



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

Most Reverend Daniel L. Dolan, Pastor • Rev. Anthony Cekada
Rev. Charles McGuire • Rev. Vili Lehtoranta • Rev. Stephen McKenna

October 18, 2020
ST. LUKE, EVANGELIST
PENTECOST XX • MISSION SUNDAY



MISSION SUNDAY

Sunday Classes are at 10:40 AM. The Blessed of Expectant Mothers is available at the Communion Rail after all Masses. Be sure to take a look at the **Autumn Bake Sale** today! Vespers with October Devotions and Benediction are at 4:30 PM.

THIS WEEK

We look forward this week to the weekend, and the **Forty Hours Devotion**. Still many feasts and holy Masses and rosaries remain to be observed and prayed. Pray for a good Forty Hours! Nothing is refused to **St. Peter of Alcantara**, Monday's saint. **St. John Cantius** comes Tuesday, a patron saint of professors and pilgrims. **St. Ursula** and all of her companions are honored Wednesday, and afternoon Exposition and Rosary Devotions. Note that **Saturday's** Solemn Mass prays for much-needed peace.

POOR SOULS

Poor Souls Remembrance envelopes are in the pews. Please fill one out and return it to the bookstore, collection, or office.

PRAYERS PLEASE

In your prayers please remember Mary McGuire, Jesse Stewart, and the repose of the souls of †Ed Wilson and †Mark Barrett.

Collection Report

Sunday, October 11th\$5,281.00

To Our Lady of the Rosary

By St. Amadeus of Lausanne (1108-1159)

Through thee, to us,
our Saviour came.
Through thee, to Him,
we fain would go.
Our lives are marred
by wrong and shame.
Yet, confidence in thee we know.
The friendship thou dost
give to all
Who love thy name.
shall ever be
Assurance thou wilt hear
our call.
Sweet Lady of the Rosary!

Thou art our Strength
upon the way.
Our Morning Star,
to cheer and guide:
Our Beacon Light
to show the day.
And lead us to the Saviour's Side:
A Comforter in ev'ry pain
We find, O Mother blest, in thee.
And seek we, never, thee in vain.
Fair Lady of the Rosary!

Thy praises, Mary, we would sing,
And all our faculties employ.
That unto thee our hearts might bring
A glory-crown of love and joy.
Bless thou each humble effort made
In thy regard and grant that we,
May by thy influence be swayed.
Our Lady of the Rosary!

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NEXT SUNDAY: CHRIST THE KING

Sunday we resume the Forty Hours **Adoration at 6:30 AM**. Sunday classes will be at 10:50 AM. October Devotions with Rosary will be at 4:00 PM. Vespers of Christ the King will be at 4:45 PM. **Note that the evening Mass is at 5:30, not 5:45.** **Closing ceremonies** are at 6:45, followed by refreshments.

Set Your Missal: Christ the King, with a commemoration and Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost XXI. Preface of Christ the King.

FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

The Forty Hours Devotion takes place on **Friday, Saturday, and Sunday** of this week (**October 23-25**). The Devotion honors the time Our Lord's Adorable Body passed in the Holy Sepulcher, and obtains for the Church, as well as for each soul, all of the pressing needs of the day. Please try to take an hour of Adoration where it is most needed: **Saturday afternoon from 3-5:00 PM, and Sunday from 1-5:00 PM.**

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed after the **5:30 PM Mass** on Friday. The moving and very touching Procession and Litany of the Saints conclude the opening ceremonies. **All Night Adoration.**

Our **Harvest Chili Supper** follows the opening ceremonies. *Those who attend the opening Mass* may consider themselves dispensed from the abstinence. Bring a meat or meatless chili to share.

All members of the Rosary Confraternity are invited to attend the Opening and Closing ceremonies of Forty Hours in a body, and walk in the Processions wearing their Confraternity medals.

