



ST GERTRUDE CHURCH

November 15, 2020



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MASSES AT ST. GERTRUDE

Monday, November 16, St. Margaret of Scotland, St. Gertrude (S)

- 7:00 a.m. †Sarah & Hugh Smith/Craig & Teresa Babcock
- 8:00 a.m. †James Harpring/Pat & Ed Marshall
- 11:30 a.m. Betty Romito/Rita Johantges

Tuesday, November 17, St. Elizabeth of Hungary (M)

- 7:00 a.m. †Arthur Lacasse/Jim & AnnaMaria Spurgin & Family
- 8:00 a.m. †Greg Roberts/Bob & Dorothy Stucker
- 11:30 a.m. †Barbara Carrillo/Elvira Carrillo

Wednesday, November 18, Dedication of the Basilicas of SS. Peter & Paul

- 7:00 a.m. †William Kearns/Mark & Diane Kosobud & Family
- 8:00 a.m. †Peggy Kindt/Patrick Kindt
- 11:30 a.m. †Deceased Members of the Order of Preachers

Thursday, November 19, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †William J. Eisenhauer, Jr./The Chris Lohr Family
- 8:00 a.m. Marian Riestenberg/Jeanne Palcic
- 11:30 a.m. Fr. André-Joseph LaCasse, O.P./Kevin & Anne Lynch

Friday, November 20, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Pat O'Brien/Catherine Williams
- 8:00 a.m. †Bev Oscar/Doug & Robin Postler
- 11:30 a.m. Beth Riesenber/Jeanne Johantges

Saturday, November 21, Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (M)

- 8:00 a.m. †Aida Gort/The Nieto Family
- 11:30 a.m. †Daniel Sammons/Rick Sammons

November 21-22, Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (S)

- Saturday 4:30 p.m. People of St. Gertrude, Living and Deceased
- Sunday 8:00 a.m. †Joseph & Marjorie Schirmer/
The Schirmer Family
- 9:30 a.m. †Jack Schuler/Debbi Sanders and Richard & Vicki Chambers
- 11:00 a.m. †Velma Phelps/Dianna Moore & Family
- 12:30 p.m. †Robert & Marjorie McCarthy/Bruce & Molly Vollmer
- 6:00 p.m. †Paula Koenigs/Elaine & Jeff Parker

Parish Office Info

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

School Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Church Hours

Every day: 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

PUBLIC WORSHIP AT ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

Updated November 1, 2020

The Archbishop dispenses the faithful from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass. Please do not come if you feel sick. Those who are vulnerable may consider coming to a less crowded weekday Mass.

HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES

- Keep a prudent distance inside the church. Ushers will help ensure safe seating on Sundays.
- We ask that the faithful wear cloth masks for the sake of the common good. People with breathing difficulties and young children should not wear masks.
- Only friars, sisters, novices, lay ministers and a limited number of staff members will be in the sanctuary and sacristy.
- Volunteers will help wipe down high-touch surfaces between Sunday Masses.

HOLY COMMUNION

- You are not obliged to receive Holy Communion at every Mass you attend. Consider making a spiritual communion, or receiving at a weekday Mass.
- The faithful who choose to receive Holy Communion will come up to the altar rail, where one or two priests will distribute the sacred host. Keep space in line, and only remove your mask at the rail.
- You may receive in the hand or on the tongue, kneeling or standing. Note: the rail is a high-contact surface.

Mass & Confession Schedule

SUNDAY

- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 10:00 a.m. Conventual Mass
- 12:00 p.m. Mass
- 6:00 p.m. Mass

WEEKDAYS

- 7:00 a.m. Mass
- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 11:30 a.m. Conventual Mass
- 12:00 p.m. Midday Prayer in Church
- 4:00 p.m. Confessions in Church
- 7:30 p.m. Confessions in Church
(Wednesdays Only)

SATURDAY

- 8:00 a.m. Conventual Mass
- 11:30 a.m. Mass
- 3:30 p.m. Confessions in Church
- 4:30 p.m. Mass (Sunday Anticipated)

ST. GERTRUDE AND THE SACRED HEART



This weekend, we have the wonderful opportunity to celebrate the patronal feast of the parish. Glorifying God as we honor St. Gertrude the Great is an acknowledgment that her life, her sanctity, and her intercession are God's gift to the parish. She offers us a unique wisdom regarding the Christian life.

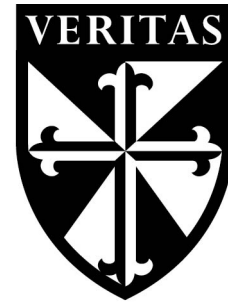
Privileged with visions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and insights into the power of Divine Love that emanates from this human heart, she offers us a valuable teaching on charity. (Note that in our church sanctuary, there is a statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the left; and a statue of St. Gertrude on the right, which draws attention to the relationship she has with Our Lord.) Her devotion to the Sacred Heart reminds us of the "immense charity which urged the Word to take flesh, to institute the Holy Eucharist, to take on Himself our sins, and, dying on the Cross, to offer Himself as a victim and a sacrifice to the Eternal Father" (Congregation of Rites, 3 April 1825).

In our time, we have need for a greater devotion and relationship to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. We need to ask Jesus that His Divine Love would pierce, penetrate, and permeate our own heart to forgive our sins, to heal our wounds, and to make it more like His. Our hearts need to experience this encounter daily so that we may be "imitators of God, as beloved children, and walk in love, as Christ loved us and give himself up for us" (Ephesians 5:1-2). I propose this devotion as a way of addressing the angst, anger, division, isolation, and alienation that have infected our parish. Yes, we are living in challenging times. In many ways, we are living in a world where evil appears to have the upper hand. However, we cannot forget that "where sin increased, grace abounded all the more" (Romans 5:20).

Charity is the divine gift that empowers us to persevere gracefully in our relations with one another. As St. Paul says in his letter to the Philippians, "Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others" (2:3-4). Jesus knew and loved each of us throughout His life and He gave Himself up to death for each of us. He has loved us all with a human heart. His love is offered to

us as a gift and source so that we may love one another. Through the intercession of St. Gertrude, may each parishioner be filled with Divine Love. Through her intercession, may our parish radiate the love of Jesus to others.

Fr. George, O.P.



ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

LIVE-STREAMING RETURNS

The weekly Sunday Mass at 10:00 a.m. will be available each week on the parish YouTube channel. Visit www.youtube.com/c/StGertrudeChurch to connect with the Dominican Friars and the parish community.

FROM THE DIARY OF ST. MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA



The Lord said to me, **Enter into purgatory often, because they need you there.** O my Jesus, I understand the meaning of these words which You are speaking to me, but first let me enter the treasury of Your mercy. (Diary, #1738)

COVER IMAGE: A stained glass window depicting St. Gertrude the Great



GALLERY OF SAINTS

We recently celebrated one of our most beloved school traditions...the St. Gertrude School Gallery of Saints. Congratulations to our second graders for their fine work of research, preparation and memorization of their Saints Reports! It was obvious they were well prepared and had worked hard to learn about their saints. Not only that, they were poised as they spoke with the adults and students. Thank you to Sister Anne Thérèse and Mrs. Molnar for their work and support of the Gallery of Saints this year. Our second graders did an amazing job bringing various saints to life quite literally with a living museum.



MAKING A DIFFERENCE ALL YEAR LONG

Our Make a Difference Day looks a little different this year. We are proud that our faculty, staff and students have chosen to "Make a Difference All Year Long."

To kick off Making a Difference All Year Long, we welcomed Roger Grein from Magnified Giving, last week. He spoke on his life and love of giving with our 5th-8th graders.

Our Student Council will lead a school-wide, yearlong service relationship with Magnified Giving, a local nonprofit that teaches children about the importance of philanthropy. Magnified Giving connects children and schools with local charities and gives schools a grant of \$1,000 (plus any money that the school raises) with the goal of teaching them how to invest not only the money, but their time and talents into the charity of their choice.

Our students have chosen A Child's Hope International, which provides everything from food and water to inspirational Christian literature to those who are in need or affected by natural disasters around the world. Our Student Council will be using the Bulldog Broadcast to teach our student body about Magnified Giving and A Child's Hope International, as well as fundraising and volunteering opportunities for our Bulldog students.

"Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." Hebrews 13:16

If you would like to know more about Roger Grein, please watch the new documentary Roger Grein, An Empowering Philanthropist available on his website (rogergrein.live).

WHO IS ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT?

BY AMY TOFT



St. Gertrude was born in Germany in 1256 and orphaned at a young age. At only five years old, she was welcomed to the Benedictine Abbey at Helfta in Saxony and there cared for and educated by the nuns. As a teenager, Gertrude entered the community of Helfta and became completely engrossed in her studies. She advanced herself as one of the most well-read women of her age, full of wit and charm. Gertrude was a brilliant and beautiful young lady, much loved by those around her.

She reveled in her skills of philosophy, literature, singing and even painting. However, while her mind strengthened, Gertrude's heart lacked a personal devotion and relationship with Christ. Eventually, Gertrude started to experience feelings of loneliness and even felt depressed.

After experiencing a mystical encounter with Christ at the age of 24, Gertrude recognized her obsessive studies and intellectual pursuits as a “tower of vanity and curiosity.” She made a commitment to refocus her priorities to prayer. It was then that she began to pursue the heart of Christ.

Gertrude poured herself into studies of scripture and theology and incorporated personal and meditative prayer into her daily life. She started to write spiritual treatises for her religious sisters.

At the age of 25, Gertrude began experiencing visions which would change her life forever. While the accounts of her visions are vast, the messages of the visions have a common purpose: to increase and spread devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Christ mediated an intimate friendship between St. John the Apostle and Gertrude in order to “instruct and correct” her. It was at this time that Christ welcomed Gertrude to lay her head on the chest of Our Lord and feel the beat of His Sacred Heart (an experience that St. John would have shared on the night of the Last Supper as he reclined at table). It was in this intimate moment of feeling His heart beating out of love for her and seeing His five wounds bleeding for her salvation that transformed her life forever.

In 1289, Gertrude heard Christ ask her to write an account of the many graces she had received. St. Gertrude wrote extensively about the Sacred Heart of Jesus, helping to spread the devotion throughout the Western world. Her deep love and devotion for

scripture and the Eucharist permeated both her writings and her life. She was completely transformed and desired nothing but to love the Lord and allow His love to completely overtake her heart so that virtue would resound in her life. No petition is too small or too great, as this intimate sharing of the heart is what the Lord longs for with each of us. In His words to Gertrude, **“In order that you may know that My mercy is above all My works, and that the abyss of My mercy cannot be exhausted, I am ready to grant you, through the merit of this life-giving Sacrament, more than you dare ask Me.”**

St. Gertrude died on November 16 in 1301 (or 1302). Let us join with St. Gertrude in her very words as we offer our hearts to His Sacred Heart:



Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.

Amy Toft has been a parishioner of St. Gertrude since moving to Cincinnati in 2019. She enjoys spending time with her husband, Marcus, and two young sons either outdoors or playing family games.

LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THE SICK:

Anthony Alvarez, Lisa Bertke, Bettie Caudill, Larry & Pat Collins, Marguerite Crema, Triset Defonseka, Jean Ellert, Kathy Elsbernd, Bob Gerwin, Andrew Goad, Glenn Grismere, Loretta Holden, Joe Holly, Hummel Family, Aiko Kimura, Ed Kinney, Janice Koncius, Carlos LaTorre, Sophia LaTorre, Ann Lukey, Linda Merkley, Frank Merle, Sandra Munyon, Leo Napuri, Gerry Patterson, Tim Petric, Michelle (Lydon) Ruscher, Jane Sansalone, Ellen Schaengold, Patricia Scherer, Pegge Schuermann, Richard Seifert, Teddie Slaper, Alex Smithers, Jack Spilker, Patricia Strauss, Judy Sullivan, John Sweeney, Mary Saul, Mary Valker and Bill Van Hise

THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES:

Patrick Burke, Cole and Kyle Foster, Dominic Geraci, Daniel Holian, Mike Huber, Aaron Jacobson, Jacob Kramb, John Kramb, Kelly Leugers, Sammy Mascho, John Oscar, Sarah Ries, Dan Roseman, Andrew Shannon, and Ian Tester

PRAY FOR THE DECEASED:

Janet Grolmes – Mother of Joe Grolmes

BAPTISMS



Child 1: Wyatt Conger
Child 2: Graham Conger
Parents: Gina & Jacob Conger

CRUSH THE COVID-19 DEFICIT!



#GIVECatholicAOC: Giving Tuesday was created in 2012 to encourage people to give to others. It refers to the Tuesday after our National Thanksgiving holiday to promote charitable giving at the beginning of the Christmas and holiday season. This year the

Archdiocese of Cincinnati (AOC) is helping individual parishes to utilize the day to promote charitable giving. Funds donated via the **St. Gertrude Donor page only on Tuesday, December 1** will be eligible for the archdiocesan assessment waiver, which means more of your donation stays here in the Parish!

St. Gertrude’s focus for Giving Tuesday is to **CRUSH** the COVID-19 DEFICIT!! Our modest goal of \$25,000 will only be a start to wiping out this year’s large deficit caused by the Covid impact. So, let’s rally around our Parish and what we’ve already been able to accomplish this year despite the impact of Covid.

The reality of the COVID impact on the Parish budget is evident... our deficit is \$70k and growing and is larger than it was last year at this point. At the same time, lots have been accomplished by the staff, friars, and the parish at large to move through this unusual period.

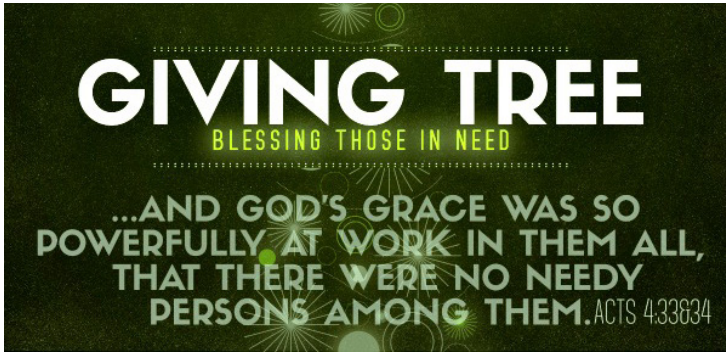
Plan on giving on the St. Gertrude Donor page at: <https://www.givecentral.org/location/1166/event/27089>. On **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 1st (only)**, your donation will not be assessed. Donations will be via credit card or electronic fund transfer (EFT) from your bank checking or savings account.

Advent Wreath Making
November 29th

- Registration is live!
- \$25 per Wreath Kit
- <https://buytickets.at/stgertrude>
- In-Person and Take-Home options

Contact Kristen Eggers for details
ymassistant@stgertrude.org
513-561-8369





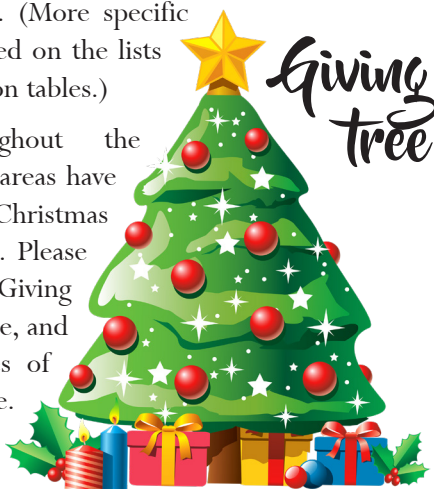
**LADIES OF CHARITY
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROJECT**

