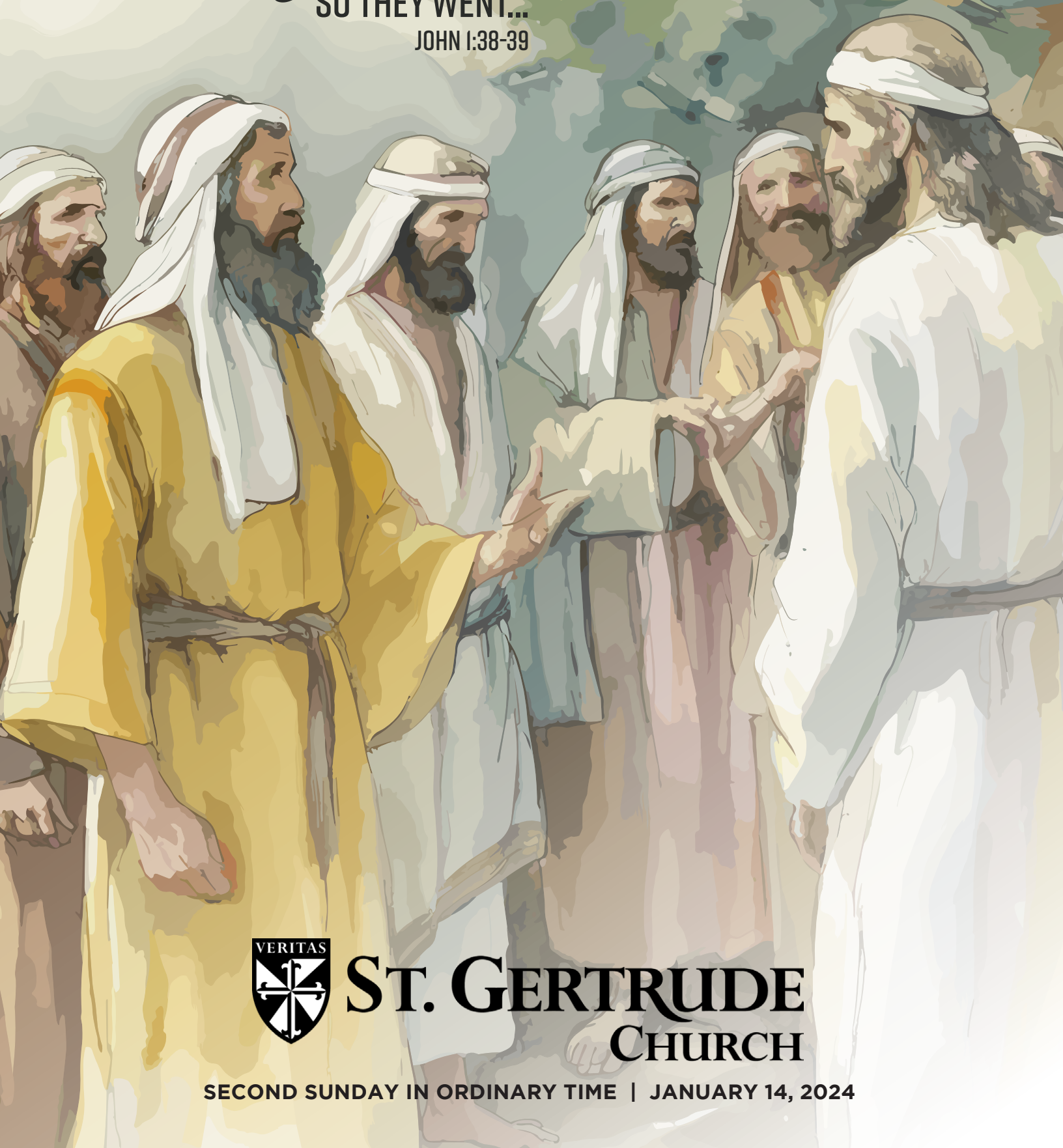


THEY SAID TO HIM, "RABBI, WHERE ARE YOU STAYING?"
HE SAID TO THEM,

"Come, and you will see."

