

# 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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*Chap. to Oblates & School* • Rev. Thomas Simpson • Rev. Anthony Brueggemann



## June 25, 2023 PENTECOST IV ST. WILLIAM, AB



### ¶ PENTECOST IV

We have a quiet summer Sunday today. Vespers with Benediction are at 4:45 PM.

### ¶ ST. JOHN'S BONFIRE

Come to the High Mass **tomorrow** evening at 5:45, and stay for the pot-luck, barbecue, and **Blessing of St. John's Bonfire**.

### ¶ THE SUMMER NOVENA

We continue the Summer Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Anthony on **Tuesday**, following all the Masses. **Don't forget** to turn in your petitions to St. Anthony, to be placed at his feet during the novena.

### ¶ GIRLS' CAMP

**Girls' Camp** is this week, **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday**. Tuesday opens with Mass at 9 AM (plan to arrive by 8:30), and Mass is at 8 AM the other two days. Each day concludes at 3 PM for the younger girls. Older girls who are camping each night should be sure to have everything they need. All girls should wear church clothes and bring a prayer book and rosary.

### ¶ FIRST SATURDAY

**7:10 AM** Rosary & Confessions

**7:30 AM** Low Mass

**8:10 AM** Salve, Meditation

**8:20 AM** High Mass

**First Saturday Intention:** *In honor of Mary Immaculate for our country.*

Collection Report

Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup> .....\$6,747.21



### MY REFUGE

There is one place of refuge—sure,  
When storms assail  
My trembling bark,  
When threat'ning clouds obscure  
My onward way,  
And all is dark:  
A cloven Heart invites repose  
I enter in, and hide me there;  
I hide me there, and rest.

When steep and rugged seems the  
way  
Up which I toil,  
And thorn-bestrewed,  
When every weary step I take  
The thorny path  
Is blood-bedewed;  
This loving refuge is so sweet,  
I fainting, fall, and creeping in,  
I hide me there, and rest.

—J.F.F.

### ¶ NEXT SUNDAY: SS. PETER & PAUL

The second collection for our Oblates will be taken up at the Offertory, and the **Blessing of Religious Articles** will be available at the Communion Rail following all Masses. Vespers with Benediction will be at 4:45 PM. **Set Your Missal:** Solemnity of Ss. Peter &, Paul, second collect of the Visitation of Our Lady, third of Pentecost V. Preface of the Apostles.

### ¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

**YAG:** July 7-9. **Please note:** for all YAG inquiries, contact [yagincincy@gmail.com](mailto:yagincincy@gmail.com), NOT the church office.

**Boys Camp:** July 25-27



**CONGRATULATIONS** to  
Dominic & Florence Swinney  
on their wedding, which took  
place on Friday, June 23, 2023.

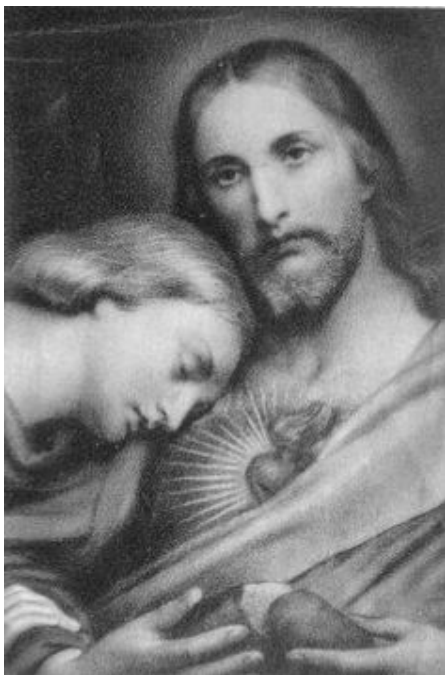
### ¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Fr. Adan Rodriguez, Barbara McClorey, continued recovery of Fr. Thielen, and the repose of the souls of those who have died recently: †Charles Beck, †Ron Stout, †Mary Schmidt, and †Mr. Grossen.

