

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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June 2, 2019

SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE ASCENSION Ss. MARCELLINUS & COMPANIONS, MM

¶ ASCENSION SUNDAY

The Blessing of Religious Articles is available at the Communion Rail following all Masses today. The second collection is for our seminary. Final Sunday Classes of the season are at 10:40 AM. There are **no Vespers**, but Sacred Heart Devotions with Benediction will be at **5:15 PM**.

¶ALTER CHRISTUS

The "Little Church" is in the vestibule today to receive your alms for Masses for priests. God reward your generosity.

¶ DAY OF RECOLLECTION

All *children* who are Confirmation candidates must attend an *obligatory* **Day of Recollection** on **Thursday, June 6th**. The day begins at **9:00 AM**. Please bring a lunch. Children should be in Sunday clothes and have a prayer book and rosary with them. The day concludes with Benediction at 2:50 PM.

¶ VIGIL OF PENTECOST

Saturday, June 8th, the Vigil of Pentecost, is a day of fast and partial abstinence. You are invited to the beautiful Vigil of Pentecost Mass and ceremonies of Confirmation. The Vigil begins at 8:00 AM, the Mass closer to 9:30. After Mass, there will be the enrollment in the Brown Scapular and individual photos. Those who assist at the Vigil and Mass may consider themselves as dispensed from the Fast, but all must eat meat only once, at the Principal Meal.



¶ FIRST FRIDAY

7:00 AM Low Mass
8:00 AM Low Mass
10:55 AM Confessions
11:25 AM Low Mass, Sacred Heart Novena & Benediction

NO All Night Adoration.
No Evening Services due to Saturday's
Pontifical Vigil. There are three Morning Masses for First Friday.

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: PENTECOST

First Communions will take place next Sunday during the High Mass. Sunday Classes are out for the summer. Pentecost Vespers and Benediction will be at 4:45 PM.

Set Your Missal: Pentecost. Preface of Pentecost.

¶ FATHER'S DAY ENVELOPES

Envelopes for Father's Day are in the pews. Fill one out and return it to the office, bookstore, or collection before Father's Day, to have your intentions placed on the altar.

"To love the Church is to love Jesus Christ and vice versa." – Bl. Eugene de Mazenod

¶ 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.

¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

2019 YAG: July 12-14 <u>yagincincy.org</u> **Girls' Camp:** July 17-19

Boys' Camp: July 22-24

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. (100 days)

¶YOUR PRAYERS, PLEASE

Please pray for Steve Feldhake, Doby Curran, and the repose of the soul of †William Zeitz.

Sweet Heart of Mary, be my salvation. (300 days)

¶ COMBINED ALL NIGHT ADORATION

There is no All Night Adoration this coming Friday due to the Pentecost Vigil, or on the First Friday of July due to the holiday. The combined All Night Adoration for June and July will be on Friday, June 21st.

Collection Report

Sunday, May 26th.....\$4,260.00 Thank you for your generosity. Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will. Ò

"The revolt of the social organism as such against the Mass, the supremely acceptable act of worship of the Blessed Trinity and, if possible, its complete elimination, is the ultimate aim of revolution."

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In the Collect we ask God—to whom is subject the free determination of our will—to grant us a will devoted to Him; that is, which desires Him alone; and not only to desire Him, but to put into practice this resolve of serving Him by means of a good life and virtuous deeds. In this connection it is customary to say with some shrewdness and much truth that hell is paved with good intentions, that were never carried out by those who made them. St. Philip Neri was wont to repeat in that playful manner which distinguished him: "Deeds, not words, but deeds!"



In the Post-Communion we pray God to grant us the true Eucharistic spirit, which is that of heartfelt and loving gratitude for the wondrous gifts which He has given us, and of humble and close union with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, in such a manner that He may live in us and that we may no longer live for ourselves, but for Him.

The Eucharistic spirit then is one of union with Christ, of humility, sacrifice, and silent recollection. These are the true effects of Holy Communion and the gifts of grace which the Church begs for from the Holy Ghost.



"Revolutions against the Catholic Church and the Mass are not spontaneous uprisings of the people. They are movements skillfully prepared a long time in advance by the naturalistic forces abovementioned and their subordinates."

