

ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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April 4, 2021 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. There are no Sunday Classes. 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 (5:45 PM) are feasts of devotion. The Mass is sung at 8 AM on Wednesday and Thursday, and the regular Friday 5:45 PM. We hope this gives everyone an opportunity to "head back to church" this week.

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.



Eternal Father, I offer Thee Jesus, rising victorious from the tomb and visiting His Blessed Mother, for the salvation of the United States.



O risen Face of Jesus,
Never was face like Thine,
Where Godhead joins with manhood,
In unity Divine;
Most Holy Face, I cry to Thee,
Turn not away Thy gaze from me.

¶ FIRST COMMUNION TESTING

First Communion Testing is this Saturday, April 10, at 9:15 AM. PARENTS: The registration form MUST be filled out and returned before the test, or your child WILL NOT BE TESTED. Contact the office for the form. (513) 645-4212

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: LOW SUNDAY

Next Sunday is the Octave Day of Easter, also known as the Sunday in White, or Low Sunday. The second collection for our Seminary will be taken up at the Offertory, and the Blessing of Religious Articles available at the Communion Rail after all Masses. 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.

¶YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for all of our sick, shut in, and faithful departed.

Collection Report

Sunday, March 28th......\$5,407.00 Thank you for your generosity. Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will.



★ EASTER SUNDAY **★** THE POETRY CORNER

THE DISCIPLES THEREFORE WERE GLAD WHEN THEY SAW THE LORD. (JOHN, XX, 20)

Jesus is risen, what a consolation! He is risen, and I have an evident and palpable proof of for the apostles have seen His Holv Face, Mary



Magdalen has recognized Him. His august Mother has received His first



visit. Who would not believe such ocular testimony? He is risen, it is therefore certain that He is really my Savior

my God. His Gospel is divine; His Church is divine. Believing His word and listening to His teaching, I am sure to walk in the footsteps of my infallible chief in the path of salvation.

Jesus is risen, and therein also lies the foundation of my hope. "I know that my Redeemer liveth," saith Job, "and in the last day I shall rise out of the earth, and I shall be clothed again in my skin, and in my flesh I shall see God. Whom I myself shall see, and my eyes shall behold, and not another; this my hope is laid up in my bosom."

Yes, one day I shall see His Holy Face, even as the apostles and the holy women beheld it; I shall see it in a still more brilliant state; more dazzling and more glorious. I shall see my Redeemer face to face. "If Christ rose again, how do some among you say—There is no resurrection from the dead?"

But the risen Jesus, above all, excites in me love for Him, for if it

be through love for me that He is dead, it is also through love for me that He came forth out of the grave and showed Himself during forty days. Who then would not go to Him who has so greatly loved us? Who would renounce the happiness of contemplating Him, whose adorable Face illumines heaven and is the delight of the elect?

O Jesus, I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, and I love Thee; and this faith, this hope, this love, it is by contemplating Thy triumphant and risen Face, that I shall ever more increase them.



ASPIRATION TOWARDS THE GLORIOUS FACE OF OUR LORD

Lord! at the thought of the blessings which the vision of Thy Face could not but shed upon the earth, the Prophet exclaims in a holy transport: "Happy the people who joyfully declare Thy glory..." O Lord! permit us to aspire to this Divine discipline, grant us to walk in the light of Thy Face, and to rejoice in the praises which we will offer by day and night to Thy Holy Name. (Ps. LXXXVIII, 15, 16, 17.)

THE END

If death were the end of all, How pitiful were life! If glory were the end of all, How vain the long, long strife!

If death were the end of all, Nor led to realms above, 'Twere vain to drink at learning's fount, Twere cruelty to love.

But God is the end of all, And death means endless life: Be strong, O heart, to love,— Death ends the long, long strife!

And for something a little lighter...

ON EASTER MORNING

Skimming the dew as you pass, Chirp, little bird, through the grass. Was it ever so green,

Had it ever such sheen As on this Easter morning?

Soar, little bird, through the air, Over the hilltops fair! Purple sea, blooming land,— Were they ever so grand As on this Easter morning?

Sing, little bird, in the sky, To heaven's pearly gates nigh! Were clouds ever so bright, Were hearts ever so light As on an Easter morning?

Passed are the sorrow and gloom, Open the door of the tomb. Hark to all Nature's voice: "Jesus is risen! Rejoice On this glad Easter morning!"





★ THE BISHOP'S CORNER ★

A perfectly perfect Palm Sunday did indeed open our Holy Week. It was raining at 8 AM, but that was just to make the prayed for sun all the more glorious. The choir was in fine voice, and



what an attendance all day. We got an extra bundle of palms, and I'm so glad we did! We had a real donkey this year, thanks to the continued kindness and efforts of the Brueggemanns. We count on them each year. Nikki the donkey made her debut. It was her first time, and she *was* a little skittish. But she made it almost to the door before deciding to stop in that way that donkeys have. It was rumored she was R&R rather than properly Sede, but all are welcome at our church, man or beast.

