

# 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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**October 8, 2023**  
**PENTECOST XIX**  
**ST. BRIDGET, W**



## ¶ PENTECOST XIX

Catechism Classes are at 10:40 AM today. Vespers with October Devotions and Benediction begin at 4:30 PM.

## ¶ THIS WEEK

**Tomorrow** we observe **COLUMBUS DAY**, and the school has the day off. On **Wednesday** we have the feast of the **MATERNITY OF OUR LADY**. **Friday** is **OUR LADY OF FATIMA**, with our final **Rosary Procession** by **candlelight** at 7:15 PM. **Saturday** is **ALTAR BOYS' DAY!** All altar boys are invited to join in this fun and informative day, beginning with Mass at 8:40 AM and closing at 2:30 PM with Rosary. Breakfast and lunch are provided.

## ¶ YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for Bishop Nkamuke's father, Gabriel; Shannon Schwab, Rick Woods, and the repose of the souls of †Juan Carlos Araneta and †Jerry Arlinghaus (brother of Paul Arlinghaus).



Your eyes opened to a new kind of light  
Wide pools that gaze with merciful love upon the world  
Your sword-pierced heart, immaculate,  
Strong-walled as a cathedral  
In the holy city of God.

Angels surround your throne  
Holy Blessed Virgin,  
Mother of God  
Star-crowned Queen of heaven and  
Queen of angels

We, though sinners, are yours,  
Every tribe on earth, every race  
Beckoned to enclosure  
In deep mantle-folds of grace.

*Anastpaul*

## Collection Report

Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup>.....\$7,507.00  
Second Collection.....\$3,149.00  
Alter Christus Confraternity.....\$117.00  
Thank you for your generosity. Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will.

## ¶ OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

The **October Devotions** (Rosary, Litany and Prayer to St. Joseph) are recited every school day at **3:10 PM**. Every **Wednesday** the Rosary is recited before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed at **3:00 PM**, with Benediction and Holy Communion at approximately 3:20 PM. **Saturday** the Devotions are at **8:20 AM**.

## ¶ NEXT SUNDAY: PENTECOST XX

The Blessing of Expectant Mothers will be available after all Masses. Catechism Classes will be at 10:40 AM. The **Autumn Bake Sale** will take place in the social hall. Vespers with October Devotions and Benediction will begin at 4:30 PM.

📖 **Set Your Missal:** Pentecost XX, commemoration of St. Teresa of Avila. Trinity Preface.

## ¶ MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Forty Hours Devotion:** Friday-Sunday, October 20-22  
**All Saints Sunday:** October 29

## Lumen Christi

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

**Thomas Albrecht &  
Kelsey Peterson**  
*(Andrew Higgins)*

## Wedding Banns

First time:

*Patrick Klabenes &  
Colleen Eldracher*

*(Wedding to take place in Michigan)*



**PRAYER TO ALL THE  
GUARDIAN ANGELS**

O pure and happy spirits whom the Almighty selected to become the Angels and Guardians of men! I most humbly kneel before you, to thank you for the charity and zeal with which you execute this commission.

Alas! how many pass a long life without ever thanking that invisible friend to whom they owe a thousand times its preservation!

O charitable Guardians of those souls for whom Christ died! Resplendent Spirits, who cannot avoid loving those whom Jesus eternally loved, permit me to address you on behalf of all those committed to your care, and to implore for them all in general a grateful sense of your many favors, and also the grace to profit by your charitable assistance.

O Angel of those happy infants, who as yet “are without spot before God,” I earnestly conjure you to preserve their innocence.

O Angels of youth, conduct them, exposed to so many dangers, safely to the bosom of God, as Tobias was conducted back to his father.

O Angels of those who employ themselves in the instruction of youth, animate them with your zeal and love; teach them to emulate your purity and incessant view of God, that they may worthily and successfully cooperate with the invisible Guardians of their young charges.

O Angels of the clergy, “who have the eternal Gospel to preach to all nations,” present their words, their actions and their intentions to God, and purify them in that fire of love with which you are consumed.

O Angels of the missionaries, who have left their native land and all who were dear to them in order to preach the Gospel in foreign fields, protect them from the physical dangers which threaten them, and especially from the defilement of the corrupting spirit of the world; console them in their hours of depression and solitude, and lead them to those souls who are in danger of dying without Baptism.

O Angels of infidels and pagans, whom the True Faith has never enlightened, intercede for them that they may at least open their hearts to the rays of grace, respond to the message delivered by God’s missionaries, and acknowledge and adore the one true God.

O Angels of all who travel by air, land or water, be their guides and companions, protect them from all dangers of collision, of fire and explosion, and lead them safely to their destination.

O Guardian Angels of sinners, charitable guides of those unhappy mortals whose perseverance in sin would embitter even your unutterable joy, if you were not established in the peace of God; oh, join me, I ardently beseech you, in imploring their lasting conversion.

And you, O Guardian Angels of the sick, I entreat you especially to help, console and implore the spirit of joy for all those who are deprived of health. Intercede for them that they may not succumb to despondency or lose by impatience the merits they can gain in carrying with resignation and joy the cross which Jesus Christ has laid upon them as a special token of His love.

O Angels of those who at this moment struggle in the agonies of death, strengthen, encourage and defend them against the attacks of the infernal enemy.

O faithful Guides, holy Spirits, Adorers of the Divinity! Guardian Angels of all creatures! Protect us all, teach us to love, to pray, to combat on earth, so that one day we may reach heaven and there be happy for all eternity! Amen.



**MARY’S AUTUMN MAY**



*Say, dearest Mother Mary, can it be  
That, having May, thou claim’st October  
too?*

*The flowers of spring we plucked and gave  
to thee,*

*And these sad leaves of autumn wilt thou  
sue?*

*When evenings first were lengthening,  
calm and warm,*

*We lit thy altar, gay with lily bloom;  
Now falls the night full swift with  
threatening storm,*

*And still thy tapers stay the advancing  
gloom.*

*’Tis thine, and ten times welcome, Mother  
dear!*

*This ripe and crisp October month is thine.*

*What though our flowers and leaves be  
scant and sere,*

*The Calendar of Love knows no  
decline.*

*Accept these autumn wreaths—our chaplets  
bright,*

*With crimson–yellow stained, like sunset  
skies:*

*O star of Morn, be still our Star at night,  
And bless our falling years as thou didst  
bless their rise.*

– Rev. Arthur Ryan



**OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY**

*Lepanto marks the spot of victory,  
O’er crescent cruel and strong, by forces  
weak,*

*Of hallowed cross; of which, “if sign you  
seek,”*

*’Tis white-robed Pius Fifth the Rosary  
Lifted like the rod of Moses, meek;*

*Whilst Ottomans on Christians wrath  
would wreak*

*And, as of old, engulfed them in the sea.*

*O Lady of the Rosary, today*

*Thy clients all beseech thee, hear their  
prayer,*

*And beg the Christ who raging storms did  
quell,*

*Bid warring nations cease their bloody fray;  
His power and thine honor, we declare,*

*O Thou All-Fair, thou Joy of Israel.*

– Francis A. Gaffney, O.P.

The month of October has opened with a bang, Rosary Sunday having fallen on the first day. The Rosary procession after the High Mass had to be done on the fly since so many more people attend these special events nowadays. Routes had to be adjusted, but the timing worked out pretty well. Fifteen souls were enrolled in the Rosary Confraternity after the Procession, and Lauren Caggese was elected as the Confraternity's new president. Dr. Dan Stanislawski, our new school principal, gave an edifying talk about his background, conversion, and goals for the future of our school.

Miss Mikesell has a very unique way of teaching her students—and keeping it entertaining. I told you last year about the two turtles she keeps in her classroom. This year, she and her students have collected four praying mantises and a spider. There might have been something else too. The class doesn't just leave the critters in a jar to die; each day they take a few minutes to go outside to hunt for food for them. Flies, crickets, whatever the preference of the "science projects" might be.

This week, on Thursday evening, our "St. Monica's Club" will gather for Mass, a potluck, a talk, and devotions. This group was only started a couple months ago and is intended for mothers with fallen away children. St. Monica was chosen as its patroness for the obvious reason that her son, the future St. Augustine, had been a fallen away for many years. He was eventually converted by the prayers, sacrifices, and tears of his good mother. St. Monica's Club members pray for a list of such fallen away sons and daughters, as well as share ideas and encourage one another in their goal of getting their families into heaven. If you are interested in joining, just give the office a call.

I am doing Confirmations at Sacred Heart in the Boston area, Our Lady of the Rosary in Monroe, Connecticut, and St. Mary the Virgin in New Jersey. I'll be back on Monday. Don't forget the candlelight Fatima Rosary Procession this Friday evening, the feast of Our Lady of Fatima.

"Wars and rumors of wars." If you've been paying attention, there is a great deal of talk about war lately. Here is what St. Matthew's Gospel says: "And you shall hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that ye be not troubled. For these things must come to pass: but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be pestilences and famines and earthquakes in places. Now all these things are the beginning of sorrows." St. Therese once said, "Confidence! It is the hand of Jesus that guides all things." Besides, heaven has sent us the devotions we need to practice in these days—Reparation to the Sacred Heart and Fatima's Peace Plan! We must recognize the signs, yet trust the Good God Who orders all things sweetly!

May the Holy Angels guide and protect you all!

– Bishop McGuire

P.S. Several people have asked what indulgences a bishop can attach to a rosary when he blesses it. So, here is a list:



1. *The apostolic indulgences.*
2. *The Dominican Indulgence—100 days for the recitation of each Our Father & Hail Mary.*
3. *The Crozier Indulgence—500 days for the recitation of each Our Father & Hail Mary.*
4. *The Brigittine Indulgence consisting of 10 specific indulgences, the most familiar being 100 days for the recitation of each Our Father, Hail Mary & Apostles' Creed.*
5. *The indulgence of 40 years to be gained daily by members of the Confraternity of the Holy Rosary who carry on their person a blessed rosary.*

All these indulgences can be gained simultaneously whenever one prays the Rosary which has been thus blessed.

P.P.S. The Family Bluegrass Night on Thursday was fantastic!

*Calling All Altar Boys*

## ALTAR BOY DAY

**Saturday, October 14**

Beginning with Mass at **8:40 AM**

Closing with Rosary at **2:30 PM**

**Breakfast & lunch are provided.**

*Servers, come attend a fun and informative day specially dedicated to the privilege of serving God's altar.*



### ASSISTING YOUR CLERGY

In case you are new to the parish, or just had not heard, **we have a website for organizing meals and airport transportation for our clergy.** This is an excellent way for the laity to assist their priests in their apostolate of saving souls. (And driving the priests places is an excellent opportunity to ask all the questions you've always wanted to ask but didn't!)



If you are interested in helping in either (or both!) of these areas, simply send an email to [parishoffice@sgg.org](mailto:parishoffice@sgg.org) to be added to our groups on [lotsahelpinghands.com](http://lotsahelpinghands.com). The faithful few who have been supporting the clergy in this way for many years now would greatly appreciate new volunteers—as would the priests themselves! May God reward your generosity.