FOUND BY LOVE

I have chosen you out of the world...

Thank You so much, Eternal Father, for not abandoning me, Your handiwork. Thank You for not turning Your face away from me. Thank You for not making light of my desires. You are Light, and You've seen and forgiven my dark weaknesses. You are Life, and You've never believed me dead.

You, Doctor, have listened to my grave illnesses of soul.

You, Eternal Purity, have seen and forgiven my terrible habits.

You, Infinite Love, overlook that I am finite, and You, Wisdom, haven't held me accountable for my foolishness. For all these and countless other failings of mine, Your wisdom, kindness, mercy, and infinite goodness haven't hated me.

Instead, in Your light You've given me light, Lord. In Your mercy I've found Your love and affection for my neighbors. What made You do this? Certainly it wasn't my virtues. It was always Your Love. Thank You.

- St. Catherine of Siena

THE RED ROSE AND THE WHITE

The red rose is, with its guard of thorns,

The Rose of Calvary;

The fair white rose that the vale adorns

The fair white rose that the vale adorns Is the Rose of Purity.

The red, red rose a cross entwines; And there, in sun and rain, The Heart of suffering it enshrines On the rose-crowned mount of pain.

The white, white rose with its spotless heart,

Whence peace and pity flow, To the weary soul new strength imparts As the rose-months come and go.

O seek ye roses, white and red! Nor will your search be vain, If to Mary's feet your steps are led, And to Christ's on the mount of pain.

ABIDING PREFERENCE

What, Lord, did You want to say That we could not hear From Your Love at Your leaving...

What couldn't we bear?

And what about John, the one You loved best?

What did he learn from the lean on Your Flesh?

He positioned his ear on the fiery beat,

The Heat that could hasten the flow down his cheek.

The Word to his ear, he heard and he kept—

The unbearable truth? A promise professed?

A youth beyond years, his face full of light,

He shone like the Treasure whose Chest opened wide.

He witnessed the water and blood at Its burst

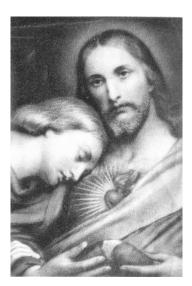
With Mary, our Mother whose flesh felt It first.

The unbearable truth was reversed in three days.

The Spirit was sent to confirm and remain.

And what about John, whom You called from the Cross?
Your preference for him is Your preference for us.

- Rita A. Simmonds



★ THE BISHOP'S CORNER **★**

"Tis the month of our Mother," we sang on Ascension evening after the 5:45 for one last time. While May will ever be for us "the fairest of seasons" for the sake of our Mother and Queen, from a natural point of view we will all be happy to see the back of so many storms and daily tornadoes, such heavy humid days which weigh down our work. But were not our days lightened by the sweet duty of Marian devotions, the May Altar, the Litany? And what a beautiful blue tribute to our crowned Queen this year, enthroned over our high altar.

But how far crueler than Nature is "Dame World" as Pius Parsch called her. A late Easter this year makes our feasts to fall in official Summer. Catholics stay away from Mass, with better things to do. The Heartland dares to pass Heartbeat laws and even to outlaw the barbarous procedure outright. Our Zionist president demurs. Too much. The leftist entertainment and political establishment is outraged. The Organized Forces of Naturalism organize their forces to punish those who resist. Let us pray these Pentecost Novena days for nature and grace and mercy above all. The Holy Ghost is the answer to our woes, the Heaven sent Gift of the Sacred Heart.

We have a special schedule this week in view of Pentecost. The First Communion and Confirmation children join me on Thursday for the Recollection Day. First Friday has morning rather than evening Mass (7, 8 and 11:25 AM) and **no** All Night Adoration (it is deferred to Friday, June 21). We will be preparing for the great Pontifical Vigil of Pentecost on Saturday morning, with Confirmations. The press of "Summer" makes us anticipate First Holy Communion on Pentecost Sunday. But the Holy Ghost is the sure guide of the little ones as they receive Jesus for the first time. He watches over our adult converts as well, and we warmly welcome them all. Come, Holy Ghost.