Meanwhile our cat population has doubled. Anny's Jack was discovered by management, and had to go. But it worked out well for my Cavaradossi, who was pining for a pal. They get along famously, and have plenty of room for racing at the rectory, a favorite pastime. As long as I can keep them from my windowsills, which are populated by half the saints of heaven, everybody will be happy. Cavaradossi is considerably smaller than Giacomo. (Cat's new name. Irresistible, as it is the composer Puccini's first name.) The larger cat automatically assumes grazing rights over the other's food dish, just as human Fat Cats often do. But mine get along, unlike the human kind.

I think March qualifies as going out like a lion, after so much wind and unexpected cold, as well as the rain. Still, Spring is here, and just in time for Easter! It's "Spy Wednesday" as I write this, and everything is looking duly holy for Holy Week on the inside. We know we will be, too, by Sunday, having carried out the "Sacraments of the Lord's Passion," as the missal phrases it, just as generously and devoutly as we can.

Great attendance has continued all Lent, and good help (which is so hard to find) has been showing up abundantly. The young people are doing a *great* job. Thank you to everybody for everything! The rest of the Holy Week report will follow in next week's bulletin.

God bless you! Blessed Easter!

- Bishop Dolan



Second time: Daniel Hille & Michelle Billeaud First time: Travis Otworth & Claire Gardner



THE RESURRECTION

Glory to Thee, O Lord, risen Jesus, who didst appear with radiant Face to Thy Mother, to the holy women, to the assembled disciples. It is no longer Calvary with its horrors. What beauty, what splendor, what gladness!

By that glory of Thy Face, give back to our souls that beauty of which sin has deprived them; give back to them their Christian characteristics.

QUESTIONING

Hear the pulsing of the heart—
Nature's heart!
In the thrill of Easter joy
Hath it part.
Every heart-throb is a flower
Praising God:
Shall our hearts be less responsive
Than the sod?



THE POWER OF THE HOLY FACE DEVOTION

Pope Pius IX said: "This salutary reparation to the Holy Face of Jesus is a divine work, destined to save modern society."

St. Pius X expressed the desire that it be venerated in the homes of all Christian families.

Pops Pius XI gave pictures of the Holy Face from the Shroud to youths saying, "They are pictures of the Divine Son of Mary; they come, in fact, from that object known as the Shroud of Turin; still mysterious, but certainly not the work of any human hand."

Pope Pius XII asked to spread knowledge and veneration of so great and sacred a relic.

Many popes have placed special blessings on those who venerate the Most Holy Face of Jesus, some even stating that these blessings are never to be taken away.

St. Ambrose states: "There is no doubt that Peter received the grace of conversion from the Sacred Face, because those on whom Jesus gazes are always saved."

Special Schedule: Please note times

MON 4/5/21 EASTER MONDAY

daughters - 14 year anniversary (Regina Gilliam)

5:00 PM Vespers

5:45 PM High Mass Novena II

TUE 4/6/21 EASTER TUESDAY

7:00 AM Low Mass †Melissa Kunkel (Anita Swinney) (from 4/5)

8:00 AM Low Mass †James D. Hanna Sr. – 40^{th} Anniversary of

Death (Mr. & Mrs. Bill Oleyar) (from 4/5)

5:00 PM Vespers

5:45 PM High Mass Novena III

WED 4/7/21 EASTER WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM Low Mass †Shirley Reagan – 5th Anniversary (Michelle

Mikesell)

8:00 AM High Mass Novena IV

5:00 PM Low Mass †Ed Strauss

5:45 PM Vespers

THU 4/8/21 EASTER THURSDAY

7:00 AM Low Mass Collin Smith (Collin Smith)

8:00 AM High Mass Novena V

11:25 AM Low Mass †Dennis Hille (Alberta VandeRyt)

FRI 4/9/21 EASTER FRIDAY

8:00 AM Low Mass Mary Beth Grumblatt & Children (M.E.G.)

