chanted Masses each day go to waste. Meet the Risen Lord in Galilee, as did the disciples. See you in church.

#### ¶ NEXT SUNDAY: LOW SUNDAY

Next Sunday is the Octave Day of Easter, also known as the Sunday in White, or Low Sunday. Sunday classes for adults and children resume at 10:40 AM. Vespers with Benediction will be at 4:45 PM.

Set Your Missal: Low Sunday, Vidi Aquam, Preface of Easter.



HE IS RISEN ~ ALLELUIA!

#### ¶THE GREATER LITANIES

Thursday are the Greater Litanies, which mark the traditional day of St. Peter's entrance into Rome. The Greater Litanies are a most powerful prayer. Come, process with us, at 5:00 PM, followed by the High Mass of the Litanies, to implore the Divine blessing on the fruits of the earth. At the same time, beseech the Lord, in His mercy, to remove from us the chastisement which we have deserved for our sins, and to grant us the grace to avoid committing fresh offenses, as well as the grace of persevering in our spiritual resurrection.

#### Collection Report

Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>.....\$3,687.00 Thank you for your generosity. Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will.

#### ¶ FIRST COMMUNION TESTING

First Communion Testing is Saturday, April 27, at 10 AM. <u>PARENTS</u>: The registration form *MUST* be filled out and returned before the test, or your child <u>WILL NOT BE TESTED</u>. Contact the office for the form. (513) 645-4212

#### Card of Thanks

To the Divine Infant Jesus of Prague, to Our Lady Queen of Angels, to the Principalities and Dominions, and to St. Scholastica, for favorable weather for the Palm Sunday Procession.

### Thanksgiving for Graces Received from the Infant of Prague

O generous Infant Jesus, I prostrate myself before Your miraculous image and give my thanks to You for all the graces that I have received. I shall always praise Your infinite mercy and I confess that You are my God, my Helper and my Protector.

From here onward I shall place my trust in You and publicly proclaim Your Kingship and generosity; then everybody shall realize Your great love and the miracles that You have shown through this image. They shall honor and worship Your Infancy full of grace, in increasing numbers, and their hearts will remain in never-ending gratitude toward Your holy Infancy, which be hailed and praised in eternity. Amen.

#### ¶ EASTER PRAYERS

We remember today all of our dear parishioners, housebound or sick, former and current, friend and foe, and pray for each one of them, as also for all of our faithful departed. They are all of them with us this Easter upon the altar for each Holy Mass.

#### EMMAUS GOSPEL THOUGHTS: The Second Mass

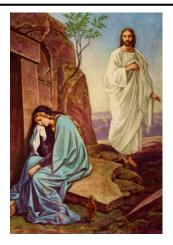
Cleopas was probably the cousin of Our Lord; the other disciple is not named, but he has been identified by some with St. Luke. These two disciples, although deeply grieved by the death of Jesus, yet at the same time deserved from Him the reproach of being foolish and slow to believe the mystery of the cross. They are examples of that sentimental piety so common in our days, and are typical of those souls who are eager for religious emotions, but have no wish to understand the necessary and indispensible connection between the sacrifice and the resurrection, between the cross and its salvation.

Et cognoverunt eum in fractione panis. Did Our Lord consecrate the Holy Eucharist at Emmaus, and was it by virtue of the sacrament that the eyes of the two disciples were opened? It is probable that it was so, for the expression fractio panis is conventional in St. Luke's writings and refers in general to the ritual breaking of the Eucharistic bread. Besides, it is said that Jesus accepit panem, benedixit ac fregit, just as at the Last Supper.

As the Savior at the Last Supper received the Eucharist first Himself, in all likelihood He did so again after His resurrection. In this new state He truly drank the new fruit of the vine together with the Apostles, as today at Emmaus, since the mystery which had been prefigured on Maundy Thursday had been already accomplished and the Messianic era fulfilled. It is therefore probable that the two disciples recognized the risen Savior at the moment when they saw Him repeat the sacramental act of the preceding Thursday.

