

# ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Most Rev. Charles J. McGuire, *Pastor* • Rev. Stephen McKenna, *Asst. Pastor* Rev. Vili Lehtoranta, *Chap. to Oblates & School* • Rev. Thomas Simpson • Rev. Anthony Brueggemann

May 28, 2023
PENTECOST SUNDAY



# Bur Arwest Soldiers of Christ

Marcel Aloysius Caggeso Patrick Louis Caggeso Ambrose Benedict Constantino Bernard Michael Constantino Jeremy **Bernard** Constantino Karl Joseph Elflein Jonathan **Patrick** England Gregory *Peter* Fraley Matthew *Vincent* Fraley Timothy Joseph Giese John Joseph Gregory James Joseph Hoverman John *Joseph* Hudson Marcel **Philip** Hudson Joseph **Benedict** Kolenich Anthony John James Manzardo William Peter Martin

Charles *Thomas* McClorey
Francisco *Michael* McConnell
Thomas *Andrew* Santoni

Jude *Andrew* Smith
Isaac *Francis* Wright

Thomas **Patrick** Young



Come Holy Ghost, fill the hearts of Thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire of Thy love. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall be created; and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth. Amen.

Lillian Bernadette Ball Amelia Mary Magdalene Constantino Lucia Rose Constantino Charlotte Bernadette Ford Dawn Mary Magdalene Fraley Emily Joan Fraley Gabrielle *Dymphna* Fraley Gemma Bernadette Fraley Lily *Philomena* Fraley Sherie Mary Magdalen Fraley Rose Veronica Hudson Claire **Ann** Mathers Jacinta Frances McConnell Leia Anne Patton Sylvia *Theresa* Rabjohns Jillian Margaret Mary Santoni



#### **¶PENTECOST**

Today is Pentecost Sunday, after Easter the greatest feast of the year, for it marks the completion of the liturgical cycle with the Descent of the Holy Ghost. There are no Catechism Classes. Pentecost Vespers with Benediction are at 4:45 PM.

¶ PENTECOST MONDAY & TUESDAY Monday and Tuesday are feasts of devotion, formerly holy days. Try especially to assist at Mass on those days.

#### ¶ MEMORIAL DAY

Pray for all of our dear deceased **tomorrow**, and especially our soldiers, veterans, and all who have died in our wars. The Low Masses are at 7 & 8 AM, followed by May Devotions, and the High Mass of Pentecost Monday is at 9:00 AM.



#### ¶ EMBER DAYS

Wednesday, Friday and Saturday of this week are the summer Ember Days. All Catholics age seven and older must observe partial abstinence on Wednesday and Saturday. All those between the ages of 21 and 59 inclusive are obliged to follow the church laws of fast—one full meal a day. The Ember Days were instituted to beg God's blessings upon those to be ordained and for the new season of the year.

#### ¶ NEXT SUNDAY: TRINITY SUNDAY

First Sunday of the month: Second collection for our Oblates; Blessing of Religious Articles after all Masses. St. Gertrude the Great School Graduations will take place after the High Mass. Final Catechism Classes of the season will be at 10:40 AM. Vespers and Benediction will be at 4:45 PM.

Set Your Missal: Trinity Sunday, with commemoration and Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost I. Third collect of St. Francis Caracciolo. Trinity Preface.

#### ¶YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Lucy Anders, Bernadette Mansfield, Jennifer Claycomb, and the repose of the souls of †Paul Desenne and †Marilyn Remmel.

# Wedding S Banns

First time: Dominic Swinney & Florence Lotarski

#### ¶ EASTER DUTY

Trinity Sunday, one week from today, is the last day on which to fulfill your **Easter Duty** of a worthy Holy Communion. Those who neglect this duty are no longer Catholics in good standing and sin mortally. Pray and offer sacrifices this next week for all to make a good Confession and Communion.

¶ FIRST FRIDAY
8:00 AM Low Mass
10:55 AM Confessions
11:25 AM Low Mass, Benediction
5:00 PM Exposition
5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary
5:45 PM Low Mass, Novena
All Night Adoration

First Friday Intention: In thanksgiving and reparation to the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus.

#### ¶ FIRST SATURDAY

7:15 AM Rosary & Confessions
7:30 AM High Mass
8:15 AM Devotions, Benediction
8:30 AM Meditation
8:40 AM Low Mass

First Saturday Intention: In reparation for false devotion and false apparitions.

#### ¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

Corpus Christi: Thursday, June 8
First Communion: Sunday, June 11
Fatima Rosary Procession: June 13
Opening of Summer Novena: June 13
St. John's Bonfire: Monday, June 26
Girls Camp: June 27-29
YAG: July 7-9
Boys Camp: July 25-27

Do you have a new patron saint? Check the bookstore for statues and prints. We may have one just for you. Combat Rosaries are available for those new soldiers of Christ.

#### Collection Report

Thursday, May 18th	\$2,866.00
Sunday, May 21st	\$7,310.00

#### **VENI, CREATOR SPIRITUS**

Creator Spirit, by whose aid The world's foundations first were laid,

Come visit every pious mind, Come pour Thy joys on humankind; From sin and sorrow set us free, And make Thy temples worthy Thee.

O source of uncreated light, The Father's promised Paraclete! Thrice holy fount, thrice holy fire, Our hearts with heavenly love inspire; Come, and Thy sacred unction bring, To sanctify us while we sing.

Plenteous of grace, descend from high,

Rich in Thy seven-fold energy! Thou strength of His Almighty hand, Whose power does heaven and earth command!

Proceeding Spirit, our defense, Who dost the gifts of tongues dispense,

And crown'st Thy gift with eloquence!

Refine and purge our earthly parts;
But, O, inflame and fire our hearts!
Our frailties help, our vice control,
Submit the senses to the soul;
And when rebellious they are grown,
Then lay Thy hand and hold them
down.

Chase from our minds the infernal foe,

And peace, the fruit of love, bestow; And, lest our feet should step astray, Protect and guide is in the way. Make eternal truths receive, And practice all that we believe; Give us Thyself, that we may see The Father, and the Son in Thee.

Immortal honor, endless fame,
Attend the Almighty Father's Name;
The Savior Son be glorified,
Who for lost man's redemption died;
And equal adoration be,
Eternal Paraclete, to Thee.

-John Dryden

#### **№ THE BISHOP'S NOTE**

**Bishop Nkamuke's** last Sunday with us was filled with many edifying events, I think. For starters, it was really a treat to hear His Excellency give a report on his missions in Africa where there are so many good things happening to so many good souls. It is amazing to see what God is doing on that continent. We priests went out to eat at Bob Evans after the third Mass where some kind soul had paid for our meal. How thankful we were! That doesn't happen all that often. The third thing was Charles Simpson's talk on parenting. I don't know what the other parents thought of it, but for me it was a second sermon for the day. If you didn't get a chance to listen to it let me know and I may be able to send you a recording of it. It is well worth a listen!

His Excellency made it back to Nigeria safely, I am glad to report. As expected he hit the ground running, giving First Holy Communion and Confirmations. He will be busy for quite a while now. Do keep him and his young priests, **Fathers Ojeka** and **Okerulu**, in your prayers.

This past Monday, Fr. McKenna and I met with the architect to discuss plans for the addition to our rectory. The possibilities are very interesting. As perhaps mentioned before, this addition is necessary for many reasons, the first of which is for a better community spirit among the clergy here at St. Gertrude's. All of us come from different backgrounds and are so different in many ways, but we all have the same goal of saving souls. Bishop Dolan always believed that the clergy should feel like they are one family, not just workers. He was always good about "family time" at meals and had an open door policy for the clergy to come in and talk anytime. Living in separate houses was never an ideal scenario though, and we would like to all live in the same house. Secondly, this would free up the Convento for its original purpose for which it was built—to house the Oblates. Thus the name "Convento" or Convent. Well, I must be repeating myself as I know I have mentioned these things in past bulletins.

You have probably noticed some repairs being done at church, notably on the cloister where the outside wall has begun to lean. The downspouts were not functioning properly, allowing water to seep behind the stone and rot part of the wood. I am very thankful to Joseph Simpson for arranging to have it repaired. Many a Simpson, including **Fr. Simpson**, has been helping with the project.

Today is Pentecost Sunday, of course, and I want

to encourage everyone to come to the Pentecost Week Masses. They are so beautiful. It is so important that we practice the devotion to the Holy Ghost in these times, not only for our



personal sanctification, but also for the needs of Holy Mother Church. The Holy Ghost guides and protects the Church. No force from hell or from this earth can destroy the true Church established by Christ. The Church is a divine institution and will last until the end of time. Oh! How much we should show our gratitude to the Holy Ghost for all He does.