4:45 PM Vespers

5:15 PM Rosary & Confessions

5:45 PM High Mass Novena VI

6:45 PM Novena & Benediction

SAT 4/10/21 EASTER SATURDAY

7:15 AM Confessions

7:30 AM Low Mass Poor Souls (Bill & Terri Young)

8:10 AM Regina Cœli & Sermon

8:25 AM High Mass Novena VII

9:15 AM First Communion Testing, First Confessions

SUN 4/11/21 LOW SUNDAY

7:05 AM Rosary

7:30 AM Low Mass Happy Easter, Mom & Dad Brueggemann

(Anna & Cecilia Brueggemann)

9:00 AM High Mass Novena VIII

10:40 AM Sunday Classes

11:05 AM Rosary

11:30 AM Low Mass Health & safe travels for

our priests (Dave & MaryAnn Marko)

4:45 PM Vespers & Benediction

5:45 PM Low Mass For the people

of St. Gertrude the Great





They knew Him when He broke the bread. Was't by the accompanying word He said Which faith, though faltering, understands Or wounded beauty of His hands?

- Charles L. O'Donnell

CATECHISM CORNER

Every Christian, in order to attain life everlasting, must worship God as his first beginning and last end. This worship is to be rendered, first, by Faith; which makes both the understanding and the will humbly adore and embrace all those truths which God has taught, however obscure and incomprehensible they may be to our weakness. Secondly, by hope; which honors the infinite power, goodness, and mercy of God, and the truth of His promises; and upon these grounds raises the soul to an assured expectation of mercy, grace, and salvation, through the merits of Jesus Christ. Thirdly, by charity; which makes us love God with our whole hearts, for His own sake, and our neighbor as ourselves, for God's sake. Fourthly, by the virtue of religion; the chief acts of which are adoration, praise, thanksgiving, oblation of ourselves to God, sacrifice, and prayer; which ought to be the daily employments of a Christian soul. We must flee all idolatry and all false religions; also superstition, under which name are comprehended all manner of divinations, all fortune-telling, all witchcraft, charms, spells, observations of omens, dreams, etc. All these things are heathenish, and contrary to the worship of the true and living God, and to that entire dependence which a Christian soul ought to have on Him. But we must devoutly honor the Ever-Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, the Holy Angels, and the Saints reigning in Glory; whose intercession we shall always most profitably invoke. We should likewise duly reverence all sacred emblems and pious memorials of Our Lord and His Saints, and honor the relics of God's servants whom Holy Church has canonized.



Servers

SUN 4/11 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.

9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: P. Omlor, Na. McClorey TH: T.

Lawrence **ACs:** C. Arlinghaus, T. England **TORCH:** J. & B. McGinnis, J. Stewart, J. Kolenich

11:30 AM LOW: A. McClorey, N. Kolenich

4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller

5:45 PM Low: G. Miller



EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS



†Marianne Hilla †Ronald A. Lotarski (Mr. & Mrs. Mark Lotarski & family)

> Darrovl Derthick (Patricia Bender)

†Shirley Reagan (Michelle Mikesell)

Jack & Ruth Milillo (Stasia Stout)

Mary Rose Gilmartin (Thomas Gilmartin)

Asher Bibb Keith Alex Joseph Keith (Brent Keith)

Katherine Huey Jones Clarence L. Taylor, III (Marian Huey Taylor)

Father Cekada (Martin Smith Family)

Rosemarie Murphy (Susan Morin)

Ernie Nellenbach Kathryn St. Denis (Eva Nellenbach)

Carole Hollinshead (Eric Hollinshead)

Ira & Marie Witmyer (Joanmarie Piazza)

> Shirley Wustrack (James Wustrack)

Daniel Butler Ahler Mona Ware Ahler (Karen Lee Ahler)

Nellie & Daymon Sutton (M. Sutton)

Our Parents (Dan & Mary Brueggemann)

> Fr. Cekada Richard VandeRyt (Brueggemann Boys)

> > Kent Maki (Iohn & Chris Brueggemann)



WEEP FOR THE DEAD BECAUSE THEY ARE AT REST

Weep for the dead because they are at rest! No more those feet shall go At Sorrow's call, at Pity's sweet behest, To soothe or succor woe; No more those hands the generous loaf shall

The sheltering portal ope; No more those lips breathe in the darkened soul The word of heavenly hope.

Weep for the dead because they are at rest! While He, the Virgin-born, Who for man's love the thorny pathway pressed, And wore the crown of thorn, Still is reviled and persecuted, still Is doubted and denied; Still in men's crimes full measured to their Is scourged and crucified.

Weep for the dead because they are at rest! No more with lessening breath To share upon the dying Savior's breast The agony of death. O Love Supreme, who dwellest in joy above,

Who camest in sorrow down! The cross Thyself didst bear, borne for Thy love

Is sweeter than the crown.

