

ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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September 25, 2022 ANGEL SUNDAY PENTECOST XVI



¶ ANGEL SUNDAY



The Blessing of Children takes place after all Masses today for Sunday. Angel Catechism Classes are at 10:40 AM. Vespers with Benediction are at 4:45

¶ FEASTS THIS WEEK

The great feast of the North American Martyrs comes Monday, and the brother doctors, Ss. Cosmas and



Damian, on Tuesday. St. Wenceslaus brings us a bit of Christmas on Wednesday, and on Thursday we honor the great Archangel Michael on his dedication. St. Jerome, the saint of Sacred Scripture, is on Friday, and First Saturday is Our Lady's day.

¶ FIRST SATURDAY

7:10 AM Confessions & Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass 8:10 AM Devotions, Meditation 8:30 AM High Mass



First Saturday Reparation Intention: For those Catholics who will not say the Rosary, or who say it poorly, and for Protestants and Modernists who blaspheme it.

¶ OUR SICK

Please pray for Margaret Kinnett, Jane Fitzgibbon, and Rick Woods.



Tumen Christi

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

Repose of the souls of the Osterhaus & Bever family members (Theresa Osterhaus)

¶ MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Forty Hours: October 21-23 All Saints Sunday Procession & Party: October 30

Congratulations

to Maria *Lucy* Brueggemann who was Confirmed on Saturday, September 17th.

Collection Report

Sunday, September 18th.....\$7,963.64

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: ROSARY SUNDAY

Roses to be blessed and carried in procession and then taken home as a sacramental will be available for purchase in the vestibule before the High Mass. Extra roses may be available before the 11:30. All Rosary Confraternity members should sit together at the High Mass, wearing their medals, and walking with their banner afterwards in the procession. Tickets may still be purchased for the Rosary Confraternity Breakfast, which takes place after the procession. Rosaries will be blessed, with all the indulgences, during the announcements of each Mass. Other religious articles will be blessed after the Low Masses. The Second Collection is

for our clergy and seminary support.

There are no Sunday Classes. The day ends with Rosary Vespers at 4:30 PM with Benediction.

Set Your Mis-

sal: Low Masses: Pentecost XVII, commemoration and Proper Last Gospel of the Holy Guardian Angels. Trinity Preface. High Mass: The Most Ho-Rosary (Oct 7), second

> collect of Pentecost XVII, third of the Holy Guardian Angels. Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost XVII. Preface of the Blessed Virgin.



PREMONITION OF MARTYRDOM ST. NOEL CHABANEL

The last time he left us to go to the mission where he died, when he was making his farewell and bidding goodbye to the Father who was his spiritual guide, he said: "This time I hope to give myself to God once and for all and to belong entirely to Him." He said the words with such determination and his face showed how resolute he was in attaining true sanctity that the Father to whom he spoke was greatly touched. When about the same time he met one of his friends he said: "I have just been deeply moved! That good Father spoke to me with the look and voice of a victim offering up his sacrifice. I do not know what God has in store for him, but I can see that He wants him to be a great saint."

As it happened, God prepared him for the sacrifice and gave him a sort of presentiment of it. He said to a friend: "I do not know what is happening to me, nor how God wishes to use me, but I feel entirely changed on one point. I am naturally very apprehensive, yet, now that I am going into greater danger than ever before and feel that death is not far off, I am not in the least afraid. This frame of mind does not come from myself."

When leaving the mission of St. Matthias on the very day of his death, he said, as he bade adieu to the Fathers, "I am going where obedience calls me, but whether I stay there or receive permission from my superior to return to the mission where I belong, I must serve God faithfully until death."

We can see from the following letter, written to Fr. Pierre Chabanel, his brother and a member of our Society, his sentiments about suffering: "Humanly speaking," he wrote, "Your Reverence missed, by a very narrow margin, having a brother a martyr. But alas, before God one must have virtue of a different kind

to mine before meriting the honor of martyrdom. Fr. Gabriel Lalemant, one of the three whom our 'Relations' say have suffered for Christ, had replaced me in the village of St. Louis just a month before his death, while I, being stronger, was sent to a more distant and more difficult mission, but one not so fertile in palms and crowns as the one for which my laxity rendered me unworthy before God. My turn will come when it pleases the Divine Bounty, provided that I, for my part, try to live a 'bloodless' martyr in the shadow of martyrdom. The ravages of the Iroquois upon this country will probably sometime do the rest for me, through the merits of so many saints, among whom I have the consolation of living peacefully in the midst of so much confusion and continual danger to one's life.