- Bishop McGuire



"O Divine Spirit, I wish to be before Thee as a light feather, so that Thy breath may carry me where it wills and that I never offer it the least resistance." – Venerable Libermann

#### PRAYER FOR THE GRACE OF THE HOLY GHOST

Come, Holy Ghost, Sanctifier all-powerful, God of love, Thou Who didst fill the Virgin Mary with grace, Thou Who didst wonderfully transform the hearts of the Apostles, Thou Who didst endow all Thy martyrs with a miraculous heroism, come and sanctify us. Illumine our minds, strengthen our wills, purify our consciences, rectify our judgments, set our hearts on fire, and preserve us from the misfortune of resisting Thine inspirations. Amen. (Indulgence of 500 days)

"In the Holy Ghost there is infallible truth, unbounded charity and insuperable strength to conquer our ignorance, our malice and our cowardice." – St. Bonaventure

#### ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ON THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY GHOST

These gifts are not only inseparable from charity, but they are the principal virtues, properties, and qualities of charity.

WISDOM is nothing else than the love that relishes, tastes, and experiences how sweet and gentle God is.

UNDERSTANDING is nothing else than love attentive to consider and penetrate the beauty of the truths of faith.

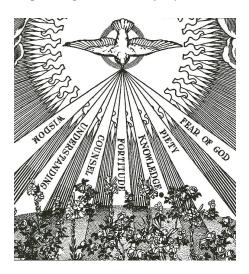
SCIENCE (knowledge) is simply the same love keeping us attentive to know ourselves and creatures to obtain a more perfect knowledge of the service we owe to God.

COUNSEL is also love, as it renders us careful, attentive and skilled in choosing the means proper to serve God in a holy manner.

FORTITUDE is love that encourages and animates the heart so as to carry out what counsel has determined must be done.

PIETY is the love that sweetens labor and makes us with good heart, gratitude and filial affection do works that please God our Father.

FEAR is simply love as it causes us to fly and shun what is displeasing to God's majesty.





#### A SECRET OF HOLINESS AND HAPPINESS

During one of his retreat conferences, Cardinal Mercier offered to his hearers the following secret of sanctity:

"Every day, for five minutes, restrain your imagination and close your eyes and ears to all earthly impressions so as to be able to withdraw into the sanctuary of your baptized soul, the temple of the Holy Ghost. Then address the Holy Ghost in these terms:

O Holy Spirit! Soul of my soul, I adore Thee.

Enlighten, guide, strengthen and console me.

Tell me what I ought to do.

Command me to do it.
I promise to be submissive in everything
that Thou shalt ask of me.
I promise to accept whatever Thou
permittest to befall me.
Only show me what is Thy wil!!

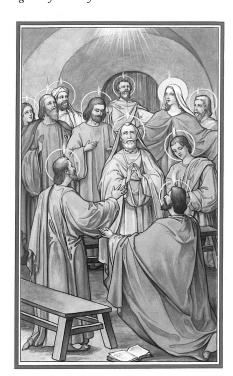
"If you do this, your life will pass in contentment and peace. You will have abundant consolation even amidst troubles, for you will receive grace in proportion to your trials and strength in proportion to your burdens, until the day when you will reach the gates of heaven weighted with precious merits. This submission to the Holy Ghost is THE SECRET OF SANCTITY."

– Cardinal Mercier

"In performing miracles, I become a debtor to God; in suffering for Him, I make God my debtor." – St. John Chrysostom

## ACT OF CONSECRATION TO THE HOLY GHOST

O Holy Spirit, divine Spirit of light and love, I consecrate to Thee my understanding, my heart and my will, my whole being for time and for eternity. May my understanding be always submissive to Thy heavenly inspirations and to the teachings of the holy Catholic Church, of which Thou art the infallible Guide; may my heart be ever inflamed with love of God and of my neighbor; may my whole life be a faithful imitation of the life and virtues of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to whom with the Father and Thee be honor and glory for ever. Amen. Indulgence of 500 days



#### PRAYER FOR A PURE HEART

May our hearts be cleansed, O Lord, by the inpouring of the Holy Spirit, and may He render them fruitful by watering them with His heavenly dew. (Roman Missal, Indulgence of 500 days)

