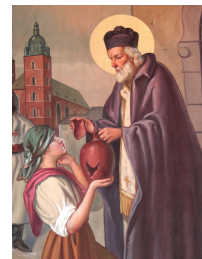




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October 20, 2024

PENTECOST XXII • MISSION SUNDAY

ST. JOHN CANTIUS, C • *MATER ADMIRABILIS*

¶ MISSION SUNDAY

The **Fall Festival** takes place today after the morning Masses. Catechism Classes are at 10:40 AM. Vespers with October Devotions and Benediction are at **4:30 PM**.

¶ FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

The Forty Hours Devotion takes place on **Friday, Saturday, and Sunday** of this week (**October 25-27**). 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**.



¶ NEXT SUNDAY: CHRIST THE KING

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:** Christ the King, with commemoration and Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost XXIII. Preface of Christ the King.

¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

All Saints Sunday, November 3. Prepare a costume and presentation about a saint with your child for the All Saints' Party after the High Mass!

Martinmas Procession & Feast: Sunday, November 10

Feast of St. Gertrude the Great: Saturday, November 16

Rosary Confraternity Cemetery Rosary Procession: Sunday, November 17

Lumen Christi

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

The Clergy of St. Gertrude the Great
(Mark Cash)

¶ OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

The Rosary is recited on school days at **3 PM**. On Wednesdays at 2:45 it is recited before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed, with Benediction & Holy Communion at 3:10 PM.

Collection Report

Sunday, October 13th\$6,100.00

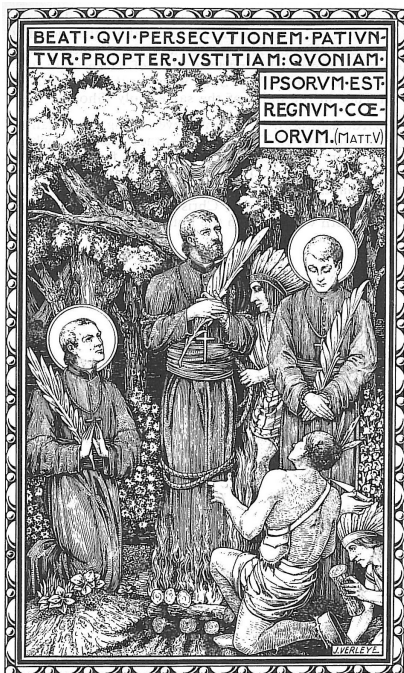


Mater Admirabilis

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

These answers are valuable in showing the main preventative to the curse of apostasy: Catholic Education. Not only the gathering of our Catholic children in the parochial school, or in boarding schools, but Catholic education for the adults of our parish by simple, plain, regular, interesting and instructive preaching; by personal contact, good example, friendly visits, salutary guidance through the confessional, and the encouragement of good reading. Knowledge of their religion and the faithful and affectionate practice of it must be made the very heart of our people, the atmosphere in which they breathe, and move, and live. Superficiality in knowledge leads to laxity in morals from which springs indifference in practice of faith. Catholics need Catholic companionship. Non-Catholic companionship, as a rule, causes a change in the principles that actuate the Catholic and is marked by a gradual lowering in ideals, and a cooling in fervor, so that soon they seem to feel no compunction for disobeying the Church. As soon as a Catholic begins to show disrespect for his Church, or criticizes it, he becomes a prospective member of the class of the fallen-away.

— Rev. Ambrose Reger, O.S.B.



“Sin is sin, because God is God. There is no getting any further in that direction.”

— Fr. Faber, *“The Precious Blood”*



WHAT IS THE FORTY HOURS DEVOTION?

Forty Hours’ Devotion, in Italian called *Quarant’ore* or *Quarantore*, is an exercise of devotion in which continuous prayer is made for forty hours before the Blessed Sacrament in solemn exposition and to which indulgences are attached. A celebration of such a devotion is begun by a Solemn Mass or “Mass of Exposition” and ended by a “Mass of Deposition.” Each of these Masses includes a procession and the litany of the saints being chanted.

Cardinal Nicholas Wiseman (1802-1856), first Archbishop of Westminster, England, observed of the Forty Hours:

“In no other time or place, is the sublimity of our religion so touchingly felt. No ceremony is going forward in the sanctuary, no sound of song is issuing from the choir, no voice of exhortation proceeds from the pulpit, no prayer is uttered aloud at the altar. There are hundreds there and yet they are engaged in no congregational act of worship. Each heart and soul is alone in the midst of a multitude; each uttering its own thoughts, each feeling its own grace. Yet you are overpowered, subdued, quelled, into a reverential mood, softened into a devotional spirit, forced to meditate, to feel, to pray. The little children who come in, led by a mother’s hand, kneel down by her in silence, as she simply points toward the altar, overawed by the still splendor before them—the very babe seems hushed to quiet reverence in her bosom.”

