

# CELEBRATING CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JANUARY 29, 2023



## MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

### Monday, January 30, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Elizabeth Greve by The Chmiel Family
- 8 a.m. † Anne & Bob Siebert by The Family
- 11:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

### Tuesday, January 31, St. John Bosco (M)

- 7 a.m. † Sharon Bevis by John & Marilyn Scherpenberg
- 8 a.m. † Laura Johns by Janet Smith
- 11:30 a.m. † Colleen Lynch by Ray & Marylyn Clark

### Wednesday, February 1, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Virginia Goedde by The Goedde Family
- 8 a.m. † Robert Lance by Catherine Fishlock
- 11:30 a.m. † Joyce Jennings by Dick & Eileen Pope

### Thursday, February 2, The Presentation of the Lord (F)

- 7 a.m. † Tom Ruthman by Malissa & Nick Frohlich
- 8 a.m. Nancy Lucas by Kathy Jilek
- 11:30 a.m. † Clyde Dorn by Torchy & Sue Zoeller

### Candlemas

- 7 p.m. Octavio Flores Resendiz by Maria Resendiz

### Friday, February 3, St. Blaise (M)

- 7 a.m. † Patsy Scalo by The Wainscott Family
- 8 a.m. † Brandon Hepner by Pete & Donna Marcello
- 11:30 a.m. † Tim Petric by Mary Petric

### Saturday, February 4, St. Catherine de' Ricci, O.P. (M)

- 8 a.m. Kim Stoll by Beth & Mike Stoll
- 11:30 a.m. † Betty Schommer by Nancy DeBrunner
- 4:30 p.m. † Josephine Obermiller by Joy & John Belperio

### Sunday, February 5, 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8 a.m. Jeannie Mueller by Dolores Brandstetter
- 10 a.m. † The Kohus & Bough Families by John & Hilda Bough
- 12 p.m. People of St. Gertrude
- 6 p.m. Laura Clanton by The Clanton 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.

## Parish Information

6543 Miami Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45243  
(513) 561-5954 | stgertrude.org

### 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.

## Candlemas Day Mass

Thursday, February 2, 2023  
7 p.m. | St. Gertrude Church

Join us for a solemn Mass in celebration of the Presentation of the Lord, also known as Candlemas. There will have a blessing of candles, a procession, and beautiful music. You may bring your own candles to be blessed or purchase our newly blessed candles for a suggested donation of \$10.



## Blessing of Throats

On Friday, February 3, the feast of St. Blaise, we will offer the blessing of throats at all daily Masses (7 a.m., 8 a.m., and 11:30 a.m.)



Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr invites you to join him in exploring the wonder of the Mass through a special video series featuring Bishop Robert Barron. Each Sunday from January 8 through February 12, Archbishop Schnurr will email you his own brief insights along with a 25-minute episode from Word on Fire's *The Mass*. **Also available in Spanish.**

**Join Archbishop Schnurr and fellow Catholics across the archdiocese and**

*experience the Mass in a whole new way.*

**Sign up for free at [CatholicAOC.org/theMass](https://CatholicAOC.org/theMass)**



**GOD'S BUILDING BLOCKS**

In some ways, I am very much a product of the electronic world we live in today. I browse the internet, use email, have a smartphone (and a smartwatch), regularly post on Facebook, possess a Twitter account (though I don't use that very often), and have at least *some* familiarity with things like

Snapchat, Instagram, and various other means of modern social media.

As anyone who has spent any significant amount of time on these platforms knows, there is a *lot* of "garbage" out there floating around—garbage of all types and varieties, from the merely inane to the false and misleading to the outright morally reprehensible.

That being said, there is also some "good stuff" out there. In fact, there are a lot of positive things to be found in the "electronic universe" as well. There are great sources of solid information about every topic under the sun, stunning pictures of locations most of us will never see in our lifetimes, and even a fair amount of spiritually fruitful and uplifting insights.

I want to share one such item with all of you today. It is a quote, from a noted contemporary Catholic speaker and author, that came across my Facebook feed a while back. It simply states, matter-of-factly: "God made saints out of far worse people than you."

Wow.