- Cardinal Schuster





#### **OUR CREED**

Et vitam venturi sæculi. I expect, likewise, the Life of the World to come, which knoweth not death. On earth, we live by the Life of Grace, we are supported by Faith, Hope, and Charity; but we do not see God. In glory, on the contrary, we shall fully enjoy the sight of Him, we shall see Him Face to Face, as Saint Paul tells us: Videmus nunc per speculum in ænigmate, tunc autem facie ad faciem (1 Cor. xiii. 12). Moreover, during the days of our earthly pilgrimage, we are exposed to the danger of losing grace; whereas, in Heaven, no further fear of this kind can exist any longer, and we are put in possession there, of that which alone can fully satiate the boundless cravings of the heart of man; we are put in possession of God Himself, Who alone is the End of man. With good reason, then, does Holy Church bid us say: Et exspecto vitam venturi sæculi.

- Dom Gueranger

#### **EASTER LILY MEMORIALS**



Paul Santos
Robert & Elaine Santos

Roger Santos
Robert & Elaine Santos

Raymond &
Pauline Berard
Robert & Elaine Santos





#### **ON EASTER MORNING**

When Christ hung dying 'Mid foes decrying, All Nature, sighing, Proclaimed her woe; The rocks were shaken, And skies forsaken, For the Sun, o'ertaken, Refused to glow. The winds' upheaving, The Temple's cleaving, And dead men's leaving The opened grave,— Each proved an omen To Christ's mad foemen: They had killed their God who had come to save.

But, Easter morning, All darkness scorning, And earth adorning With splendor bright, The Sun rose dancing, With joy advancing, Like glad steed prancing In sheer delight; And for souls possessing The true faith's blessing, And bold confessing— As well they may-That Christ is risen From out His prison, The Sun still dances each Easter Day.

-Father Cheerheart



#### **★** THE BISHOP'S CORNER ★

Blessed Easter Sunday, and every grace of the Resurrection of Our Savior to you and yours. It has been, as usual, quite a Holy Week, which leaves us exhilarated and sanctified, exhausted and spiritually refreshed by the annual carrying out of the ceremonies of Our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. But most of all, I must say, we feel grateful. And is not thanksgiving one of the four ends or purposes of the Holy Mass?

Holy Week had a wet start early on Palm Sunday. Would the rain stop? Would there be a procession? Well, Eddie the Donkey and I "stepped out" in faith, with trusting prayer, and sure enough, the rains passed! It was a great procession, all calm and holy. Our young organist composed good, resonant marching music for some of the antiphons, which made them easier to sing. The whole sanctuary and even the front door were richly decorated with palm and purple. It didn't rain. Some little ones made the delightful discovery of the donkey, and were happy to see him, munching contentedly on the grass, while we sang the Gloria Laus at the church doors, waiting for Heaven's gates to be opened by the Holy Cross. Thanks to the Divine Infant and Our Lady and the angels and St. Scholastica for the good weather.

On Monday we had the shocking news of the burning of Notre Dame Cathedral. Stephen Heiner shares some of his thoughts in today's bulletin: It seems supremely prophetic, this fire at so great a church. How long has it been since it was used for the purpose for which it was built? Now this magnificent cathedral serves only some Novus Ordo or nationalistic, or nostalgic, emotional ends, but sooner or later won't all of the churches in France go to Moslems or be burned down? France, behold your future, a terrible punishment for your loss of Faith, you who were once the eldest daughter of the Church. The poignant Lamentations of Holy Week make good background music for this sad reality.

But still the Faith grows and thrives in small pockets and out of the way places. Who would have thought that so splendid a Holy Week as we have just concluded would be possible anywhere in the world today? But God is faithful, and He blesses those who bless Him. May God bless all of you this beautiful Easter Sunday, but especially those of you who have given so generously of your time and labors and offerings and assistance during these blessed days, to make this truly to be a holy week. May your reward be a burning love for the unchanged Faith, and the spark of that love passed on to the next generation.

The young Fathers are out and about doing just

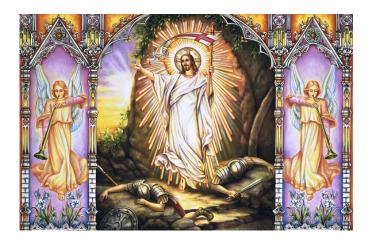
that. Fr. McGuire leaves this afternoon to bring Holy Mass to Effingham in Southern Illinois. Fr. McKenna leaves early tomorrow for North Dakota and his mission circuit. God bless their priestly zeal.