Constantina E. Brooks



All the Moses Little Lucy & Little Michael **Dad & Delores** Marie Augustine & Ethel

(Anonymous)

Mr. Theodore L. Campbell (Mrs. Patricia E. Campbell)

John Metz & My Parents (Judy)

George & Mary Blanchet (Joan Martin)

Richard & Martha Brueggemann (Dad & Mom) (Regina Gilliam)

> †Margaret Soli (Jim Soli)

Linda Moore

Catherine & MaryAnn (Mary Jane Gorton)

John M. & Elizabeth Reis (Kathy Verity)

> **Special Intention** (Kirby Bischel)

Evan Seyfried (JCS)

Robert Brockman (Martin Alter Family)

Richard & Elizabeth Smith Melvin & Rita Prell (Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Prell & Family)

Owen Zver

Susan Allen (Johns Family)

Guilio Di Fonzo (R & C Jackson)

Deceased Holy Week Volunteers, Family & Friends

> Joseph Salerno **Albert Kinnett** (Albert D. Kinnett)

Samantha Lewis (John & Mary)

Rob Brockman (Jane Brockman)

Fr. Cekada (Riggs)





John Ruse Mary Ruse Rita Derby

Ernest Ruse Delores Ruse

Karen Ruse

(Michael Ruse)

Rita Boling Father Cekada (The Elflein Family)

†Wacław & †Zuzanna Kuzik (Zenon Kuzik)

†Dr. & Mrs. Philip Binzel (Mary Black)

Henry James (Jimmy) Connor Louis XVI & Marie Antoinette (Irena Uderska)

> Our parents (Todd & Jennifer Porter)

Deceased Members of the Walsh **Families** Deceased Members of the **Otting & Browne Families** (Christopher P. Browne)

Those who have no one to pray for them Alice Morand Rush Hudson Limbaugh III Patricia Fieser Dave Fieser **Dorothy Carne** Sydney Carne Sr. Sydney Carne Jr. John Ferry **Margaret Ferry Brian Carne** Bryan Carne **Joan Carne**

For flowers for the Altar of Repose (Anonymous)

(Maggie Fieser)

Charlotte Kiernan Michael & Grace Santacroce (Kevin & Phyllis Kiernan)

> Thomas & Mary Lemonda Our Relatives & **Loved Ones** Thomas & Lois Lemonda)

Gertrude Gardner **Donald Gardner**

(Tom Gardner)

Carl Fredrick Mansfield **Baby Evelyn** (Nick & Mariko Mansfield)

Donald & Rachel Demers (Gisèle & Francine Demers, daughters)

All Deceased Relatives & Ancestors (Lu & Ben Trinidad)

> Sister Mary Delphine **James Sherry** Mary Wyman Cecelia Kenney

Esther Sherry (Ann Thurlow)

Karl & Kathlene Brantley (Patrick James Curry)

Michael & Helen Oleyar James & Ruth Hanna (Mr. & Mrs. Bill Oleyar)

Fr. Anthony Cekada Marie Isabelle Lobo **Ezechiel Rodricks** Horacio Lobo Purudencia Rodricks Antoinette D'Souza **Abandoned Souls in Purgatory** Souls of the Clergy, Hierarchy & Religious Tomé Victor Lobo (Anonymous)

> Sheldon Jacobson Sr. **Eduardo Torres** (Rebecca Wolbert)

> > James Wolbert (Jason Wolbert)

†Ralph, Patricia & Sharon Patton †Stephen & Alice Corbin Barbara & Ray Desborough (Patton/Moore Family)

> Our parents Fr. Cekada (Patsy McConnell)

Mrs. Ethelee Clinfelter (Kenneth Linscott)

> Faithful Departed (Kolenich Family)

Elsie

(William)

Tom & Connie Kamphaus

(Jeff & Shannon Kamphaus)

Our Beloved Dead of the Hille family (Jeanne Hille)

> Loretta & Fred Otis (Ralph Otis)

Stanley & Aleda Minnick (Audrey Dunaway)

> Joseph Belansky (Collin Smith Family)

†Deceased SGG Choir Members (Mr. & Mrs. Michael Briggs)

> **Bonnie Otten** (Bob & Becky Uhlenbrock)

Sandra Vanden Berg (Richard & Gloria Zbilicki)

> Phillip Murray (Jason Murray)

Margaret Soli Alex Fulton (Mary Lacy)

Albert Kinnett Virgil McCormick (Margaret Kinnett)

†Marko & †Zuccaro Families †Fr. Anthony Cekada †Richard VandeRyt †Kent Maki †Rob Brockman †Dennis Hille (Dave & MaryAnn Marko)

> Ritze Family Deceased (Mr. & Mrs. Victor Ritze)

Deceased VandeRyt Family (Doloris Ritze)

> **Brian McMahon** (A. VanderPutten)

John & Marie VanderPutten (Gino VanderPutten)

Mr. & Mrs. Denis McMahon Ryan Greenwell (The VanderPutten Family

> Grandparents (Kristy)

