



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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July 11, 2021 SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD PENTECOST VII • ST. PIUS I, PM

¶ PRECIOUS BLOOD SUNDAY

Today is the Solemnity of the Most Precious Blood. We are happy to welcome our visitors this weekend for the annual Young Adult Get-Together, which concludes today. Vespers with Benediction are at 4:45 PM.

¶ THIS WEEK

Monday (8 AM) is a feast of forgiveness, St. John Gualbert, as well as brave St. Veronica. St. Anacletus is honored **Tuesday** with St. Anthony, with a special time for the evening Mass, at 5:45, followed by the 7:15 Rosary Procession. St. Bonaventure, the Seraphic Doctor, comes **Wednesday**. Three Masses are offered for St. Henry on **Thursday**. **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel** comes **Friday** (8 AM and 5:45 PM); are you coming too? Humble St. Alexius shares **Saturday** with the Humility of Mary. The monthly Requiem is sung at 8:15 AM.

¶ ROSARY PROCESSION

Come pray with us for peace on Tuesday, July 13th at 7:15 PM. The procession leaves from the First Watch parking lot, corner of Union Center Boulevard and Floer Drive. Come, pray with us!

CONGRATULATIONS to Steven & Victoria Cerise on the Enthronement of the Sacred Heart in their home. *If you would like to schedule an enthronement, please contact the church.*



Eternal Father!
I offer Thee the merits
of the Precious Blood
of Jesus,
Thy well-beloved Son,
my Saviour
and my God,
for all my wants,
spiritual and temporal,
in aid of the Holy Souls
in Purgatory
and chiefly for those
who most loved this
Precious Blood,
the price of our
redemption
and who were most
devout to the sorrows
and pains of most Holy
Mary, our dear Mother.

*Glory be to the Blood
of Jesus,
now and forever
and throughout all
ages.
Amen.*

*By Servant of God Pope
Pius VII (1742-1823)
Indulgence of 300 days,
each time this prayed is
offered. Plenary
Indulgence, once a month,
under the usual conditions.*

¶ NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Pentecost VIII. The Blessing of Expectant Mothers will be available at the Communion Rail following all Masses. Vespers with Benediction will be at 4:45 PM.

📖 **Set Your Missal:** Pentecost VIII, second collect of St. Camillus of Lellis, third of St. Symphorosa. Trinity Preface.

¶ THIRTEEN TUESDAYS OF ST. ANTHONY

We continue our traditional summer devotion of the Thirteen Tuesdays of St. Anthony this week after the 7 & 8 AM and 5:45 PM Masses. Come to participate in this powerful devotion every Tuesday this summer!

¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Nina Krawczyk, Joe Berry, April Raby, and the repose of the soul of †Ted Zapp, the brother of Fr. Zapp.

¶ CHURCH SUPPORT

With vacation and travel during the summer it's easy to overlook things. Please don't forget to mail in your weekly contribution if you are away from home. Our expenses never take a vacation!

¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

Boys' Camp: July 27-29
Parish Picnic: September 12

Collection Report

Sunday, July 4th\$6,158.00
Second Collection.....\$1,690.00
Alter Christus.....\$155.00
Thank you for your generosity. Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will.

CHARITY

God grant I may be kind in speech
That men may say of me:
"Thou also wert with Jesus—
Thy speech betrayeth thee."

— N.J. Phillips

**READING THE GOSPEL...
AND LIVING IT**

The Gospel teaches perfection.

It teaches the perfection of the interior life as well as the exterior life; of private as well as of domestic and social life.

There is no problem in the universe which has not been solved in the Gospel.

In regard to the spiritual life, its command is clear. "You are to be perfect, even as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Mt 5:48).

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with thy whole heart and with thy whole soul and with thy whole mind...Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself" (Mt 22:37, Mk 12:30, Lk 10:27).

"This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you" (Jn 15:12).

"If anyone wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me" (Lk 9:23).

"Blessed are the poor in spirit...the clean of heart...the peacemakers..." (Mt 5:3-10).

"If thou wilt be perfect, go, sell what thou hast and give to the poor and thou shalt have treasure in heaven" (Mt 19:21).

"Our Father who art in heaven...Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven" (Mt 6:10).

"Father...not My will but Thine be done" (Lk 22:42).

Anyone who identifies himself with these maxims rises above the level of a man, to that of an angel.

His interior life soars to such a peak that he seems to be leading a heavenly rather than an earthly existence.

If he is living the Gospel, moreover, his external behavior will be a faithful mirror of his interior life, for it is not enough to say "Lord, Lord" but a man must also do the will of the Father (Cf Mt 7:21).

A man's domestic and social life will follow the pattern of his private life.

When he has reached the summit of perfection, an invisible force will emanate from him, the force of good example.

This force will transform everything within him and around him.

Like Mary and the Saints, he will become the loyal and powerful co-worker of Christ in the redemption of the human race and in the Christian transformation of society.

Redemption and restoration can come only through the Gospel.

Other theories are always bound up with and impeded by human egoism.

The doctrine of the Gospel is reinforced by the love of God and our neighbor.

In the Gospel, public and private justice is transformed into the charity of Christ which cannot be impeded by any earthly difficulty, nor by any human barrier, not even by death.

"Who shall separate us from the charity of Christ?" (Rom 8:35) asks St. Paul.

Let us meditate on this.

— Antonio Cardinal Bacci



**CONSTANT PRAYER TO THE
PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS**

Precious Blood, Ocean of Divine Mercy, flow upon us!

Precious Blood, most pure Offering, procure us every grace!

Precious Blood, Hope and Refuge of sinners, atone for us!

Precious Blood, delight of holy souls, draw us! Amen.

— St. Catherine of Siena (1347-1380)

THE SAVING FLOOD

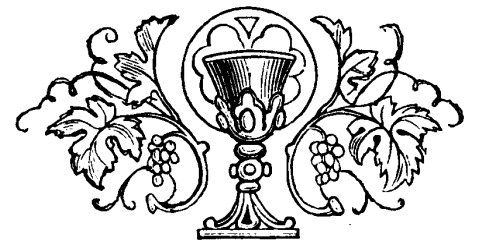
As overall the earth there pours
The sunshine in a golden flood,
So over hearts in showers of grace
There falls the saving Precious Blood.

The fields and orchards and the
woods
Are kindled 'neath the sun's warm
rays,
So at the touch of Christ's dear Blood
Grow fruits and flowers along life's
ways.

Oh, when we see the ruddy dawn
Or sunset's glorious sky of red,
Our thoughts should turn unto that
Heart

Which for us all its lifeblood shed!

— S. Marr



***Fatima Rosary
Procession for Peace
Tuesday, July 13
7:15 PM in West
Chester***

WITH VERONICA

The kerchief of my heart I give to
Thee, Lord,
Bowed low in humble prayers.
O chasten me with fire and with
sword,
But leave Thy image there!

— E.W.



A beautiful day dawned on Friday, welcoming our one hundred some young adults to the get together, our revived and very much alive YAG. As acronyms go, YAG is not particularly euphonious. I remember years ago promoting St. Raphael for its name both and patronage. He's not only the Angel of Healing, but also of happy meetings, travel, courtship, and surely young adults. I pray to him most mornings for our sick. I must remember to invoke him for the up and coming next generation, for their future, and ours. You are all very welcome indeed! St. Raphael protect, guide and inspire you.

But July is also the month of travel, of rest and vacations. This doubtless permitted many of our YAGsters to make the journey to join us for this weekend. I pray that your travels are safe, and your vacations refreshing.

Fr. Lehtoranta has been in Wisconsin for awhile, looking after St. Hugh, and also doing a little vacation traveling. He is not an American citizen, but knows more about this country than most. He made a creative, interesting trip; combining a town with Finnish heritage, natural beauty, "Little House on the Prairie" and Jean and Kirby Bischel's hometown of Bloomer, Wisconsin. He also writes a good "travel gallery." You don't really have to go far to find fascinating culture and history and beauty in this great land of ours.

