



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

November 1, 2020 FEAST OF ALL SAINTS PENTECOST XXII



¶ ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

Today is All Saints Sunday. The second collection is for our seminary. The "Little Church" is in the vestibule to receive your alms for priests. The Blessing of Religious Articles is available at the communion rail after all Masses.

There are no Sunday Classes. After High Mass come back to Helfta Hall for the All Saints Party. Vespers of All Saints and Vespers of the Dead are at 4:45 PM.

¶ ALL SOULS DAY

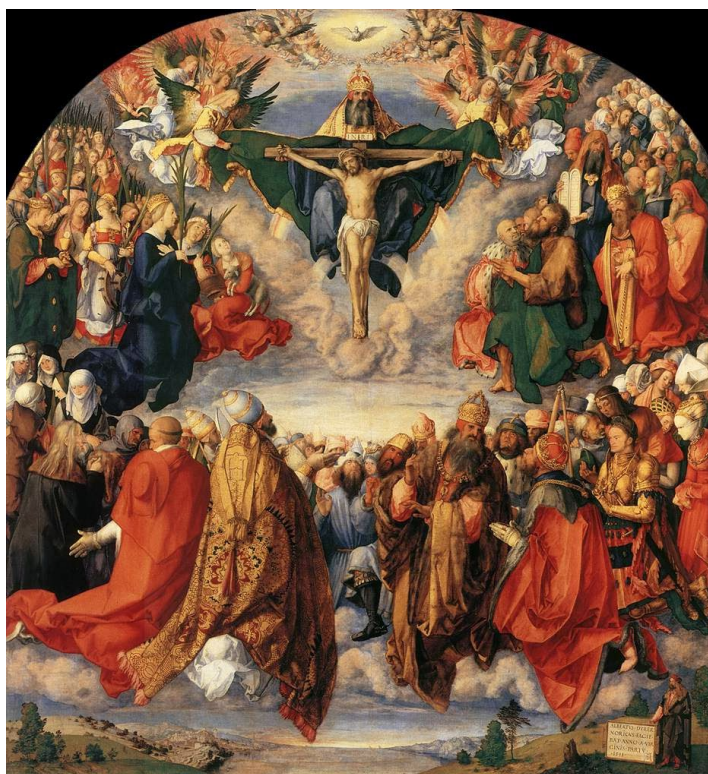
Nine Holy Masses are offered tomorrow, November 2nd, for All Souls Day. Try to assist at Mass, and gain an indulgence for the Poor Souls.

¶ TOTIES QUOTIES

You may gain a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions each time you make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament from noon today until midnight on November 2nd—praying six Paters, six Aves, and six Glory Be's according to the mind of the Church. This wonderful indulgence is applicable only to the Poor Souls. Avail yourselves of this supreme act of charity. Or you may also gain these indulgences on the Sunday following.

Collection Report

Sunday, October 25th\$4,195.00
Thank you for your generosity. Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will.



¶ FIRST FRIDAY

8:00 AM Low Mass
10:55 AM Confessions
11:25 AM Low Mass, Benediction
5:15 PM Rosary & Confessions
5:45 PM Low Mass
6:30 PM Novena & Benediction

Please note: NO All Night Adoration.
First Friday Reparation Intention: For our own Poor Souls in Purgatory.

¶ FIRST SATURDAY

7:15 AM Confessions
7:30 AM Low Mass
8:10 AM Devotions & Meditation
First Saturday Reparation Intention: For all who spurn devotion to Mary, deny it or downplay it.

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: PENTECOST XXIII

Sunday Classes will be at 10:40 AM. In lieu of Vespers, there will be two Rosary Processions, both at 3 PM. One at St. Stephen's Cemetery (1314 Greenwood Ave., Hamilton, OH 45011) where Fr. Cekada is buried; and the other St. Mary's Cemetery (2201 Dixie Hwy, Fort Mitchell, KY 41017) where many of our dead await the Resurrection.

📖 *Set Your Missal:* Pentecost XXIII, second collect of the Octave of All Saints, third of the Holy Four Crowned Martyrs. Trinity Preface.

¶ ROSARY PROCESSION

School: Wednesday, November 4th, departing from church at 1:00 PM to St. Stephen's Cemetery: 1314 Greenwood Ave., Hamilton, OH 45011.

¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Mary McGuire, Jesse Stewart, Cecilia Rossi, Priscilla Neis, Mary Kassenbrock, and Florence Lawrence.

CURRENT EVENTS?

"He never had any real hope in the affair from the beginning; but being a cheerful hobbit he had not needed hope, as long as despair could be postponed." – Tolkien, *The Two Towers*

"I SEE MEN AS TREES"

We said before that the nature of mustard might resemble the holy martyrs because they are rubbed by different sufferings. Since Scripture says, "And it grew and became a tree, and the birds of heaven roosted in its branches," I think that this is more properly compared to the Lord Christ Himself. **Born a man**, He was humbled like a seed and **in ascending to heaven was exalted like a tree**.