— From *“The Sacramentals of the Holy Catholic Church”* by Andrew A. Lambing

AT HIGH MASS

Thou who hast made this world so wondrous fair—
The pomp of clouds; the glory of the sea;
Music of water; song-birds’ melody;
The organ of Thy thunder in the air;
Breath of the roses; and beauty everywhere—
Lord, take this stately service done to Thee,
The grave enactment of Thy Calvary
In jeweled pomp and splendor pictured there!

Lord, take the sounds and sights; the silk and gold;
The white and scarlet; take the reverent grace
Of ordered step; window and glowing wall—
Prophet and Prelate, holy men of old;
And teach us children of the Holy Place
Who love Thy Courts, to love Thee best of all.

— Robert Hugh Benson

MARQUETTE ON THE SHORES OF THE MISSISSIPPI

(On Seeing the Original Manuscript Map of the Mississippi River by its Discoverer, Father Marquette)

*Here, in the midnight of the solemn wood,
He heard a roar as of a mighty wind,
The onward rush of waters unconfined
Trampling in legions thro’ the solitude.*

*Then lo! before him swept the conquering flood,
Free as the freedom of the truth-strong mind
Which hills of Doubt could neither hide nor bind,
Which, all in vain, the valley mounds withstood!*

*With glowing eye he saw the prancing tide
With yellow mane rush onward thro’ the night*

*Into the vastness he had never trod:
Nor dreamt of conquest of that kingdom wide*

*As down the flood his spirit took its flight
Seeking the long-lost children of his God!*

— John Jerome Rooney

✠ NOTE FROM FATHER ✠

After a few frosty nights and cool days at the beginning of the week, the beautiful fall weather has returned once again. Just in time to have an idyllic day for the Fall Festival yesterday. I write the note two days before, but you will be reading it the day of the festival. However, everything is lined up to be a truly wonderful day, filled with sun, games, crafts, and just all-around fun! Hopefully, we have a good turnout and everyone enjoys themselves.

Speaking of good turnouts, I heard that the turnout for the Fatima Rosary procession last Sunday was fantastic! The Sisters reported that 115 candles had been distributed and there were more present than that (presumably babies and little tykes, at least, didn't get candles...but they certainly count as attending!). What a beautiful sight all those lights must have been, and how much more beautiful must have been the prayers in the eyes of God! So much is made of politics these days, but our hope should not be in men...especially those men. No, our hope is in Our Lord and Our Lady. It wasn't just here at St. Gertrude's that we had Rosary processions that day, either. Happily, **Fr. Simpson** led a Rosary procession between the two Masses at St. Hugh's in Milwaukee, I led one down at our mission in Dallas, and **Fr. Brueggemann** even led a little procession at the Holy Face mission in Effingham, IL!

Rosary Processions throughout the missions are the perfect precursor to today being Mission Sunday. Our apostolate is centered here at St. Gertrude's, but as you know, we serve missions far and wide. Just to put in perspective for you what is regularly going on from our clergy, here is what just the mission travel from this past week (last weekend through this weekend), looked like for the five of us here. Last weekend, I traveled Saturday to Dallas and returned Sunday night; Fr. Brueggemann said Mass here at St. Gertrude's and then offered an evening Mass in Effingham, IL; and Fr. Simpson traveled to Milwaukee, where he offered two Sunday morning Masses and then drove to Park Falls, WI to offer a Sunday evening Mass...from there he has continued on through Grand Forks, ND, Minot, ND, and back this weekend to Milwaukee. I, again, return this weekend to say Mass in Dallas and **Bishop McGuire** has flown to New England to offer Mass and Confirmations in Connecticut and Massachusetts.

Thankfully, we are very fortunate to be able to cover so much distance with modern travel. We are not out long hours in the rain and snow, riding on a donkey, like the missionaries of old. However, the efforts are for the same good of souls, and the labor to do so is still grand. As such, it is easy to see how your prayers are not only

appreciated, but essential for success. So please keep all priests in your prayers and also pray for more priests to come...we rely on your prayers more than you can know in this life, and they do more good than you can imagine. Prayer is how each and every one of us can be a missionary!

In Christ,

Fr. McKenna



The Forty Hours Adoration

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

5:30 PM Opening Solemn High Mass & 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 26TH

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 27TH

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

Light refreshments in Helfta Hall



✠ CALENDAR

MON 10/21/24 ST. HILARION, AB
SS. URSULA & COMPANIONS, VvMM
8:00 AM Low Mass Happy Birthday, Will
11:25 AM Low Mass Special Intention AVZ (*K/V*)
3:00 PM October Devotions

TUE 10/22/24 FERIAI DAY
7:00 AM Low Mass Special intention (*Marge Kitchen*)
8:00 AM Low Mass Judy Metz – Thank you (*Rebecca Hinton*)
11:25 AM Votive High Mass of the Angels Elizabeth Young – Happy Birthday (*Grandma & Grandpa*)
3:00 PM October Devotions
5:00 PM Low Mass Melissa Christensen (*Keith & Mary Christensen*)

WED 10/23/24 FERIAI DAY • THE MOST HOLY REDEEMER
7:00 AM Low Mass Mary Claire Brennan (*KR*)
8:00 AM Low Mass Relief of the Poor Souls (*C. Simpson family*)
11:25 AM Requiem High Mass Purgatorial Society
2:45 PM Exposition, October Devotions
3:10 PM Benediction, Holy Communion
5:10 PM Low Mass Everyone who brought us meals (*Elizabeth Gunsher*)

THU 10/24/24 ST. RAPHAEL, ARCHANGEL
7:00 AM Low Mass My family (*Cecilia Brueggemann*)
8:00 AM Low Mass For intentions for Jimmy Moon (*Phyllis Kiernan*)
11:25 AM High Mass Doris Ritze (*K/V*)
3:00 PM October Devotions
5:00 PM Low Mass For our fallen-away children (*St. Monica Club*)
St. Monica Club Meeting

FRI 10/25/24 SS. CHRYSANTHUS & DARIA, MM
Opening of Forty Hours
8:00 AM Low Mass Bp. McGuire–Happy Baptism Anniversary!
5:00 PM Confessions
5:15 PM Sacred Heart Novena
5:30 PM Solemn High Mass of the Blessed Sacrament
Rebecca Uhlenbrock–Happy birthday (*Capetillo family*)
Procession, Harvest Chili Supper
8:15 PM (approx.) October Devotions
All Night Adoration

SAT 10/26/24 VIGIL OF SS. SIMON & JUDE (ANTICIPATED)
ST. EVARISTUS, PM
Continuation of Forty Hours
7:30 AM Low Mass †Edward & †Rose Batkoski (*Marge Kitchen*)
8:30 AM Confessions
9:00 AM Solemn High Votive Mass for Peace For peace
Adoration continues all day
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

All Night Adoration Guard of Honor Forty Hours Devotion

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM: David Swinney, Joseph Vines
8:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Kirby Bischel, Tim Giese
9:00 PM - 10:00 PM: Collin Smith, *Volunteer please!*
10:00 PM - 11:00 PM: Nathan McClorey, Anthony Caggese
11:00 PM - 12:00 AM: James Kolenich, Paul Puglielli
12:00 AM - 1:00 AM: Levi Giese, Alfonso Capetillo
1:00 AM - 2:00 AM: Keith Elflein, Dan Stanislawski
2:00 AM - 3:00 AM: Dan & Philip 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.*

Servers

FRI 10/25 5:30 PM SOL. HIGH: MCS: C. Richesson, M. Simpson, T. Lawrence
THS: N. & A. McClorey ACS: S. Richesson, D. Simpson CROSS: N. Kolenich BANNER: F. Caggese UMBRELLA: M. Simpson TBS: I. & J. Smith, B. & A. Constantino, M. & P. Caggese BELLS: I. Smith

SUN 10/27 7:30 AM LOW: M. McConnell, Brueggemann

9:00 AM SOL. HIGH: MCS: N. McClorey, D. Simpson TH: N. Kolenich ACS: D. Hudson, A. McClorey CROSS: S. Richesson TBS: J. & L. Rabjohns, V. Horton, M. Kolenich, P. & M. Caggese

11:30 AM LOW: Capetillos

4:45 PM VESPERS: D. Simpson, I. Smith

5:30 PM LOW: *Volunteer*

6:45 PM CLOSING: MCS: M. Simpson, T. Lawrence, N. McClorey THS: D. Simpson, S. Richesson ACS: C. Arlinghaus, N. Kolenich CROSS: M. Caggese BANNER: M. Kolenich MITRE: I. Smith CROZIER: F. Caggese BOOK: A. McClorey BUGIA: P. Caggese BELLS: T. Capetillo UMBRELLA: N. McClorey TRAIN: J. Smith TBS: M. Caggese, B. & A. Constantino, J. Smith, J. & T. Capetillo

SUN 10/27/24 CHRIST THE KING • PENTECOST XXIII
Conclusion of Forty Hours

6:30 AM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7:05 AM Rosary

7:30 AM Low Mass For my benefactor Lisa McConnell (*A grateful heart*)

9:00 AM Solemn High Mass My Children, Godchildren & Grandchildren (*AMB*)

11:05 AM Rosary

11:30 AM Low Mass Bobby & Aubrey – Happy Anniversary (*Mom & Dad*)

Adoration continues all day

4:00 PM Visit to the Bl. Sacrament, Oct. Devotions

4:45 PM Solemn Vespers

☞ **5:30 PM Low Mass** For the people of St. Gertrude the Great

6:45 PM Closing Ceremonies: Procession, Benediction
Light refreshments in Helfta Hall
