



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 13, 2020

SOLEMNITY OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY

PENTECOST XV



¶ HOLY NAME OF MARY SUNDAY

Today opens our Catechism and adult education classes at the traditional time of 10:40 AM. **All are welcome!** Today our special prayer begins with the **First Vespers of the Holy Cross** and **Benediction at 4:45 PM**. Low Mass with sermon follows at 5:45 PM, and leads us into the **Fatima Rosary Procession at 7:15 PM**.

¶ SEPTEMBER MARIAN MASSES

Two Marian Masses, the Nativity of Our Lady and the Most Holy Name, were offered for all the intentions submitted. If you would like your intentions to be remembered for the two remaining feasts, the Seven Sorrows and Our Lady of Ransom, envelopes are available in the vestibule. Fill them out and return them to the collection basket, bookstore, or office.

¶ THIS WEEK

Monday is the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, with the blessing and veneration of the relic of the True Cross after all Masses. The Seven Sorrows of Our Lady comes **Tuesday**. **Thursday** we honor the Stigmata of St. Francis, and **Friday** the flying saint, Joseph Cupertino. **Saturday** brings the feast of Our Lady of La Salette. Come to Mass to make reparation and console Our Lady.

¶ EMBER DAYS

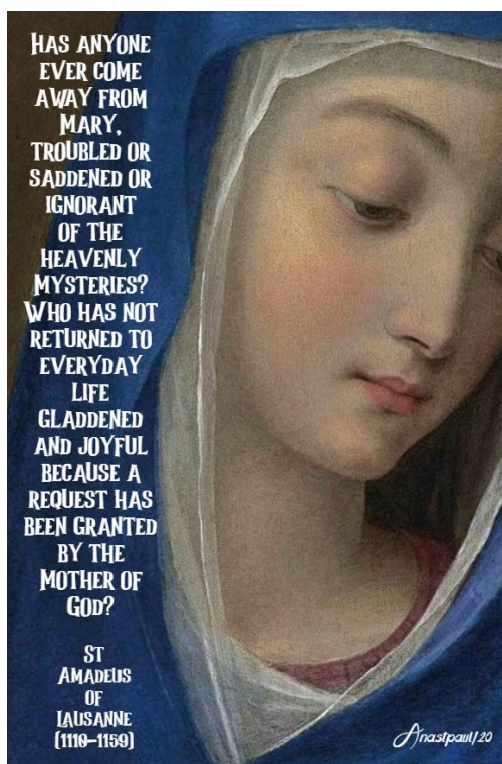
Wednesday, Friday and **Saturday** of this week are the Fall Ember Days. All Catholics, age seven and older, must keep the abstinence, partial on Wednesday and Saturday, total on Friday. All those between the ages of 21 and 59 are obliged to follow the Church laws of fast—one full meal a day.

Tumen Christi

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before the Blessed Sacrament during the next fortnight for the following intention:

The Sick

(Maureen Scanlon)



¶ OUR SICK

Please pray for Mary McGuire, Jesse Stewart, James Kern, and Rick Woods.

PLEASE PRAY

for the repose of the soul of

Fr. Cekada,

who died very peacefully on Friday. The funeral is scheduled for Thursday, 9/17, with the wake Wednesday evening. May God reward his zealous priestly soul.



¶ NEXT SUNDAY: SOLEMNITY OF THE SEVEN SORROWS

Sunday Catechism Classes will be at 10:40 AM. The Blessing of the Sick will precede the Blessing of Expectant Mothers at the Communion Rail following all Masses. Out of respect for †Fr. Cekada, the Parish Picnic next Sunday has been cancelled. Vespers with Benediction will be at 4:45 PM.

📖 **Set Your Missal:** **Low Masses:** Pentecost XVI, second collect of Ss. Eustace & Companions. Trinity Preface. **High Mass:** The Seven Sorrows (September 15) with commemoration and Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost XVI. Preface of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

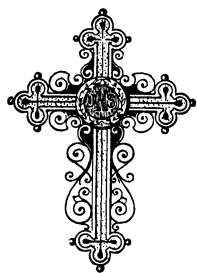
¶ CONFRATERNITY ENROLLMENTS

Enrollments into the **Rosary Confraternity** will take place one Sunday in October. If you are interested, contact the office (parishoffice@sgg.org, 513-645-4212). The **only obligation** of the Rosary Confraternity is to pray fifteen decades of the rosary each week. (This does not bind under sin.)