REPARATION

How beautiful is reparation, and what a mystery that God allows so high a work to creatures so poor as we! As if we could build up His ruined glory, and raise temples out of ruins, we who are what we know ourselves to be, something so much worse than those who know us best could for a moment suspect! Reparation! The very thing for which He Himself exists in the Blessed Sacrament; for if it had not been necessary He should come in humiliation to redeem us, it had not perhaps been necessary He should have hidden Himself in this lowest depth of secret silent love. What is so full of heart as reparation, or more full of joy even while we mourn? What is redemption but reparation? What else was Mary's compassion? What else was the earthly occupation of the Sacred Heart? Is it not its occupation in heavenly glory, as well as in the mysterious Host, this very hour? O my poor country! How much she needs, and how beautiful she is. How rich in all else, but in God's gifts, in God's graces, how sadly poor! Not because His Hand is less munificent, but because her heart is closed against Him.

—Fr. Faber



THE LOVE OF THE SACRED HEART

*Our Lord to St. Angela of Foligno:* "Because there are now so few good persons, faith is weak," and it seemed to me that He lamented over this. Then He added: "So great is the love that I have for the soul that loves Me that I would now grant even greater graces to anyone truly having this love that I formerly granted to the saints in times past, for whom it is said that God did great things for them."

There is no one who can be excused, for everyone can love Him. God does not require anything of the soul except love in return, for He Himself loves it and He is the love of the soul. How vast, that is to say, how profound are these words, namely, that God does not require anything from the soul except that it love Him in return! Who could hold anything back for oneself if one loves?

—St. Angela of Foligno

TO THE SACRED HEART

Jesus, Thy Heart has loved me well  
Far more than I love Thee;  
I seek in vain, I cannot tell  
Why Thou should'st so love me.

T'was not my wealth that made Thee  
turn  
From Heaven's bright home alone  
And caused Thy Sacred Heart to burn  
with that sweet flame of love.

What is there I can call my own  
That was not ever Thine?  
On earth, my All in heavenly crown,  
Yes, nought but sin is mine.

Nor was it that Thou had'st foretold  
That I would grateful be;  
Thou knowest that my heart grows cold,  
Would not remember Thee.

O Jesus, tell me then I pray  
What I have sought in vain:  
The Midnight Cave and Calvary, say,  
Why so much love and pain?

Child, I saw thee in Satan's hands  
Suffering and in woe.  
My Heart so longed to break those  
bands,  
My love to crush the foe.

I saw that dear ungrateful man  
Would leave the path of life—  
But then, henceforth, through Me he  
can  
Be victor in the strife.

I wished poor souls to understand  
That I had done My part,  
And by the Cross, to take their stand  
With hopeful loving heart.

O Sacred love, my Lord, my All,  
A God could love like this  
And almost make that first man's fall  
A constant source of bliss.

Henceforth, Sweet Lord, the world's  
renown  
With me shall have no part;  
Like Thee, I'll seek a thorny crown  
And love Thy Sacred Heart!

—Cardinal Rafael Merry del Val

At this writing, it is Friday afternoon, past the time this letter is usually already finished. Theresa is a good sport about things like this though, and for that I am thankful. Well, **Fr. McKenna** is away having a good time somewhere in Europe right now and is not expected to be back until July 3<sup>rd</sup>—just in time for a nice 4<sup>th</sup> of July BBQ at home. **Fr. Lehtoranta** is scheduled for a trip to Finland soon. He mentioned the other night that he hasn't been to his native Finland to see his parents for five years. I know he must be looking forward to some time off.

Things around here, even with school being out of session, have not slacked off a bit. **Fr. Simpson** had just gotten back from the Dallas mission the night before when a parishioner called saying her mother had become quite ill. Father generously accepted to go out to give her the Last Rites. The sick call apostolate is one of the greatest acts of mercy that a priest can do, one which I have always found very rewarding and enjoyable. Sometimes I do miss the days when I could get out long enough to do the sick calls, but I am glad that the younger clergy now have the opportunity to profit from such acts of mercy as well as to help those who need consolation.

**Fr. Thielen** was told by nurses at the Physical Rehab Facility that he is making some progress, but he is still quite weak and gets easily fatigued. He has borne patiently this illness, much to our edification. Keep his recovery in your prayers.

Thursday, the church was buzzing with lots of activity in preparation for Friday's wedding. Several people came in to help with flowers, then there was the wedding rehearsal later in the afternoon, and lots of last minute things being done. Little Anthony was trying to be of assistance to Theresa in the office, while pet dog "Finny" entertained the Lotarski girls out in the social hall as they worked. Little Anthony and "Finny" are welcome anytime! Our seminarian and some of his brothers along with Judy helped to clean up the front room of the rectory. I don't know the last time that got cleaned, but it was pretty messy. Now, however, it looks great—almost like a person could live in it!

Friday's wedding went very well and all the people seemed to be very happy. Dominic and Florence (Lotarski) Swinney will make a very good Catholic couple. My prayer for them is that they raise their future children for heaven and thus help each other to the Beatific Vision.

The Companions of Jesus and Mary, with whom we work, celebrated the 30 year anniversary of their group. Say a prayer of thanksgiving, if you will. They are a good bunch of priests, very zealous, full of charity, and

are bent on doing only the Will of God. I have enjoyed getting to know them over the last year or so. **Fr. Contreras**, their superior, plans to visit us here at the beginning of the month if all goes well.



Oh! I almost forgot! This week will be a great one with the St. John's Bonfire on Monday and the Girl's Camp beginning Tuesday. The theme of the camp is St. Therese. I hope to see you on those days!

May the Sacred Heart reign in your hearts and in your homes.

– Bishop McGuire

*"Look at the holy Apostles. It was by sinful jealousy that Peter was subjected to tribulation, not once or twice but many times; it was in that way, that he bore his witness before leaving us for his well-earned place in glory. And Paul, because of jealousy and contention, has become the very type of endurance rewarded. ...In him we have one of the greatest of all examples of endurance. ...[And] we too, are in the same arena and have the same conflict before us." – Pope St. Clement I*



**PRAYER TO OFFER TO THE SACRED HEART ALL THE ACTIONS OF THE DAY**

Every day of my life belongs to Thee, O my God, and every action of my life should be performed with the pure intention of honoring Thee alone. From this moment I offer them to Thy Sacred Heart, and by this offering I consecrate them without reserve to Thy glory. What a motive for performing all my actions with all possible perfection! Do not permit them, O my divine Savior, to be sullied by any motives unworthy of Thy Sacred Heart. I renounce all that could lessen the merit of my offering. I renounce all vanity, self-love, and human respect. Grant, O my God, that I commence, continue, and end this day in Thy grace, and solely from the pure motive of pleasing and honoring Thee. Amen.

*God often leaves us to be buffeted by the waves in order to try our fidelity. It seems that He is deaf to our prayers. But let us be sure that He really hears us, and strengthens us by His grace to resist all the assaults of our enemies. – St. Alphonsus*



<b>MON</b>	<b>6/26/23</b>	<b>SS. JOHN &amp; PAUL, MM</b> <b>8:00 AM Low Mass</b> †Mary McGuire ( <i>McGuire Family</i> ) <b>5:45 PM High Mass</b> †James D. Hanna Sr. ( <i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Bill Oleyar</i> ) <b>St. John's Evening: Potluck, Barbecue, Blessing of the Bonfire</b>
<b>TUE</b>	<b>6/27/23</b>	<b>WITHIN THE OCTAVE</b> <i>OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP</i> SUMMER NOVENA AFTER ALL MASSES <b>7:00 AM Low Mass</b> Fr. Brueggemann ( <i>Alter Christus Confraternity</i> ) <b>8:45 AM Opening of Girls Camp</b> <b>9:00 AM High Mass</b> Fr. Simpson ( <i>Alter Christus Confraternity</i> ) <b>5:00 PM Low Mass</b> †Mary McGuire ( <i>McGuire Family</i> )
<b>WED</b>	<b>6/28/23</b>	<b>ST. IRENAEUS, BPM</b> VIGIL OF SS. PETER & PAUL <b>7:00 AM Low Mass</b> †Bishop Dolan ( <i>Mary Beth Grumblatt</i> ) <b>8:00 AM High Mass</b> Poor Souls ( <i>MEG</i> ) <b>5:10 PM Low Mass</b> †Mary McGuire ( <i>McGuire Family</i> )
<b>THU</b>	<b>6/29/23</b>	<b>SS. PETER &amp; PAUL, APP</b> <b>8:00 AM High Mass</b> †Bishop Dolan & †Fr. Cekada ( <i>The Fathers</i> ) <b>11:25 AM Low Mass</b> †Bishop Dolan ( <i>Alter Christus Confraternity</i> ) <b>5:00 PM Low Mass</b> †Mary McGuire ( <i>McGuire Family</i> )
<b>FRI</b>	<b>6/30/23</b>	<b>COMMEMORATION OF ST. PAUL, AP</b> WITHIN THE OCTAVE <b>8:00 AM Low Mass</b> Holy Souls in Purgatory ( <i>Nathalie Andreotta</i> ) <b>11:05 AM Confessions</b> <b>11:25 AM Low Mass</b> Poor Souls ( <i>MEG</i> ) <b>5:15 PM Confessions &amp; Rosary</b> <b>5:45 PM Low Mass</b> †Mary McGuire ( <i>McGuire Family</i> ) <b>6:30 PM Sacred Heart Novena, Benediction</b>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>7/1/23</b>	<b>FIRST SATURDAY</b> THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD OCTAVE DAY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST <b>7:10 AM Rosary, Confessions</b> <b>7:30 AM Low Mass</b> In honor of St. Joseph & St. Michael for a special intention ( <i>TRCS</i> ) <b>8:10 AM Salve, First Saturday Meditation</b> <b>8:20 AM High Mass</b> †Mary McGuire ( <i>McGuire Family</i> )
<b>SUN</b>	<b>7/2/23</b>	<b>SOLEMNITY OF SS. PETER &amp; PAUL</b> VISITATION OF OUR LADY PENTECOST V SS. PROCESSUS & MARTINIAN, MM <b>7:05 AM Rosary</b> <b>7:30 AM Low Mass</b> Mary Beth Grumblatt ( <i>MEG</i> ) <b>9:00 AM High Mass</b> †Mary McGuire ( <i>McGuire Family</i> ) <b>11:05 AM Rosary</b> <b>11:30 AM Low Mass</b> Brother Michael <b>4:45 PM Vespers &amp; Benediction</b> <b>5:45 PM Low Mass</b> For the people of St. Gertrude the Great