Saturday's Adoration continues all day, with **Mass at 7:30** and Solemn Mass at **9 AM**. Rosary is at 12:00 noon, First Vespers of Christ the King at 1:30, and Closing Devotions of the Day with **Benediction at 4:30.**

CHILDLIKE

In my poverty and misery, and as reparation, I should like to come to be the servant of the Mother of my Lord. Separated from communion with the angels because of the fall of our first parents, I should like to be the servant of her who is Handmaid and Mother of my Creator. As a docile instrument in the hands of the immense God, this is how I should like to be subject to the Virgin Mother: totally dedicated to her service.

Grant it to me, Jesus, God and Son of man. Grant it to me, Lord of all things and Son of Thy Handmaid. Grant me this grace, O God humbled in man. Allow me, a man raised up to God, to believe in the child-birth of the Virgin and to be filled with faith in Thy Incarnation. When I speak of virginal maternity, allow me to have words gushing in Thy praise. And while loving Thy Mother, let me be full of Thy very love for her.

Make me serve Thy Mother in such a way that Thou wilt recognize me as Thy servant. Let her be my Sovereign Mistress on earth, so that Thou mayest be my Lord for eternity. See with what impatience I long to be a vassal of this Queen, and with what faithfulness I dedicate myself to the joy of serving her...with what ardor I wish never to back away from her commands. How I wish never to be taken away from her service.... Make her admit me to the ranks of her subjects, and while serving her, allow me to merit receiving her favors, to live always under her mandate, and to love her for all eternity.

— St. Ildephonsus of Toledo

St. Ildephonsus of Toledo († 667) was a Benedictine monk who became the Archbishop of Toledo, Spain.



¶ OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

The **October Devotions** (Rosary, Litany and Prayer to St. Joseph) are recited every school day at **3:10 PM**. Every **Wednesday** the Rosary is recited before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed at **3:00 PM**, with Benediction and Holy Communion at approximately 3:20 PM. **Friday** evening the Rosary with Benediction is at **5:15** and **Saturday** morning at **8:10**.

The video of the Pontifical Requiem Mass for †Fr. Cekada may be found at fathercekada.com, or on the "St. Gertrude the Great Church" channel on YouTube.

¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

All Saints Sunday, November 1.

Prepare a costume and presentation about a saint with your child for the All Saints' Party after the High Mass!

Rosary Confraternity Cemetery

Rosary Procession: Sunday, November 8.

**PRAYER FOR THE CONVERSION OF A RELATIVE OR FRIEND**

O Mary, Queen of Angels and of men, behold me an unworthy servant and listen to my prayer in behalf of (N. N.) who remains separated from the Church established by thy Divine Son. My Mother, dispensatrix of grace, strip from (N. N.) the bands of prejudice and ignorance that hold him captive, and let the true light of Faith enlighten his mind and quicken his will. Gently draw him, my Mother, into the fold of Christ, that his salvation may be better secured and that the Kingdom of God upon earth may grow stronger over the internal enemy. Amen.

LIVING MEMORY

Land, lead my feet
Along the path of memory,
And as I walk in the light
Of the star
Let me gather lambs,
Little lambs,
Lost sheep,
Even angry innkeepers
Who may want to see
What daily care
Has cause to turn away.
(This lost cause will be our gain.)



The land unfolds an Infant King.
I saw Him crowned
Along the way.
I saw His Mother weep.
But now He sleeps
And she receives
All who come
To see and know and weep and pray.



— Rita Simmonds

SEVEN DISGUISES IN WHICH GOD FREQUENTLY SENDS GRACES:

1. In the disguise of ingratitude from friends.
2. In the disguise of being misunderstood.
3. In the disguise of failure.
4. In the disguise of being dishonored.
5. In the disguise of poverty.
6. In the disguise of sickness.
7. In the disguise of death.



"Though one must be exceeding pure before appearing in the sight of the All-Holy God, still I know that He is infinitely just, and this very Justice which terrifies so many souls is the source of all my confidence and joy... Justice is not only stern severity towards the guilty; it takes account of the good intention, and gives to virtue its reward. Indeed I hope as much from the Justice of God as from His Mercy. It is because He is just, that He is compassionate and merciful, longsuffering, and plenteous in mercy."

