

WE SAW HIS STAR

at its rising and have come to do him homage.

MATTHEW 2:2



EPIPHANY OF THE LORD • JANUARY 2, 2022

ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

Monday, January 3, Christmas Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Clyde Dorn/Rev. Mr. & Mrs. James Rouse
- 8:00 a.m. †Maria Phuong Hung/Thien Cao
- 11:30 a.m. †Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

Tuesday, January 4, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (M)

- 7:00 a.m. †Sandra J. Myers/Dominican Sisters
- 8:00 a.m. †John Caffaro/Janet Buchert
- 11:30 a.m. The Dufresne Family/The Runk Family

Wednesday, January 5, St. John Neumann (M)

- 7:00 a.m. †Jane Thole/Lou Thole
- 8:00 a.m. †Joe Morrison/Jim & AnnaMaria Spurgin
- 11:30 a.m. †Theresa Condit/Elaine & Jeff Parker

Thursday, January 6, Christmas Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Spencer Shinkle/The Thatcher & Bellman Families
- 8:00 a.m. †Olga Andrejev/Jenny & John Ward
- 11:30 a.m. †Teresa Minton/Laurie Gessner

Friday, January 7, St. Raymond of Penyafort, O.P. (M)

- 7:00 a.m. Nealy Mechley/Jeanne Johantges
- 8:00 a.m. †Tom Tepe/Joe & Jo Macke
- 11:30 a.m. †Robert Wright/Jane Wright & Family

Saturday, January 8, Christmas Weekday

- 8:00 a.m. Charlene Bosken/Joan Kunkel
- 11:30 a.m. Sylvia Osterday/Sherry Schuler

January 8-9, The Baptism of the Lord (F)

Saturday

- 4:30 p.m. †Shirley Hactor/The Cucinotta Family

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. †Patsy Ricketts/Peter Bertoli
- 10:00 a.m. People of St. Gertrude
- 12:00 p.m. †Mary Ellen Martin/Ron & Charlene Bosken
- 6:00 p.m. †Johnny Schneider/Paula Rooks

Confessions will be heard in the church Monday-Friday at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

Parish Office Info

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Parish Office Hours

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

School Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

Church Hours

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

ALL
YOU
CAN
EAT!



ENJOY BREAKFAST AT ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH!

Date: Sunday, January 9, 2022

Location: Gym

Time: 8:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Cost: \$8/person | \$28/family

\$4/children grades K-8

Children 5 & under - Free

PANCAKES

EGGS

SAUSAGE

Gluten/dairy free
menu available



Credit cards accepted

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by Archbishop Elder
Council**



YOU'RE INVITED TO

The Presence of God

A Lenten Parish Mission with the Dominican Friars

The Lord is always at work, but we frequently fail to see him or even notice him. Join us this Lent for a powerful parish mission that will help you and your families more easily recognize God's presence in your lives.

Monday-Wednesday

April 4-6, 2022

8:30 a.m. | 7:00 p.m.

ST GERTRUDE CHURCH

Culminates with a eucharistic healing service
on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

**You do not need to be Catholic to attend.
Look for more information in future bulletins.**





OVERCOMING THE DARKNESS

For the last couple of weeks, one of the friars in the priory has been informing the rest of us about the length of nighttime in our region. The longest night (or the shortest day) came just before Christmas. Since that night, the days are becoming

longer and the nights shorter. Around the days of the winter solstice, the change in the length of light or darkness varies with just a few seconds. We don't even notice it. As time progresses toward spring and summer, the variable reaches into minutes of difference each day until we reach the summer solstice and the longest day of the year.

The gradual and incremental transition of light overcoming the darkness is a metaphor for the Christian life. Jesus is born as savior and redeemer for us, a light that overcomes the darkness of ignorance, sin, and death. As proclaimed in today's reading from the prophet Isaiah, "Your light has come, the glory of the Lord shines upon you. See, darkness covers the earth, and thick clouds over the people; but upon you the Lord shines, and over you appears his glory." But the transition of living in the light of the Lord doesn't happen all at once. The initial light of faith given to us on the day of our baptism is meant to increase in intensity throughout our lives. The change happens slowly. Perhaps we don't even notice it. However, with time and fidelity to prayer, the sacraments, and the works of mercy, faith grows in us. St. John the Beloved offers this teaching: "God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all. . . . If we walk in the light as he is in the light, then we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of his Son Jesus cleanses us from all sin." (1 John 1:5, 7). When we walk with Christ on the path of discipleship, we begin to see the effects and fruitfulness of God's grace working in us.

