

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

Most Rev. Charles J. McGuire, *Pastor* • Rev. Stephen McKenna
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October 15, 2023
PENTECOST XX
ST. TERESA OF AVILA, V



¶ PENTECOST XX



Don't miss the **Autumn Bake Sale** in Helfta Hall today! The

Blessing of Expectant Mothers is available after all Masses. Catechism Classes are at 10:40 AM. Vespers with October Devotions and Benediction begin at 4:30 PM.

¶ FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

The Forty Hours Devotion takes place on **Friday, Saturday, and Sunday** of this week (**October 20-22**). The Devotion honors the time Our Lord's Adorable Body passed in the Holy Sepulcher, and obtains for the Church, as well as for each soul, all of the pressing needs of the day. Please try to take an hour of Adoration where it is most needed: **Saturday afternoon from 3-5:00 PM, and Sunday from 1-5:00 PM.**

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed after the **5:30 PM Mass** on Friday. The moving and very touching Procession and Litany of the Saints conclude the opening ceremonies. Our **All Night Adoration** replaces the November Adoration.

The **Harvest Chili Supper** follows the opening ceremonies. *Those who attend the opening Mass* may consider themselves dispensed from the abstinence. Bring a meat or meatless chili to share.

All members of the Rosary Confraternity are invited to attend the Opening and Closing ceremonies of Forty Hours in a body, and walk in the Processions wearing their Confraternity medals.



Saturday's Adoration continues all day, with **Low Mass at 7:30** and Solemn Mass at **9 AM**. Rosary is at 12:00 noon, Vespers of the Blessed Sacrament at 1:30, and Closing Devotions of the Day with **Benediction at 4:45.**

Wedding Banns

*Second time: Patrick Klabenes
& Colleen Eldracher*
(Wedding to take place in Michigan)

¶ 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. Please see the Calendar for Friday and Saturday.



Please pray for the repose of

the soul of †**Frederick Woods**, who died this past week. His funeral will be on Wednesday, October 18.

¶ NEXT SUNDAY: PENTECOST XXI

Next Sunday is Mission Sunday. We resume the **Forty Hours Adoration at 6:30 AM**. There will be **no** Sunday Classes. October Devotions with Rosary will be at 4:00 PM. Vespers will be at 4:45 PM. **Note that the evening Mass is at 5:30, not 5:45. Closing ceremonies** are at **6:45**, followed by refreshments.

📖 **Set Your Missal:** Pentecost XXI, second collect of Our Lady & All the Saints, third at the choice of the priest, fourth of the Propagation of the Faith. Trinity Preface.

¶ UPCOMING

All Saints Procession & Party: Sunday, October 29th

Sodality Meeting: November 18th

Collection Report

Sunday, October 8th\$5,086.00

DO SOMETHING!



The Forty Hours Devotion came to America through the efforts of the saintly Bishop John Neumann, who introduced it in his diocese of Philadelphia in 1853. But the Forty Hours goes back a long, long way, in fact, more than 400 years. As far back as the year 1537, the Blessed Sacrament was exposed on the church altars for a period of approximately forty hours, and the faithful prayed in relays day and night. But as there is evidence of a similar practice some ten years before this time, it is impossible to name the founder of the devotion or the exact time or place of its true origin.

One thing is certain, and that is the reason behind Forty Hours. Some kind of catastrophe or danger to the peace of the Christian world in the early 1500s prompted this fervent response. At that time the Moslems were a constant threat to the southern shores of Europe. Forty hours of constant prayer before the Blessed Sacrament was the answer given by the clergy and people. The pattern was set for the future; as the Forty Hours spread rapidly, the reason for its practice remained constant: to *beg God's intercession in a time of great distress or public calamity.*

We complain to ourselves and to everyone else that things are so bad. We go to meetings, we sign petitions, we attend lectures, we listen to radio commentators. We get all riled up and we do very little or nothing at all. Let's do something. Come to church this weekend and pray.

Let us receive everything from the loving hand of God. Whoever does not carry the cross of Jesus Christ and does not follow Him cannot be His disciple. You will tell me that you are carrying the cross; this is a good sign, for this is what the Lord wants of you. Afterward will come the time of consolation.

— St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows

FORTY HOURS THOUGHTS

“The ways of visiting the Blessed Sacrament must be as various as the souls of men. Some love to go there to listen; some to speak; some to confess to Him as if He were their priest; some to examine their consciences, as before their judge; some to do homage to their king; some to study Him as their doctor and prophet; some to find their shelter as with their Creator. Some rejoice in His divinity, others in His sacred humanity, others in the mysteries of the season. Some visit Him on different days according to His different titles—as God, Father, brother, shepherd, head of the Church, and the like. Some visit to adore, some to intercede, some to petition, some to return thanks, some to get consolation; but all visit Him to love, and to all who visit Him in love He is a power of heavenly grace, and a fountain of many goods, no single one of which the whole created universe could either merit or confer.”

— Fr. Faber



When the Christian Faith has finally died out in the hearts of men—when pleasure and well-being have become the gods of the day—human activity will then have a single goal: the power of the state; one single lever and stimulus: public opinion; one inspiration and driving force: and this stimulus, this sinew, this driving force, will be gold. Gold will take precedence over religion and morality, becoming the basis of politics and the keystone of all institutions. The pontiffs and kings will be the financiers; and the people who possess the most gold will be the ones who will soon exercise the greatest control over us.

— The End of the Present World

CHERUBS

No one has ever seen the cherubim,
Nobody ever saw them fly,
Those spirits whom old artists made
A kindergarten in the sky.

The German painters crowned them
with
Their children's curly yellow locks,
And hung about their chick-like
wings
Long flower-printed linen frocks.

In Italy where babies played
In dimpled nothings everywhere,
The Masters drew them cap-à-pie,
And gave them sparrow wings to
wear.

They had such faith, it would have
caused
Them no surprise, had God allowed,
To find small angels on their floor
Or see their children on a cloud.

Now, I would warily suggest
(I hope the notion is no sin)
That we depict them in those things
Our mothers dress their babies in.
— Fray Angelico Chavez, O.F.M.



TELEPHONE

I am the telephone
I have heard
Many voices in confidence
I ring and they jump,
And pick up
My hand set.
When they get set
For a talk.
'Hullo, who's speaking?'
'It's me' and they continue
On topics legal and illegal
They indulge in conversation
They think is all secret
But I listen
And wait like a computer
For the day I will be summoned
As witness
To all the dialogues
That transpired
That will be, the day of judgment.
— Mamman J. Vatsa, 20th century

I am writing this note on a beautiful Friday morning. **Fr. McKenna** departed last night for St. Hugh's in Milwaukee in order to avoid the terrible daytime traffic and to make sure that he was there in plenty of time to pray the Fatima Rosary with the people there. Here at St. Gertrude's we are getting ready for our own candlelight procession and I hope we have the best attendance ever. We need more people praying and making reparation, not taking sides in a war that should not involve us. War is a punishment from God. It is a punishment for sin. The way to avoid war is, therefore, to do penance for sin. So turn off Fox News, stop listening to the media that has been lying to us since 2020 and before, and hit your knees. We are a fickle people which falls into the same old trap time and time again. When will we ever learn? Prayer, not politics, solves all problems.

Speaking of prayer, our St. Monica Club for mothers with fallen away children doubled in size and we even have a couple of people from other parts of the country. Someone asked me if it is a good thing that it doubled in size since it means that souls have fallen away. I see it from a different angle. These children have been fallen away for some time now, and now the mothers are coming together to pray not only for their own but for one another's prodigal sons and daughters. The prayers for each of the children are doubled and tripled and more. What a consolation that must be for the mothers, and what graces are won for their children.

My trip last weekend was very successful, I think. Confirmations were done at Sacred Heart in Lawrence, Massachusetts, Our Lady of the Rosary in Monroe, Connecticut (Bishop McKenna's old chapel), and at St. Mary the Virgin in New Jersey. Fifty or so souls received this sacrament. It was nice to see **Fr. Richards** and **Fr. Rodriguez**, both of the Company of Jesus and Mary. I learned that there are two Dominican Sisters who still go to Mass at the Monroe chapel. They used to be under Bishop McKenna but stayed behind when most of the nuns moved to Highland, Michigan several years ago.

Bishop da Silva, **Bishop Nkamuke** and I had a nice chat the other day. They both keep themselves so busy. The electric was out at the seminary in Nigeria so Bishop Nkamuke was sitting in his car to keep his phone charged! Bishop da Silva is still in Mexico where he is organizing the priests there. His Excellency presently has an apostolate in Brazil, Mexico, Colombia, Canada, and now has been asked to come to Spain and Portugal. Bishop Nkamuke has a large apostolate in Nigeria and other countries in Africa. I have visited France, Mexico, and Argentina for Confirmations and Ordinations. As you can see, the apostolate of St.

Gertrude's is far-reaching and keeps us busy. Now we need to get ourselves a bit better organized so that we aren't overlapping each other as we have been. Bishop Dolan labored for years for the international missions and now we bishops are gathering the fruits from his prayerful work. Thank you, God, for such a harvest!



Still, we cannot rest satisfied with this, but must always do our part to extend the Kingdom of Christ throughout the whole world. The forces of Anti-Christ are hard at work these days. We must be just as active...more even. Since our fighting is against principalities and powers most of our work must be done in church kneeling before Our Lord. Can we count on you to help us in this work?

– **Bishop McGuire**



ACTS OF REPARATION

Modern society, especially the class that by position of wealth should give example and draw the poor and the lowly to Thee, has broken the sacred bonds that united it to Thee, O Jesus! ...Alas! Suffering from a fever for pleasure and the dizziness of frivolity, it wastes time, youth, money, and everything in whims, vanity, and shows often not only harmful but scandalous. And, with unheard of inconsistency, it justifies this sinful conduct and will not acknowledge that it has gone astray or is running risks. In addition to this, O height of irony, it declares that it does not wish to offend Thee, Jesus. It would like to see Thee tolerate the state of paganism and refined sensuality in which it lives and wallows, at least by Thy silence... O meek King! Stay Thy Hand; defer the sentence Justice demands, for the sake of the friends of Thy Heart and the apostles of Thy Kingship, show mercy and by a vengeance of Love, extend to all these unfortunates the benefit of Thy social reign; reign, triumph, rule, O Christ the King!

The line of judges who condemned Thee, Lord, is not extinct; it is perpetuated in the modern sanhedrins of Masonic lodges and other dens of darkness and revolution that plot night and day with satanic ferocity against Thine Adorable Person... Ah! How skillful and united they are in their efforts to dethrone Thee; how crafty, rich, and powerful when it comes to casting lots for Thy Robe, Thy Scepter, and Thy Crown... Moreover, how often these unjust judges are supported and encouraged by public officials; they even, O Jesus, receive like Judas their thirty pieces of silver to pay for their treason and enmity... O meek King! Stay Thy Hand; defer the sentence Justice demands, for the sake of the friends of Thy Heart and the apostles of Thy Kingship, show mercy and by a vengeance of Love, extend to all these unfortunates the benefit of Thy social reign; reign, triumph, rule, O Christ the King!

✠ CALENDAR

Our Beloved Dead – October

MON 10/16/23	ST. HEDWIG, W • PURITY OF MARY <i>ST. GERARD MAJELLA</i>
8:00 AM	Low Mass Keith Christensen (<i>Mary Christensen</i>)
11:25 AM	Low Mass Mary Beth Grumblatt (<i>M.E.G.</i>)
3:10 PM	October Devotions
TUE 10/17/23	ST. MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE, V
7:00 AM	Low Mass For “our village”—all those who have helped our family! (<i>Joachim & Lisa Zver</i>)
8:00 AM	Low Mass Mr. & Mrs. Tom Simpson (<i>Dan, Mary & family</i>)
11:25 AM	High Mass My father, †Wen Quei Yuaan – rest in peace (<i>H.Y.</i>)
3:10 PM	October Devotions
5:00 PM	Low Mass Mary Beth Grumblatt (<i>M.E.G.</i>)
WED 10/18/23	ST. LUKE, EV
7:00 AM	Low Mass Matt & Leanne Giese – Congratulations! (<i>Colleen Eldracher</i>)
8:00 AM	Low Mass †Jean Bischel (<i>Judy</i>)
11:00 AM	Rosary for †Frederick Woods
11:25 AM	Requiem Mass †Frederick Woods
3:00 PM	October Devotions, Benediction
3:20 PM	(approx.) Distribution of Holy Communion
5:10 PM	Low Mass My good friend (<i>Renee Arlinghaus</i>)
THU 10/19/23	ST. PETER OF ALCANTARA, C
7:00 AM	Low Mass My Children, Godchildren & Grandchildren (<i>A.M.B.</i>)
8:00 AM	Low Mass Poor Souls in thanksgiving for favors received (<i>Mr. & Mrs. William H. Young III</i>)
11:25 AM	High Mass Our Lady’s intercession for H.L. (<i>TRCS</i>)
3:10 PM	October Devotions
FRI 10/20/22	ST. JOHN CANTIUS, C • MATER ADMIRABILIS
8:00 AM	Low Mass Our Country (<i>K/V</i>)
5:15 PM	Confessions & Sacred Heart Novena
5:30 PM	Opening of Forty Hours: Solemn High Mass of the Blessed Sacrament Reparation for insults offered to the Blessed Sacrament (<i>Collin Smith</i>)
	Procession, Harvest Chili Supper
8:15 PM	(approx.) October Devotions <i>All Night Adoration</i>
SAT 10/21/22	ST. HILARION, AB • Ss. URSULA & COMP, VvMM
7:30 AM	Low Mass Happy Birthday, Will (<i>Marian England</i>)
8:30 AM	Confessions
9:00 AM	Solemn High Votive Mass for Peace In reparation to Christ the King and for Peace <i>Adoration continues all day</i>
12:00 PM	October Devotions
1:30 PM	Solemn Votive Vespers of Blessed Sacrament
4:45 PM	Visit to the Blessed Sacrament, Compline, Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Sunday morning
SUN 10/22/22	PENTECOST XXI • MISSION SUNDAY
6:30 AM	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
7:05 AM	Rosary



Marie B. Bludau	10-01-1983
Laverne Elmlinger	10-02-1992
James Lehman	10-03-1984
Belvie M. Mills	10-03-1995
Matilda E. Hamer	10-04-1981
Elizabeth M. Richter	10-05-2006
Susan Schmidt	10-06-1999
Joan Weigand	10-06-2012
Joseph M. Andreotta	10-06-2021
Victor William Feighery	10-09-1988
Nadine E. Henry	10-10-2009
C. Baumgartner	10-14-1987
Mark Moser	10-15-1987
Edwin Lavern Newman	10-22-1984
Rev. Gunther Richter	10-19-2008
Agnes Bandy	10-20-1985
Marie F. Borger	10-20-1988
Nicholas J. Bischak	10-21-2005
Vera L. DuBroca	10-21-1988
Ken Brown	10-24-2004
Laurence Brueggemann	10-24-1995
Frank J. Koerner	10-25-2005
Michael George	10-29-2021
Patricia Patton	10-30-2018

Servers

FRI 10/20 5:30 PM SOL. HIGH: MCS: N. McClorey, C. Richesson **THS:** A. McClorey, S. Richesson **ACS:** D. Simpson, N. Kolenich **CROSS:** C. Arlinghaus **BANNER:** M. Caggese **UMBRELLA:** M. Simpson **TBS:** I. Smith, B. & A. Constantino, P. & F. Caggese, C. VanderPutten **BELLS:** M. Kolenich

SUN 10/22 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM SOL. HIGH: MCS: D. Simpson, M. Simpson **TH:** C. Arlinghaus **ACS:** D. Hudson, T. England **CROSS:** J. Rabjohns **TBS:** N. & J. Hudson, L. Rabjohns, P. Caggese, B. Constantino, I. Smith
11:30 AM LOW: Kolenichs
4:45 PM VESPERS: G. Miller
5:30 PM LOW: P. McClorey
6:45 PM CLOSING: MCS: M. Simpson, C. Richesson, T. Lawrence **THS:** D. Simpson, N. Kolenich **CROSS:** D. Hudson **ACS:** A. McClorey, J. Plucker **MITRE:** S. Richesson **CROZIER:** J. Kolenich **BANNER:** M. Caggese **TRAIN:** I. Smith **TBS:** A. Constantino, C. Plucker, M. Kolenich, C. VanderPutten **BELLS:** F. Caggese

7:30 AM Low Mass †Mary McGuire (*Patsy McConnell*)
9:00 AM Solemn High Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great
11:05 AM Rosary
11:30 AM Low Mass †Margaret Kinnett – rest in peace (*Kolenich Family*)
Adoration continues all day
4:00 PM Visit to the Blessed Sacrament, October Devotions
4:45 PM Solemn Vespers
☞ **5:30 PM Low Mass** In thanksgiving to Infant of Prague (*Bob & Becky Uhlenbrock*)
6:45 PM Closing Ceremonies with Procession & Benediction
7:45 PM Light refreshments in Helfta Hall

The Forty Hours Adoration

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

5:30 PM Opening Solemn High Mass and Procession

Our Harvest Chili Supper takes place after Mass.

Bring your favorite chili to share—with or without meat. We will provide beverages, fixin's, and dessert. (*The abstinence is dispensed for those who attend the opening Mass.*)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CONTINUES ALL FRIDAY NIGHT



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21ST

7:30 AM Low Mass

8:30 AM Confessions

9:00 AM Solemn High Votive Mass for Peace

12:00 PM October Devotions

ADORATION CONTINUES ALL DAY

1:30 PM Solemn Vespers of the Blessed Sacrament

4:45 PM Visit to the Blessed Sacrament, Compline, Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Sunday morning



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CONTINUES ALL DAY

6:30 AM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7:30 AM Low Mass

9:00 AM Solemn High Mass

11:30 AM Low Mass

4:00 PM Visit to the Blessed Sacrament, October Devotions

4:45 PM Solemn Vespers

5:30 PM Low Mass (note special time)

6:45 PM Closing Ceremonies with Procession and Benediction

7:45 PM Light refreshments in Helfta Hall

**All Night Adoration Guard of Honor
Forty Hours 2023**

(takes the place of November's First Friday Adoration)

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM: David Swinney, Joseph Vines

8:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Kirby Bischel, Quentin Gorton

9:00 PM - 10:00 PM: Collin Smith, **Volunteer Needed!**

10:00 PM - 11:00 PM: Nick McClorey, **Volunteer Needed!**

11:00 PM - 12:00 AM: James Kolenich, Paul Puglielli

12:00 AM - 1:00 AM: Levi Giese, **Volunteer Needed!**

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, Nathaniel Arnold

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.

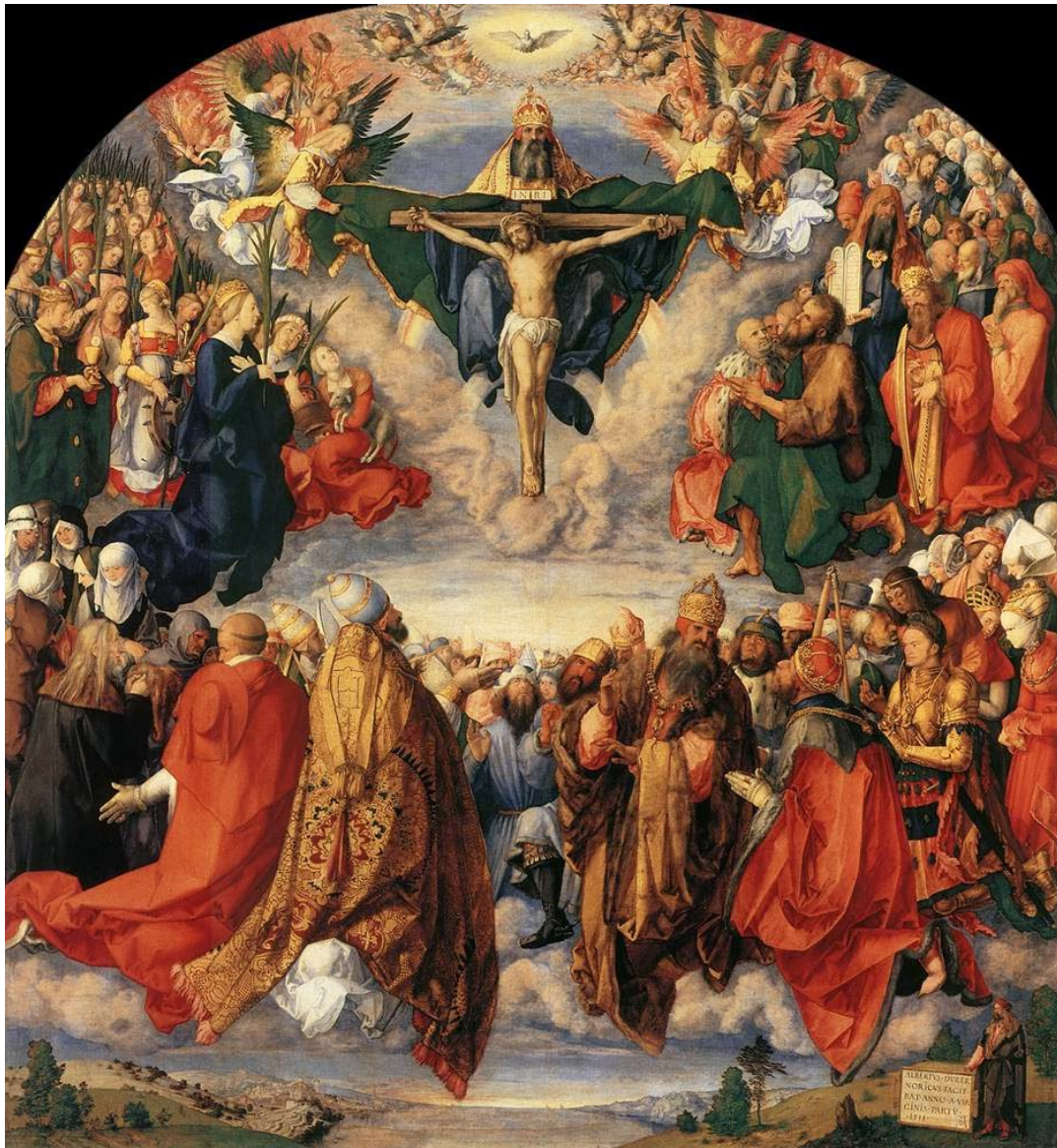
☞ If you have finished your hour but no one has arrived to relieve you, please call Fr. Brueggemann (513-378-2705) or Fr. Simpson (513-378-2870) to substitute.

ALL SAINTS DAY PROCESSION & PARTY

Feast of Christ the King

October 29, 2023

Children should come dressed as a saint (arrive in church at 8:50 AM) and *may* give a *brief* presentation, which must be given by heart. (No notes!)



Autumn Bake Sale today in Helfta Hall!
Come see what's on offer after the morning Masses.