"God has a special work for each of His creatures to do. His outward providence does not always clearly manifest what it is. Therefore we must pray often to the Holy Ghost for light." – Fr. Faber

#### **★** THE CLOSE OF MARY'S MONTH ★

#### 'SEEK ME IN THE MORNING'

The early morn is often drear When thought remains alone Intruding thoughts, unkindly fears Make barren minds their home

But when I see your graven face
My heart breathes life anew
For who finds Mary finds God's grace
As flow'rs are decked with dew

The days like vultures circle slow
Each day, I run the race
And thoughts like thistles thickly
grow
On ev'ry path I pace

Yet when I greet you in the morn
E'en thorny paths are fair
'Though by the day my heart is torn
I know you are still there

The curious clouds enclose the sky
And bustle in the wind
Like children who, with teary eyes
Press 'round their mother kind

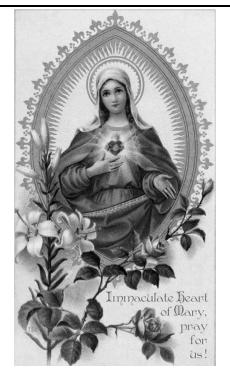
Our Lord who placed all new to grace
Within your hands so true
Must have thought of your fair face
When He wrapped the earth in blue

Too late sought I your home above
The darkness of my past
Too late did I give you my love
Too long the night did last

Yet morning ever comes again
And then I seek my Lady true
Thus my parched spirit finds a mend
Of souls you are the Morning Dew

- Levi Giese





# "Blessed art thou among women!" Mary herself announces to us, in her canticle of praise, that from henceforth, now, and forever all generations shall call her blessed. And, in effect, her sanctuaries are, everywhere and throughout the length and breadth of the land, the expression of the love and ardent devotion of her children. What woman was ever honored as Mary is? And what woman ever merited to be so honored?

- The Interior Way of Peace, Fr. De Lehen, S.J.

# PRAYER TO OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS

O Mary, Help of Christians, let it never come to pass that the enemies of the Church separate us from thee and thy Beloved Son. If at times these enemies of truth seem to triumph, cause the light of faith to shine again with even greater brilliance. Be thou our helper in every trial and difficulty. Although we are members of the Church, we must live among many who have not the faith. Aid us lest we be overcome by evil; assist us that we may be apostles, spreading the faith to those around us, winning other souls to Christ. Mary, Help of Christians, pray for us now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

## TO OUR MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL

Sweet and consoling to thy children, O Virgin, is the confidence we repose in thy Good Counsel; for well do we know that it is prompted by the love of the tenderest of mothers and directed by wisdom beyond that of angels. Strong, then, art thou as an army engaged in battle, beneath whose standard we gather, confident that thou wilt be our support in adversity and the safe guide to lead us on the road to salvation when doubt and difficulties make us grow feeble. The Angel of the great Council, the Author of all good, the origin of every grace, whom thou bearest in thy embrace and Who clings to thee with arms around thee twining, has made thee the dispenser of His blessings. O Mary, Mother of Good Counsel, this prerogative which belongs to thee as the seat of Wisdom is a pledge to mankind of the marvelous gifts bestowed on thee by the Author of all wisdom. May we ever find in thy tender counsels strength against the assaults of the evil one, and comfort at the hour of death. In return may we show in our life the virtue of thy guidance, and may we never render thy aid futile by our indecision of character. Tell us, thou dearest Mother, what thou desirest of thy children, and strengthen us to fulfill thy good counsels, and following them, neither the world, nor the devil, nor the flesh shall alienate us from the love and reverence of our God.