Benefits of the Rosary Confraternity:

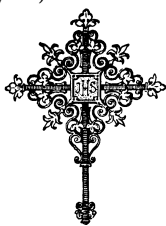
1. The special protection of the Mother of God.
2. A share in the prayer of countless thousands of members the world over, and this even after death.
3. A share in the prayers, Masses and apostolic works of the entire Dominican Order.
4. The intercession of the entire heavenly court.
5. Various plenary and partial indulgences.

LIFTED UP



Holy Cross, which calls to mind the cross whereon Our Lord Jesus Christ died, to bring us back from that eternal death to which our misery was leading us, to the eternal life we had lost by sinning. I adore, I venerate, and I glory in that cross which you represent to us, and by that cross I adore our merciful Lord and what He has in mercy done for us. Cross, worthy to be loved, in whom is our salvation, our life, and resurrection. Most precious wood, by whom we are saved and set free, sign to be revered, by which we are sealed for God, glorious cross, we ought to glory only in you....

In what way, then, shall I praise you, how shall I exalt you, with what love shall I pray to you, and with what joy shall I glory in you? By you hell is despoiled, by you its mouth is stopped up to all the redeemed.



By you demons are made afraid and restrained, conquered and trampled underfoot. By you the world is renewed and made beautiful with truth, governed by the light of righteousness. By you sinful humanity is justified, the condemned are saved, the servants of sin and hell are set free, the dead are raised to life. By you the blessed city in heaven is restored and made perfect. By you God, the Son



of God, willed for our sakes "to become obedient to the Father, even unto death," because of which He is exalted and has received "the name which is above every name." By you "His throne is prepared" and His Kingdom established.

O Cross, chosen and prepared

for such ineffable good, the work that was accomplished on you exalts you more than all the praises of human or angelic thought and tongue. In you and through you is my life and my salvation; in you and through you is the whole and all my good; "forbid that I should glory save in you."

— St. Anselm

St. Anselm († 1109) was an abbot, bishop, philosopher, and theologian.



INVOCATION OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS TO THE HOLY CROSS

*(300 days indulgence, once a day,
Pope Pius IX, January 21, 1874)*

The Cross is my sure salvation.

The Cross I ever adore.

The Cross of my Lord is with me.

The Cross my refuge forevermore.

ST. ANTHONY'S BRIEF

Behold the Cross of the Lord
Flee, forces of the foe
The lion of the tribe of Judah conquers
The root of Jesse, Alleluia.

V. Saint Anthony, vanquisher of demons, pray for us!

R. That we be made worthy of the promises of Christ!

Grant, O God, to thy people, through the intercession of Thy servant, blessed Anthony, the graces to prevail over the power of darkness, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

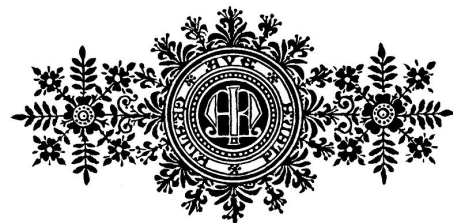
*From the snares of
the devil, deliver us
Saint Anthony!*



MARIS STELLA

The darker the night
The brighter the Star.
She does not seem to change
The fierceness of the waves
But still she stays
And stays
And we hold on.
We commandeered her name:
Maria,
Maris Stella,
Is it your heart
That burns so bright?
We've erred.
We're lost and tossed.
Gripped with fear
We hold on tight
Maria,
Maris Stella,
Is it your heart
That's pierced our night?
Dismantled on the ocean
Keep our wreck
In rays of light.

— Rita Simmonds



PRAYER TO THE QUEEN OF ANGELS

August Queen of Heaven and Mistress of angels, thou who hast received from God the power and the mission to crush the head of Satan, we humbly beseech thee to send forth the legions of Heaven, that under thy command they may pursue the demons, everywhere put them to flight, curb their insolence, and hurl them back to the abyss. "Who is like unto God?"

O good and tender Mother, thou shalt ever be our love and our hope.

O Mother of God, send the holy angels to defend me, and to drive far away from me the cruel enemy.

Holy angels and archangels, defend and keep us. Amen.

I've never written a Bishop's Corner at a deathbed before, but a pastor's life is a busy one. But what a blessing to have Fr. Cekada back with us, quiet and peaceful, after a tumultuous, indeed tortured week at the hospital, which saw him begin the dying process. He was already confused, which always happened when he went in. Then he stopped speaking, eating or drinking. Of course, he could still hear, and sometimes follow you with his eyes.



But these days have been a blessing, a reprieve from Heaven for Fr. Cekada to regain his calm, at home, in familiar circumstances, to pray and be prayed for, before leaving everything to knock at Heaven's Gate. Many of you have written, expressed affection, thanks, and assuring us of your prayers. God reward you.