Many of you will be resting this week after all the exertions of Holy Week, but remember the Mass, always the Mass. May the fruit of your Lent be an increased, intensified devotion to the Holy Sacrifice, both weekday and Sunday. Thursday we have the Greater Litanies, and Friday is the feast of the Mother of Good Counsel. May Our Lady counsel, protect and provide for us all.

Blessed Easter Week!

- Bishop Dolan



#### **EASTER EGGS**

The real or artificial eggs, ornamented by dyeing, painting, or otherwise, so commonly used at Easter all over Christendom as decorations or gifts, are symbolic of the Resurrection. The red color frequently given to them is an allusion to the



blood of our Blessed Lord, shed for the redemption of mankind.

#### Servers

MON 4/22 5:00 PM HIGH: J. Lacy, P. Omlor, M. & D. Simpson

TUE 4/23 5:00 PM HIGH: Seminarians, M. & D. Simpson

THU 4/25 5:00 PM HIGH: Seminarians, M. & D. Simpson, J. Lacy, P. Omlor

SUN 4/28 7:30 AM Low: Brueggemann Bros. 9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: P. Omlor, M. Simpson TH: T. Lawrence ACs: N. McClorey, C. Arlinghaus TORCH: D. Simpson, A. McClorey, T. England, J. Stewart 11:30 AM Low: A.D. Kinnett, J. Kolenich 4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller

5:45 PM Low: G. Miller

#### **¥** CALENDAR

Mon		EASTER MONDAY High Mass Novena II
TUE	8:00 AM	EASTER TUESDAY Low Mass Happy Birthday, Thomas (Your family) High Mass Novena III
WED	4/24/19	EASTER WEDNESDAY St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, M
	7:00 AM 8:00 AM 5:00 PM	Low Mass Special Intention (Mary Beth Grumblatt) Low Mass Joseph & his father (Mary Christensen)
THU	4/25/19	EASTER THURSDAY GREATER LITANIES
	7:00 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> For all of our priests (Alter Christus Confraternity)
	8:00 AM	Low Mass For Bishop Sanborn & his priests (Alter Christus Confraternity)
	5:00 PM	Greater Litanies Procession, followed by High Mass Novena V
FRI	4/26/19	EASTER FRIDAY Ss. CLETUS & MARCELLINUS, PPMM OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL
	8:00 AM	
		Confessions & Rosary
	5:45 PM 6:45 PM	· ·
SAT	4/27/19	EASTER SATURDAY ST. PETER CANISIUS, CD ST. TURIBIUS OF MOGROVEJO, BPC THE HOLY SEPULCHER
		Confessions
	7:30 AM	Mrs. William Oleyar)
	8:10 AM 8:20 AM	<b>0</b>
	10:00 AM	
SUN	4/28/19	LOW SUNDAY ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS, C ST. VITALIS, M ST. LOUIS DE MONTFORT, C ST. PETER CHANEL, M
	7:05 AM	
	7:30 AM	
	9:00 AM 10:40 AM	High Mass Novena VIII Sunday Classes
	11:05 AM	Rosary
	11:30 AM	Low Mass Francis Puglielli – Happy Birthday (Mom & Dad)
	4:45 PM	Vespers & Benediction
-	5:45 PM	1
_		Christus Confraternity)

#### PARIS AND THE ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION

I was on a train back into Paris this afternoon when I started receiving a number of messages on my phone asking if I had heard about Notre Dame. The roof was on fire, I was told, and it might be difficult to put out. But the first thought that came to mind was that all things happen by God's will or His permission. Nothing is random. Everything has a purpose. This was Monday of Holy Week. Could I help but think of Our Lord's words, "Weep not for me, but for your children"?

Just yesterday in the liturgy Our Lord was triumphantly welcomed into Jerusalem, a city He so loved. A city whose denizens He wished to gather as "the hen doth gather her chickens under her wings." A city that would not know, would not accept the "things that are to thy peace."