The wise men from the East followed a star—a light in the darkness of the heavens until they came to Bethlehem. There, they encountered the true light, the divine light, the perfect light who was born into the world. How is the Lord calling you to follow the light of faith in the midst of darkness? In a world filled with troubles, trials, challenges, frustrations, sickness, evil, and death, are you still following the star—living by faith? Are you trusting that the light of faith will lead you to the person of grace, blessing, and peace?

The child born for us—the child revealed to us—is God, who enters our world and offers his presence and grace at every moment and in every circumstance of our lives. He doesn't propose to make our lives easy (his own life wouldn't be easy). Perhaps that is why some reject him. The response we are invited to make is that of the Magi. We are to prostrate ourselves and to do him homage. We are invited to acknowledge him as God and to put our faith and trust in him. How can we do this?

Eucharistic adoration is a wonderful and practical way of growing in our relationship with the Lord and deepening our faith in him.

The incarnational presence of Jesus remains with us in the Blessed Sacrament. It is the Word made flesh and dwelling among us. Those who regularly make a holy hour in the adoration chapel will testify that they have experienced the increase of light in their lives. They will tell you that the commitment to seek him in the midst of a busy life brings grace and peace.

The adoration chapel reopens this week following the Christmas break. We are continuing to hope and strive to return to perpetual adoration. As an incremental step, we are asking for volunteers to register for the overnight hours on Wednesday and Saturday. We need a minimum of two people for each hour because the Blessed Sacrament can never be left unattended. There are also some daytime hours that need additional volunteers. Please consider making a personal commitment to encounter the Lord and to growing in faith, hope, and love in his presence.

In this new year, let us renew our commitment to love one another and pray for each other.

Fr. George, O.P.

Father George Schommer, O.P.

FROM THE DIARY OF ST. MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA



When I arrived at Midnight Mass, from the very beginning I steeped myself in deep recollection, during which time I saw the stable of Bethlehem filled with great radiance. The Blessed Virgin, all lost in the deepest of love, was wrapping Jesus in swaddling clothes, but Saint Joseph was still asleep. Only after the Mother of God put Jesus in the manger did the light of God awaken Joseph, who also prayed. But after a while, I was left alone with the Infant Jesus who stretched out His little hands to me, and I understood that I was to take Him in my arms. Jesus pressed His head against my heart and gave me to know, by His profound gaze, how good He found it to be next to my heart. (*Diary, #1442*)

COVER IMAGE: *Adoration of the Magi* (fresco), Luini (1520-1525)

SCHOOL NEWS

DATES TO REMEMBER

- School Resumes – Monday, January 3, 2022

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

The school office will reopen on

Monday, January 3, 2022, at 7:30 a.m.



FIRST GRADE MITTEN TREE

Before Christmas break, our first graders brought in gloves, scarves, and hats to put on the First Grade Mitten Tree. These items will be donated to an underprivileged school in the area.



Come see us at our **OPEN HOUSE**

Sunday
January 30, 2022
1:00–3:00 p.m.

NOW ENROLLING FOR 2022-2023



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For over 85 years, St. Gertrude School has been led by the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia.

ILLUMINATE

Helping Parents Raise Children
in a "Pornified" Culture

Raising kids in today's culture is tough and unprecedented—even paralyzing. But there's hope.

Join us in January 2022 for *Illuminate*, a 2-part series that will help you understand the scope of the porn issue, how to help children who have been exposed to porn heal, and how to prevent pornography from ever taking root in your home.

WHEN: January 12, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
January 19, 7:00-8:30 p.m.

WHERE: St. Gertrude School Cafeteria

COST: \$10/person

REGISTER: stgertrude.org/illuminate

All session will be presented by Brad Bursa, PhD, director of adult formation at St. Gertrude.

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Are you interested
in becoming a catechist for
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd?

Save the dates for CGS training courses!

Level 1

Teaching children ages 3-6

June 3-8, 2022 (Part 1)

August 27-28, 2022
October 8-9, 2022
January 14-16, 2023

St. Gertrude Church

Level 2*

Teaching children ages 6-9

July 20-25, 2022 (Part 1)

September 10-11, 2022
November 12-13, 2022
February 18-20, 2023

St. Gertrude Church

**Level One training must be completed before taking Level Two.*

If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Mary Beth Dickert, coordinator of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, at mbdickert@stgertrude.org or (513) 561-8369, ext. 2110.



Mini March for Life

Show your support for life
from the moment of conception until natural death

WHEN: Sunday, January 16, 2022
1:30-4:30 p.m.