Fr. Cekada died very peacefully at 10:15 Friday morning. I was at his bedside, praying with him, as were his sister, Julia, and brother-in-law. All of us priests took turns sitting and praying with him during the hours of the night. He never did like to be left alone these last months.

Fr. Cekada's funeral is scheduled for Thursday morning, with the wake at church Wednesday evening. Due to the funeral, there is a special Mass schedule this week. Out of respect to Fr. Cekada, the parish picnic is cancelled. We'll try to organize another parish social event this Fall.

One of our many correspondents summarized just some of Fr. Cekada's many accomplishments during his zealous 43 years of priesthood: "...to preserve and promulgate the true Catholic Faith around the world. His legacy of books, online sermons, music compositions, debates with Fr. Jenkins, and discussions on True Restoration Radio will continue—with God's protective care—to teach and inspire children, non-believers, recent converts, and lapsed and Novus Ordo Catholics for generations to come. I already miss his witty discussions with the moderator, Stephen Heiner, and Bishop Sanborn on Francis Watch." Add to this his voluminous correspondence, and his many, many articles, and you get some measure of the man. But be sure to mix in his wit and humor, and the many souls he converted or counseled.

May his truly priestly soul rest in peace.

— Bishop Dolan

OUR STIGMATA

There are other marks of Christ besides the five wounds which may be reproduced in a Christian, honorable marks that will cause no unbeliever to sneer, and no Catholic theologian to squabble, marks that may be wished for without danger of pride.

To remain meek and humble when others are harsh and overbearing, is a mark of Christ: "Learn of Me for I am meek and humble of heart."

To remain pure, in thought, word, and deed, while all manner of unchaste things are presented to the senses, is a mark of Christ, Who was "born of the Virgin Mary."

Not to seek revenge on those who hurt us, is a mark of Christ: "Pray for those who persecute and revile you, and say all manner of evil against you."

To be helpful to others even though they are lazy, shiftless, undeserving, is a mark of "Jesus of Nazareth, Who went about doing good."

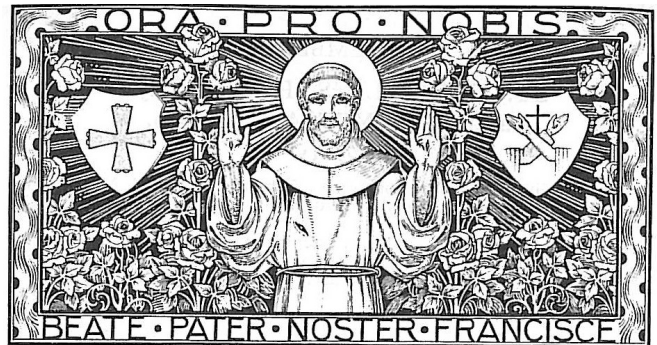
To sympathize with sinners is a mark of Christ, Whose big prayer on the cross was: "Father, forgive them for they know not what they do."

To stay poor when by trickery one could become rich, is a mark of Christ, "Who had not a stone whereon to lay His head."

One may peruse the Gospels again and again, and always find new characteristics, new marks of Christ, that may be imprinted on one's own life. Honorable marks these, which cannot be faked; marks which the Father in Heaven recognizes as those of His Son.

Servers

SUN 9/20 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: C. Richesson, M. Simpson TH: T. Lawrence
ACs: N. McClorey, T. England TORCH: Jude & Benedict McGinnis, D. England, J. Kolenich CROSS & MC: P. Omlor
11:30 AM LOW: A. McClorey, N. Kolenich
4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller



Collection Report

Sunday, September 6th.....\$4,609.00
Second Collection.....\$1,193.00
Alter Christus.....\$112.00

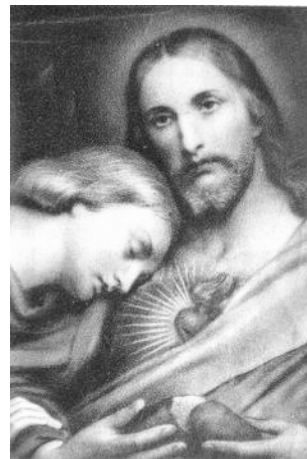
Thank you for your generosity.
Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will.