France, in the person of King Louis XIV, that most disastrous of Capetian monarchs, refused the request of Our Lord to be consecrated to the Sacred Heart. One hundred years later his descendant was cruelly murdered. Paris, where Our Lady appeared to St. Catherine Laboure the day after King Charles X was chased out of office by the mob, missed Our Lady's message and continued spreading her errors, born of the so-called "Enlightenment" and come to life in the Terror. Notre Dame de Paris, one of the most celebrated cathedrals in the land, has not hosted the true sacrifice of the Mass for half a century, the anniversary of Paul VI's promulgation of the New Mass having passed only two weeks ago. Can we be surprised that God abandons a building that has abandoned Him, a building in a city that is in the capital of the country that refused his gentle yoke, then and now?

...My final thought turned to Holy Week, which we are currently in, and to the mysteries of Our Lord's Passion that await us in the coming days. Mysteries that the small congregation here in Paris will contemplate in a rented hall, as we have long since outgrown the small oratory where weekday Masses are celebrated. Yet even in these circumstances, we have been preceded by our ancestors in the Faith. I close with the words of St. Athanasius:

"May God console you! ... What saddens you ... is the fact that others have occupied the churches by violence, while during this time you are on the outside. It is a fact that they have the premises—but you have the Apostolic Faith. They can occupy our churches, but they are outside the true Faith. You remain outside the places of worship, but the Faith dwells within you. Let us consider: what is more important, the place or the Faith? The true Faith, obviously... Thus, the more violently they try to occupy the places of worship, the more they separate themselves from the Church. They claim that they represent the Church; but in reality, they are the ones who are expelling themselves from it and going astray. Even if Catholics faithful to Tradition are reduced to a handful, they are the ones who are the true Church of Jesus Christ."

- Stephen Heiner

#### **★** Easter Flower Memorials ★



**James F. Burns**Jerry Burns

†Wacław and †Zuzanna Kuzik Zenon Kuzik

Anneliese Michel
Ian Maeseele

**Peter Gilmartin**Thomas Gilmartin

Mary Rose Gilmartin
Thomas Gilmartin

Christine Testdorf
Tom Vomastic

William Joyce Word Noah Ellis

**Taryn Parish**Barbara Wallace

Veronica Soucy
Barbara Wallace

James D. Hanna Sr. & Ruth M. Hanna

Mr. & Mrs. Bill Oleyar

Michael & Helen Oleyar Mr. & Mrs. Bill Oleyar

> Our Mothers C & B Simpson

Anthony Calcagni
Lara Andersen

Veronica Calcagni Lara Andersen

Thomas "Buddy" Calcagni Lara Andersen

**Dr. and Mrs. Philip Binzel**Mary Black



O Risen Christ! This boon today For my loved ones I crave and pray:

Uplift them, Lord, From sin's grim tomb; And vest them sweet With grace's bloom.

Make them Thy very own, And keep them ever Thine; That they too at last may rise With Thy own glory to shine.

- Fr. Francis



THE SEPULCHER IN THE GARDEN

What though the Flowers in Joseph's
Garden grew
Of rarest perfume and of fairest hue,
That morn when Magdalene hastened
through
Its fragrant, silent paths?

She caught no scent of budding almond tree; Her eyes, tear-blinded still from Calvary, Saw neither lily nor anemone— Naught save the Sepulcher.

But when the Master whispered
"Mary," lo!
The Tomb was hid; the Garden all
ablow;
And burst in bloom the Rose of
Jericho—
From that day "Mary's Flower."
- John Finley



Charlene A. Hopkins
Tim Hopkins

Matthew Nies Eric L. Nies

Nichole Nies Eric L. Nies

Bernice Nies
Eric L. Nies

Brunhidle Farrell
Kathleen Nies

Suzanne Nies Eric L. Nies

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Ernie Nellenbach Eva

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Family

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Barbara R. Kolenich

Faithful Departed of the Kolenich Family James E. Kolenich

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Nicholas John Kralj Jeannon Kralj

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Brent Keith

†Charles J. Brinker Richard G. Brinker

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Karina

**Velma Koeppel**Nathalie Andreotta

**Jill Generotzky**Matthew Giese



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Delores & Dad Annie

Little Lucy & Little Michael
Annie

A.R. Ruelaz Annie

Ethel Ruelaz Annie

Len & Renee Whitmore
Margaret Pearson

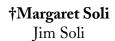
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Collin Smith

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