The Ladies of Charity announce their annual Christmas Giving Tree Project. Due to ongoing COVID-19 concerns, the customary sign-up process will not be held this year. Rather, a list of the items needed will be available at the information tables located near the entrances to the Church (inside and outside) on the weekends of November 21st-22nd and November 28th-29th. Additionally, giving trees with gift tags for parishioners to take and fulfill will be located in the Church and gymnasium. Drops-offs will be December 5-6, 2020.

Agencies served this year include Hope Emergency, Bethany House, local families in the Madeira area and Elizabeth's New Life Center which has been serving at-risk pregnant women in the Dayton and Cincinnati area since the organization opened in 1989.

A general list of the items most needed this year include the following: clothing in various sizes; gifts such as books, stocking stuffers, sports equipment, board games, make-up and shaving kits, tech items, dolls and doll items, fishing tackle and poles, sleeping bags, trucks/tractors/cars and art/Lego/science sets; wrapping paper, tape, gift bags, batteries; and \$25 gift cards from Kroger, Walmart, Target. (More specific gift information is included on the lists provided at the information tables.)

Many families throughout the Cincinnati and Kentucky areas have an incredibly joyful Christmas because of St. Gertrude's. Please stop by the Christmas Giving Tree, pick a tag off the tree, and help us fulfill the wishes of some very special people. Thank you for your continued generosity.



Each year, St. Vincent de Paul collects gently used or new coats that are distributed to our neighbors in need. There is a huge demand for coats, as well as hats, gloves and scarves.

If your kids have outgrown their coats, or if you have coats you just don't wear anymore, donating them not only puts a warm coat on their body, but puts a warm smile on their face.

St. Gertrude will be collecting for the Winter Coat Drive on Sunday, Nov 22.

Place donated coats in blue barrel outside the church. Thanks for supporting St. Vincent de Paul.



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ASK A PRIEST – WHAT’S A RELIQUARY FOR?

BY FR. JOHN MARK SOLITARIO, O.P.



A reliquary is a place where one or more relics – the physical remains of saints or objects associated with their lives – are kept. We have a reliquary at St. Gertrude’s Church in the alcove opposite the Altar of Our Lady of the Rosary. It holds the relics of our patroness, St. Gertrude, along with those of many other saints. Reliquaries

can be pocket-sized or take up the greater portion of a room, depending on the size or number of relics. But what is a reliquary for; i.e., what does one *do* with a reliquary?

This question gets at the very purpose of relics in Catholic devotion, something that was hotly contested during the Reformation era. The reason for the controversy was that Catholics long treated relics in a way unique from how they treated the remains of any other deceased person: we encased them in altars, placed them on exhibition, and prayed before them. Such unusual treatment made some accuse Catholics of superstition or even idolatry. While not excusing abusive practices like the selling of relics or the making of fake relics, it is important to know how a good Catholic should “use” true relics and those shrines that store them.



Reliquaries, big and small, ornate and simple, are meant to encourage the *veneration* of the saints among the faithful. Saints carry Christ’s “image” into the world throughout the centuries: they lead lives transformed by intimacy with Jesus, the Son of God. Just as the physical Body of the Lord was treated with uncommon reverence and devotion after His death on the Cross,¹ so too the remains of these holy Christians have always been given special honor by Catholics.² Moreover, the honor paid to the relics of the saints have led to miracles, like cures from sickness and the exorcism of evil spirits. One need look no further than the New Testament to see such miracles worked with the aid of pieces of clothing that had merely touched St. Paul’s body.³ Ever since the earliest days of the Church, the faithful have maintained the sense that God delights in exercising His power in various ways, often using intermediate people and objects to convey faith’s reward to the poor, the sick, and the downcast. This is why we ask the saints to “pray for us.”

But we can honor the saints and ask for their help only after becoming familiar with their stories. Visiting the places where they lived, hearing the testimony of others who knew them, and even seeing their physical remains all strengthen our conviction that *real human lives can be transformed by God’s grace*. Relics reinforce our human connection with the saints, encouraging respect and even admiration. For this reason, perhaps there is no better time or place to ask for their prayers than when we are kneeling before a saint’s physical remains, even touching them or kissing them when possible. This is not to give way to magic or superstition, but to ask with trust for the help of the omnipotent and loving God with the aid of a new-found friend.

Every time the priest approaches the altar at St. Gertrude’s for the Sacrifice of the Mass, he venerates the place where her relics are kept in the altar stone with a kiss. Likewise, the faithful always bow before this most sacred of “reliquaries” present in the sanctuary. With signs of both reverence and familiarity, we pray in fellowship with God’s friends, the saints, and together ask for His grace. The reverence paid to the relic of a saint ultimately goes to Christ, whose pleasing and perfect self-offering to the father so deeply impacted the life of that saint. These men and women teach us in masterful ways to unite the sacrifices of our lives with Jesus’ own redemptive and life-giving Sacrifice.



“Ask a priest” will be a regular format for our Holy Teaching section in the coming months. Submit your own question to bulletin@stgertrude.org for one of our Dominican priests to answer in the bulletin!

¹ Cf. Mk 15:42-16:1.

² This honor or “veneration” is not the same as the worship or “adoration” reserved to God alone, as Catholics pay to the sacred Body and Blood of Christ.

³ See Acts 19:11-12.

Monday, November 16	Tuesday, November 17	Wednesday, November 18	Thursday, November 19	Friday, November 20	Saturday, November 21	Sunday, November 22
Religious Education 3:30 p.m. School Atrium	Children's Choir 3:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	First Reconciliation Parent Meeting 8:30 a.m. School Cafeteria	Cana Family 9:30 a.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Amiguitas del Corazon de Jesus 4:30 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	St. Anne & Child Mary Guild 9:00 a.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Religious Education 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. School Cafeteria, Atrium
SportsLeader 6:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.	Religious Education 4:30 p.m. School Atrium	Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Regina Veritatis Team Meeting 6:30 p.m. Parish Center Music Room		Enrollment Ceremony for Confraternity of the Holy Rosary 12:30 p.m. Church	Confirmation Preparation 9:00 a.m. School Cafeteria
Boosters 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.	Real Friendship 6:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	First Reconciliation Parent Meeting 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria				Benedictine Oblate 2:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.
Healing Rosary 7:00 p.m. Outside (weather permitting) or Church	Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria	Rosary Makers 7:30 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.				HSYM Discipleship Cells 7:00 p.m. Parish Center
RCIA 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby		Benediction 8:50 p.m. Church				

For guidelines about meetings on campus and scheduling information, please visit: stgertrude.org/covid-19-guidelines/.

OFFERING

St. Gertrude Parish Weekly Collection and Budget Report

11/8/20

Collection:	\$ 43,931.00
Weekly Budget:	\$ 41,500.00
Weekly Surplus:	\$ 2,431.00
Year to Date Budget:	\$ 692,500.00
Year to Date Actual:	\$ 622,973.00
Year to Date Deficit:	(\$ 69,527.00)

BULLETIN DEADLINE

BULLETIN
11/29/20

MATERIALS DUE
11/18/20

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1 Cf. Mk 15:42-16:1.

2 This honor or “veneration” is not the same as the worship or “adoration” reserved to God alone, as Catholics pay to the sacred Body and Blood of Christ.

3 See Acts 19:11-12.