— St. Therese

Tuesday past was another one of those beautiful October days, just about perfect. But it was the evening which interested us, and I'm sure drew Heaven's favorable notice as well. It was the 13th, more than a lucky, a *blessed* day when thousand upon thousands once saw the sun dance and dip and rise again, Our Lady's answer to Lucy's plea for a miracle which would make everyone believe.

One hundred and three years later, at sunset, one hundred and seventeen faithful gathered together, candles in hand, to make a striking scene, a *sign* surely if there is anyone left to believe, the peaceful powerful full Rosary in solemn procession through the night. Who knows if this may be our last, we reasoned. Besides, we are at the crossroads of tyranny and what is left of our way of life. You came, you prayed. God bless you and hear our united sighs, blended with the one hundred and fifty three Ave Marias. Remember that night. Like everything this year it made history. I hope it also made a difference.

For the rest, we continue to pray "over and above" for that is what we do at St. Gertrude the Great. October seems to be the month for it, with the daily Rosary and now this week Forty Hours. We tried other months for this annual devotion, but none worked as well as October. May these Forty Hours work well this year, not only in attendance and ceremonies, but in the protecting power of the prayer they unleash, a protection we all so much need.

Today is Mission Sunday, and I think fondly of the priests and people in far away places I've been able to visit, or we've been able to help over the years: **Fr. Nkamuke** in Nigeria, undergoing a spot of trouble itself of late; **Fr. Soliman** and his Filipino flock; **Fr. Roberto Mardones** and **Fr. Villegas** and **Fr. Gomez** in Mexico; **Fr. Rodrigo** and his starting seminary in Brazil; **Fr. Damin** and **Fr. Martinez** still in the catacombs in Argentina; **Fr. Valerii** valiantly offering the Divine Liturgy and praying for Byzantine Rite vocations in Ukraine; lone **Fr. William Hecquard**, who has gone back to living as a Benedictine in France. Please pray for them all, and all true Catholic priests throughout the world. Spare a special prayer for young **Fr. Philip Eldracher**, practically locked up, and his flock, too, by the Communist government in Australia.

Our school year is going well. It is a joy to have so many little "starter" students with us. We have welcomed a number of young families to St. Gertrude of late. Say hello if you see someone you don't know, and say a prayer blessing God for sending reinforce-

ments. What a grace to have three baptisms serve as a counterpoint to the three funerals of late. Life, our life which targets eternal life, goes on.

Fr. Lehtoranta's young ladies' Sodality of Charity is now well underway. The girls this month enjoyed some archery at their meeting, and also helped decorate Helfta Hall for the Rosary Confraternity breakfast, which also enjoyed a record attendance.

We're hopeful that the Plandemic restrictions on visiting Nursing Homes will be eased to allow a priest finally to visit our own. But the elderly and the ill are among the specially targeted victims of this revolution. It's so great to see Vic Ritze at Sunday Mass again. His family sprang him.

Our Lord is looking forward to seeing you and your family Friday evening for Forty Hours, and we're all looking forward to the Chili Supper afterwards. Bring some to share!

God bless you and make your prayers twice as powerful these crucial days. They will be, if they are under the power of the Cross, and the name of Jesus and Mary.

– Bishop Dolan



All Night Adoration Guard of Honor Forty Hours Devotion 2020

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM: Joe Andreotta, Doby Curran
8:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Kirby Bischel, Quentin Gorton
9:00 PM - 10:00 PM: Justin Soeder, Paddy Omlor
10:00 PM - 11:00 PM: Andrew Prell, Dean McClorey
11:00 PM - 12:00 AM: James Kolenich, Paul Puglielli
12:00 AM - 1:00 AM: Levi Giese, Collin Smith
1:00 AM - 2:00 AM: David Marko, Bayer
2:00 AM - 3:00 AM: Dan & John Brueggemann
3:00 AM - 4:00 AM: Steve Weigand, Bayer
4:00 AM - 5:00 AM: Matthew Giese, *Volunteer needed*
5:00 AM - 6:00 AM: Joseph Simpson, Bill Herman
6:00 AM - 7:00 AM: Jim Soli, John Riggs

If you cannot make your hour, please contact the church office immediately: (513) 645-4212.

Please note that the Forty Hours Adoration this Friday takes the place of the Adoration on the First Friday of November.

✠ CALENDAR

MON 10/19/20	ST. PETER OF ALCANTARA, C
8:00 AM	Low Mass For all who cook for us and for our devoted drivers (<i>The Fathers</i>)
11:25 AM	High Mass Fr. Philip Eldracher & his intentions (<i>Catherine Robbins</i>)
3:10 PM	October Devotions
TUE 10/20/20	ST. JOHN CANTIUS, C • MATER ADMIRABILIS
7:00 AM	Low Mass In honorem Sanctae Mariae (<i>T. Bayer</i>)
8:00 AM	Low Mass †Ryan Greenwell (<i>Eva Nellenbach</i>)
11:25 AM	High Mass †Richard VandeRyt & †Robert Brockman (<i>Theresa Hill</i>)
3:10 PM	October Devotions
5:00 PM	Low Mass †Mary Bigini Safrey (<i>Gloria Zbilicki</i>)
WED 10/21/20	ST. HILARION, AB
	SS. URSULA & COMPANIONS, VVMM
7:00 AM	Low Mass Special Intention – CVB (<i>K/V</i>)
8:00 AM	Low Mass Happy Birthday, Jacinta Young (<i>Bill & Terri Young</i>)
11:25 AM	Requiem High Mass †Fr. Cekada (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Maki</i>)
3:00 PM	Exposition, Rosary, Benediction, Communion
5:10 PM	Low Mass Conversion of sinners (<i>Cora Arlinghaus</i>)
THU 10/22/20	RESUMED MASS OF SUNDAY
7:00 AM	Low Mass My Mother (<i>T. Bayer</i>)
8:00 AM	Low Mass In thanksgiving for safe delivery & healthy baby (<i>Simpson family</i>)
11:25 AM	High Mass Joseph McMahon (<i>Colleen Greenwell</i>)
3:10 PM	October Devotions
FRI 10/23/20	OPENING OF FORTY HOURS – NO SCHOOL
	FERIAL DAY • <i>THE MOST HOLY REDEEMER</i>
8:00 AM	Low Mass †Ryan Greenwell (<i>Colleen Greenwell</i>)
5:15 PM	Confessions & Sacred Heart Novena
5:30 PM	Opening of Forty Hours: Solemn High Mass of the Blessed Sacrament Intentions of our fellow Catholics (<i>Kolenich Family</i>)
	Procession, followed by Harvest Chili Supper
8:15 PM	(approx.) October Devotions <i>All Night Adoration</i>
SAT 10/24/20	ST. RAPHAEL, ARCHANGEL
7:30 AM	Low Mass †Fr. Cekada (<i>Dan, Mary & family</i>)
8:30 AM	Confessions
9:00 AM	Solemn High Votive Mass for Peace End of the threefold plague (<i>Gloria Zbilicki</i>) <i>Adoration continues all day</i>
12:00 PM	October Devotions
1:30 PM	Solemn First Vespers of Christ the King
4:30 PM	Visit to the Blessed Sacrament, Compline, Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Sunday morning
SUN 10/25/20	CHRIST THE KING • PENTECOST XXI
	SS. CHRYSANTHUS & DARIA, MM
6:30 AM	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7:05 AM	Rosary
7:30 AM	Low Mass Michael Volz – Happy Birthday! (<i>Kuebler</i>)

9:00 AM	High Mass of Reposition For the people of St. Gertrude the Great
10:50 AM	Sunday Classes
11:05 AM	Rosary
11:30 AM	Low Mass †Brian McMahon (<i>Colleen Greenwell</i>)
4:00 PM	Visit to the Blessed Sacrament, October Devotions
4:45 PM	Solemn Second Vespers of Christ the King
5:30 PM	Low Mass †Frances Morris – Happy Birthday (<i>S. Kurtz</i>) (from 10/10)
6:45 PM	Closing Ceremonies with Procession & Benediction
7:45 PM	Light refreshments in Helfta Hall

Servers

FRI 10/23

5:30 PM **SOLEMN HIGH:** MCs: J. Lacy, P. Omlor, M. Simpson THs: D. McConnell, T. Lawrence ACs: C. Richesson, C. Arlinghaus **CROSS:** D. McConnell **BANNER:** A. McConnell **UMBRELLA:** P. Omlor **BELLS:** J. Kolenich **TORCH:** N. Kolenich, J. Kolenich, M. Kolenich, N. McClorey, A. McClorey, P. McClorey



SAT 10/24

9:00 AM **SOLEMN HIGH:** MCs: J. Simpson, M. Simpson TH: P. Omlor ACs: C. Richesson, N. McClorey **CROSS:** P. McClorey **TORCH:** S. Richesson, A. McClorey, J. Kolenich, N. Kolenich, A. McConnell, D. McConnell

SUN 10/25

7:30 AM **Low:** Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM **HIGH:** MCs: P. Omlor, M. Simpson TH: C. Richesson ACs: C. Arlinghaus, D. Simpson **CROSS:** T. Lawrence **MITRE:** D. McConnell **CROZIER:** A. McConnell **TORCH:** N. Kolenich, J. Kolenich, M. Kolenich, T. England, D. England, S. Richesson
11:30 AM **Low:** N. & A. McClorey
4:45 PM **VESPERS:** G. Miller
5:30 PM **Low:** G. Miller
6:45 PM **CLOSING:** MCs: J. Lacy, P. Omlor, M. Simpson THs: T. Lawrence, D. McConnell ACs: C. Arlinghaus, P. McClorey **CROSS:** A. McConnell **MITRE:** D. Simpson **CROZIER:** A. McClorey **TRAIN:** N. Kolenich **UMBRELLA:** P. Omlor **BANNER:** N. McClorey **BELLS:** J. Kolenich **TORCH:** M. Kolenich, J. Kolenich, S. Richesson, T. England



Inspiration Drawn from the Mysteries of the Rosary

Then will each one begin to feel his work as no longer lowly and irksome, but welcome and delightful, and clothed with a certain joyousness by his sense of duty in discharging it conscientiously. Then will gentler manners prevail everywhere; home life will be loved and esteemed; and the relations of man with man will be hallowed by a larger infusion of respect and charity. And if this betterment should go forth from the individual to the family and to communities, and thence to the people at large so that human life should be lifted up to this standard, no one will fail to feel how great and lasting indeed would be the gain achieved for society.

– Pope Leo XIII

The Forty Hours Adoration

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23RD

5:30 PM Opening Solemn High Mass and Procession

Our Harvest Chili Supper takes place after Mass.

Bring your favorite chili to share—with or without meat. We will provide beverages, fixin's, and dessert. (*The abstinence is dispensed for those who attend the opening Mass.*)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CONTINUES ALL FRIDAY NIGHT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24TH

7:30 AM Low Mass

8:30 AM Confessions

9:00 AM Solemn High Votive Mass for Peace

12:00 PM October Devotions

ADORATION CONTINUES ALL DAY

1:30 PM Solemn First Vespers of Christ the King

4:30 PM Visit to the Blessed Sacrament, Compline, Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Sunday morning

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CONTINUES ALL DAY

6:30 AM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7:30 AM Low Mass

9:00 AM High Mass of Reposition

11:30 AM Low Mass

4:00 PM Visit to the Blessed Sacrament, October Devotions

4:45 PM Solemn Second Vespers of Christ the King

5:30 PM Low Mass (note special time)

6:45 PM Closing Ceremonies with Procession and Benediction

7:45 PM Light refreshments in Helfta Hall

Obituary

FR. CEKADA was born in La Jolla, California, July 18, 1951, son of the late Frank and Eleanor (Nardi) Cekada. He was raised in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and grew up during the revolutionary years of the 1960's. Privileged to be of the last generation raised in the True Catholic Faith, he was educated by the Dominican Sisters and spiritually fed with daily High Mass and doctrine. This Faith formed him, inspired him and inevitably demanded of him many sacrifices which he willingly made for the Church and for souls.

Fourteen-year-old Anthony Cekada entered De Sales Prep or Minor Seminary in Milwaukee for High School, graduating in 1969. At the minor seminary he was able to pursue piano and then organ. He wanted to learn not only to play and accompany Mass, but to compose good music to counter the junk being produced by the Changes. He did more than that, however. At the age of fourteen he also began studies at the Milwaukee Conservatory of Music under the renowned musician and polymath Michael Hammond. This transformed him, in his own words "over two intense years, from being an untrained but eager musical ignoramus at fourteen to being the accomplished and technically adept orchestral composer of a major work at sixteen." Amazing, but to be listed among his many accomplishments in life....

Fr. Cekada rarely spoke of these things. He was too busy doing things. He was all the time teaching himself whatever discipline the moment, the needs of the Church and souls, required. In addition to organ and musical composition, Fr. Cekada was a seminary professor for over forty years, teaching music, chant, Sacred Liturgy, Psalms and Canon Law. Because there was no one else to do it, Fr. Cekada taught himself accounting as a newly ordained priest at St. Joseph's House of Studies in Armada, Michigan. Techniques changed over the years, but he was still doing the church accounting last January, when the strokes began. Teaching was surely his great love. While he willingly assisted anyone who came to him for guidance or advice, his special devotion was to young people, for whom he would make any sacrifice. Until his last months he was daily answering emails not only on Church questions, but especially vocation inquiries from youth.

Fr. Cekada taught himself the complicated discipline of liturgical rubrics when Bishop Dolan was consecrated in 1993, and wrote detailed directions for all the pontifical ceremonies. During the long dispute with the Pius X Society, which wanted to force a reconciliation with Modernist Rome, Fr. Cekada taught himself a good deal of Civil Law. He also tried his hand at church design when the new St. Gertrude's in West Chester, Ohio was built in an attractive traditional style in 2003. Since 2009, Fr. Cekada returned to his old love of church music, directing St. Gertrude's music program, and playing the organ.

In addition to his teaching and care for souls (Fr. Cekada was founding pastor of St. Hugh of Lincoln Church in Milwaukee), he was also an avid and prolific writer, on topics ranging from theology and modern questions, to liturgy and traditionalist controversies. He produced an accurate translation of the Ottaviani Intervention, The Problem with the Prayers of the New Mass (well over 15,000 sold), and the practical and ever popular Welcome to the Traditional Latin Mass and The Problem of Authority. Fr. Cekada's great life's work is the definitive study of the New Mass, Work of Human Hands, with nearly 5,000 copies in print. His numerous YouTube videos delight, edify and educate, presenting the traditional Catholic position. One wonders how he found time for it all.

When Fr. Cekada completed his studies at De Sales Seminary with a bachelor's of divinity, he entered the Cistercians and briefly did studies at the Monastery of Hautrive in Fribourg, Switzerland. Later he entered the Society of St. Pius X at Écône, Switzerland, where he was ordained a priest by Archbishop Marcel Lefebvre in 1977.

Fr. Cekada has served as assistant pastor of St. Gertrude the Great since 1989, after a number of years at St. Pius V Chapel in Oyster Bay, New York.

Fr. Cekada's life, his forty-three years of priesthood, have yielded incredible results. But he was an extraordinary man. His self-discipline, devotion and drive were not only matched but excelled by his humility, and his trademark sense of humor. His great erudition caused his friends to esteem him and his foes at times to fear him, and all to respect him, but it was his gentle humor which won him admiration even from those who disagreed with him.

As we mourn him now, and mark an extraordinary life in these most difficult of days, we should remember him most of all, for his first love and enduring devotion for teaching the Catholic Faith, for our youth. Father said it best, "a testament to the lasting and profound change that one good teacher can make...." His rest is well earned, "his works follow him."

Memorial Donations may be made to St. Gertrude the Great, for the education of poor seminarians.