SO THEY WENT...

JOHN 1:38-39



**ST. GERTRUDE
CHURCH**

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JANUARY 14, 2024

MASSES AND CONFESSION

Monday, January 15, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Jennifer Oakes by Patrick & Holly Oakes
- 8 a.m. † Vada Holscher by Elaine & Jeff Parker
- 11:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

Tuesday, January 16, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Linda Hart by The Wonnells
- 8 a.m. † Eugene Evans by Robert & Joan Ragusa
- 11:30 a.m. † Edward Frehrer by Dr. & Mrs. David Zipfel

Wednesday, January 17, St. Anthony (M)

- 7 a.m. † Gregory Mates by Bob & Patricia Dieckman Family
- 8 a.m. † Joseph Stegman by Gary & Denise Crouch
- 11:30 a.m. † Anne & Bob Siebert by The Siebert Family

Thursday, January 18, St. Margaret of Hungary, O.P. (M)

- 7 a.m. † Adam Castrucci by The Family
- 8 a.m. † Cathy Donohue by Brian Zappia
- 11:30 a.m. † Gary Babcock by Phil & Denise Motz

Friday, January 19, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Rita Gehring by Naoma & Ernest Thomas
- 8 a.m. Beth Stoll by Mike Stoll
- 11:30 a.m. † Michael Thomas Sweeney by Rita Johantges

Saturday, January 20, Blessed Virgin Mary (M)

- 8 a.m. † Gerald Seeger by The Seeger Children
- 11:30 a.m. † Thomas Brinkman, Sr. by Michelle Schneider & Family
- 4:30 p.m. † Terri Shannon by Knights of Columbus

Sunday, January 21, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

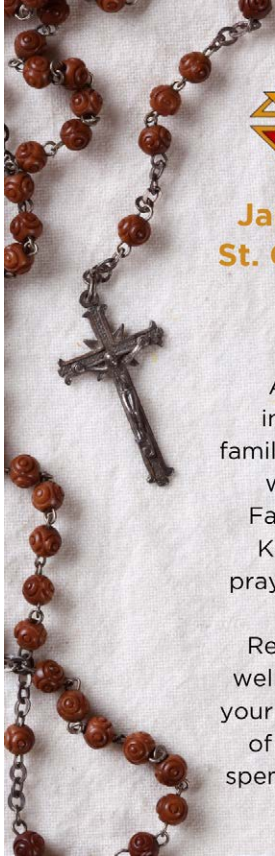
- 8 a.m. People of St. Gertrude
- 10 a.m. † Ann Reilly by The Shefcik Family
- 12 p.m. † Patricia R. Barnes by Tricia Speicher
- 6 p.m. † Jason Simbeck by The Runk Family

Confessions will be heard in the church Monday-Friday at 4 p.m., Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

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Parish Office Hours
Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
School Office Hours
Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Church Hours
Every day: 7 a.m.-9 p.m.



ROSARY SOCIAL

January 16, 2024 | 7 p.m.
St. Gertrude Parish Center

The Knights of Columbus Archbishop Elder Council #1195 invite you to join them and their families to pray the rosary and then watch "St. Joseph, Our Spiritual Father," a video produced by the Knights of Columbus. St. Joseph prayers cards will be distributed at the conclusion of the video. Refreshments will be provided as well. This is a great way to deepen your understanding of the guardian of Jesus and the Holy Family and spend time with your parish family.



Spiritual Renewal for Pregnant Moms & Family Blessing

All pregnant women are invited to a special morning of renewal, which will include prayer, a meditation on the Annunciation, silence, and Mass—during which you, your unborn child, and your whole family will receive a blessing.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20
10:30-11:15 a.m.
Prayer & Meditation
St. Gertrude School Chapel

11:30 a.m.
Mass & Family Blessing
St. Gertrude Church

Husbands and children are invited to Mass to take part in the four-part blessing—first over the baby, second over mom, third over dad, and fourth over the whole family.



ORDINARY TIME

This past Tuesday, I did something I had not done for well over a month: processed into the sanctuary to celebrate Mass while wearing a green vestment. With our celebration of the feast of the Baptism of the Lord the day before, the liturgical season of Christmas (and the normative white vestments of the season)

officially came to an end. That means we have now officially begun the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, which is where we will remain until Ash Wednesday comes around in mid-February.

Ordinary Time. It doesn't sound terribly exciting, does it? It doesn't have the sense of expectation of Advent or the joy of the Christmas season, nor does it carry with it the penitential feel of Lent or the utter glory of the Easter season. If anything, it seems to be defined by what it's not, rather than what it is.

And yet the "ordinariness" of this time, much like the ordinariness of our lives, is incredibly important. I can't help but think about the lives of the saints. Sure, there are examples of saints who did incredibly unusual and heroic things, saints who worked miraculous healings or raised people from the dead, saints like the martyrs who held fast to the faith even under torture and death. But those sorts of stories are the exception, not the rule. Most saints became saints not because of one moment of extreme heroism, but because of their fidelity to God's will day after day, month after month, year after year.

Like them, the reality is that for most of us, for most of our lives, holiness is to be found not in the extraordinary and heroic, but in the ordinary patterns of our lives. As the "little way" of St. Thérèse teaches us, the path to holiness is found in doing the little things—the ordinary things—with great love.

So it seems to me that this liturgical season of Ordinary Time is the perfect time for us to come to appreciate anew the ordinary aspects of our lives. And to realize that the ordinary, the normal, the everyday patterns of life are precisely where we have the opportunity to truly grow in holiness and virtue . . . if only we seize the chance. I invite you to ponder and reflect upon what an "ordinary" day looks like for you at this moment of your life. What, in your typical day, might you be able to do with greater love? What, in your typical day, might you be able to do with greater patience? With greater humility? With greater attentiveness? With greater generosity?

If you can come up with answers to those questions . . . and even more, put those answers into practice during the days and weeks ahead . . . you will soon come to see, in your own life, that it is in the ordinary days of our lives where truly extraordinary growth in holiness can be achieved.

God bless,

Rev. John Paul Walden, O.P.

Father John Paul, O.P.

Dominican Rite Mass 2024 Schedule

In October of last year, the provincial for the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph gave permission for the Dominican Rite to be celebrated in parishes entrusted to the province, as long as the (arch)bishop approves. We are excited to share with you the approved Dominican Rite Mass schedule for 2024! Please join us at 7 p.m. in the church on the following dates.

- January 23** St. Raymond of Peñafort, O.P.
- March 7** St. Thomas Aquinas, O.P. (750th anniversary of his death)
- April 30** St. Catherine of Siena, O.P.
- May 13** Easter Weekday with commemoration of Blessed Imelda, O.P.
- September 5** Anniversary of Deceased Order of Preachers Familiars and Benefactors
- October 7** Our Lady of the Rosary
- November 5** St. Martin de Porres, O.P.

THE POWER OF THE ROSARY



"The rosary, if rightly considered, will be found to have in itself special virtues, whether for producing and continuing a state of recollection, or for touching the conscience for its healing, or for lifting up the soul."

— Pope Leo XIII



**Q&A WITH MS. MADDIE
WOEBKENBERG
(ADMINISTRATIVE
ASSISTANT)**

St. Gertrude Bulletin: Why did you choose to work at St. Gertrude School?

Ms. Woebkenberg: St. Gertrude has been a part of my life since day one, and coming back in a new capacity feels like coming home. I was interested in finding a new job and didn't know where to start when a family friend and current SGS parent recommended me for my current position. I interviewed with Sister Maria Christi, who was my former principal, and she took a chance on me. As I've grown in my position and gotten more comfortable, I have realized how happy I am to be here. Every day, I am reminded in a different way of my time here as a student.

SGB: What do you love most about working at St. Gertrude School?

Ms. Woebkenberg: The thing I love most about working at SGS is the people! I love seeing the kids come in every day eager to learn, the parents who stop by to see me while they're here to volunteer, working with the rest of the office staff, and the relationships I have formed with the teachers.

SGB: What is unique about St. Gertrude School?

Ms. Woebkenberg: The biggest differentiator between SGS and other schools is the Dominican presence. Nowhere else will you have the opportunity to be taught and prepared for sacraments by Dominican sisters. Another difference is the sense of community that surrounds you the second you enter the doors at SGS. From the moment I started working at St. Gertrude, I was welcomed with open arms. The community is so strong; there are families that have

been attending school here for generations! My graduation marked 67 continuous years of a Schubler/Woebkenberg family member attending SGS. More and more often, I see names of students I attended school with signing up for tours for their children to become students here.

SGB: How did a St. Gertrude School education positively impact your life?

Ms. Woebkenberg: My St. Gertrude School education gave me the foundation to succeed at both St. Ursula Academy and the University of Dayton. I was not only set up for success in the classroom, but also taught how to make and maintain lifelong friendships in my time at SGS. I learned the importance of morals and virtue that I still carry with me today.

SGB: What is one of your favorite memories from your time as a student at St. Gertrude School?

Ms. Woebkenberg: I have so many memories that I look back on fondly! I often think about playing sports with my classmates, being selected to crown Mary for my eighth grade May Crowning, our class retreats at Camp Joy and Camp Kern, drinking Vita Pups (slushies) at lunch, our second grade newspaper, and so many others. One of my favorites would have to be in junior high when I was called out of class to stand on a pedestal as a height visual for the St. Gertrude statue in front of the school. I now tell anyone who cares to listen that the statue was modeled after me (in height alone, but I still count it!).

SGB: Why should a parent consider a St. Gertrude School education?

Ms. Woebkenberg: At St. Gertrude, you get a faith-guided, solid, grade school education in a caring, loving, religious community. You leave SGS more than adequately prepared for high school and the challenges that young people are exposed to.

OPEN HOUSE Sunday, January 28
9 a.m.-12 p.m.

All parishioners are invited to come over to St. Gertrude School after Mass to meet our principal and students, view demonstration classes, and learn more about our terrific parish school!

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ORDINAL LIVING
WALTER PLUMMER, DIRECTOR OF
EVANGELIZATION

Okay, everyone, at this point in January, we’ve moved from “celebration mode” to “ordinary life.” We’re back to school, work, and extracurriculars, and it’s already the Second Sunday of Ordinary Time! (Where did the First Sunday go between Epiphany and today is a question that still baffles me.) Maybe you’re already back up to speed, but for me, this shift back to “ordinary life” feels . . . constraining. But, as I pray about it, getting back to the ordinary is actually freeing.

Skip this paragraph if you’ve heard this before: “ordinary” comes from the Latin *ordo*, meaning “order” or “rule.” Ordinary life is lived according to an order, a set of priorities, sometimes called a “rule of life.” The time that we wake up, eat, work, worship, sleep, work out, pray, and play all comes back to our priorities. Sometimes those priorities are good, like providing for our families, serving, time in prayer, and friendships. Sometimes those priorities are disordered, often good in themselves, but perhaps out of order. We have a “nature,” a stable and God-given identity or purpose inside of us. We’re made to be in right relationship with God, other people, Creation, and even with ourselves. Some rules of life set us free to live that way. Others keep us from a full life. In the Mass readings for this Sunday, we actually hear three sets of diagnostic questions to ask ourselves about our *ordo* for ordinary life.

First, we hear about Samuel sleeping in the temple. Often, when someone is asleep in the presence of God in the Bible, it’s a sign of spiritual lethargy, numbness, or lack of awareness of his presence. Personally, if my mom caught me sleeping in Mass, she would not be happy. So here’s diagnostic question one: Where do you feel like you’re numb or half-awake in your life? Maybe it’s in relation to family or someone in your life. Maybe it just feels like there’s a blank space in your life. Maybe it’s in prayer or at Mass. If you can name where you feel that lack of awareness, talk to God about it. Talk to a friend. Talk to a priest. Try the prayer of Samuel: “Speak, Lord, your servant is listening.” That numbness or sleepiness can be a sign of something God wants to do in your life.

Second, we hear that the body is for the Lord. This passage always reminds me of a friend who worked in HVAC service. Once he had to hand-lift a 400-pound unit with two other men. His colleagues looked at him with eyebrows raised. One said, “This body is built for speed” (i.e. not to lift heavy things), and the other said, “This body is meant to lie down.” They got a good laugh out of that, but maybe those comments raise diagnostic question two: What are you willing to be physically uncomfortable for? What are you willing to give up food or sleep or entertainment for? What won’t you do that for? And where do Mass, prayer, or acts of service land in that spectrum? What we allow to affect our bodies will tell us a great deal about our rule of life.

Finally, we hear Jesus ask his disciples, “What are you looking for?” They respond by asking where he’s staying. Jesus’ questions are always good to ask ourselves, so here’s diagnostic question three: What are you really looking for? In your work, friendships, entertainment, eating habits—what do you really want? And when you pursue that, does it take you closer to where Jesus is? Does it open up the pages of Scripture or lead you to the sacraments? Does it help you love the people in front of you?

To end, I have two invitations for reading and prayer this Ordinary Time. Take five minutes to read Matthew 5, especially verses 1-12, where Jesus lays out an *ordo* that sets us free. And read Galatians 5:19-23, in which St. Paul writes about “the fruit of the Spirit,” sure signs that we are following Jesus’ rule of life: “love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.”


This Ordinary Time, keep in mind St. Paul’s words: “For freedom Christ set us free; so stand firm and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery” (Galatians 5:1). Don’t let “ordinary life” get you down. Ask these questions and let Jesus’ *ordo* set you free.

Are You Interested in Going?

This summer, the first National Eucharistic Congress in 83 years is happening in Indianapolis! St. Gertrude Parish is looking to help you take advantage of this special opportunity by coordinating a group for adults and a group for youth to attend the Congress.

National Eucharistic Congress
July 17-21, 2024
Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis, IN
eucharisticcongress.org


If you are interested in being a part of one of the two groups, please visit the links or scan the QR codes to complete an interest form.



**Group for
Adults**


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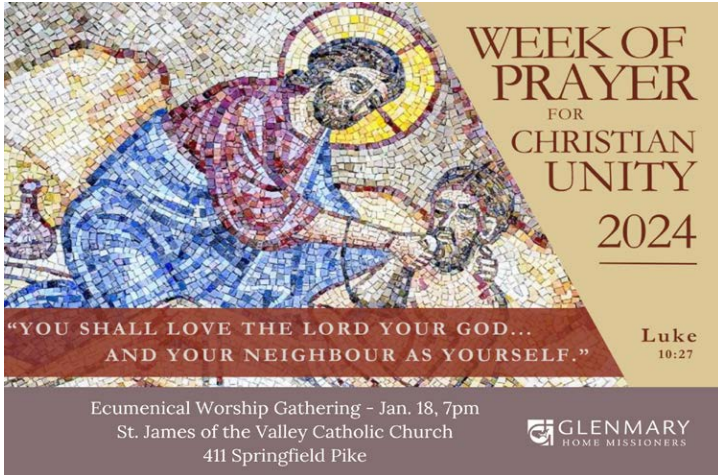
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**Group for
Youth**

Questions? Contact Tyler Castrucci (adults) at tcastrucci@stgertrude.org, or Walter Plummer (youth) at wplummer@stgertrude.org.





WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY GATHERING

The Week of Prayer is held internationally and invites all Christians to pray for a deepening of unity. Glenmary Home Missioners is excited to host a Cincinnati-based service on January 18 at 7 p.m. at St. James of the Valley Catholic Church in Wyoming, Ohio. A social will follow and will include representatives from ministries such as Catholic Charities, City Gospel Mission, Young Life, and others. The event is free to attend. For more information and to reserve your spot, visit bit.ly/2024weekofprayer.

FRIENDS OF JESUS

Friends of Jesus is a group for adults with developmental disabilities (18 years of age or older) that primarily focuses on support, prayer and socializing. We come together in prayer, do some craft-making, and enjoy refreshments. Please join us for our next gatherings on Saturday, January 20 and March 30 from 1 to 3 p.m. at All Saints Parish Center (8939 Montgomery Road). New members are always welcome but must RSVP prior to attending so we can plan for food and craft supplies. At the January 20 gathering, we will focus on “God’s Gift of Joy.” If you have any questions or to RSVP, please contact Jane Callan at (513) 793-3546.

BEING PREPARED IS EVERYTHING

Learning, planning, and being prepared is part of life. Gate of Heaven Cemetery is here to help you understand Church teachings so that planning end-of-life decisions can be made with peace of mind. Attend a complimentary pre-planning seminar at Gate of Heaven Cemetery on Tuesday, January 23, at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., or 6 p.m. Please RSVP to community@gateofheaven.org or (513) 489-0300, and let us know how many family and friends will be coming with you, which parish you are from, and which seminar you plan to attend. The seminar will be in the St. Peter Chapel (11000 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, OH 45249).



WWME AT OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT CENTER

Would you like to resolve to improve your relationship and communication in 2024? Give the gift of yourself, better communication, and more romance with a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The WWME Experience is a weekend to be alone with your spouse to energize your relationship and communication in 2024. The next Marriage Encounter Weekend Experience is February 16-18, 2024, at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center, right here in Cincinnati! Sign up today at esharing.org/applyWeekend.php. If you have any questions or need more details, contact Andy or Melanie Reinersman at (859) 653-8464, application@esharing.org, or visit esharing.org.

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ASK AN EXPERT— THIS TAX CREDIT COULD BE A WIN- WIN FOR YOU AND ST. GERTRUDE SCHOOL FAMILIES!

NOEL NIETO, PARISHIONER

Q: I've heard that Ohio taxpayers who make a donation to a certified Ohio Scholarship Granting Organization are eligible for a dollar-for-dollar tax credit. What is an SGO, and how does it impact St. Gertrude School?

A: You are correct! **An Ohio taxpayer's donation to a certified Ohio Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) is eligible for a dollar-for-dollar tax credit* up to \$750 per taxpayer, per tax year.** (There is a maximum credit of \$1,500 for married couples who are filing jointly when each spouse makes his/her own gift of \$750.00.) Notice that this is a tax *credit*, not simply a tax *deduction*. For many taxpayers, a credit is more valuable!

A Scholarship Granting Organization (SGO) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that receives contributions from donors and grants educational scholarships to eligible students in Ohio. The Archdiocese of Cincinnati Foundation for Catholic Education (CEF) has been certified by Ohio as an SGO and provides an easy way for you to make a donation that will benefit St. Gertrude School families. That means that you make a donation to a cause you believe in, and it doesn't cost you an extra dime!

Making a donation is simple! Just visit CatholicBestChoice.org/SGO/, select St. Gertrude School in the "School" field, and make your online gift.

If you want your tax credit to be applied to the 2023 tax year, you need to make your gift before April 15, 2024 (Ohio's unextended tax filing deadline).

Shortly after your gift has been received and processed, CEF will mail a letter to you that can serve as documentation for the Ohio tax credit when you prepare your Ohio income tax return. (You will also receive an email receipt after you make your online gift. Be sure to check your spam/junk folder if you don't see the email in your inbox.) In addition, CEF will notify St. Gertrude School of your gift.

You benefit from the tax credit, and St. Gertrude School can provide more tuition assistance to families! It's a win-win! You make a donation to a cause you believe in, and it doesn't cost you an extra dime!

We don't know how long the state will continue this program, so let's make the best of this opportunity

by promoting it to friends and family!

If you need more information, you can . . .

- **Consult your tax advisor to determine if a gift to the SGO is appropriate for you.** The information provided here is not meant to serve as tax advice.
- Read up on Ohio Revised Code Section 5747.73.
- Search "Ohio Department of Taxation Scholarship Donation Credit" online.
- Visit the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Foundation for Catholic Education at CatholicBestChoice.org/SGO/Contact Don Regan, St. Gertrude Church business manager, at businessmanager@stgertrude.org

**This tax credit is non-refundable; if your donation is greater than your tax liability, the difference is not refundable to you.*

Noel Nieto has been a St. Gertrude Church parishioner for 10 years and is currently a member of our finance council and the Knights of Columbus. He and his wife, Ida, have two daughters. The Nietos reside in Indian Hill.

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The Archdiocese of Cincinnati Catholic Education Foundation (CEF) is a certified SGO, and St. Gertrude School is a participating school. That means that when you donate to the CEF and select St. Gertrude School as your school, your gift will directly benefit current and future SGS families in need.



**Scan the QR code to
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dropdown menu.**

Contact Don Regan at businessmanager@stgertrude.org with questions.

Monday, January 15	Tuesday, January 16	Wednesday, January 17	Thursday, January 18	Friday, January 19	Saturday, January 20	Sunday, January 21
St. Gertrude School No School	Catechism in a Year Discussion Group 9 a.m. St. Joseph Room	Rosary Makers 3 p.m. St. Joseph Room	Cana Family – Year 3 9:30 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	Walking with Purpose Bible Study 8:30 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	Spiritual Renewal for Pregnant Moms 10:30 a.m. School Chapel	K of C Pancake Breakfast 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m. Gym
Parish Office Closed	Moms & Littles Holy Hour 9:30 a.m. Church	Schola Cantorum 3:30 p.m. PC Choir Room	CGS Level 1 11 a.m. Atrium I & II		Pregnant Moms & Family Blessings At 11:30 Mass Church	CGS Classes 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Atrium I & II, School Music Room
Become Catholic (RCIA) 7 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby	Seniors Fun Bunch 12:15 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby	CGS Level 1, 2 & 3 3:45 p.m. Atrium I & II, School Music Room	SGS PTO Meeting 7 p.m. School Cafeteria			Family Faith – Child Only Session 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. School Cafeteria
Boosters Meeting 7 p.m. St. Joseph Room	Sacramental Formation 4:30 p.m. Atrium II	Holy Hour with Confessions 7:30 p.m. Church				NFP class 1 p.m. St. Joseph Room
Healing Rosary 7 p.m. Church	CGS Level 1 & 2 6 p.m. Atrium I & II					Sacramental Formation 1:30 p.m. Atrium II
K of C Executive Meeting 7 p.m. K of C Hall	Confirmation Teaching Mass 6:30 p.m. Church					L'alto: HS Youth Night 7 p.m. Parish Center
	Boy Scouts 7 p.m. School Cafeteria					
	K of C Rosary & Social 7 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby					
	Moms of Special Needs Support Group 7 p.m. St. Joseph Room					
	SGS SAC Meeting 7 p.m. School Library					

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?
 Contact Tyler Castrucci at tcastrucci@stgertrude.org or Father Luke VanBerkum at frluke@stgertrude.org to learn more about our Become Catholic (RCIA) program and get your questions answered.

INTERESTED IN JOINING ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH?
 We would love to welcome you into our parish family! Visit stgertrude.org/register to fill out a new parishioner registration form. You can also find paper copies of the registration form in the church and the parish office. We look forward to meeting you!

BULLETIN DEADLINE

BULLETIN
1/28/24

MATERIALS DUE
1/17/24

Please submit your Mass announcements and bulletin articles to bulletin@stgertrude.org.

STAY INFORMED ON PRO-LIFE ISSUES

Want to get more involved in pro-life ministry or simply want to be more *in the know*? Email stgertrudeprolife@gmail.com to be added to the St. Gertrude Respect Life Ministry email list.



SUPPORT FOR MISCARRIAGE

Have you experienced a miscarriage? You are not alone. Heaven's Gain Ministries is here to provide for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of families experiencing pregnancy loss. Call Heaven's Gain at (513) 607-6083 for support, or visit HeavensGain.org for more information.

OFFERING

St. Gertrude Parish Weekly Collection and Budget Report
Collection for January 7

Collection	\$	60,987
Weekly Budget	\$	37,000
Weekly Surplus	\$	23,987

Fiscal Year-To-Date (for year ending June 30, 2024)

Fiscal YTD Actual	\$	1,132,351
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$	1,049,000
Fiscal YTD Surplus	\$	83,351

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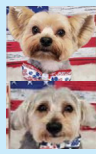
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