"The 'Relations' make it unnecessary for me to add anything to what I have said. Besides, I have only enough of paper and time to beg Your Reverence and all the Fathers of your Province to remember me at the altar, as a victim probably destined for the fires of the Iroquois, 'that, through the intercession of the saints, I may merit such a great victory in so great a struggle.'"

Those are his words, worthy of a man awaiting only the moment of sacrifice.

From "Shadows Over Huronia"



A LITTLE GIRL AT PRAYER

A little child kneels down to pray, And heavenly hosts draw nigh To hear her prayer, and woft it to The great White Throne on high.

In accents clear she names her wants, Her sorrows, and her joys; She asks for bread (and chocolates), And begs for nice new toys.

Her tiny tongue lisps out the names
Of those she loves the best—
Of father, mother, baby too,
And prays that they be blest.

Then silently she bends her head,
And none can hear her say:
"God bless me, too, and keep me safe,
And make me good alway."

A little child kneels down to say
A simple little prayer;
And lo, the angels need not wait,
For God Himself is there.

-T.M.

A DISEASE

There's a certain disease, and the king on his throne

As well as his subjects to catch it are prone; And the man and woman, the girl and the

Who get this disease have an end to their joy.

The sage and the simpleton, monarch and clown

Have often this illness in city and town; The queen in her palace, the poor beggar maid,

The young and the old may of it be afraid.

Not learning nor talent, not fame, and not wealth

Restore those who catch it to normal good health;

No skill of physicians, no potions, no pills Can lessen the sufferers' trials and ills.

The archangel St. Michael, with sword like a flame,

The cause of this malady long since overcame; But it broke out on earth, and in lands far and wide,

The high and the low are afflicted with pride.

-E.B.

★ THE BISHOP'S NOTE ★

Fall is finally here and already I can feel it in my bones. **Fr. McKenna** is enjoying it, but I am looking forward to next summer. Still, the Fall leaves are always



such a nice scene to behold, and the feast days at this time of year are among the best.

The Saturday before last was marked the special occasion of Miss Maria Brueggemann's Confirmation after the High Mass. Third time's the charm! Poor little Maria was sick on the Vigil of Pentecost and missed her Confirmation day; then it was rescheduled and I got sick and was unable to do it. So, finally, it worked. Speaking of Confirmations, I will go to the "great kingdom of Effingham" as some people call it (Effingham, Illinois), where Holy Face Mission is located, after today's morning Masses. Fr. Simpson will meet me there as I administer Confirmations to a group of parishioners there. The mission was established several years ago and has picked up a few converts from the Novus Ordo over the last couple of years. I do look forward to this trip, as I have not been there in 5 or 6 months. In two weeks, Fr. McKenna and I travel to Sacred Heart Church in Boston to do more Confirmations there. Eventually, we need to make our way to the North Dakota missions for the same purpose. The number of soldiers of Jesus Christ is greatly increasing, and it couldn't be happening at a more important time. Crosses, struggles, and fights for the rights of God are now coming to us more often and more violently than usual; but it is the graces of Confirmation that help us to carry on in these times.

Last Sunday's picnic was a very happy event. Thanks to all who helped coordinate it in any way. It was great seeing the children enjoying themselves so much with their games—I think they enjoyed the baby rabbits that the Arlinghauses brought. The piñata that Albert Daniel provided the candy for was quite a hoot, too!

Seminary starts tomorrow, the feast of the North American Martyrs. We have just one seminarian this year. **Fr. Lehtoranta** reminded me the other day at dinner of the busy October we have planned at SGG. Please remember to check the bulletins for different events.

Today we bless the children after every Mass and dedicate them to the Angels. Remember your Angel frequently during this month which is dedicated to their honor. How greatly God loves us to have assigned to each of us an Angel all our own. May the Angels guard and guide you always! – **Bishop McGuire**

THE BLESSING OF CHILDREN

Whosoever shall receive one such little child in My Name, receives Me. Observe how He speaks, as if He would give you some great and urgent encouragement; not only does He give permission, but He promises a reward to those who dedicate children to Him. He not only bids us do the very thing we wish to do, but be-



stows on the doing it a second blessing.

He promises that if we bring children to Him for His blessing, He will bless us for bringing them; if we receive them for His sake, He will make it as if we received Himself, which is the greatest reward He could give us.

Thus, while we are engaged in this work of receiving children in His Name, let us recollect, to our great comfort, that we are about no earthly toil; we are taking part in a joyful solemnity, in a blessed and holy ordinance, in which our Savior Christ not only comes to them, but spiritually into our own souls.

-John Henry Cardinal Newman

Ye Angels and Archangels, Thrones and Dominations, Principalities and Powers, Virtues of the heavens, Cherubim and Seraphim! Bless the Lord forever. 300 days indulgence

All Saints Sunday

Parents, it's time to be thinking of our traditional All Saints party, and to choose a saint for your children, as you prepare a costume and perhaps a little résumé for your children to learn. Please plan to be with us.

Contest Rules:

- 1) Choose a saint from the calendar. Our goal is to increase the knowledge and love of the saints among our children.
- 2) Please avoid the saints who get done year after year: St. Bernadette, St. Rose of Lima, St. Elizabeth of Hungary, and go for a different saint whose life you and the children can study and prepare. A missal or calendar saint is best. At the same time, stay away from saints who are too obscure. Let's learn our missal saints! See you on October 30th!

Find out about the Confraternity.

Many graces attached to the rosary.



You don't have to be a member to attend.

ROSARY CONFRATERNITY BREAKFAST

Sunday, October 2nd after the High Mass

Fr. Lehtoranta will speak about parish activities, the Sodality and the Oblates

\$10 each or \$35 a Family - Get your tickets now!





▼ THE HOLY ANGELS ▼

ANGELS - A MEDITATION

Most names don't reveal very much about the person who carries them. But that's not true of angels, whom we honor today. Michael, whose name means "Who is like God?" is known for his great power in fighting against Satan and his demons. Gabriel, whose name means "strength of God," certainly gave strength to Our Lady when he told her she would be the Mother of God (Luke 1:28). Raphael, whose name means "God heals," cured Tobit's blindness (Tobit 11).

We can't help but admire the archangels. Like all the angels, they have remarkable abilities. As pure spirits, their knowledge and power are beyond our comprehension. But they're not like the superheroes found in films and comic books. They live to serve God and worship Him. Their wonderful gifts are only a pale reflection of His infinite perfection and beauty. What's more, as amazing as they are, each is a "fellow servant" along with us, and their inspiration can lead us to worship God more fully (Apocalypse 19:10).

Perhaps the best way to honor the archangels today is to join them in worshipping Almighty God. We can take our cue from St. Nathanael. Jesus told him he would see "heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man" (John 1:51). We have that same opportunity at every Mass. We may not see the angels, but they are there, adoring Jesus on the altar. Along with them, we can be caught up in the love and holiness of the Son of God and be moved to lay down our lives before Him.

Did you know that at Mass we can do something the angels can't? We can receive Jesus as our nourishment! All the qualities of God that the angels have a share in—His wisdom, His love, His beauty—are

contained in the Holy Eucharist. So the next time you are at Mass, know that you are in the company of angels, and join them in giving Our Lord all the praise and worship your heart can muster!

"I thank Thee, Lord, that Thou hast made me lower than the angels, yet Thou comest to me as the Bread of Life. May I be open to all the grace Thou dost wish to give me in Thy Body and Blood."



OUR GUARDIAN ANGEL

Our Blessed Lord, referring to the guardian angels of children, said, "See to it that you do not treat one of these little ones with contempt; I tell you, they have angels of their own in Heaven, that behold the face of My Father continually." Thus the guardian angels of children stand in Heaven with an unclouded vision of the Heavenly Father. Satan, one of the fallen angels, also believes in guardian angels, for in tempting Our Blessed Lord, he said to Him, "If Thou art the Son of God, cast Thyself down to earth; for it is written, He has given charge to His angels concerning Thee, and they will hold Thee up with their hands, lest Thou should chance to trip on a stone."

Those who have raised children are in constant wonder that they ever reach maturity. What is that mysterious power that protects children as they fall out of second and third story windows unharmed? When one thinks of the pots and pans that they pull off stoves and of the thousands of falls they have during their infancy and the fires they start, it must be that the Good Lord has given them some very special protection—and this protection we are assured by the Lord Himself is the guardian angel.

- Bishop Sheen

MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Not woman-faced and sweet, as look
The angels in the picture-book;
But terrible in majesty,
More than an army passing by.

His hair floats not upon the wind Like theirs, but curled and closely twined:

Wrought with his aureole, so that none Shall know the gold curls from the crown.

His wings he hath put away in steel, He goes mail-clad from head to heel; Never moon-silver hath outshone His breastplate and his motion.

His brows are like a battlement, Beautiful, brave and innocent; His eyes with fires of battle burn— On his strong mouth the smile is stern.

His horse, the horse of Heaven, goes forth,

Bearing him off to South and North, Neighing far off, as one that sees The battle over distances.

His fiery sword is never at rest,
His foot is in the stirrup prest;
Through all the world where wrong is
done
Michael the Soldier rideth on.

Michael, Commander! Angels there are That sound the trumpet and that bear The banners by the Throne, where is The King one nameth on his knees.

Angels there are of peace and prayers,
And they that go with wayfarers,
And they that watch the house of birth,
And they that bring the dead from
earth.

And mine own Angel. Yet I see, Heading God's army gloriously, Michael Archangel, like a sun, Splendid beyond comparison!

– Katherine Tynan



¥ CALENDAR

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| Mon 9/26/22 | Ss. Isaac Jogues & Companions, Mm Ss. Cyprian, M & Justina, VM |
| 8:00 AM | Low Mass †Barbara Schmelzer (14 years), †Phil Schmelzer (A.M.B.) |
| 11:25 AM | · · |
| TUE 9/27/22 | Ss. Cosmas & Damian, Mm |
| 7:00 AM | Low Mass †Thelma Macke Sieverding (Mike Sieverding) |
| 8:00 AM | Low Mass Blessings on Bishop Charles McGuire on his consecration (Mr. & Mrs. Bill Oleyar) |
| 11:25 AM | High Mass In honor of St. Therese, for a special intention (Dan & Rose Wright) |
| 5:00 PM | Low Mass Henry Sieverding (Mike Sieverding) |
| WED 9/28/22 | |
| 8:00 AM | health (Krawczyk Family) |
| 11:25 AM | High Mass Bishop Sanborn (Alter Christus Confraternity) |
| 5:10 PM | Low Mass "Thou knowest, O Lord!" (Arlinghaus Family) |
| THU 9/29/22 | DEDICATION OF ST. MICHAEL, ARCHANGEL |
| 7:00 AM | Low Mass Nina Krawczyk – complete restoration of health (<i>Krawczyk Family</i>) |
| 8:00 AM | Low Mass †Fr. Cekada (Mary Beth Grumblatt) |
| 11:25 AM | High Mass Bishop da Silva – First Anniversary of Consecration (<i>The Fathers</i>) |
| 5:00 PM | Low Mass Nina Krawczyk – complete restoration of health (<i>Krawczyk Family</i>) |
| Fri 9/30/22 | 3 |
| 8:00 AM | Low Mass †Ronald E. Kitchen – 20 th anniversary (<i>Marge</i>) |
| 11:05 AM 11:25 AM | Confessions High Mass Repose of the soul of †Bishop Dolan |
| 5:15 PM | (Barbara O'Connor) Confessions & Rosary |
| 5:45 PM | |
| 6:30 PM | Sacred Heart Novena, Benediction |
| SAT 10/1/22 | FIRST SATURDAY • OUR LADY'S SATURDAY ST. REMIGIUS, BPC |
| 7:10 AM | |
| 7:30 AM | Confraternity) |
| 8:10 AM 8:20 AM | |
| 8:30 AM | High Mass Nina Krawczyk – complete restoration of health (<i>Krawczyk Family</i>) |
| Sun 10/2/22 | Rosary Sunday • Pentecost XVII |
| 7:05 AM 7:30 AM | Rosary Low Mass †Katie Bischak, †Sharon Patton (Wilker |
| 9:00 AM | Family) High Mass The Rosary Confraternity Members |
| 11:05 AM | Rosary Procession, Confraternity Breakfast Rosary |
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THANK YOU! The parish picnic provided great food from members and the Lotarski family who manned the grill once again. We thank them for their efforts in this smoky job. The hamburgers and hot dogs were cooked to perfection. Once again the piñata was a real hit. Albert Daniel Kinnett provided the candy to stuff the gas can with an exorbitant price and amount of candy this year. Each person got three whacks at the piñata ending at age seventeen. This has become quite the tradition with Albert providing candy and smiles to all the children.

Servers

FRI 9/30 5:45 PM LOW: Capetillo Bros.
SAT 10/1 7:30 AM LOW: P. Omlor
8:30 AM HIGH: Simpson Bros.
SUN 10/2 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM HIGH: MC: D. Simpson TH: S. Richesson ACs: T.
England, D. Hudson TORCH: I. Smith, R., J. & K. McGinnis, J.
Hudson, J. Stewart
11:30 AM LOW: Capetillo Bros.
4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
5:45 PM LOW: Capetillo

11:30 AM Low Mass Bp. Dolan's 3 spiritual sons: Bp. McGuire, Fr. Lehtoranta, Fr. McKenna (Margaret Sutton)

4:45 PM Vespers & Benediction

5:45 PM Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great