It is clear that Christ is a seed when He suffers and a tree when He rises. He is a seed when He endures hunger and a tree when He satisfies five thousand men with five loaves. In the one case, He endures barrenness in His human condition, in the other He bestows fullness by His divinity. I would say that the Lord is a seed when He is beaten, scorned and cursed, but a tree when He enlightens the blind, raises the dead and forgives sins. In the Gospel, He says that He is a seed: "Unless the grain of wheat, falling upon the earth, dies" [John 12:24].

— St. Maximus of Turin

MEN: DON'T RECOGNIZE DEFEAT

He is a pretty poor sort of man who loses courage and fears to face the world just because he has made a mistake or a slip somewhere, because his business has failed, because his property has been swept away by some general disaster, or because of other trouble impossible for him to avert.

This is the test of your manhood; how much is there left in you after you have lost everything outside of yourself? If you lie down now, throw up your hands, acknowledge yourself worsted, there is not much in you. But if, with heart undaunted and face turned forward, you refuse to give up or to lose faith in yourself, if you scorn to beat a retreat, you will show that the man left in you is bigger than your loss, greater than your cross and larger than any defeat. Outside troubles are not overwhelming, until the man himself gives up.

STOP BY THE BOOKSTORE!

Make this season of Holy Days holy with truly religious Christmas cards. We have a new fantastic selection on display. Send a picture of Jesus to everyone on your list. Packages of 25 available in a single design or assorted.

Advent wreaths and candles are on the movable stand. Calendars will be in the beginning of December.

Stocking stuffers for St. Nicholas Day and Christmas are on the movable display. Magnetic Nativity, colorful tiny rosaries, and toys that have the true meaning of Christmas at heart will light the imagination of children.

A new supply of children's misals are in. The Four Temperaments book is back in stock; see what personality type you are, sanguine, phlegmatic, choleric, or melancholic. This book is fun and helps you understand other types of people. Look for other interesting topics as well in our bookstore.

Our Beloved Dead – November

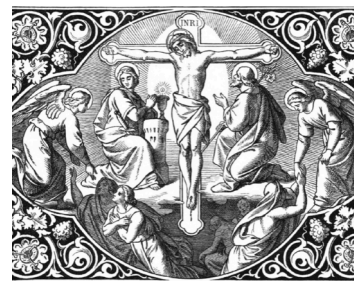
Ida Youngworth	11-05-2012
Robert M. Deardorff	11-07-2003
Judith E. LeBlanc	11-08-1996
John Madaffari	11-10-2016
Blanche Ciarkowski	11-10-2016
Thelma Sieverding	11-10-2017
Viola M. Ripperger	11-12-2019
Edward P. Fradl	11-13-1989
Larry J. Adams	11-13-2011
Patrick S. Meredith	11-14-1987
Charles S. Blase	11-15-1999
Paul J. Leurck	11-17-2017
Fr. Martin Stepanich	11-18-2012
Geraldine Gilker	11-18-1993
Gertrude Bollhauer	11-19-1982
Alex Bearov	11-20-2011
Edward Sayre	11-21-2010
Patricia A. Buckley	11-23-1987
Nick DiBerardino	11-26-1999
Frank Alban Sr.	11-27-1987
Iris Wilson	11-27-2013
Elaine Manuele	11-27-2019

AWAITING

Eternity is something to be sought
In faces, walls and windows, dawn to dusk
Or even in the midnight hour caught
By those who hear a cry, acute and hushed,
Or see a single star that weakens strife
Of right and poor together on the road
That ends at the beginning of a life
As flesh as it is timeless and of old.
The angels, wing to wing above the crowd
That gathers at the cavern, not the inn
Explode in joyful chorus like a cloud
That rains all it contains on foes and friends.
Let every inn be open as a cave.
Eternity awaited now awaits.

— Rita Simmonds

This is actually a Christmas poem, but it seems fitting for today... The crowds of Angels and Saints.



THE GATES OF LIFE

Death! Shall I fear it, Jesus?
Tremble Thy Face to see?
Fear Whom each golden daybreak
Bringeth from Heaven to me?
Nay, I have met Thee, Jesus,
Often—and loved Thee long,
Why should I fear to cast me
Into Thine arms so strong?
Now in my poor heart's shelter
Thou tarriest awhile my Guest,
Then in Thy Heart in Heaven
I shall find eternal rest.
Death will but chase the shadow
Veiling Thy Face away,
Death will but seal eternal
Joy in unending day.