# ✦ CALENDAR

<b>MON</b>	<b>10/9/23</b>	<b>ST. JOHN LEONARDI, C</b> SS. DENIS, BP & COMPANIONS, MM COLUMBUS DAY
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> For all who cook for us and for our devoted drivers ( <i>The Fathers</i> )
	<b>8:40 AM</b>	<b>October Devotions</b>
	<b>9:15 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Fields
<b>TUE</b>	<b>10/10/23</b>	<b>ST. FRANCIS BORGIA, C</b>
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> For Helen Lane's intentions ( <i>Patrick Omlor</i> )
	<b>11:25 AM</b>	<b>High Mass</b> Erika McGuire ( <i>Margaret Sutton</i> )
	<b>3:10 PM</b>	<b>October Devotions</b>
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Kevin & Karen O'Malley – 25 <sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary ( <i>Mom, Eric &amp; Steven</i> )
<b>WED</b>	<b>10/11/23</b>	<b>MATERNITY OF OUR LADY</b>
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Paul Desenne ( <i>Kirby &amp; Jean Bischel</i> )
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Jean Bischel ( <i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Mark Lotarski</i> )
	<b>11:25 AM</b>	<b>High Mass</b> Isabella, Brandy & Katelyn ( <i>Theresa Simpson</i> )
	<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>October Devotions, Benediction</b>
	<b>3:20 PM</b>	<b>(approx.) Distribution of Holy Communion</b>
	<b>5:10 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Kevin & Karen O'Malley – 25 <sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary ( <i>Mom, Eric &amp; Steven</i> )
<b>THU</b>	<b>10/12/23</b>	<b>FERIAL DAY</b> <i>OUR LADY OF EL PILAR</i>
	<b>7:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Kevin & Karen O'Malley – 25 <sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary ( <i>Mom, Eric &amp; Steven</i> )
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Mary McGuire ( <i>Joyce Disher</i> )
	<b>11:25 AM</b>	<b>High Mass</b> †Mary E. McGuire ( <i>St. Gertrude the Great School</i> )
	<b>3:10 PM</b>	<b>October Devotions</b>
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Intentions of St. Monica's Club ( <i>St. Monica's Club</i> )
		<b>St. Monica's Club Meeting</b>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>10/13/23</b>	<b>ST. EDWARD, KING C</b> <i>OUR LADY OF FATIMA</i>
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> For Helen Lane's intentions ( <i>Patrick Omlor</i> )
	<b>11:05 AM</b>	<b>Confessions</b>
	<b>11:25 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Margaret Kinnett ( <i>St. Gertrude the Great School</i> )
	<b>3:10 PM</b>	<b>October Devotions</b>
	<b>5:15 PM</b>	<b>Confessions</b>
	<b>5:45 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Mrs. Jean Bischel ( <i>Regina Simpson</i> )
	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Sacred Heart Novena, Benediction</b>
	<b>7:15 PM</b>	<b>Candlelight Fatima Rosary Procession</b>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>10/14/23</b>	<b>ST. CALLISTUS I, PM</b>
	<b>7:10 AM</b>	<b>Confessions</b>
	<b>7:30 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> For Helen Lane's intentions ( <i>Patrick Omlor</i> )
	<b>8:10 AM</b>	<b>Salve, Sermon</b>
	<b>8:20 AM</b>	<b>October Devotions</b>
	<b>8:40 AM</b>	<b>Opening of Altar Boys' Day: High Mass</b> Happy Birthday Dad ( <i>The Brueggemann Family</i> )
	<b>2:30 PM</b>	<b>Rosary, Closing of Altar Boys' Day</b>



**Autumn Bake Sale**  
Next Sunday  
**October 15**

*Bring your baked goods to the social hall on Saturday, October 14, or Sunday, the day of the sale.*



## ST. THERESE'S GUARDIAN ANGEL PRAYER

“O Guardian Angel, fly in my stead to those who are dear to me; dry their tears; tell them of the goodness of Jesus and of the benefit of suffering, and O so softly, murmur my name.”

– St. Therese of Lisieux

## Servers

<b>FRI 10/13</b>	<b>5:45 PM LOW:</b> Capetillos
<b>SAT 10/14</b>	<b>7:30 AM LOW:</b> J. & L. Rabjohns
	<b>8:40 AM HIGH: MC:</b> C. Richesson <b>ACS:</b> D. Simpson, J. Stewart
	<b>TBS:</b> I. Smith, C. VanderPutten, B. & A. Constantino
<b>SUN 10/15</b>	<b>7:30 AM LOW:</b> M. McConnell, Brueggemann
	<b>9:00 AM HIGH: MCS:</b> N. McClorey, T. Lawrence <b>TH:</b> C. Arlinghaus
	<b>ACS:</b> T. England, D. Hudson <b>TB:</b> N. & J. Hudson, L. & J. Rabjohns, F. Cageso, D. Simpson
	<b>11:30 AM LOW:</b> Capetillos
	<b>4:30 PM VESPERS &amp; BENEDICTION:</b> G. Miller
	<b>5:45 PM LOW:</b> P. McClorey

<b>SUN</b>	<b>10/15/23</b>	<b>PENTECOST XX • ST. TERESA OF AVILA, V</b>
	<b>7:05 AM</b>	<b>Rosary</b>
	<b>7:30 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Dennis Ackerman
	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>High Mass</b> Matt & Leanne – Marriage Blessings ( <i>Levi Giese Family</i> )
	<b>10:40 AM</b>	<b>Catechism Classes</b>
	<b>11:05 AM</b>	<b>Rosary</b>
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> In thanksgiving for prayers answered ( <i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. William Oleyar</i> )
	<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>Vespers, October Devotions, Benediction</b>
	<b>5:45 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> For the people of St. Gertrude the Great