



ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

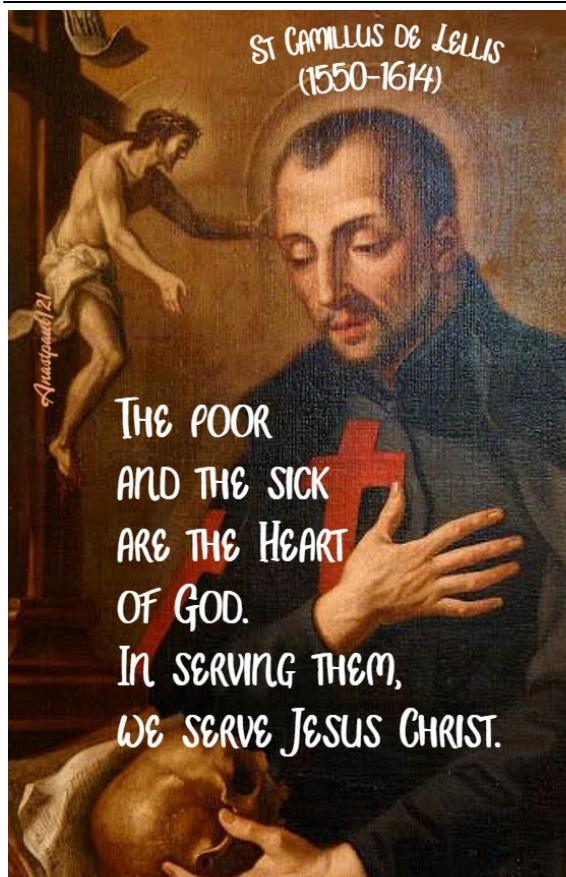
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TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS: Sundays 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM High, 11:30 AM, 5:45 PM

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Rev. Vili Lehtoranta • Rev. Stephen McKenna

July 18, 2021

PENTECOST VIII

ST. CAMILLUS OF LELLIS, C • ST. SYMPHOROSA & HER SEVEN SONS, MM



Lumen Christi

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

Repose of soul of †Dennis Hille
(Donna Patton)

¶ THIS WEEK

The Saints of Charity continue this week with **Monday's** great St. Vincent De Paul. Less known is Tuesday's St. Jerome Emilian, a father of orphans and saint of universal charity, as is St. Anthony whose indulgenced **Tuesdays** we are keeping. Charity row concludes **Wednesday** with sweet St. Praxedes, who died at her own prayer, as she was weary of this wicked world. The Apostle of Apostles, St. Mary Magdalen, is honored on **Thursday**, and St.

Apollinaris, whose Mass inculcates humility, on **Friday**. The Mother of Mercy ends the week with us on **Saturday**, Vigil of St. James. The **Sodality of Charity** meets after the 8:15 AM Mass of St. Christina.

¶ PENTECOST VIII

The Blessing of Expectant Mothers is available at the Communion Rail following all Masses today. Vespers with Benediction are at 4:45 PM.

¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Collection Report

Sunday, July 11th\$9,327.00
Thank you for your generosity. Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will.

¶ SUMMER NOVENA

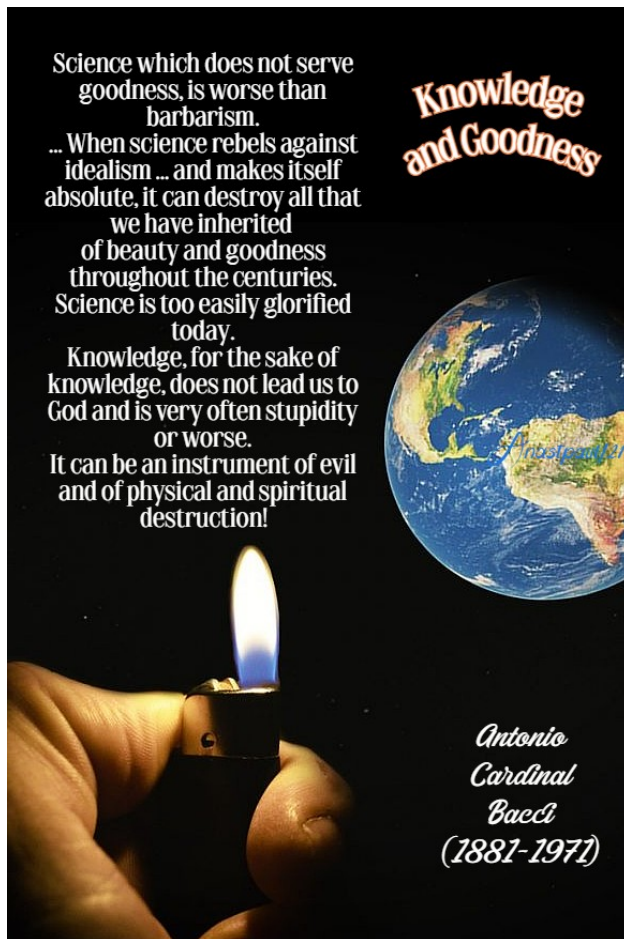
We continue our traditional summer devotion of the Thirteen Tuesdays of St. Anthony this week after all Masses. Come to participate in this powerful devotion!

¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Stasia Stout, Joe Berry, Antoine Brevet, and Tim Hopkins, who is facing another procedure.

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: ST. JAMES

Next Sunday is the feast of St. James the Greater. Vespers with Benediction will be at 4:45 PM. **Set Your Missal:** St. James the Greater, commemoration and Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost IX. (In Low Masses, third collect of St. Christopher.) Preface of the Apostles.



IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL



O Queen of heaven and earth, O Mother of the Lord of the world, O Mary, creature most grand, most exalted, and most loving, it is true that many here on earth do not know or love you. But there are millions of angels, millions of saints in heaven, who do love you and constantly sing your praises. Even here on earth, how many souls there are who burn with love for you and go through life enamored of your goodness! O most loving Mother, would that I could also love you! Oh, that I could always remember to serve you, to praise you, to honor you, and make you loved by everybody! You have attracted the love of God, whom, by your beauty, you have, so to speak, torn from the bosom of His Eternal Father and drawn to earth, to become man and to be your Son. Why can I, poor worm of the earth, not love you too? Sweetest Mother, I too want to love you and love you very much. I want to do all in my power to make you loved by others. And so, O Mary, graciously grant that I may love you, and help me to do so.

I know that God looks with a benevolent eye on all who love you. Besides His own glory, God desires nothing more than your glory, to see you honored and loved by all. From you, O Mary, I hope for every grace. You must obtain for me the forgiveness of all my sins and the gift of perseverance; you must assist me in the hour of my death; you must rescue me from purgatory; and finally you must lead me to heaven. Your lovers expect all this from you and are not disappointed. I also, who love you with so much affection, who love you above all other beings after God, I also expect the same.

— St. Alphonsus de Liguori

KNOWLEDGE AND GOODNESS

Joseph DeMaistre's views on the relationship between knowledge and goodness may seem a little extreme, but they are nothing but the truth.

"If the guardianship of education is not restored to the Church and if knowledge is not everywhere subordinated to goodness, the evils which await us will be incalculable. Science will brutalize us. Because of it, men will become more savage than the barbarians!"

We do not wish to speak slightly of knowledge.

It is a gift from God, Who has given us our intellects to know the truth.

But truth, like every created thing, comes from God and should lead us back to God.

It is the same with knowledge.

If we investigate the secrets of nature and do not make of them a ladder, which helps us to climb towards our Creator, we turn the natural order upside down and inevitably fall backwards.

We can gain, by our labors, a mastery over the hidden forces of nature.

If we do not use them to benefit humanity but to destroy those of our brothers whom we call our enemies, we are worse than Cain.

Science which does not serve goodness, is worse than barbarism.

The latter has very few instruments of destruction at its disposal.

When science rebels against idealism, however, and makes itself absolute, it can destroy all that we have inherited of beauty and goodness throughout the centuries.

Science is too easily glorified today.

But knowledge, for the sake of knowledge, does not lead us to God and is very often stupidity or worse.

It can be an instrument of evil and of physical and spiritual destruction! — Antonio Cardinal Bacci

PROUD BOAST

Inconstant Peter, what is this you dread,
This word a servant girl speaks scornfully,
"Surely thou wert with Him in Galilee?"
For shame! Whence has your vaunted courage fled;
Where now is your quick sword, unscabbarded?
What boast, O Simon, could more glorious be;
"Thou art of Christ; thy speech betrayeth thee?"
Damsel, this word of yours has been well said.

I charge you, have the selfsame thing to tell
Of me, when in the outer hall of death
I wait the end, inexorable and grim;
Proclaim then to the councilors of hell,
"This man with Jesus was, of Nazareth;
Even his dying speech betrayeth him."

— Sr. M. Madeleva, C.S.C.

This poem develops the same Scripture verse as last week's. The masterful Sr. M. Madeleva was one of the greatest poets of the 20th century Catholic literary renaissance.



The Denial of St. Peter

"The government convinced you to take an experimental vax without liability for a virus with a 99.8% survival rate and you think I am the crazy one! The pandemic only makes sense if you don't have to think about it."

Aside from the weather—always interesting, not always great—probably the other constant of this Corner is news of another fine weekend, or its Sunday high point.