All Saints and All Souls, eight days after Forty Hours and Christ the King... Two great observances, of supreme spiritual importance, follow two weeks in a row for us, so much in need of power and prayer these days of great desolation. Tiring, perhaps, for those of us who are "on it," but what a reward for our poor efforts. God hears such prayer, and sends us every encouragement to persevere. The mere fact that we have been able thus far to pray untroubled and unmolested is itself a great grace. What confidence we should, we *must* have for the rest, for Church and country, as well as for family and every personal need and petition.

It was a glorious Forty Hours. Never have so many attended the Friday night opening service. You came because you know the hour is late and the needs are grave. But how encouraging to see so many young adults, some from as far away as communist California, swell our numbers! All of the accustomed ceremonies went well, beautifully, despite the chill wet weather which shocked our guests from sunnier climes, and does make the ceremonies and the singing somewhat challenging. But nothing could stop us. We are on the Lord's side. On to victory!

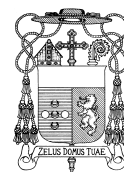
After the pleasant surprise of processing in to almost a full church Friday evening, my other favorite moment was the return of the Silas Tantum Ergo for the closing Benediction Sunday night. It brings back many memories of our early years. (After all we have almost forty years of them.) This lovely setting of the Benediction hymn is both touching and triumphant, and so moving.

Today double Sunday and Holy Day is being observed with our relics exposed upon the altars, and the little ones dressed as saints for the morning. More beloved traditions which express our Faith, and teach our children its wonder, its sublime truth. Thus is the Faith passed on!

Tomorrow we "go black," vestments that is, for All Souls, with many visits and Masses, with prayers and Plenary Indulgences. Please, every one of you who reads these words, pause and pray for the Holy Souls of Purgatory, and to them. They can and will help us in this great hour of need. How confident we are concluding our fortnight of prayer with the Poor Souls on our side.

Someone wrote recently that Tuesday's election is not about a man or a party, but is rather a plebiscite for either the merest remnants of the Christian Order in our country, or the New One World Order, or

disorder, the chaos and crackdown of a godless government imposed by the oligarchy who are already our masters, and mean to crush us.



Some speak or write of the serious obligation to vote and, as the way is, declare it to be yet another mortal sin if we refrain. Sounds a little simplistic. But study the issues, and most of all, pray. "Mother, tell me, what am I to do?"

May the Mother of Good Counsel guide and protect us all in these tragic and perhaps decisive days.

— Bishop Dolan

HUMAN NATURE

Fallen human nature never changes, and that's why we need reminders. Men and boys tend to dress down for church, someplace between comfy and sloppy. No worries!

Young ladies of a certain age tend to dress down or maybe up, in their own way too, so as perhaps to draw the attention of the men. Human nature. Each generation goes through this, but the Catholic principles don't change.

Men and boys, wear a jacket (or a sweater over a dress shirt) and a tie to Sunday Mass. This shows respect. Dress up for Sunday. Sunday Mass is a cross between a wedding and a funeral. Actually, it's all about the Cross. Offer it up.

Young ladies and girls, dress nicely at church but in a modest way, so as *not* unduly to draw the eyes of men. That's what we call modesty. Cultivate it.

Ladies, lose the tight skirts which show every curve, the provocative slits, the peekaboo knees when you sit. Don't wear a low cut or too-tight top, which directs the eyes to your breast, or even offers a peek. Just don't dress this way, ever. It's a sin, and maybe two, your neighbor's as well. You know perfectly well how to dress up to God, not to dishonor Him.

"Modesty is the conscience of the body."

"The world is fond of ease, riches, and honor; the Crucifix demonstrates the depths of the love of God, Who became man for our sakes, suffered and died to redeem us from sin, taught us fraternal love and commands us to carry our cross daily, if we wished to follow Him. We must choose whether to follow Jesus Crucified, or to follow the world!"

— Antonio Cardinal Bacci

✠ CALENDAR

MON	11/2/20	ALL SOULS DAY
	7:00 AM	Low Mass Poor Souls for a successful surgery for Ken Gilliam (<i>Dan, Mary & family</i>)
	7:30 AM	Low Mass The Mind of the Church
	8:00 AM	Low Mass All of the Faithful Departed
	11:25 AM	Requiem High Mass & Absolution Those whose names are on the altar
	3:30 PM	Low Mass The Mind of the Church
	4:00 PM	Low Mass All of the Faithful Departed
	4:45 PM	Low Mass All of the Faithful Departed
	5:15 PM	Low Mass The Mind of the Church
	5:45 PM	Low Mass Those whose names are on the altar
TUE	11/3/20	RESUMED MASS OF SUNDAY
		WITHIN THE OCTAVE • <i>BL. MARTIN DE PORRES, C</i>
	7:00 AM	Low Mass †Margaret Carruthers (<i>Mary Lynne Riopel</i>) (from 11/2)
	11:25 AM	High Mass †Mr. Robert Brockman (<i>Pamela Spoor</i>)
	5:00 PM	Low Mass Anny's Intentions (<i>Theresa Simpson</i>)
WED	11/4/20	ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO, BPC
		FIRST WEDNESDAY • <i>SS. VITALIS & AGRICOLA, MM</i>
	7:00 AM	Low Mass Conversion of family (<i>Collin Smith</i>)
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Happy Birthday, Steven Kustra (<i>Bill & Terri Young</i>)
	11:25 AM	High Mass Sodality Members (<i>Fr. Lehtoranta</i>)
	1:00 PM	Depart for Children's Rosary Procession, St. Stephen's Cemetery
	5:10 PM	Low Mass A Thank You to the Holy Souls (<i>Renee Arlinghaus</i>)
THU	11/5/20	WITHIN THE OCTAVE • FIRST THURSDAY
		<i>THE HOLY RELICS</i>
	7:00 AM	Low Mass †Angela Plowman – 2 nd Anniversary 9/22 (<i>Tom & Karen Simpson</i>)
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Vincent & Cecilia Rigato (<i>Colleen Eldracher</i>)
	11:25 AM	High Mass For the sanctification of priests (<i>Alter Christus Confraternity</i>)
FRI	11/6/20	FIRST FRIDAY • WITHIN THE OCTAVE
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Terry Short (<i>Hunter Lumbatis</i>)
	10:55 AM	Confessions
	11:25 AM	Low Mass, Benediction Doris Ritze, blessed birthday!
	5:15 PM	Confessions & Rosary
	5:45 PM	Low Mass Happy Birthday Matthew Giese (<i>The Gieses</i>)
	6:30 PM	Sacred Heart Novena & Benediction <i>NO All Night Adoration</i>
SAT	11/7/20	FIRST SATURDAY • WITHIN THE OCTAVE
	7:15 AM	Confessions
	7:30 AM	Low Mass Special Intention (<i>ML</i>)
	8:10 AM	First Saturday Devotions, Meditation
	12:00 PM	Nuptial High Mass S. Cerise & V. Kiernan
SUN	11/8/20	PENTECOST XXIII • OCTAVE DAY OF ALL SAINTS
		HOLY FOUR CROWNED MARTYRS <i>PATRONAGE OF OUR LADY • OUR LADY OF SUFFRAGE</i>
	7:05 AM	Rosary
	7:30 AM	Low Mass †Richard VandeRyt (<i>Joseph McMahon</i>)

Paper and cloth masks are USELESS. N95 masks only filter 95% of particles that are 0.3 microns or larger (a coronavirus particle is around 0.1 micron and viruses are carried on droplets which can be larger than 20 microns). N95 masks should not be worn by the general public.

Masks pose legitimate, dangerous, and potentially deadly health risks.

Masks are a petri dish of dangerous contaminants.

In the coming weeks, months, and years millions of people of all ages will experience a multitude of negative physical and emotional effects caused by masks.

ALL people have the right to BREATHE FREE.

STOP THE MASK MADNESS

AWAKE, O SLEEPER!

The girding of our loins signifies the readiness of the mind to work hard in every thing praiseworthy. Those who apply themselves to bodily labors and are engaged in strenuous toil have their loins girded. The lamp apparently represents the wakefulness of the mind and intellectual cheerfulness. We say that the human mind is awake when it repels any tendency to slumber off into that carelessness that often is the means of bringing it into subjection to every kind of wickedness.

When sunk in stupor, the heavenly light within the mind is liable to be endangered, or even already is in danger from a violent and impetuous blast of wind. Christ commands us to be awake. To this, His disciple also arouses us by saying, "Be awake. Be watchful" [1 Pt 5:8]. Further on, the very wise Paul also says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead: and Christ shall give you light" [Eph 5:14].

— *St. Cyril of Alexandria*

Servers

SUN 11/8 7:30 AM **LOW:** Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM **HIGH:** MC: J. Lacy TH: T. Lawrence ACs: Na. McClorey, C. Arlinghaus TORCH: B. & J. McGinnis, T. & D. England
11:30 AM **LOW:** A. McClorey, N. Kolenich
5:45 PM **LOW:** G. Miller

9:00 AM High Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great
10:40 AM Sunday Classes
11:05 AM Rosary
11:30 AM Low Mass †Gary Amyx, †Paul O'Connor, †Pete Gebel (*Mike Briggs Family*)
3:00 PM Rosary Processions:
St. Stephen's Cemetery, Hamilton, OH
St. Mary's Cemetery, Fort Mitchell, KY
5:45 PM Low Mass Mr. & Mrs. Gus Koch (50th Anniversary) (*Patsy McConnell*)