Reading it immediately made an impact on me. It put a smile on my face, and the more I pondered that insight, the more I felt like smiling. I found the truth contained in that quote quite comforting: the making of saints is ultimately God's work, not mine. Whatever my past has contained (the good, the bad, the ugly, the beautiful, and everything in between), God looks at me right now and sees plenty of building blocks within me to craft me into a saint. *I just need to let him.*



This is true for all of us. There is absolutely *nothing* in our past—no action, no choice, no sin, no failure—that has the power

to prevent God from turning each of us into living saints. All of us have the necessary building blocks present to be crafted and fit together to become living saints in our world today. Even our sins and failures and mistakes, in some mysterious way, are used by God as building blocks to help shape us into saints. Indeed, we need look no further than the New Testament to see how Jesus seemed to *intentionally* choose people whose histories were less-than-holy to craft them into the first generation of Christian saints: Matthew the tax collector (essentially, in those days, the extortioner), Mary Magdalene (traditionally seen to be the woman caught in adultery and the one of whom it was said had "seven devils" cast out of her), Dismas (the "good thief" crucified along with Jesus), Saul (the persecutor and killer of Christians until his conversion and renaming as Paul), and so many others.

All this reminds me of another great quote that I have also seen floating around the internet recently: "Every saint has a past; every sinner has a future."

My brothers and sisters, God has everything he needs to turn us into saints. Nothing is lacking. Our future is bright. Sainthood awaits! Let us run to meet him, and give him permission to rearrange the building blocks of our lives so as to form us into the saints we were created to be. Amen.

God bless,

*Rev. John Paul Walker, O.P.*

Father John Paul Walker, O.P.

**PRAYER FROM ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT**



**A Prayer on Candlemas Day**  
 O most Holy Father, I, your unworthy servant, trusting only in your unimaginable compassion, have received your beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, and now hold him in my heart. Receiving him, as did holy Simeon, I now offer him to you with all that love and by which he offered himself to you for your everlasting glory: while lying in the manger, and while he was hanging upon the cross. Amen.

**COVER IMAGE:** *St. Gertrude School students show their SGS spirit.*



### UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

- **January 29, 2023:** Open House
- **January 30–February 3, 2023:** Catholic Schools Week
- **January 30–February 24, 2023:** Priority Enrollment for New Students
- **January 30–February 17, 2023:** Re-Enrollment Period
- **February 3, 2023:** Bible Bowl
- **February 7, 2023:** First Reconciliation

### GOOD NEWS! BOOK FAIR

Good News! Book Fair—a small business specializing in curating wholesome, virtuous selections of books for children of all ages—will be coming to St. Gertrude School during our Open House on Sunday, January 29, from 1 to 3 p.m. Stop by to shop and support St. Gertrude School!

### SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

For the week of January 30, 2023, the school office will be open Monday–Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK SCHEDULE

**Saturday–Sunday, January 28–29:** Alumni will speak before Masses about how St. Gertrude School made an impact on their lives; Open House Sunday from 1 to 3 p.m.

**Monday, January 30:** Dress-up day (dress in professional attire for Science Fair; dress as favorite book character, academic profession, or favorite teacher); classroom decorating contest begins; Science Fair (cafeteria)

**Tuesday, February 31:** Dominican dress-up day (dress like a Dominican or wear black and white in honor of our patrons St. Dominic and St. Gertrude; Catholic Schools Week Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains (student council and principal); Spelling Bee; Castle Skateland (SGS students and families only)

**Wednesday, February 1:** Patriotic dress-up day (dress in red, white, and blue); patriotic popsicles at lunchtime; bracelets from The Wounded Warrior Project; special thanks to military

**Thursday, February 2:** School Mass; special lunch for teachers

**Friday, February 3:** Spirit wear day (dress in favorite team's spirit wear); Bible Bowl; cookies at lunchtime

# Discover the Dominican Tradition



**OPEN HOUSE**  
**January 29**  
**1-3 p.m.**

Please RSVP at  
[stgertrudesch.org](http://stgertrudesch.org)

**Gather in Faith. Guide in Truth. Grow in Excellence.**

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# WINTER RETREAT

February 17-19, 2023

What does it mean to be a child of God? How can I hear God speaking to me? How do I share God's Word and love with others?

Get answers to these questions and more at the L'alto: High School Winter Retreat, God Dwells in Me: Identity & Mission.

- WHO** All teens in grades 9-12
- WHEN** Friday, February 17, 7 p.m. — Sunday, February 19, 1 p.m
- WHERE** Woodland Lakes Christian Camp & Retreat Center  
3051 Lindale Mt. Holly Road, Amelia, OH 45102
- WHAT** Team building activities, small group discussions, keynote talks, prayer, confession, and Mass
- COST** \$90/person (includes meals on Saturday and Sunday)
- REGISTER** [stgertrude.org/highschool](https://stgertrude.org/highschool)

If you have any questions, please contact Laura Potter, coordinator of high school ministry, at [lpotter@stgertrude.org](mailto:lpotter@stgertrude.org).





### **DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY IS OPEN**

All registered adult parishioners should have received an email with a link to the Disciple Maker Index Survey. This 10 to 15-minute survey asks you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and enables you to provide feedback on what our parish is doing to help you grow. All responses will be confidential, and we will only receive information about St. Gertrude Church as a whole. The results will be invaluable to our parish as we seek ways to best support everyone in their discipleship journey. We will receive the results this spring/summer, at which time we will share what we have learned with the entire parish.

If you prefer a hard copy of the survey, paper copies are available in the parish office. Please return your paper survey to the office once it is complete. If you did not receive an email and would like to complete the survey, please visit [portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/ytddb3](https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/ytddb3). If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at (513) 561-5954 or [parishoffice@stgertrude.org](mailto:parishoffice@stgertrude.org). Thank you for helping with this important project!

### **HOPE EMERGENCY THANK-YOU**

St. Gertrude Church family and the Ladies of Charity, Happy New Year! Hope Emergency Program would like to send a heartfelt thank-you for your generous donations during our Christmas distribution and beyond. We are blessed to have so much support providing for families in need in our area. We were able to provide Christmas gifts for 577 children and Christmas food for 384 families. Both of these numbers represent an increase over last year. We are blessed to be a blessing. We'd like to wish a special thank-you to Sue and Tim Clark, especially to Tim for delivering items despite getting lost on giving Sunday. Thank you. May you and your loved ones continue to be abundantly blessed throughout the new year.

Gratefully,

Kathy Hutchens and Mariah Kroger, Co-Directors

Amanda Widmeyer, Marketing and Social Services Coordinator

## BAPTISM

Sunday, January 15, 2023



Child: Una-Marie Llewellynn Heisler

Parents: JC & Amanda Heisler

### **2023 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL (CMA)**

Next weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the ministries that teach, feed, and heal throughout the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and help us reach our parish CMA goal of \$87,097. You can mail your pledge card or bring it to Mass next weekend. For more information or to donate online, please visit [CatholicAOC.org/CMA](https://CatholicAOC.org/CMA). As a reminder, if we exceed our parish CMA goal, 50 percent of our over-goal funds stays right here for use in our parish!

### **DID YOU PRE-ORDER A CENTENNIAL BOOK?**

If you pre-ordered *St. Gertrude Church: The First 100 Years* and received a limited edition print of the book cover photo, Fabulous Frames & Art in Kenwood will give you \$40 off a custom frame for your print. Take your limited edition print to Fabulous Frames (8002 Hosbrook Road) to redeem this special offer. If you pre-ordered a centennial book and have not yet picked up your limited edition print, please stop by the parish office to do so. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Holland at [mholland3353@gmail.com](mailto:mholland3353@gmail.com).

### **BOYS VOLLEYBALL REGISTRATION**

Registration for the boys volleyball spring season is now open! All boys in grades 3-8 who are parishioners of St. Gertrude Church are welcome. No experience is required; a men's college volleyball coach will be helping form the boys in volleyball basics. The cost is \$80. To register, please visit [sgsbulldogs.org](https://sgsbulldogs.org) and click "Online Registration" in the left column. Registration ends February 11. If you have any questions, please contact Bridget Kaufman at [bridget\\_kaufman@yahoo.com](mailto:bridget_kaufman@yahoo.com).

## LET US PRAY

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .**

#### THE SICK:

Maureen S. Currens, Triset Defonseka, Pamela K. Dwyer, Lisa Ely, Dick Gelhaus, Bob Gerwin, Goad Family, Baby Leo Henry Grolmes, Elsa Hall, Jane Hazelton, Hummel Family, Andrea Kattel, Aiko Kimura, Diane Kosobud, Ed and Karen Larkin, Kevin Lewis, Gertrude Maxwell, Kim McClung, Elaine O'Connell, Sue Paas, Gerry Patterson, Gert Patterson, Patricia Scherer, Pegge Schuermann, Richard Seifert, Joseph Silvers, Teddie Slaper, Jack Spilker, Jim Spurgin, Judy Sullivan, Mary Valker, and Brigitte Vielhauer

#### THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES:

Patrick Burke, Gabe Dorsey, Jacob Dorsey, Curtis Flores, Luis Flores, Jr., Cole Foster, Kyle Foster, Dominic Geraci, Daniel Holian, Mike Huber, Aaron Jacobson, Jacob Krumb, John Krumb, Kelly Leugers, Dominic Lloyd, Seth McGann, John Murdock, Jr., John Oscar, Sarah Ries, Dan Roseman, Andrew Shannon, and Ian Tester

#### THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Steve Rentschler, brother-in-law of Mark Holland



**A PRO-LIFE GATHERING FOR HER**

On Saturday, February 4, 2023, there will be a pro-life gathering from 8:15 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at St. Susanna Catholic Church in Mason. The day will include Mass, national and local pro-life speakers, coffee, and lunch. Purchase your tickets at [cincinnati.rightrighttolife.org](http://cincinnati.rightrighttolife.org) or call (513) 728-7870.

**DOMINICAN ROSARY PILGRIMAGE**

You are invited to participate in the Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage at the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., on September 30, 2023, the vigil of Rosary Sunday. This full-day event to celebrate the rosary will include conferences on the rosary preached by the friars, several hours of Eucharistic Adoration and confessions, a recitation of the rosary, and Mass in the Upper Church.

The pilgrimage begins (spiritually) with a nine-month novena prayed on the thirtieth day of every month, starting Monday, January 30, 2023. Prayer cards with the novena prayer are available at the entrances to the church, as well as on the table near the reliquary. Feel free to take the prayer cards home and/or give them to friends and loved ones. For more information, visit [rosarypilgrimage.org](http://rosarypilgrimage.org).

**VALENTINE'S DINNER DANCE**

Heaven's Gain Ministries (an organization that assists families experiencing miscarriage, stillbirth, and early infant death) invites you to its Valentine's Dinner Dance, Share the Love Fundraiser, on Saturday, February 18, 2023, at The Woodlands (9680 Cilley Road, Cleves, OH 45002). Doors open at 5:40 p.m., dinner is served at 6:15 p.m., and there is dancing until 11 p.m. Early bird ticket prices are \$50/person, \$400/table of 8, and \$500/table of 10. (Prices increase February 1.) Corporate sponsorships are also available. To purchase your tickets, become a corporate sponsor, or learn more about Heaven's Gain Ministries, visit [heavensgain.org](http://heavensgain.org) or scan the QR code.



**MEN, YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS!**

The 2023 E6 Catholic Men's Conference is coming up on Saturday, February 18, at the East Central High School Performing Arts Center in St. Leon, Indiana (80 miles southeast of Indianapolis and 35 minutes northwest of Cincinnati). Every man is invited to attend this 8th annual event, which will include inspiring talks, confession (available all day), Mass, and fraternity with fellow men of Christ. This will be a quality, substance-driven, inspirational, and faith-filled event that will change your life and help equip you to be the man Christ calls you to be. Speakers include Super Bowl Champion Matt Birk, author and EWTN host Bear Woznick, Father Jonathan Meyer, and more! For more details and to purchase your tickets, visit [e6cmc.com](http://e6cmc.com).

**PRO-LIFE JOB OPENINGS**

Elizabeth's New Life Center has been saving babies and changing lives for 33 years. We have employees in the Cincinnati area. Please visit [elizabethnewlife.org/careers/](http://elizabethnewlife.org/careers/) for more information or to apply for the following positions:

- Women's Center Manager: Oversee responsibilities for all operations at the Forest Park Women's Center
- RN/RDMS: Perform limited obstetrical ultrasounds
- Consultant South Float: Work with women clients facing crisis pregnancies
- Community Relations Officer: Work with area organizations to ensure communities are aware of ENLC services

**PROJECT RACHEL EVENTS**

Are you or a loved one carrying the grief and sorrow of a past abortion? Experience God's love and mercy at two upcoming Project Rachel events:

**Day of Reflection**

March 4, 2023 | 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**Weekend Retreat**

March 24-26, 2023

Cost: \$150 (No woman will be turned away due to cost)

For more information, visit [ProjectRachelOhio.org](http://ProjectRachelOhio.org). If you or someone you know is in a crisis situation or would like to speak with someone, please call or text our free confidential helpline at (513) 784-0531.

**SWING INTO SPRING**  
Knights of Columbus fundraiser to support the American Wheelchair Mission



Sponsored by  
 Knights of Columbus

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023  
10 A.M.-1 P.M.

Check-in and registration begin promptly at 10 a.m.

TOPGOLF

9568 Water Front Drive West Chester Township

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**Cost:** \$60/person (includes three hours of Topgolf, free game instruction, clubs, breakfast, and more!)

**Payment due by March 17, 2023.**

Early Bird Discount\*: Purchase a bay for \$325 and save 10 percent for your group (up to 6 people per bay).

**\*Ends March 7, 2023**



Scan to register

For more information and to sign up, visit [bit.ly/SwingIntoSpring2023](http://bit.ly/SwingIntoSpring2023) or contact Dale Walczak at (513) 720-6133, Mark Holland at (513) 478-2291.





### ASK A PRIEST— ANGELIC WARFARE CONFRATERNITY

FATHER JOHN MARK SOLITARIO, O.P.

**Q:** What is the Angelic Warfare Confraternity?

**A:** Good question! You probably have seen the Angelic Warfare Confraternity listed under our spiritual groups in the bulletin and wondered *what's that?*

The Angelic Warfare Confraternity (AWC) is an official prayer ministry of the Dominican Order devoted to growth in the virtue of chastity with St. Thomas Aquinas (i.e., “the Angelic Doctor”) as its patron saint. Chastity is the virtue that ensures the integrity of our human powers to live and to love, especially in regards to the opposite sex.<sup>1</sup> Aquinas was strengthened in this virtue especially in the early part of his life as a Dominican friar, even miraculously being visited by angels whom God sent to ensure this gift. Since everyone, no matter their official state or vocation in life, needs to achieve mastery in the area of sex and love in order to flourish as a human person and a disciple of Christ, a prayer group for chastity can be a big help!

Members of the AWC commit to live chastely—with God’s help—in the way most appropriate to their single, consecrated, or married state of life. Everyone prays two special prayers each day (see below) and 15 Hail Mary’s for all the other members of the confraternity. A blessed cord, reminiscent of the angels who “girded” St. Thomas with chastity, is worn by members (or, optionally, a blessed medal). Christians must have first received the sacrament of Confirmation in order to officially be enrolled, but anyone can pray the required prayers to some benefit. Whether you feel weak or

strong in your ability to see and treat others with purity of heart, this confraternity stores up a treasury of graces available for its members. Here are the daily prayers, recited in addition to 15 Hail Mary’s:

*Dear Jesus, I know that every perfect gift, and especially that of chastity, depends on the power of Your providence. Without You a mere creature can do nothing. Therefore, I beg You to defend by Your grace the chastity and purity of my body and soul. And if I have ever imagined or sensed anything that could stain my chastity and purity, blot it out, Supreme Lord of my powers, that I may advance with a pure heart in Your love and service, offering myself on the most pure altar of Your divinity all the days of my life. Amen.*

*Chosen lily of innocence, pure St. Thomas, who kept chaste the robe of baptism and became an angel in the flesh after being girded by two angels, I implore you to commend me to Jesus, the Spotless Lamb, and to Mary, the Queen of Virgins. Gentle protector of my purity, ask them that I, who wear the holy sign of your victory over the flesh, may also share your purity, and after imitating you on earth may at last come to be crowned with you among the angels. Amen.*

Enrollments into the AWC will be at St. Gertrude on Saturday, January 28 (10:30 a.m.) and Saturday, March 25 (time is TBD). Any Dominican priest can enroll a confirmed Catholic into the confraternity. Feel free to check out the AWC website at [angelicwarfareconfraternity.org](http://angelicwarfareconfraternity.org) or email me, Father John Mark, with further questions.

<sup>1</sup> See Catechism of the Catholic Church, no.’s 2337-2350.

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





Monday, January 30	Tuesday, January 31	Wednesday, February 1	Thursday, February 2	Friday, February 3	Saturday, February 4	Sunday, February 5
Schola Cantorum 3:30 p.m. PC Choir Room	Boy Scouts 7 p.m. School Cafeteria	Schola Cantorum 3:30 p.m. PC Choir Room	Cana Family – Year 2 9:30 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	Walking with Purpose Bible Study 8:30 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	Las Guadalupanas 9 a.m. St. Joseph Room	LofC Hope Emergency Collection After 8, 10 & 12 Masses Sharing Van
Become Catholic (RCIA) 7 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby		Holy Hour with Confessions 7:30 p.m. Church	CGS Level I 11:15 a.m. Atrium I		First Saturday Anointing of the Sick After 11:30 a.m. Mass Church	CGS Level I & II 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Atrium I & II
Healing Rosary 7 p.m. Church			K of C Business Meeting 7 p.m. K of C Hall		LofC Hope Emergency Collection After 4:30 p.m. Mass Sharing Van	Family Faith – Parent & Child Session 9 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. School Cafeteria
			Parish Choir 7 p.m. PC Choir Room			Baptisms 1:15 p.m. Church
						Scouts Blue & Gold Program 1:30 p.m. School Cafeteria
						L'alto: Confirmation Night 7 p.m. Parish Center
						L'alto: High School Night 7 p.m. School Cafeteria

**INTERESTED IN JOINING ST. GERTRUDE PARISH?**  
 We would love to welcome you into our parish family! Visit [stgertrude.org/register](http://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.

**OFFERING**

St. Gertrude Parish Weekly Collection and Budget Report  
 Collection for January 22

Collection	\$	26,727
Weekly Budget	\$	36,500
Weekly Deficit	\$	(9,773)

2nd Collection – St. Gertrude School: \$2,340

**Fiscal Year-To-Date (for year ending June 30, 2023)**

Fiscal YTD Actual	\$	1,145,784
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$	1,108,500
Fiscal YTD Surplus	\$	37,284

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

BULLETIN 2/12/23	MATERIALS DUE 2/1/23
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Please submit your Mass announcements and bulletin articles to [bulletin@stgertrude.org](mailto:bulletin@stgertrude.org)  
 6543 Miami Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45243  
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Father John Paul Walker, O.P., pastor  
 Father John Mark Solitario, O.P., parochial vicar  
 Father Joachim Kenney, O.P., parochial vicar

**Dominican Friars in Residence**

Father John Langlois, O.P., prior  
 Father Joseph Alobaidi, O.P.  
 Father John Corbett, O.P.  
 Father Michael Mary Dosch, O.P., novice master  
 Father Darren Pierre, O.P.

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 Father John Mark Solitario, O.P.

**Corporal Works of Mercy**

Helping Hands (Funeral Reception Ministry)- (513) 940-2643  
 Nancy Lucas stgerthh@gmail.com  
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 grandknight@elderkofc.org  
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 Pregnancy Center East  
 (for all pregnancy needs) (513) 321-3100  
 Soup Kitchen - Andy Cordier soupkitchen@stgertrude.org  
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 Jennifer Mansfield (513) 561-5954, ext 2112

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**Spiritual Works of Mercy**

Baptism Team  
 Circle of Prayer - Barbara Rose prayercirclesg@gmail.com  
 Communion to Sick - Judy Hartmann (513) 984-8003  
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 Respect Life - Debbie Graham (513) 984-4766  
 Rosary Making - Larry Ball (513) 831-8572  
 Unbound Ministry - Nealy Mechley (513) 505-1740

**Liturgical Ministries**

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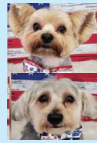
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