We had another good attendance Tuesday evening for the West Chester Tea Party in Helfta Hall, and an interesting presentation on CRT, Critical Race Theory, the latest Communist hammer with which students but also many workers and even religious folk are being beaten. Sheer insanity, but a clever and powerful tool for destruction. The Tea Party meets the first Tuesday of the month, and you would be welcome. Necessarily a wide range of views and analyzes are presented. I don't agree with everything. But in these dark days it's important at least to be moving in the right direction. Rome wasn't built in a day, they say. But our destruction parallels the Fall of Rome, and is moving very quickly.

This brings me (and I hope you) to Tuesday's Fatima Rosary Procession for Peace. God has given mankind in these last days a sovereign remedy, Mary's Immaculate Heart. This devotion is best expressed in the Rosary, and very powerfully in a public procession. Participate.

For years, priestless Mexico under Communism or Freemasonry still had processions, albeit priestless. The government obliged the priest to stay in church,

but the people processed through the streets and publicly prayed. This helped maintain and manifest the Faith despite all the official propaganda. The procession wound its way to the church, and the priest led them to the altar and Holy Mass.

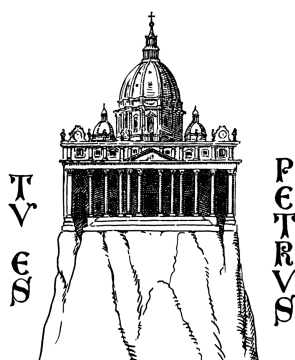
Wouldn't it be grand if some of our young adult guests, some of our many visitors, started a Rosary procession in their mission or church, or even just with a group of like-minded Catholics? How it could grow, how it could help! Converts could be made, and the just wrath of God turned away, even at the 11th hour.

God bless you, and may Mary's Immaculate Heart be your refuge and shield.

— Bishop Dolan



LIKE THE ROCK OF GIBRALTAR



Those Catholics who are sometimes impatient with the Church for her unbending adherence to the fundamentals of morality will do well to look down the long road of history before they pass judgment. They will see how tragic has been the fate of all those who have tried to fit their morality

to the passing demands of the hour. The Church is the repository of Truth. Her work has been definitely laid out for her. She cannot vary a hair's breadth from the teachings of the Master, though all the powers of hell raise their heads in protest. In spite of all the so-called up-to-date-ness of modern reformers, and in spite of all the varieties of eloquence with which they call the Church old-fashioned, she alone possesses a system that works when it comes to men and their problems. Père Lacordaire, in his famous sermon on the Church, expresses the sublime power which the Church possesses in this very adherence to the Truth:

"One after another they have approached the Vatican, and knocked on the gate with buskin or boot. Whereat Doctrine has come forth under the form of a feeble and decrepit septuagenarian, and has asked:

"What do you want of me?"

"Change!"

"I cannot change."

"But everything in the world has changed. Astronomy has changed; philosophy has changed; empire has changed. Why are you always the same?"

"Because I come from God, and God changes not!"

That is the lesson which some of our too-modern Catholics might learn.