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

O Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that I may ever invoke thy most powerful name, which is the safeguard of the living and the salvation of the dying. O purest Mary, O sweetest Mary, let thy name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, O Blessed Lady, to help me, whenever I call on thee; for, in all my temptations, in all my needs, I shall never cease to call on thee, ever repeating thy sacred name, Mary, Mary.

O what consolation, what sweetness, what confidence, what emotion, fill my soul when I utter thy sacred name, or even only think of thee. I thank the Lord for having given thee, for my good so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering thy name. Let my love for thee prompt me ever to hail thee, Mother of Perpetual Help. (*Recite 3 Hail Marys*)



PRAYER TO ST. GERTRUDE

O blessed St. Gertrude! and all ye glorious servants of Christ! who while on earth were particularly devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, join your prayers with mine and implore from the divine object of all your devotion the grant of the petition which I now make, and specially offer up through thy intercession. Beg likewise from this adorable Heart, which has dominion over all hearts, and could in a moment change the most obdurate, to have compassion on those who are in the dreadful state of mortal sin, and to open to us all the treasures of its mercy at the hour of our death. Amen.

SERVERS

<b>MON 6/26</b>	<b>5:45 PM HIGH:</b> C. Richesson, T. Lawrence <b>TH:</b> S. Richesson <b>AC:</b> M. Caggese, A. McClorey <b>TB:</b> I. Smith, F. & P. Caggese, L. Rabjohns
<b>TUE 6/27</b>	<b>9:00 AM HIGH:</b> Simpsons
<b>WED 6/28</b>	<b>8:00 AM HIGH:</b> Kolenichs
<b>THU 6/29</b>	<b>8:00 AM HIGH:</b> Capetillos
<b>FRI 6/30</b>	<b>5:45 PM LOW:</b> T. Lawrence, I. Smith
<b>SAT 7/1</b>	<b>7:30 AM LOW:</b> Brueggemanns <b>8:20 AM HIGH:</b> D. Simpson, Kolenichs
<b>SUN 7/2</b>	<b>7:30 AM LOW:</b> Brueggemanns <b>9:00 AM HIGH:</b> MCS: P. Omlor, D. Simpson <b>TH:</b> C. Arlinghaus <b>ACs:</b> D. Hudson, F. Caggese <b>TB:</b> B. & A. Constantino, N. & J. Hudson, J. Stewart, M. Caggese <b>11:30 AM LOW:</b> Kolenichs <b>4:45 PM VESPERS &amp; BENEDICTION:</b> G. Miller, D. Simpson <b>5:45 PM LOW:</b> <i>Volunteer</i>