WHERE: Holy Name Church
2422 Auburn Ave, Cincinnati
Planned Parenthood
2314 Auburn Ave, Cincinnati

WHO: Anyone in grades 9-12
(families welcome)

SCHEDULE

- 1:30 p.m.** Meet at Holy Name for prayer; walk to Planned Parenthood
- 2:00 p.m.** Pray outside of Planned Parenthood
- 4:00 p.m.** Walk back to Holy Name; closing prayer and debrief
- 4:30 p.m.** Depart



Please bring warm clothes, rosaries, positive pro-life signs, and an openness to pray for the unborn, mothers, and even those inside the clinic.

For more details and contact info, to fill out a permission form, and to register, visit stgertrude.org/highschoolerevents.





**KICK OFF THE
NEW YEAR
WITH FORMED**

Are you looking for engaging entertainment that supports a Catholic lifestyle? Do you desire to dive into Bible studies, books, audio talks, and other great resources from leading Catholic experts that will help you understand your faith? FORMED has all that and more—and you have free 24/7 access! Visit stgertrude.org/formed to register for your free FORMED account and start the New Year off on the right foot.

THE SECOND GREATEST STORY EVER TOLD

You're invited to join us on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month to watch and discuss Fr. Michael Gaitley's *The Second Greatest Story Ever Told* videos and to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. We will meet from 9:45 a.m to 11:15 a.m. in the Parish Center on January 13, January 27, February 10, February 24, March 20, March 24, April 28, and May 12.

BREAKING FREE

St. Gertrude Church is happy to provide a group for men who are struggling with pornography and lust. The group meets weekly on Thursdays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Center Music Room (lower level). For more information, please visit stgertrude.org/breakingfree.

DID YOU KNOW?

St. Gertrude Church was designed by perhaps the premier church architect of the twentieth century. From the stained glass windows to the High Altar, the building is full of symbolism and truth. Learn more about our beautiful church at stgertrude.org/architecture.



**YOU CAN STILL DONATE
A ST. MICHAEL HYMNAL**

Thank you to everyone who purchased a St. Michael Hymnal and donated it back to the parish. We are very grateful for and overwhelmed by your generosity. The hymnals are in the pews with your special donor bookplates.

If you would still like to purchase a hymnal and donate it to St. Gertrude Church as a gift, in memory of someone, in honor of someone, or in thanksgiving for something, please visit stgertrude.org/news/stmichaelhymnal to see a sample of the bookplate and to download the donor purchase form. Return the completed form, along with your cash or check, to the parish office. Please note, we do not yet have a date when these additional hymnals will be in the pews.

ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH IS HIRING

We are looking for a head sacristan to join our team. In this role, you will be responsible for the maintenance of the sacristy, sanctuary, and altars, as well as overseeing all the supplies necessary for the celebration of the liturgy. To view the full job description and to apply, visit stgertrude.org/employment.

**WELCOME
BACK, TEENS!**

**L'alto: High School
resumes Sunday,
January 9, 2022!**



Visit stgertrude.org/highschool to view and download the spring schedule.



LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

THE SICK:

Tim Brinkman, Kim Caswell, Bettie Caudill, Ann Cerone, Triset Defonseka, Lisa Ely, Dick Gelhaus, Bob Gerwin, Andrew Goad, Cameron Goad, Matthew Goad, Glenn Grismere, Loretta Holden, Hummel Family, Megan Johnson, Rhonda Keith-Stephens, Aiko Kimura, Ed Kinney, Marianne Klekamp, Janice Koncius, Kevin Lewis, Kim McClung, Sandra Munyon, Elaine O'Connell, Sue Paas, Gerry Patterson, Ellen Schaengold, Patricia Scherer, Pegge Schuermann, Richard Seifert, Teddie Slaper, Jack Spilker, Jim Spurgin, Patricia Strauss, Judy Sullivan, Mary Saul, Mary Valker, Bill Van Hise, and Brigitte Vielhauer

THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES:

Samuel C. Bascom, Patrick Burke, Curtis Flores, Luis Flores, Jr., Cole and Kyle Foster, Dominic Geraci, Daniel Holian, Mike Huber, Aaron Jacobson, Jacob Kramb, John Kramb, Kelly Leugers, John Murdock, Jr., John Oscar, Sarah Ries, Kolbe Roberts, Dan Roseman, Andrew Shannon, and Ian Tester

THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Edward Beck
David Taylor – husband of Maureen

LADIES OF CHARITY MEETING

The Ladies of Charity will hold an organizational meeting at 10:00 a.m. on January 15, 2022, in the Parish Center St. Joseph Room. Any interested Catholic woman is welcome to attend. We will be discussing our plans for the coming year. Dues of \$13.00 and service hours will be collected from current members at the meeting. Please plan on attending. If you have any questions regarding the Ladies of Charity or the meeting, please contact Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085.

LADIES OF CHARITY SHARING VAN IS BACK

On the weekend of January 8-9, 2022, the Ladies of Charity will be collecting items for Bethany House, an agency which empowers homeless and at-risk families with solutions to achieve housing stability and long-term self-sufficiency. For a list of their immediate needs, please visit stgertrude.org/news/sharingvan. Thank you for your generous support. If you have any questions about Bethany House or the Ladies of Charity, please call Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085.

MOBILE MAMMOGRAPHY VAN

Immaculate Heart of Mary (7820 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati) Health Ministry is sponsoring the Jewish Hospital Mobile Mammography Van on **Tuesday, January 25, 2022, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.** Any woman over the age of 40 is welcome to sign up for an appointment to get a mammogram. Both 2D and 3D scans are available. 2D scans are 100 percent covered by insurance, and 3D scan coverage depends on the individual's specific policy. To schedule an appointment, please call (513) 686-3300 and press option 1. For more information, contact Mary Selvaggi, IHM parish nurse, at (513) 388-4184 or marys@ihom.org.

TWO WEEKS TO SIGN UP FOR RETROUVAILLE

Do you feel alone? Are you and your spouse frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue—or have you just stopped talking to one another altogether? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels, including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the January 2022 program (beginning with a weekend on January 7-9, 2022), call (513) 486-6222, or visit HelpOurMarriage.com.

2022 CINCINNATI MEN'S CONFERENCE

Actor Jim Caviezel (Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ*) and Raymond Arroyo (EWTN/ FOX News) are coming to Cincinnati April 2, 2022, to speak at the Cincinnati Men's Conference. Themed "Evil Prevails When Good Men Do Nothing," the conference is intended for all men, no matter where you are in your spiritual journey or which faith you identify with. For more information and to get your tickets, visit CincinnatiMensConference.com. You won't regret it.

CATHOLIC FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT: CINDERELLA

Join families from across the area on Sunday, January 16, 2022, for an exciting, large screen viewing of Disney's live action remake of Cinderella! Before the showing, dynamic presenter Joan Ratajczak will discuss how to recognize Christian symbolism in the film (and in other movies). Sponsored by The Angelico Project, this event provides a unique and exciting way to learn more about the faith together as a family. WHERE: Good Shepherd Catholic Montessori School, 4460 Berwick Street, Cincinnati, OH. WHEN: 6:00-9:00 p.m. COST: Tickets are \$5.00 per person or \$25.00 per family. For more information and to register, visit AngelicoProject.org.



CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE NEEDED

A parish family with two children ages nine and five is in need of babysitting help and after school care on Tuesdays and Fridays each week, starting January 4, 2022. Must be able to drive children to and from school and other activities, and pay is hourly based on experience and availability. If you are interested, please contact Dina at (513) 207-4246 for more information.

7TH ANNUAL E6 CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

St. Leon, Indiana | February 26, 2022

Become a better husband, parent, son, brother, and neighbor at the 7th Annual E6 Catholic Men's Conference. Featuring Matthew Kelly and Gus Lloyd, the event is designed to bring men into a deeper relationship with Christ and his Catholic Church through a worthy celebration of the sacraments, engaging talks to strengthen faith, opportunities for true fraternity, and exposure to good resources to aid in living the faith as disciples of Christ. Limited tickets available. Visit www.e6cmc.com for more information to register.

SYNOD ON SYNODALITY - YOU'RE INVITED

Pope Francis has called for a synod in October 2023 and is asking for as many of the baptized as possible to participate in the archdiocese-wide meetings taking place in January and February 2022. **The various parishes in the St. Andrew Deanery, which St. Gertrude is part of, will meet on Thursday, January 13, 2022, at Good Shepherd Parish (8815 E. Kemper Road, Cincinnati) from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.** Please consider attending. Registration is required. To learn more and to sign up, please visit catholicaoc.org/synod.



ASK A PRIEST— CELEBRATING EPIPHANY, I.E. “LITTLE CHRISTMAS”

FATHER JOHN MARK SOLITARIO, O.P.

Q: Some Catholic cultures have a big celebration on January 6, the feast of Epiphany. Wouldn't it be great if we could take up this tradition here in Cincinnati?

A: The desire to celebrate Christmas as a full-blown season is very Catholic. (This is why the greeting “Happy Holidays” doesn't have to be taken as a denial of Christmas). Taking the lead from its Jewish roots, the Church for a long time has marked the most significant holy days with an extended, week-long celebration. Just like Easter, Christmas Day starts an octave of feast days, which then further extends into a “Christmas season.” Epiphany (aka “Twelfth Night”) is the culminating celebration of this season.

At one time, January 6 was the day when some Christians celebrated Jesus' birth. Even after December 25 became Christmas, January 6 held a special place in Christmastime celebrations.¹ For Catholics, it is the day called Epiphany, marking Christ's manifestation before the Magi from the East (see Mt 2:1-12). In countries like the United States where Epiphany is not a holy day of obligation, it is moved from January 6 to a Sunday nearby. This feast day really deserves the title “Little Christmas” because it marks the homage paid to the Christ Child by the first group of Gentiles. It foretells the wonderful spread of Christianity to all the nations and our own part in worshipping the incarnate Son of God.

In some cultures, Christmas remains a family-oriented celebration, while Epiphany is the more public festival. Besides giving us more time to celebrate, this custom holds a special lesson: first, we must each go for ourselves to discover the Child who lies in the manger; only after this encounter, as faith-filled Christians, will we be impelled to share the news of the Savior whom we have met. Every Catholic can play his or her part in one way or another to advance the news of Christmas from private encounter to public “Epiphany” or “manifestation” of Jesus to mankind.

How can we celebrate Epiphany and so better recognize the full scope of Christmastime? We can start by being intentional about the way we participate in Mass on the feast of Epiphany. (*Am I still in a Christmas mindset? Do I continue to ask God for the grace to adore his incarnate Son and to make him better known to others?*) After this, there are a hundred ways to keep the celebration of Christmas going during the weeks following December 25. (Keep your Christmas lights strung! Don't hesitate to send some late Christmas cards or visit someone bringing Christmas cheer!) No doubt, we can learn from our Catholic forebears who maintained many customs between December 25 and January 6 to keep the revelation of the Christ Child before their eyes.

Ask a Priest is a regular format for our Holy Teaching section. Submit your own question to bulletin@stgertrude.org for one of our Dominican priests to answer in the bulletin!

¹ See the last two chapters of *The True Meaning of Christmas: The Birth of Jesus and the Origins of the Season* by Michael P. Barber (Augustine Institute/ Ignatius Press, 2021) for an account of how Christmas came to be celebrated on December 25.



Monday, January 3	Tuesday, January 4	Wednesday, January 5	Thursday, January 6	Friday, January 7	Saturday, January 8	Sunday, January 9
Become Catholic (RCIA) 7:00 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	Children's Choir 3:00 p.m. PC Music Room	Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	Cana Family 9:30 a.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	L'alto Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Gym	Catholic Men's Fellowship 7:30 a.m. School Cafeteria	LOC Bethany House After 8:00, 10:00 & 12:00 Masses Sharing Van
Healing Rosary 7:00 p.m. Church	Level I Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 3:30 p.m. Atrium I	Peer Ministry Team Meeting 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria	Level I Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 11:15 a.m. Atrium I		LOC Bethany House After 4:30 p.m. Mass Sharing Van	KofC Pancake Breakfast 8:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Gym
	Level II Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 5:00 p.m. Atrium II	Benediction 8:50 p.m. Church	Cana Family Year 1 7:00 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room			Family Faith 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. School Cafeteria
	Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. School		KofC Business Meeting 7:00 p.m. KofC Hall			Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. Atrium I & II
						Parent/Child CGS Sacramental Formation 1:30 p.m. Atrium II
						L'alto Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Gym
						L'alto High School 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria

OFFERING
St. Gertrude Parish
Weekly Collection and Budget Report

Collection for December 24/25 – Christmas

Budget	\$ 45,000
Collection	\$ 52,621
Surplus	\$ 7,621

Collection for December 26

Weekly Budget	\$ 35,294
Collection	\$ 27,795
Weekly Deficit	(\$ 7,499)

2nd Collection: \$ 6,997 – KY Tornado Relief

Fiscal Year-To-Date
(for year ending June 30, 2022)

Fiscal YTD Budget	\$ 962,644
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$ 968,239
Fiscal YTD Surplus	\$ 5,595

For guidelines about meetings on campus and scheduling information, please visit stgertrude.org/covid19.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

BULLETIN
1/16/22

MATERIALS DUE
1/5/22

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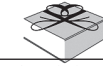
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