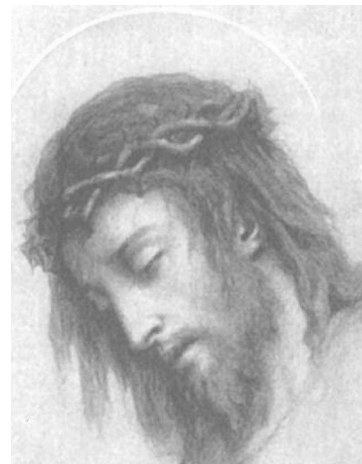
✠ CALENDAR

MON	7/12/21	ST. JOHN GUALBERT, AB SS. NABOR & FELIX, MM <i>ST. VERONICA, W</i>
	8:00 AM	Low Mass †Salvatore Zuccaro (<i>Dave & MaryAnn Marko</i>)
TUE	7/13/21	ST. ANACLETUS, PM <i>SUMMER NOVENA V AFTER ALL MASSES</i>
	7:00 AM	Low Mass Minor children's faith (<i>David Bayer</i>)
	8:00 AM	Low Mass "Miss Janet" – Thanks for all you do (<i>Fr. McGuire</i>)
	☞ 5:45 PM	Votive Low Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Holy Souls & Thank you Blessed Virgin Mary & St. Anthony (<i>Arlinghaus Family</i>)
	7:15 PM	Fatima Rosary Procession for Peace
WED	7/14/21	ST. BONAVENTURE, BPCD
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Happy Anniversary Mark & Annie Fischer (<i>Bill & Terri Young</i>)
	☞ 5:15 PM	Low Mass Bp. Dolan – Birthday (<i>K. & J. Bischel</i>)
THU	7/15/21	ST. HENRY II, EMPEROR OF GERMANY, C <i>DIVISION OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES</i>
	7:00 AM	Low Mass Sebastian Smith (<i>Collin Smith</i>)
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Kyle McGuire (<i>Fr. McGuire</i>)
	☞ 11:25 AM	Low Mass In petition to the Holy Ghost for family & friends – special intentions (<i>TRCS</i>)
FRI	7/16/21	OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Our Beloved Dead – June & July (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Mike Briggs</i>)
	5:15 PM	Confessions & Rosary
	5:45 PM	High Mass †Mr. & †Mrs. Patrick H. Omlor (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Joshua Gunsher</i>)
	6:30 PM	Sacred Heart Novena, Benediction
SAT	7/17/21	ST. ALEXIUS, C <i>HUMILITY OF MARY</i> <i>CARMELITE MARTYRS OF COMPIEGNE</i>
	7:15 AM	Confessions
	7:30 AM	Low Mass †Special Intention (JR) (<i>K/V</i>)
	8:05 AM	Salve & Sermon
	8:15 AM	Requiem High Mass Purgatorial Society
SUN	7/18/21	PENTECOST VIII ST. CAMILLUS OF LELLIS, C ST. SYMPHOROSA & HER SEVEN SONS, MM
	7:05 AM	Rosary
	7:30 AM	Low Mass †Fr. Anthony Cekada (Birthday) (<i>Judy</i>)
	9:00 AM	High Mass †Fr. Anthony Cekada, Birthday (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Mark Lotarski</i>)
	11:05 AM	Rosary
	11:30 AM	Low Mass †Mary Omlor (<i>Bob & Becky Uhlenbrock</i>)
	4:45 PM	Vespers & Benediction
	5:45 PM	Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great



MEEKNESS

A reckless youth was once brought to St. Francis de Sales, that the Saint might give him a private correction; but instead of rigor, he showed extreme gentleness with him. Seeing his obstinacy, he shed bitter tears, saying that this young man would come to a bad end, as indeed happened, for he was killed in a duel. When St. Francis was afterwards blamed for being too mild on this occasion, he answered: "What would you have me do? I tried as well as I could, to arm myself with an anger that should not be sinful, and therefore I took my heart in both my hands, but I had not strength to fling it in his face. And then, to tell the truth, I feared to lose that little stock of mildness, which I have labored for twenty-two years to collect, like dew, in the vase of my heart. The bees have been many years in gathering the honey, which a man swallows at a draught. Besides, what is the use of speaking to one who does not listen? That foolish youth was not capable of correction, for he was not master of his own judgment. So I could not have helped him, and might have injured myself, like those who are drowned with shipwrecked sailors, whom they are trying to rescue. Charity ought to be judicious and prudent."



AN OLD MORNING PRAYER

EXCERPT FROM THE BLOSSOMS OF THE CROSS

I rise In God's strength, in God's power, in the Agony of Christ, in the Cross of Christ, in Christ's Precious Blood. These will sustain me against my enemies, visible and invisible. I rise in the blessing of Christ which my dearest Jesus left to the whole world. Protect me, All-Holy Trinity, God the Father, Who created me, God, the Son, Who redeemed me in His Precious Blood, God, the Holy Ghost, Who sanctified me in Holy Baptism. God, the Father, I give myself to Thee! God, the Son, I commend myself to Thee! God, the Holy Ghost, teach me! Mary, Mother of God, assist me! All you Saints of God, pray for me! All you Holy Angels, protect me! The Cross of Christ preserve me! Amen.

—The Sisters of St. Joseph, 1894

Servers

SUN 7/18 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: P. Omlor, Seminarian TH: D. Simpson
ACs: M. Simpson, J. McGinnis TORCH: J. Stewart, B. & C. McGinnis, C. Arlinghaus
11:30 AM LOW: J. & N. Kolenich
4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller