

Amen

I SAY TO YOU, THIS POOR WIDOW
PUT IN MORE
THAN ALL THE OTHER
CONTRIBUTORS TO THE TREASURY

MARK 12:43



ST. GERTRUDE
CHURCH

November 7, 2021

MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

Monday, November 8, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Deceased Brothers & Sisters of the Order of Friars Preachers
8:00 a.m. †Deceased Brothers & Sisters of the Order of Friars Preachers
11:30 a.m. †Deceased Brothers & Sisters of the Order of Friars Preachers

Tuesday, November 9, The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (F)

- 7:00 a.m. †Jane Sansalone/Clyde & Pat Dorn
8:00 a.m. †Pat Higgins/Bill & Gerri Stoffregen
11:30 a.m. †Ted Connelly/Kevin & Anne Lynch

Wednesday, November 10, St. Leo the Great (M)

- 7:00 a.m. Anna Palcic/Jeanne & Phil Palcic
8:00 a.m. †Arleen Berger/Gwen Arling
11:30 a.m. †Tom Williams/Nancy Lucas

Thursday, November 11, St. Martin of Tours (M)

- 7:00 a.m. †Rob Hertzelt/Jeanne Johantges
8:00 a.m. †Shirley Seeger/The Seeger Children
11:30 a.m. †Robert Ellert/Courtney Roberts

Friday, November 12, St. Josaphat (M)

- 7:00 a.m. †Martha Di Doan/Thien Cao
8:00 a.m. †Roger Arling/The Arling Family
11:30 a.m. †Charles & Cecilia Lemming/Donna & Dave Kallgren

Saturday, November 13, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini (M)

- 8:00 a.m. †Dr. Carl E. Speicher/Tricia Speicher
11:30 a.m. †Charles Rettig/Charlene Rettig Bosken

November 13-14, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday

- 4:30 p.m. †Lillian Claire Rentrop/The Glorious Family

Sunday

- 8:00 a.m. People of St. Gertrude
10:00 a.m. †Daniel P. Shannon/Pete & Donna Marcello
12:00 p.m. †Jim Gibson/Julie & John Murdock
6:00 p.m. The Family of Susan Archdeacon/The Best Family

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

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

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.

COVER IMAGE: *The Widow's Mite*, Gustav Dore (1885)

FEAST OF ST. GERTRUDE CELEBRATION

Join us on Saturday,
November 20, 2021,
as we celebrate St.
Gertrude's feast day!

Festivities include:

- 4:30 p.m. Mass
- Torchlight procession
- Veneration of St. Gertrude's relics
- Party in the Parish Center with music from the Chardon Polka Band, sandwiches from Servatii's, and beer from Cartridge Brewing



Increasing Adoration Hours

The Mother of Mercy Adoration Chapel is open daily from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. People are still needed during many of these hours. Nevertheless, we are taking an incremental approach to restore perpetual eucharistic adoration, starting with Wednesday and Saturday nights.



We had hoped to begin with November 3 and 6, but not enough people committed to the overnight hours. We can begin once all hours have adorers.

Please consider signing up to spend one hour with Our Lord. Visit stgertrude.org/adoration, or call or stop in the parish office.



FINANCIAL REPORT

Today, I am pleased to present a summary financial report for the last fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. The first words must be that of gratitude. Thank you to all the parishioners and friends of the parish who financially supported the parish and school through a most uncertain year. Such generosity clearly indicates trust in God and love for the parish. There is a commitment to the life and mission of the parish that motivates consistent and sacrificial giving. Thank you, again, for your personal stewardship of the financial blessings God has given you and supporting the parish.

A significant factor of influence on the parish budget and financial report is the pandemic. While this is a wearying theme, it is a reality. Some factors include:

- limits on Mass attendance, which impacted regular offertory giving,
- the withdrawal of 50+ students from the school that reduced tuition income,
- canceled or modified in-person programming in evangelization that reduced both income and expenses,
- changes in parish and school staffing that reduced expenses,
- the pandemic relief fundraising effort for the school that raised over \$200,000,
- the Giving Tuesday “Crush the COVID Deficit” effort that raised over \$130,000, and
- the extraordinary, unexpected, non-offertory giving of some parishioners in excess of \$375,000.

Additionally, government programs and grants helped to offset school expenses related to the pandemic response.

The budget for the new, current fiscal year reflects conservative goals for offerings and modest increases in expenses guided by our mission. The parish continues to revitalize its life and mission to have a direct impact on personal and family life. The parish school is an important apostolate of the parish, and ongoing improvements in instruction, supporting staff, and learning tools deserve support. Buildings and grounds need attention to support and sustain the wide range of programming the parish offers. Special efforts will be forthcoming to enhance and improve programming beyond the budgeted forecast.

Members of the parish Finance Council meet quarterly and review the financial statements of the parish. They offer their expertise so that the parish can make good and proper use of the financial resources entrusted to it. I am grateful to them for their wisdom and care for the viability of the parish.

The current fiscal year is off to a good start. Together, we can continue to live and grow as a parish that God has summoned together to pray and worship, grow in faith, form in truth, and serve in love. Thank you for your support and participation in the mission of the parish.

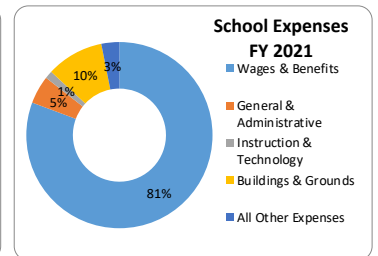
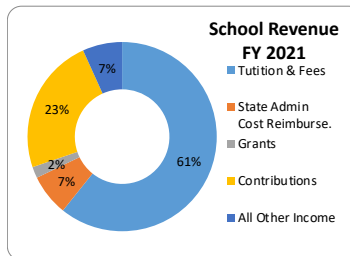
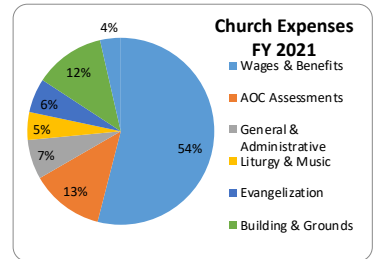
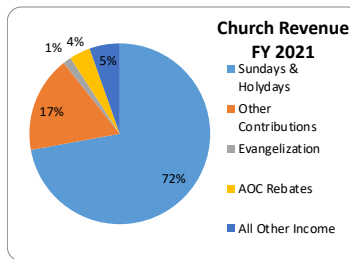
Fr. George, O.P.

St. Gertrude Church & School

Financial Summary

Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2021 and 2022

	2021		2022
	Actual	Budget	Budget
CHURCH			
Revenue			
Sundays & Holydays	\$ 1,801,377	\$ 2,030,000	\$ 1,875,000
Other Contributions	429,346	67,000	197,000
Evangelization	37,325	73,290	45,860
AOC Rebates	93,540	93,900	-
All Other Income	135,480	162,000	85,200
Total Church Revenue	\$ 2,497,068	\$ 2,426,190	\$ 2,203,060
Expenses			
Wages & Benefits	\$ 859,675	\$ 961,278	\$ 961,007
AOC Assessments	208,487	225,236	208,750
General & Administrative	162,055	121,855	168,520
Liturgy & Music	63,654	85,710	90,750
Evangelization	34,334	105,058	87,120
Building & Grounds	229,310	217,210	118,650
All Other Expenses	42,840	63,647	28,200
Total Church Expenses	\$ 1,600,355	\$ 1,779,994	\$ 1,662,997
CHURCH Net Income	\$ 896,713	\$ 646,196	\$ 540,063
SCHOOL			
Revenue			
Tuition & Fees	\$ 1,218,081	\$ 1,323,834	\$ 1,390,885
State Admin Cost Reimburse.	142,307	144,000	142,000
Grants	38,574	-	9,000
Contributions	470,340	113,500	152,000
All Other Income	135,636	115,300	77,500
Total School Revenue	\$ 2,004,938	\$ 1,696,634	\$ 1,771,385
Expenses			
Wages & Benefits	\$ 1,765,925	\$ 1,841,601	\$ 1,784,527
General & Administrative	69,424	111,302	83,800
Instruction & Technology	94,883	30,815	84,850
Buildings & Grounds	244,070	227,423	228,050
All Other Expenses	70,639	71,365	82,600
Total School Expenses	\$ 2,244,941	\$ 2,282,506	\$ 2,263,827
SCHOOL Net Income	\$ (240,003)	\$ (585,872)	\$ (492,442)
TOTAL Net Income	\$ 656,710	\$ 60,324	\$ 47,621



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Fall Open House – Wednesday, November 10, 2021 (see ad below)
- End of First Trimester – Friday, November 13, 2021

TRUNK OR TREAT

Here are some spooktacular photos from our annual Trunk or Treat on October 29. (This was moved to gym due to rain)



GALLERY OF SAINTS

Our second grade students have been learning about the lives of the saints. On November 1 (All Saints Day), they lined the halls of our school and shared what they learned with students, teachers, parents, and others who walked through their Gallery of Saints.



SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

School office hours for the week of November 8 are 7:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m., Monday through Friday.

WE'RE HIRING!

Do you want a fulfilling career in a supportive environment? St. Gertrude School is currently hiring two full-time positions:

- Junior High History Teacher
- School Receptionist



View the job descriptions and apply at stgertrude.org/employment.



ST. GERTRUDE SCHOOL

Gather in faith.
Guide in truth.
Grow in excellence.

DISCOVER THE DOMINICAN TRADITION

Please join us for our

OPEN HOUSE

WED, NOVEMBER 10, 2021

11AM - 1PM & 7 - 8PM

"We are building up our students in every way– teaching them to build intellectual and moral virtues so that they can go forth to build a culture of hope marked by freedom and peace that will radiate out to the world"

–Sister Maria Christi Greve, Principal

stgertrudesch.org | Follow us on Facebook @stgertudeschool

6543 Miami Ave. | Madeira, OH | 513-561-8020

MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS: JANA WIDMEYER

For the next several months, the St. Gertrude bulletin will feature an interview with one of our dedicated volunteers. This month, we're highlighting Jana Widmeyer, one of our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd catechists.

Could you explain how you became involved with Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS)? Why were you drawn to this ministry?

I became acquainted with the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd when my children started preschool at Queen of Angels Montessori (now The Good Shepherd Catholic Montessori). I still remember my three-year-old son coming home from school and saying, "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light." (That Scripture is presented to the children during Advent.) When training for Level 1 of CGS was offered, I signed up and fell in love with the faith all over again. After that, I continued to receive certification in all three levels of CGS.

What is the role of the catechist during a CGS session in the atrium?

The role of the catechist is to present a lesson and then let the Holy Spirit take over. The goal is to help the child experience the love that God has for them and how he shows that love through the gifts he gives us, culminating in the gift of his son, Jesus.

Can you share any specific experiences or memories of children coming to know Christ and experiencing his love through CGS?

In the twelve years I've been in the atrium, I've seen children grow in their understanding of the Eucharist and even lead their parents to a deeper relationship with Jesus. During the Easter Season, we focus on the Resurrection accounts and one of the Scriptures about Thomas. In the account of Thomas, Jesus says, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." When I ask the children who Jesus could be talking about, they always joyfully answer, "us!"

Please tell us a little bit about your family and what you enjoy doing in your free time.

My husband, Mike, and I were married at St. Gertrude Church twenty-two years ago and have been blessed with two children. Mike actually grew up in this parish, and he and his seven siblings attended St. Gertrude School. We live in Madeira and can walk to church. It doesn't get better than that!



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

Save the dates for part one of the CGS training courses!

Please note, dates for part two of training will be forthcoming.

Level 1

Teaching children ages 3-6

 June 3-8, 2022

 TBD

 St. Gertrude Church

Level 2*

Teaching children ages 6-9

 July 20-25, 2022

 TBD

 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.





CATHOLIC MEN’S RETREAT

The annual Catholic Men’s Advent Retreat, sponsored by the St. Gertrude Catholic Men’s Fellowship, will be Friday evening, December 3, until 4:00 p.m. Saturday, December 4, at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit



Center (5440 Moeller Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45212). Father Peter John Cameron, O.P., will be the retreat master. For more information and to register, please visit catholicmensretreat.org.

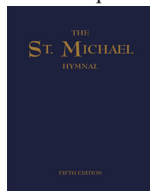
ST. GERTRUDE NOVENA

Our annual novena to St. Gertrude the Great, patroness of our parish and of the holy souls in purgatory, will begin on November 8 and conclude with the feast of St. Gertrude on November 16. You should have received a letter in the mail inviting you to participate and to submit prayer requests. Also enclosed was a holy card with the novena prayer. We hope you will join in this beautiful, nine-day communal event.

NEW HYMNAL FOR OUR PARISH

The First Sunday of Advent will not only welcome the beginning of a new liturgical year but also bring the arrival of the hardcover St. Michael Hymnal, Fifth Edition, to our parish. Providing the highest quality of liturgical choices, this significant addition and enhancement to our liturgical worship presents a beautiful opportunity for parishioners and friends to purchase a St. Michael Hymnal and donate it to the church in memory of a deceased loved one, in gratitude, or as a gift. Each hymnal that is donated will include a personalized bookplate.

Members of the choir will be in the back of church after all Masses this weekend and next weekend November 13-14 with a few copies of the St. Michael Hymnal for you to page through, samples of the bookplate, and donor bookplate purchase forms.



SAVE THE DATE: GIVING TUESDAY

The Tuesday after Thanksgiving (November 30) is Giving Tuesday, a day when every dollar given to St. Gertrude comes back 100 percent to the parish with no carrying charges from the archdiocese. Last year’s Giving Tuesday produced astounding results. Challenged by a goal of \$25,000, we responded with gifts totaling an amazing \$133,600! To sustain that momentum, we want to do even better this year, investing \$150,000 into our child-centered, family-focused youth offerings (Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Family Faith, L’alto: Junior High, and L’alto: High School) and invigorating new adult formation initiatives (lecture series, Bible studies, Drinking with Dominicans, and more). To hurdle this high bar, we need everyone on board! Please plan on giving to St. Gertrude on Tuesday, November 30, at www.stgertrude.org. More details to come.

ST. ANNE GUILD MEETING - NOVEMBER 13



All fifth through eighth grade girls are invited to the next St. Anne and the Child Mary Guild meeting next Saturday, November 13, from 9:00 to 11:15 a.m. in the Parish Center. Our guest speaker is Cristina Jenung, and she will be talking about sacred worship. For more information about the guild or to be included in the monthly Guild News, please contact Ann McCormick at ann.mccormick@ymail.com or Ann Cordier at cordiermom@gmail.com.

LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THE SICK:

Tim Brinkman, Bettie Caudill, Ann Cerone, Kylee Dawson, Triset Defonseka, Clyde Dorn, 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, 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

Virginia Poon – wife of James
Beatrice Schmitt – mother of Lynette Castator
Kathy Elsbernd

BAPTISM



October 24, 2021

Child: Matthew Francis Voto II Child: Jack Everett Milazzo
Parents: Matthew & Elizabeth Voto Parents: Nicholas & Brooke Milazzo

LADIES OF CHARITY **THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE**

The Ladies of Charity will be holding their annual Thanksgiving Food Drive next weekend, November 13-14. You can view the list of needed items at stgertrude.org/news/locThanksgiving2021. If you cannot bring an item, cash and check donations are also appreciated and may be dropped off at or mailed to the parish office. (Please make checks payable to Ladies of Charity.) If you have any questions, please call Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085. Thank you!



ENLC IS HIRING

Elizabeth's New Life Center is looking for full-time and part-time RDMS ultrasound techs/consultants. The position's overall responsibility is to provide limited obstetrical ultrasound scans for clients. The RDMS ultrasound tech/consultant will also provide consultation services to women encountering crisis pregnancy situations. For more information and to apply, visit elizabethnewlife.org/careers.

FRIENDS OF JESUS

Friends of Jesus is a group for adults with developmental disabilities (18 years of age or older) that focuses on support, prayer, and socializing. This group, consisting of members from All Saints, St. Columban, Good Shepherd, St. Margaret of York, St. Philip the Apostle, and St. Vincent Ferrer, comes together to pray, engage in craft-making, and enjoy refreshments. New members are always welcome—especially from St. Gertrude Church and surrounding parishes. The next gathering is November 13, 2021, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at All Saints Parish Center (8939 Montgomery Road). Please contact Jane Callan at (513) 793-3546 if you have any questions and to RSVP.

SYNOD 2021-2023

The Holy Father, Pope Francis, has called a synod inviting all the baptized to come together to discuss and discern how we can walk together in accomplishing the mission of the Church. He wants all those who make up the Church—elderly, youth, religious orders, clergy, lay faithful, poor, disabled, divorced, migrants, those who no longer practice the faith, etc.—to participate. More details to come on how this is going to be accomplished at the local level here in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and what the discussion themes will be. In the meantime, please prayerfully consider participating in this first phase of the synod. If you have any questions, please contact Deacon John Homoelle, the archdiocesan synod contact, at jhomoelle@catholicaoc.org.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS AT OFC

The Oldenburg Franciscan Center invites you to register for one of these upcoming programs in November—available in person or via Zoom. For more information and to register, visit oldenburgfranciscancenter.org/ programs, email center@oldenburgosf.com, or call (812) 934-6437.

A Day of Quiet Renewal

Available in person

Date: Friday, November 12, 2021

Time: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Cost: \$20/ \$70 with Spiritual Direction

Intimacy and Languages of Love

Available in person

Date: Saturday, November 13, 2021

Time: 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Led by Sister Olga Wittekind, PhD & Claire Sherman, PhD

Cost: \$25/ \$40 CEU's

Coffee Talks "Faith, Travel & Religious Tour": Kenya

Available in person or virtually using Zoom

Date: Sunday, November 14, 2021

Time: 10:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Presented by Sister Andre Burkhart

SAVE THE DATE

Knights of Columbus Elder Council #1195

BLOOD DRIVE

November 13, 2021

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Parish Center Gym

6543 Miami Ave., Madeira, OH

**Every donor receives a
Bengals quarter-zip pullover!**



To schedule your appointment, please visit hoxworth.org/groups/stgertrude, or call (513) 451-0910. Appointment are preferred, but walk-ins are welcome.



FROM THE DIARY OF ST. MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA



I saw my Guardian Angel, who ordered me to follow him. In a moment I was in a misty place full of fire in which there was a great crowd of suffering souls. They were praying fervently, but to no avail, for themselves; only we can come to their aid... I asked these souls what their greatest suffering was. They answered me in one voice that their greatest torment was longing for God. I saw Our Lady visiting the souls in Purgatory. The souls call her "The Star of the Sea." She brings them refreshment... I heard an interior voice which said, **My mercy does not want this, but justice demands it.** Since that time, I am in closer communion with the suffering souls. (*Diary*, #20)



ASK A PRIEST— INDULGENCES AND PRAYING FOR THE DEAD

FATHER JOHN MARK SOLITARIO

Q: I heard your homily about indulgences and praying at cemeteries last weekend. Would you please lay out once more the basic rationale and guidelines?

A: Each year at St. Gertrude, in union with Catholics throughout the world, we devote November to the offering of prayers for the dead. It's one of those works of mercy that makes us more like our heavenly Father. We do this by praying for the deceased during Mass, offering prayers such as the rosary throughout the week, and visiting cemeteries. These practices have roots in the earliest days of the Church, and they certainly have their basis in both Scripture and Tradition. Praying for the dead is also connected with the practice of indulgences, so it's appropriate that we consider them side by side.

Our custom of offering prayers for the dead at Mass goes back to the first centuries of Christianity. St. Cyril of Jerusalem (313-386) explained the practice that we continue today when mentioning our deceased brothers and sisters during the Eucharistic Prayer at Mass: “[We pray] then also for our deceased holy fathers and bishops and collectively for all who lived their lives among us. For we believe that this will be of great help to those souls for whom we pray while the holy and majestic victim lies in our presence.” The victim here is Jesus, represented in an unbloody, sacramental way at each Mass. Jesus has made expiation for all the sins of mankind, and he wishes to share the fruits of his saving death and resurrection with all the members of his Church.¹ He then empowered the Church to share God’s forgiveness and healing with every human being who is impacted by sin and its effects.²

Pope St. Paul VI’s teaching on indulgences can help us understand how praying for the dead is an expression of our faith in Jesus’ work of redemption and the spiritual gifts he shares with his Church.³ The pope explained that “‘indulgence’ is the name proper to . . . remission of the temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven as to their culpable element.” Christ not only gained for us the possibility of forgiveness from the guilt due to sin but also left a treasury of graces that help us heal from sin’s effects. Individuals and societies are “stained” by sin and have to deal with sin’s consequences over time. It is no different for the members of the Church, living or deceased: the “merits” of Christ and his saints are meant to benefit all who join the Church through Baptism. Here we find forgiveness *and* purification. Even after being forgiven, the “blemishes” of sin are gradually erased as we

¹ See our reading last Sunday from the Letter to the Hebrews (7:23-28), as well as the optional reading 1 Corinthians 15:20-28 on All Souls’ Day.

² See Matthew 16:18-19; Matthew 28:19-20.

³ See Pope Paul VI, Apostolic Constitution *Indulgentiarum Doctrina* (1967). Accessible online.

submit to the fire of God’s healing love. Purgatory is available and necessary for all the faithful who have died without full purification from past, already forgiven, sins.

So which indulgences are especially recommended during the month of November? *The Handbook of Indulgences* lists visiting a cemetery especially between November 1-8 to pray for the dead. **This year, the Church has once again extended a plenary indulgence to all the faithful who do this on any day during the month of November.** The conditions, as usual, include personal detachment from all sin, sacramental Communion and confession, and prayers for the intentions of the pope.⁴ Here, the Church is rewarding Catholics for taking up a practice that, by its nature, helps us to grow in love of God and neighbor. Alongside the Mass and sacraments, this is a concrete opportunity to be further purified by the blood of Christ and the prayers of the saints—for ourselves and for the faithful departed for whom we intend to pray.


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!



⁴ A plenary indulgence frees a person from *all* temporal punishment due to sin. Along with partial indulgences, they can be applied to the souls of the faithful departed.

Monday, November 8	Tuesday, November 9	Wednesday, November 10	Thursday, November 11	Friday, November 12	Saturday, November 13	Sunday, November 14
Become Catholic (RCIA) 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	True Devotion to Mary 12:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Resurrection Choir Practice 8:30 a.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.	Merciful Love 9:45 a.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	KofC Removal of the Crosses of the Innocents 8:30 a.m. Parish Center Front Lawn	Into the Breach 7:30 a.m. School Cafeteria	Parish Coffee & Donuts After 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Masses Gym
Dominican Laity – Our Lady of Peace 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria	Children’s Choir 3:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	School Open House 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. School Event	Lvl 1 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 11:15 a.m. Atrium I	Amiguitas del Corazón de Jesús 4:30 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.	St. Anne & Child Mary Guild 8:00 a.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	LofC Thanksgiving Food Drive Drop-off After 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. Masses Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby
Healing Rosary 7:00 p.m. Rosary Garden (weather permitting)	Parent/Child CGS Sacramental Formation 4:30 p.m. Atrium II	Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Cana Family 1 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.	L’alto: Confirmation Teaching Mass 7:00 p.m. Church	KofC Blood Drive 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Gym	Little Flower Library Open 9:00-11:30 a.m.
	Family Faith 6:00 p.m. School Cafeteria	School Open House 7:00-8:00 p.m. School Event	Cub Scouts 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria		LofC Thanksgiving Food Drive Drop-off After 4:30 p.m. Mass Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Family Faith 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. School Cafeteria
	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 6:00 p.m. Atrium I & II	Benediction 8:50 p.m. Church	Revitalize – Fall Series 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby			Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. Atrium I & II
	Dominican Laity – Bishop Fenwick Chapter 6:30 p.m. Church					Boosters’ Winter Sports Mass 12:00 p.m. Church
	Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. School					Baptisms 1:15 p.m. Church
	Saint Vincent de Paul 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.					Parent/Child CGS Sacramental Formation 1:30 p.m. Atrium II
					L’alto: Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Gym	


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



We invite all men to join us for the next session of *Into the Breach*.

Saturday, November 13
7:30-9:00 a.m.
School Cafeteria

The life of a believer is a spiritual battle. Men have multiple spiritual weapons in the fight against Satan, and the stakes are high.



OFFERING
St. Gertrude Parish

Weekly Collection and Budget Report
Collection for October 24

Weekly Budget	\$ 35,294
Collection	\$ 34,032
Weekly Deficit	\$ (1,262)

2nd Collection: \$5,271 Fifth Sunday Collection

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

Fiscal YTD Budget	\$ 635,292
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$ 597,818
Fiscal YTD Deficit	\$ (37,474)

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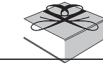
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