The damp dark days of May were no good for allergies. Even the cat, Puccini, got an upper respiratory infection, and his meow was reduced to an "ack." And the human distress is evident in the loud and lingering coughs. But all things pass. Puccini is on the mend, and is feeling up to playfully scratching and biting when you pet him. Curious cat, but really most affectionate since he stepped up to fill the sede vacante after Caravaggio's lamented departure.

Three good solid days of prayer, I should report, sent us heavenward, last week, with the hard work of the Lesser Litanies, starting on Memorial Day. The

morning Masses for the Holy Day were well attended, and the High Mass so beautifully sung by our own school choir. For the first time in three years **Fr. Cekada** was celebrant for the Solemn Mass, ably assisted by



Fr. McKenna and **Fr. Lehtoranta**. See, prayers are answered. Thanks be to God. Soon it will be time to begin counting St. Anthony's Tuesdays.

This is the last week of our school. We will miss the bright faces of the students, and still more their lilting voices uplifted in the daily High Mass. But we are grateful to the Legacy Choir which always charitably comes forward to ensure a full liturgical and devotional calendar at our church.

Fr. Cekada is working on a new video this weekend. Fr. Lehtoranta will be preaching and busy **Fr. McGuire** is back for a day or two between trips. He drove out to St. Louis last week to anoint one of his faithful from Holy Face. I am spending the weekend in Milwaukee, with Confirmations scheduled for yesterday. Tis the season.

Thanks for the birthday greetings (and caramel cake!), and the nice surprise party, a proper lunch, from the school! We had a good time. As also for Memorial day. Fr. McKenna was our last minute chef, no sooner returning from a delayed flight than taking up the spatula as he dropped off his suitcase. A lot of dinners have come in. We are grateful.

May the Merciful Sacred Heart of Jesus send you His own Spirit, God the Holy Ghost, to penetrate and sanctify you, heart and home.

- Bishop Dolan

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us. (300 days)

WHAT HOLDS US BACK

"If we were perfectly dead to ourselves and free of all inner involvements; then we could also taste the things of God and have some experience of heavenly contemplation. It is total and utter hindrance to me that we are not free from passion and lust and we do not undertake the perfect way of the Saints. When we meet with even slight adversity, we are quickly thrown and we turn to human comforts. If we were to try like gallant warriors, to stand firm in battle, then surely we should see the help of God upon us from heaven. For He is ready to help those who struggle, hoping in His grace... If you did but mind what peace for yourself, what joy for others your good dispositions would secure! I think you would take much more thought for spiritual progress."

- Thomas à Kempis

▼ CALENDAR ▼ "THE LOST CATHOLIC"

ION	6/3/19 8:00 AM	WITHIN THE OCTAVE • NOVENA 4 Low Mass For all who cook for us and for our
	11:25 AM	devoted drivers (The Fathers) High Mass & Pentecost Novena Henry
		Sieverding (Mike Sieverding)
TUE	6/4/19	•
	7.00.434	WITHIN THE OCTAVE • NOVENA 5
	7:00 AM	Low Mass David Bayer – Happy Birthday! (Tobias Bayer) (from 6/2)
	8:00 AM	Low Mass & Pentecost Novena Special
		Intention (Mary Beth Grumblatt)
		(Note no 11:25 AM Mass)
	5:00 PM	Low Mass †Rita Speth (Bob & Bridget Mueller)
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WED	6/5/19	ST. BONIFACE, BPM WITHIN THE OCTAVE • NOVENA 6
	7:00 AM	Low Mass Final Perseverance of our family
	, 1111	(Keith & Linda Kimpel & family)
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Paul & Bella Brueggemann's needs
	11:25 AM	(Regina & Ken Gilliam)
	11:25 AW	High Mass & Pentecost Novena Mr. & Mrs Joseph Young – Happy 1 st Anniversary (Mr. & Mrs.
		William H. Young III)
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		FIRST THURSDAY • ST. NORBERT, BPC • NOVENA 7
	7:00 AM	CHILDREN'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION Low Mass †Alexander Fulton – 4 th Anniversary
	, 100 11111	of Death (Fr. Lehtoranta)
	8:00 AM	Low Mass For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
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	9:00 AM 11:25 AM	Opening of Day of Recollection High Mass & Pentecost Novena For the
	11.27 1111	sanctification of priests (Alter Christus Confraternity)
	2:50 PM	Closing Benediction
II	6/7/19	FIRST FRIDAY • NOVENA 8
	7:00 AM	FRIDAY AFTER THE OCTAVE OF THE ASCENSION Low Mass Poor Souls in Purgatory (Mark Cash)
	8:00 AM	Ç ,
		Confessions
	11:25 AM	Low Mass Special Intention (Patsy McConnell)
		First Friday & Sacred Heart Devotions,
		Benediction. No Evening Services
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	6/8/19 8:00 AM	VIGIL OF PENTECOST • NOVENA 9 FAST Pentecost Vigil
	9:30 AM	(approx.) High Mass For our Confirmands
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SUN	6/9/19	PENTECOST SUNDAY
	7:05 AM	Rosary
	7:30 AM	Low Mass †Gregory Buschle (Rose Beckerich)
	9:00 AM	High Mass with First Communions
	11:05 AM	For the people of St. Gertrude the Great
	11:05 AM	Rosary Low Mass Joan Fey-Happy Birthday (Bob & Becky)
	4:45 PM	Pentecost Vespers & Benediction
	5:45 PM	Low Mass Hayleigh Marie Oleyar (Mr. & Mrs.
		William Oleyar)

THE CATHOLIC NO MORE

Who are they and how has it all come about?

Third, there are young men and women: whose study and reading, it may be, in the days when they were not yet mature, nor able to form a proper judgment, has led them to wonder, to doubt, at last to be dissatisfied and turn away; or who have come under some influence stronger than themselves and they have surrendered; some unbelieving teacher or friend, whose arguments they could not answer; some man or woman whom they have loved and who has made them sacrifice their faith for that love; some companion who has led them on, till they have lost the reality for the shadow; or who have found the practice of the faith a hindrance to their ambition in life, to promotion, to association with those who would help them, to the use of such means as their faith will not allow.

-Archbishop Goodier

REDUCING THE CATHOLIC CHURCH TO A PROTESTANT CHURCH

By recognizing as the true Church hierarchy the Vatican II "popes," the Recognize-and-Resist people are protestantizing the Catholic Church by treating the hierarchy in the same manner as that of the Protestants. The pope proposes a doctrine, then we see if it is in accordance with Tradition. If not, then we reject it out of hand, but at the same time recognizing the erring pope to be the head of the Church, Vicar of Christ on earth.

The sedevacantist position, on the other hand, insists that if there is a deviation from Catholic doctrine in the teachings and disciplines of a Roman Pontiff, it is an *infallible sign*—as smoke is of fire—that he does not bear, for whatever reason, the assistance of Christ, and therefore *cannot* be a true Roman Pontiff. It is an infallible sign since the indefectibility of the Church is a *de fide* dogma of the Church.

Only this position preserves the nature of the Catholic Church, which is a supernatural organization of which the universally taught and prescribed doctrines and disciplines may and must also be accepted as being safe and conducive to salvation.

- Bishop Sanborn

Servers

SAT 6/8 8:00 AM VIGIL: MCS: R. VandeRyt, J. Simpson, P. Omlor CROSS: A. McConnell TH: J. Lacy ACs: D. McConnell, Na. McClorey BOOK: M. Simpson BUGIA: D. Simpson TRAIN & GREMIALE: S. Richesson CROZIER: P. McClorey MITRE: C. Richesson TORCH: A. McClorey, B. Kamphaus, M. & D. Simpson, P. McClorey, A. McConnell

SUN 6/9 7:30 AM Low: Brueggemann Bros.

9:00 AM HIGH: MCs: R. VandeRyt, J. Lacy CROSS: D. Simpson TH: P. Omlor ACs: C. Richesson D. McConnell BOOK: P. McClorey BUGIA: Na. McClorey MITRE: M. Simpson CROZIER: A. McConnell TRAIN & GREMIALE: S. Richesson TORCH: J. Stewart, T. England, D. Simpson, A. McClorey, P. & Na. McClorey 11:30 AM LOW: A.D. Kinnett, J. Kolenich 4:45 VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller

5:45 PM Low: G. Miller