The weather *does* continue abysmal, drippy, dark and damp, tending to mold or at least a touch of mildew, and presenting its fair challenges even for the sanguine at times. Still, the odd pleasant day is so rare that we *never* take it for granted.

But did I mention last weekend? The church full for a Friday evening, resounding with Rosary and beloved hymns. Ditto for Saturday, and so many confessions for our “Young Adult Triduum.” The new place, Higher Ground, in Indiana, worked out beautifully. Everything went smoothly, all well planned, for this our *fifth* Y.A.G. And almost *one hundred* participants! One lone soul managed to escape the Communist Commonwealth of Australia for the occasion. Our Saturday speaker himself escaped Communist East Germany, and found his way out of the Party to Christ. His timely talk was followed with interest and appreciated. So was the traditional Square Dance on Saturday evening. Same *very young* “adults” got in on the fun. Sunday was equally successful. The High Mass resounded mightily with full-throated Gregorian Chants, one for the record books. Thanks be to God and all of you who organized and volunteered. Special mention to the “Yagermeister,” Colleen.

The seminarians this week have been helping clean and reorganize the rectory, as **Fr. McGuire** moved into Fr. Cekada's room. The cats were singularly welcoming, and enjoyed the young people and many a game.

Outside, one recently moved back family has been helping with the gardens. Very appreciated! How quickly April beauty gives way to July weeds. But the cloister is so charming. Come sometime and sit for awhile. Soon, I'm sure, we'll have the rest of the grounds shipshape.

In fact, the church property here is so engaging that the animals just can't stay away. We've been enjoying the deer, always picturesque. A doe feeds regularly here, and one brought her fawn, probably just for photo-ops. But the skunk is another matter. It's cute too, same coloring as a tuxedo cat. But I remember when Caravaggio once ran into a skunk, which required a bath in tomato juice, administered by Katie and Michelle, I think. The skunk feeds at dusk, and clergy have been taking detours as needed. Better than the tomato juice.

Some practical reminders: Please do let us know if you or a parishioner you know are sick. We could pray for you and even organize a visit, if you'd like. Parents, please do take fussy babies out when the sermon begins. It's hard to hear for some, and even the preacher, by the third or fourth sermon, will lose his concentration. If you come out of the

confessional during the sermon, take a seat anywhere so as to avoid a distraction. You can return to your place later. Thanks for your consideration.



One final weather note. Tuesday's Rosary Procession was amazing, verging on miraculous. Black clouds loomed, and the weather radar spelled doom at 7:15. So we said a prayer to the Holy Ghost and set out. One of the faithful later commented that it was all quite liturgical. A cloudy, misty sky for the Joyful Mysteries gave way to dark overcast and ominous thunder for the Sorrowful. The skies grew windy and sputtered. Almost, but no rain. It *was* raining just a few minutes away at church, however. At the Glorious Mysteries the sun came out and all was bright. There was even a rainbow at the end! Of course, we were praying for our country, our needs, but also for the poor French, facing “Vaccine passports,” August 1st. The message is the power of prayer to hold off the worst. “Spera in Deo...” Tuesday was a little bit like Moses and the Red Sea. Goes to show.

Hope you're having a good July. Remember the power, the urgency of intercessory prayer. I send a blessing.

– **Bishop Dolan**

“The thing that really is trying to tyrannize through government is Science. The thing that really does use the secular arm is Science. And the creed that really is levying tithes and capturing schools, the creed that really is enforced by fine and imprisonment, the creed that really is proclaimed not in sermons but in statutes, and spread not by pilgrims but by policemen—that creed is the great but disputed system of thought which began with Evolution and has ended in Eugenics. Materialism is really our established Church; for the Government will really help it to persecute its heretics. Vaccination, in its hundred years of experiment, has been disputed almost as much as baptism in its approximate two thousand. But it seems quite natural to our politicians to enforce vaccination; and it would seem to them madness to enforce baptism.”

– G.K. Chesterton, *Eugenics and Other Evils*



A TRUE RESTORATION PODCAST FROM 2014

Here's an excellent podcast episode from 2014. Bishop Dolan and Fr. Cekada (R.I.P.) discuss the absolute sham of Right vs. Left politics and why Catholicism is not compatible with “Republicanism.”

“The plan [and] peril of modern politics...simply draws you into the quicksand and makes you compromise along the way. And it neutralizes you, it dissipates, it distracts you, and it actually gives you, finally, false information.”

I wish I had listened then and not 6 years later.

✠ CALENDAR

MON	7/19/21	ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, C 8:00 AM Low Mass For all who cook for us and for our devoted drivers (<i>The Fathers</i>)
TUE	7/20/21	ST. JEROME EMILIAN, C • ST. MARGARET, VM <i>ST. ELIAS THE PROPHET</i> <i>SUMMER NOVENA VI AFTER ALL MASSES</i> 7:00 AM Low Mass †Eldon Neukam (<i>From a grateful church</i>) 8:00 AM Low Mass †Ronald A. Lotarski (<i>Mr. & Mrs. Mark Lotarski & family</i>) 5:00 PM Low Mass In honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help in thanksgiving (<i>P.A. Omlor</i>)
WED	7/21/21	ST. PRADEXES, V <i>ST. DANIEL THE PROPHET</i> 7:00 AM Low Mass Will Young – Happy First Communion! (<i>Bill & Terri young</i>) 8:00 AM Low Mass †Richard VandeRyt (<i>Anthony Brueggemann & Thomas Simpson</i>) ☞ 5:15 PM Low Mass Holy Souls (<i>Arlinghaus family</i>)
THU	7/22/21	ST. MARY MAGDALEN, PENITENT 7:00 AM Low Mass Jude Smith (<i>Collin Smith</i>) 8:00 AM Low Mass Bishops, Priests, Seminarians, Nuns, Servers & Sacristans (<i>K/V</i>) ☞ 11:25 AM Low Mass (My dad) †L. Richard Brueggemann & all his sons (<i>Regina Gilliam</i>)
FRI	7/23/21	ST. APOLLINARIS, BPM <i>ST. LIBORIUS, BPC</i> 8:00 AM Low Mass Monica E. Prell – Happy Birthday (<i>Dad & Mom</i>) 5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary 5:45 PM Low Mass Anny Reilly (<i>David Bayer</i>) 6:30 PM Sacred Heart Novena, Benediction
SAT	7/24/21	VIGIL OF ST. JAMES • ST. CHRISTINA, VM <i>ST. FRANCIS SOLANO, C</i> <i>OUR LADY MOTHER OF MERCY</i> 7:15 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass †Fr. Cekada & †Phillip Schmelzer, 2 nd anniversary 8:05 AM Salve 8:15 AM Sermon & High Mass Chad McGinnis (<i>Nicole McGinnis</i>) Sodality of Charity Meeting
SUN	7/25/21	ST. JAMES THE GREATER <i>PENTECOST IX</i> <i>ST. CHRISTOPHER, M</i> <i>BLESSING OF CARS DURING ALL MASSES</i> 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass †Frank X. Beckerich (<i>Leo & Jane Rauf</i>) 9:00 AM High Mass Happy Birthday Grandma & Grandpa Bischel (<i>The Richesson Family</i>) 11:05 AM Rosary 11:30 AM Low Mass Special Intention (<i>Paul Puglielli</i>) 4:45 PM Vespers & Benediction 5:45 PM Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great

BEGIN AT THE LOWEST LEVEL...

“Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am meek and humble of heart and you will find rest for your souls...” – Matthew 11:29

“You are to ‘take My yoke upon you and learn from Me.’ You are not learning from Me how to re-fashion the fabric of the world, nor to create all things visible and invisible, nor to work miracles and raise the dead. Rather, you are simply learning of Me: ‘that I am meek and humble of heart.’ If you wish to reach high, then begin at the lowest level. If you are trying to construct some mighty edifice in height, you will begin with the lowest foundation. This is humility. However great the mass of the building you may wish to design or erect, the taller the building is to be, the deeper you will dig the foundation. The building in the course of its erection rises up high but he who digs its foundation must first go down very low. So then, you see, even a building is low before it is high and the tower is raised only after humiliation.”
– St Augustine (354–430) Bishop, Father and Doctor of Grace – Sermon 69.



When a diamond is found in the rough, it looks like a pebble or a bit of glass. Its fire is hidden, its brilliancy can not be seen. It must be taken to a lapidary to be cut and polished. It is caught in a vise, measured and shaped, and ground until it glitters. So with a soul that is to be made beautiful, to be fit for the glory of heaven—it has to go through the crucible of pain. The mark of the Cross is stamped on it. Trial, suffering, anxiety, temptation, sorrow, and sometimes shame, are used to wear away its roughness and to make it glow with the light of the accepted grace of God. This is the process of sanctification through which all the saints have gone. Faith and love have sustained them. Now they shine like stars for all eternity. – Anon.

CHICAGO MASS

We have a monthly Mass mission in the Chicago area, currently at Our Lady of the Rosary Shrine in Whiting, Indiana. Contact the coordinator, Andrew Higgins, at (815) 465-6225 for more information.

Servers

SUN 7/25 **7:30 AM LOW:** Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: C. Richesson, Seminarian **MC:** P. Omlor **TH:** M. Simpson **CROSS:** B. McGinnis **ACs:** T. England, C. Arlinghaus **TORCH:** J. Stewart, J. & M. Kolenich, C. McGinnis
11:30 AM LOW: B. & T. Capetillo
4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller