

# 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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**April 30, 2023**

**EASTER III • ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA, V  
HOLY CHILD JESUS, DOCTOR OF THE SICK**



## ¶ THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Today is the feast day of the Little Doctor Jesus. In His honor, the sick are blessed after each Mass. Sunday classes for adults and children are at 10:40 AM. Please note, the social hall is **CLOSED** today, due to setup for the Episcopal Consecration tomorrow. **There are NO Vespers or 5:45 PM Mass.**

## ¶ THE HOLY CROSS

Each year on May 3rd, the Feast of the Finding of the Holy Cross, we bless Palm Crosses which are meant to be placed in homes, yards, gardens and fields as a most powerful protection against our foes, natural and spiritual. These crosses should be renewed annually. Please feel free to take home some Palm Crosses to put over your door, or to bury in the four corners of your yard.

## ¶ FIRST FRIDAY

**8:00 AM** Low Mass  
**10:55 AM** Confessions  
**11:25 AM** Low Mass, Benediction  
**3:10 PM** May Devotions  
**5:00 PM** Exposition  
**5:15 PM** Rosary & Confessions  
**5:45 PM** Low Mass  
**6:30 PM** Novena & Devotions

### *All Night Adoration*

*First Friday Intention: In honor of Our Lady and St. Pius V, for the restoration of the True Mass in the true Church.*



**CONGRATULATIONS** to Matthew & Leanne Giese on their wedding, which took place on Saturday, April 29, 2023.



## ¶ MAY DEVOTIONS

Please check the Calendar for the daily May Devotions—a short but sweet service to show our love for Our Lady.


## ¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

- **First Fatima Rosary Procession for Peace:** Saturday, May 13
- **May Crowning:** Sunday, May 14
- **Children's Day of Recollection:** Thursday, May 25
- **Confirmations:** Vigil of Pentecost, Saturday, May 27
- **First Communion:** Corpus Christi Sunday, June 11
- **Girls Camp:** June 27-29
- **YAG:** July 7-9
- **Boys Camp:** July 25-27

## ¶ FIRST SATURDAY

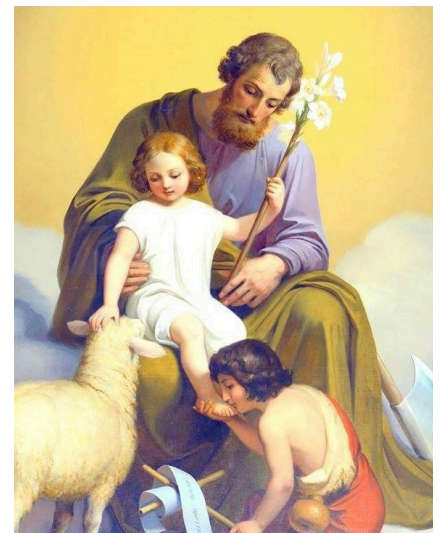
**7:10 AM** Confessions & Rosary  
**7:30 AM** High Mass  
**8:20 AM** Benediction, Meditation  
**8:40 AM** Low Mass  
*First Saturday Intention: In reparation for false devotion and false apparitions.*

## ¶ NEXT SUNDAY: EASTER IV

The second collection for the support of the Oblates will be taken up at the Offertory next Sunday. The Blessing of Religious Articles will be available after all Masses. Sunday classes will be at 10:40 AM. Vespers with Benediction at 4:45 PM.  *Set Your Missal:* Easter IV, second collect of St. Stanislaus. Vidi Aquam, Preface of Easter.

## ¶ FRIDAYS IN MAY

Please note, though there is no fish on calendar for the Fridays in May, there is still abstinence as usual on those days.



ST. PHILIP

St. Philip is the Apostle at the Last Supper who says to Jesus: "Master, show us the Father, and that will be enough for us" (Jn 14:8). The verses of Jesus' response, while corrective in their tone, teach us of the unity between Father and Son, as well as Jesus' continued role of intercession. Great works will be done in His name precisely because He has gone to the Father.

How fitting it is then that this same St. Philip professes: "He will come again to judge the living and the dead." The Son Who has returned to the Father now makes the promise to return to us. His work in us and in the world is not yet complete. He will return and at that point judge the living and the dead. This act will be the fulfillment of all His promises and of all of Scripture's prophecies.

St. Philip, though, has even more to offer. After Jesus finds Philip in Galilee (Jn 1:43ff), Philip goes to Nathanael and tells him that the Messiah has been found. Nathanael asks: "Can anything good come from Nazareth?" Philip answers him the only way a believer could: "Come and see." And as for the final coming of Christ and His judgment of the world, St. Philip would say the same thing: "Come and see."

- Fr. James M. Sullivan, O.P.



MONDAY IS MAY

Our Blessed Mother's Month

Make your May Altar

Pray the Rosary every day

Join us for May Devotions on School Days at 3:10 PM

Plan to be with us **May 13** for Mass & Procession



Our Beloved Dead - May

Jeffrey P. Tilford	5-03-1999
Diane Powell	5-04-2012
Patrick Harpen	5-06-2014
Arthur F. Moser	5-08-1991
Robert Brockman	5-08-2020
Janet Becker	5-10-2018
Jean Boehm	5-11-2000
Maria Duff	5-11-2013
Anna M. Atanasoff	5-12-1987
Frank W. Wolf	5-14-1985
Rose Mary Jacobs	5-16-1982
Lena Goodman	5-19-1998
Honore E. Gerrard	5-21-1993
Jeffrey Robert Becker	5-25-1984
William Sandmyer	5-25-2011
John J. Bischak	5-26-1988
Paul T. Grau	5-28-2022
Anne McMahan	5-29-2009
Theresa C. Albert	5-30-1990
Elizabeth Reis	5-31-2013



Sweet Heart of Mary,  
be my salvation!

Collection Report

Lenten Denial Folders .....\$726.50  
 Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> .....\$7,685.35  
 Thank you for your generosity.

INTERCESSIONAL

Of all the saints on heaven's roll,  
 You've held a niche within my mind,  
 Dear Lady of the shining soul,  
 So noble, valorous and kind.  
 And joyfully I sing your praise  
 As speeds the hourglass of my days,  
 St. Catherine!

Sometimes in dreams you come to me,  
 Slender and fair and very wise;  
 Like sunlight dancing on the sea,  
 A soft light shining in your eyes,  
 A pensive novice, calm-voiced, sweet,  
 Treading again Siena's street,  
 St. Catherine!

Yet there's a lesser saint I know,  
 Who sheds a radiant light, like you,  
 On life around her here below;  
 And, strange, her name is Catherine, too.  
 She has thy charm, thy cloistered mind:  
 An ever-joyous, ever-kind  
 St. Catherine!

And friendship's proved an instrument  
 That fans my reverence for thy name;  
 Twin stars across life's firmament,  
 To me you seem as one, the same;  
 But you have gained the Heavenly Hill,  
 While she is on life's journey still,  
 St. Catherine!

And as my orisons I raise,  
 At morning or at dewy eve,  
 I fain combine you both, and praise  
 In mystic wonder; and believe  
 That by some miracle on high  
 Yours is the heart and soul of my—  
 St. Catherine!

And while I strive her smiles to earn,  
 Hope's censer swings from pole to pole,  
 Leaving me helpless to discern  
 The earthward leanings of her soul.  
 And so, perplexed, to thee I turn,  
 And at thy shrine a candle burn,  
 St. Catherine!

- Padraic Doyle

St. Catherine's Picture is honored in the Baptistery Chapel. She is invoked for the needs of the Church today, and against cancer.

Truly, this has been a week filled with blessings. The last two Saturdays we had the happy occasion of seeing two separate weddings. May Our Lady and the good St. Joseph grant these two couples many happy years together on earth and an eternity of bliss in heaven. In between the weddings there was the first year anniversary of the death of Bishop Dolan, properly remembered with a Pontifical Requiem Mass. The school choir sang wonderfully and I know that the Bishop would have been proud of them. Meanwhile the Sunday choir managed to come back that same evening to practice for a wedding, the Sunday Mass, and the consecration. May God reward their labors.



Speaking of getting ready for the consecration, **Fr. Nkamuke** has finished his retreat and has received most of his episcopal garments, some of which Sarah Simpson worked to complete. **Bishop da Silva** and **Fr. Ercoli** have both arrived. Fr. Ercoli is helping **Fr. Ahern** in some of the mission chapels in Michigan but will be back this evening. The Caggese family, with the help of Karla Lawrence, is preparing for the reception after the consecration and the sacristans have been busy with flowers and ironing and all sorts of things, and the servers reviewing their rubrics and holding practices. In one more day the Catholic Church will have another bishop, one who is uncompromising in his Faith. Deo gratias et Mariae!

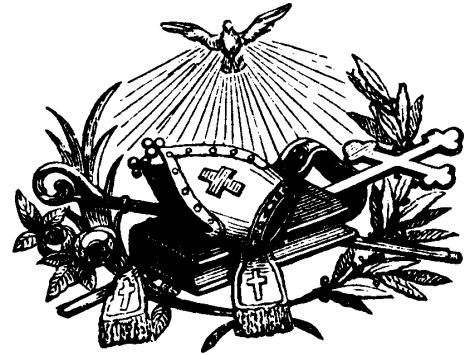
As we begin this month of May, Mary's month, we mustn't forget our May altars! Take all your intentions and lay them at Our Lady's feet. Under her mantle you will always be protected.

– Bishop McGuire



PRAYER TO OUR LADY

O Mary, my dear Mother! Behold me about to receive thy dear Son, Jesus, in Holy Communion. He, my God, is to take possession of my poor, unworthy heart. Do thou, sweet Mother, supply for all its needs, as thou didst for Him in the stable of Bethlehem. Offer to Jesus thy spotless purity to supply for my corruption, thy deep humility to obtain pardon for my pride, thy boundless charity to cover the multitude of my sins. Obtain, O most dear Mother immaculate, that this visit of Jesus may so fill my poor heart with His holy love that my Guardian Angel in his enraptured joy, may whisper to me as the Angel Gabriel did to thee, my Mother: "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee."



Join us for the  
**Episcopal Consecration**

of  
**Rev. Bede Nkamuke**

**10:00 AM, Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Feast of Ss. Philip & James,**  
**Apostles**

*Reception follows in Helfta Hall*



*Grant bountifully this grace unto Thy servant, we beseech Thee, O Lord, that what things soever those vestments signify by the refulgence of gold, the splendor of jewels, and the varied richness of design, these may shine forth in his virtues and his deeds.*

*(From the Rite of Consecration)*

# ✠ CALENDAR

**MON 5/1/23 SS. PHILIP & JAMES, APOSTLES**  
**10:00 AM Episcopal Consecration** Most Rev. Bede Nkamuke  
**Reception follows in Helfta Hall**

**TUE 5/2/23 ST. ATHANASIUS, BPCD**  
**8:00 AM Low Mass** For all who cook for us and for our devoted drivers (*The Fathers*)  
**11:25 AM First Mass of New Bishop** †Patrick H. Omlor – 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of death (*The Omlor Family*)  
**3:10 PM May Devotions**  
**5:00 PM Low Mass** For the Poor Souls in Purgatory (*Kathleen M. West*)

**WED 5/3/23 THE FINDING OF THE HOLY CROSS**  
 OCTAVE DAY OF ST. JOSEPH'S SOLEMNITY  
 FIRST WEDNESDAY  
**8:00 AM Low Mass** My deceased relatives – January (*Diane Puglielli*)  
**11:25 AM High Mass** For the Poor Souls in Purgatory (*Kathleen M. West*)  
**Blessing of Palm Crosses**  
**3:10 PM May Devotions**  
**5:10 PM Low Mass** †Mary Victoria Omlor – anniversary of death (*The Omlor Family*)

**THU 5/4/23 FIRST THURSDAY • ST. MONICA, W**  
**8:00 AM Low Mass** Intentions of the St. Monica Club (*St. Monica Club*)  
**11:25 AM High Mass** †Janice West – anniversary of death (*The Omlor Family*)  
**3:10 PM May Devotions**  
**5:00 PM First Thursday Holy Hour for Priests**  
**Low Mass followed by Simple Benediction**  
 For the sanctification of priests (*Alter Christus*)

**FRI 5/5/23 ST. PIUS V, PC • FIRST FRIDAY**  
**8:00 AM Low Mass** †Annette, †Wayne, †Ellen – died May 5 (*Tom & Karen Simpson*)  
**10:55 AM Confessions**  
**11:25 AM Low Mass, Benediction** Private Intention (*Patrick Omlor*)  
**3:10 PM May Devotions**  
**5:00 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
**5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary**  
**5:45 PM Low Mass** For the Poor Souls in Purgatory (*Kathleen M. West*)  
**6:30 PM Novena & First Friday Devotions**  
**All Night Adoration**

**SAT 5/6/23 ST. JOHN BEFORE THE LATIN GATE**  
 FIRST SATURDAY • *OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION*  
**7:10 AM Confessions & Rosary**  
**7:30 AM High Mass** Relief of all faithful departed (*Patrick Omlor*)  
**8:20 AM Regina Coeli, Benediction**  
**8:30 AM Meditation**  
**8:40 AM Low Mass** †Margaret Kinnett (*Theresa Simpson*)  
**Sodality of Charity Meeting**

## All Night Adoration Guard of Honor April 2023

**7:00 PM - 8:00 PM:** David Swinney, Doby Curran  
**8:00 PM - 9:00 PM:** Kirby Bischel, Quentin Gorton  
**9:00 PM - 10:00 PM:** Justin Soeder, Paddy Omlor  
**10:00 PM - 11:00 PM:** Nick McClorey, Alfonso Capetillo  
**11:00 PM - 12:00 AM:** James Kolenich, Paul Puglielli  
**12:00 AM - 1:00 AM:** Levi Giese, Collin Smith  
**1:00 AM - 2:00 AM:** Keith Elflein, Pierce Kiernan  
**2:00 AM - 3:00 AM:** Dan & John Brueggemann  
**3:00 AM - 4:00 AM:** McConnell Brothers  
**4:00 AM-5:00 AM:** Matthew Giese, Zachary Doyle  
**5:00 AM - 6:00 AM:** Joseph Simpson, Bill Herman  
**6:00 AM - 7:00 AM:** John Riggs, Robert Rosendale

☞ *If you cannot make your hour, please contact the church office immediately: (513) 645-4212.*

☞ *If you have finished your hour but no one has arrived to relieve you, please call Fr. Brueggemann (513-378-2705) or Fr. Simpson (513-378-2870) to substitute.*



*St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church,  
pray for us!*

### SERVERS

**FRI 5/5** 5:45 PM **LOW:** M. Simpson, L. Rabjohns  
**SAT 5/6** 7:30 AM **HIGH:** Seminarian  
 8:40 AM **LOW:** Kolenichs  
**SUN 5/7** 7:30 AM **LOW:** Brueggemann Bros.  
 9:00 AM **HIGH:** MCS: N. McClorey, P. Omlor **TH:** D. Simpson  
**ACs:** C. Arlinghaus, M. Caggese **TORCH:** I. Smith, A. Constantino,  
 P. & F. Caggese, J. Hudson, C. VanderPutten  
 11:30 AM **LOW:** Capetillos  
 4:45 PM **VESPERS & BENEDICTION:** G. Miller, Seminarian  
 5:45 PM **LOW:** G. Miller

**SUN 5/7/23 EASTER IV • ST. STANISLAUS, BPM**  
**7:05 AM Rosary**  
**7:30 AM Low Mass** Ken & Regina Gilliam & family (*Dan & Mary*)  
**9:00 AM High Mass** †Robert Brockman (*Jane Brockman*)  
**10:40 AM Sunday Classes**  
**11:05 AM Rosary**  
**11:30 AM Low Mass** My husband, Jim Kolenich – Merry Christmas (*Barbara Kolenich*)  
**4:45 PM Vespers & Benediction**  
**5:45 PM Low Mass** For the people of St. Gertrude the Great