✠ CALENDAR

MON	9/14/20	EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
	8:00 AM	Low Mass †Fr. Cekada (<i>Patrick & Anne Marie Omlor</i>) Blessing & veneration of relic of the True Cross
	11:25 AM	High Mass †Fr. Cekada (<i>Eva Nellenbach</i>) Blessing & veneration of relic of the True Cross
TUE	9/15/20	SEVEN SORROWS OF OUR LADY ST. NICOMEDES, M
	7:00 AM	Low Mass JC Simpson—special intention (<i>Sarah Burns</i>)
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Jesus, Mary, Joseph & St. Michael – in thanksgiving for answered prayers (<i>Judy</i>) (rescheduled from 9/8)
	11:25 AM	High Mass Marian Novena of Masses
WED	9/16/20	EMBER WEDNESDAY FAST & PARTIAL ABSTINENCE SS. CORNELIUS, P & CYPRIAN, BPMM SS. EUPHEMIA, LUCY & GEMINIANUS, MM
	7:00 AM	Low Mass †Fr. Cekada & the flock at St. Gertrude the Great (<i>Daniel Duffy</i>)
	N.B.	No 8:00 AM Mass
	11:25 AM	High Mass †Fr. Cekada (<i>Collin Smith</i>)
	4:00 PM	Reception of the Body, Rosary, Wake
	5:10 PM	Low Mass For †Fr. Cekada (<i>Deborah Lieb</i>)
	8:00 PM	Vespers for the Dead
THU	9/17/20	STIGMATA OF ST. FRANCIS
	7:00 AM	Low Mass †Fr. Cekada (<i>Rebecca Stump</i>)
	8:30 AM	Matins & Lauds of the Dead
	10:00 AM	Pontifical Requiem Mass Repose of the soul of †Fr. Cekada
FRI	9/18/20	EMBER FRIDAY • ST. JOSEPH CUPERTINO, C <i>TRIDUUM TO OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE</i>
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Thank you to the Poor Souls for prayers answered (<i>Leanne Arlinghaus</i>)
	11:05 AM	Confessions
	11:25 AM	High Mass Poor Souls most in need (<i>Mary Beth</i> <i>Grumblatt</i>)
	5:15 PM	Confessions & Rosary
	5:45 PM	Low Mass †Jim Peter – 17 th Anniversary (from 7/4) (<i>Simpson family</i>)
	6:30 PM	Sacred Heart Novena & Benediction
SAT	9/19/20	EMBER SATURDAY FAST & PARTIAL ABSTINENCE SS. JANUARIUS, BPM & COMPANIONS, MM VIGIL OF ST. MATTHEW • <i>OUR LADY OF LA SALETTE</i>
	7:15 AM	Confessions
	7:30 AM	Low Mass †Fr. Cekada (<i>Collin Smith</i>)
	8:20 AM	Salve & Triduum
	8:30 AM	(approx.) High Mass Most Reverend Daniel Dolan (<i>Theresa H. Couch</i>)
SUN	9/20/20	SOLEMNITY OF THE SEVEN SORROWS PENTECOST XVI • SS. EUSTACE & COMPANIONS, MM
	7:05 AM	Rosary
	7:30 AM	Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great
	9:00 AM	High Mass †Edward Marko (<i>Dave & MaryAnn</i> <i>Marko</i>) (rescheduled from 9/13)

FOR THE SICK

Most compassionate Heart of Christ, Thou didst love during Thy life on earth to soothe and to console, to comfort and to heal the sick of body and mind. Dearest Lord, hear our prayer for all who are now on beds of pain, afflicted with various illnesses, in great need of Thy mercy and compassion. Give them patience, sweet Jesus, to bear their sufferings for love of Thee. Alleviate a little, by Thy almighty power, the sharpness of their pain. Send them kind friends who will comfort and instruct them. Teach them, by Thy grace, how to pray and to offer all their sufferings for love of Thee. Heal their souls, good Jesus, though it is Thy will that they shall endure sickness of the body.



Make them understand that Thou dost hurt them but to cure them, that Thou dost let them suffer now so that Thou mayest spare them hereafter. Hear, Lord, the prayers of all Thine angels and saints, and in particular those of Thy blessed Mother, in behalf of the sorrowful and the distressed. We pray not alone for those sufferers who are known and dear to us, but we beseech Thee as well for all whom we do not know and who perhaps have few to pray for them here on earth. Pity them all in Thy loving mercy. Bring them, purified by their sufferings and afflictions, to the peace and joy of everlasting life in heaven with Thee, forever and ever. Amen.

Rosary Sunday October 4

Rosary Confraternity Breakfast after the High Mass
Tickets on sale today! \$7 per person, or \$25 per family.

10:40 AM	Catechism Classes
11:05 AM	Rosary
11:30 AM	Low Mass †Ryan Greenwell
4:45 PM	Vespers with Benediction
5:45 PM	Low Mass Repose of the soul of †Rob Brockman (<i>Don Buecker</i>)