### \* CALENDAR

Mon		PENTECOST MONDAY • MEMORIAL DAY  Low Mass Happy Anniversary Victor & Doris Ritze	All 3	Night Adoration Guard of Honor
		(J. Hille) (from 5/19)		June 2023
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Doris Ritze – Happy Mother's Day (Mary & Joe Kunkel)	7:00 PM - 8:	<b>00 PM:</b> David Swinney, Joseph Vines
		May Devotions		<b>00 PM:</b> Kirby Bischel, Quentin Gorton
	9:00 AM			0:00 PM: Justin Soeder, Paddy Omlor
				11:00 PM: Nick McClorey, Alfonso Capetillo
TUE	5/30/23	PENTECOST TUESDAY		12:00 AM: James Kolenich, Paul Puglielli
TOL		Low Mass Poor Souls (M.E.G.)		1:00 AM: Levi Giese, Collin Smith
		Low Mass Mary Beth Grumblatt (M.E.G.)		<b>00 AM:</b> Keith Elflein, Pierce Kiernan
		High Mass For the conversion of our relatives &		00 AM: Dan & John Brueggemann
		friends (Mr. & Mrs. William H. Young III)		<b>00 AM:</b> McConnell Brothers
	3:10 PM	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		00 AM: Matthew Giese, Zachary Doyle
	5:00 PM	Low Mass Brother Michael		00 AM: Joseph Simpson, Bill Herman
WED	5/31/23	Ember Wednesday Fast & Partial Abstinence	0:00 AM - 7:	00 AM: John Riggs, Robert Rosendale
		St. Petronilla, V	<b>&amp;</b> If you can	not make your hour, please contact the church office
		Low Mass Mary Beth Grumblatt (M.E.G.)	immediately:	(513) 645-4212.
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Relief of all Faithful Departed (Patrick Omlor)	≈ If you hav	e finished your hour but no one has arrived to re-
	11:25 AM		lieve you, ple	ase call Fr. Brueggemann (513-378-2705) or Fr
	11.2) 11.11	Lotarski)		3-378-2870) to substitute.
	3:10 PM	Final May Devotions		William Control Contro
	5:10 PM	Low Mass Andrew Prell – special intention	DAVOLY	
		(Joseph & Elizabeth Prell)	Shire	
THU	6/1/23	PENTECOST THURSDAY • St. Angela Merici, V		
		FIRST THURSDAY – PRAY FOR PRIESTS		
	7:00 AM	Low Mass Bishop da Silva's priests (Alter Christus)		
		Low Mass Fr. Sons (Alter Christus)		W CODY
		High Mass Bishop McGuire's priests (Alter Christus)		9
	5:00 PM	Holy Hour for Priests: Low Mass & Simple	9 6	
		Benediction Bishop Sanborn's priests (Alter Christus)	75.6	O. C. S. S. C. S. S. C. S.
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Fri	6/2/23	FIRST FRIDAY • Ss. Marcellinus & Comp, Mm Ember Friday Fast & Abstinence		tree in the Castelland father of a Chinaceanair of the last
	8.00 AM	Low Mass Poor Souls (M.E.G.)		
		Confessions		Servers
		Low Mass For my mother, †Shiv Jen Cheng – rest in	Mon 5/29 9:0	<b>0 AM HIGH: MCS:</b> Seminarian, T. Lawrence <b>TH:</b> M. Simpson
		peace (H.Y.)		Ss: D. Simpson, F. Caggeso TORCH: I. Smith, P. Caggeso, B. & A
		Benediction		nstantino <b>5 PM Low:</b> I. Smith, M. Simpson
		Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament		0 AM HIGH: Seminarian, D. Simpson
		Confessions & Rosary	8:4	0 AM Low: Kolenichs
		Low Mass †Mrs. Kinnett (Levi Giese Family)		<ul><li>0 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.</li><li>0 AM HIGH: MC: P. Omlor TH: T. Lawrence ACs: T. England,</li></ul>
	6:30 PM	Sacred Heart Novena		Hudson CROSS: C. Arlinghaus TORCH: W. Young, D. Wright, J.
		All Night Adoration		C. Plucker, J. Stewart, J. Hudson
				5 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller, Seminarian
Sat	6/3/23	First Saturday • Ember Saturday		5 PM Low: Seminarian
		Fast & Partial Abstinence		
		Confessions, Rosary		
	7:30 AM	High Mass Clergy & faithful in Nigeria &	7:30 AM	Low Mass †Mrs. Margaret Kinnett (Dominic
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		Regina Coeli, Devotions, Benediction	9:00 AM	High Mass †Richard VandeRyt (The Servers)
	8:30 AM		10 /0 43 5	St. Gertrude the Great School Graduations
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		Jumuy)	11:05 AM	•
_				Low Mass Noah Kuebler (K/V) Vespers, Benediction
SUN	6/4/23	TRINITY SUNDAY		Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great
	7:05 AM	Rosary	);4) I'NI	LOW MASS FOR the people of St. Gertrude the Great