

But to you who hear I say,

*love your enemies*

do good to those  
who hate you.

Luke 6:27



ST. GERTRUDE  
CHURCH

February 20, 2022



# MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

## Monday, February 21, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Sean Cox by Melissa Britt
- 8 a.m. † Dave Taylor by Judy Morrison
- 11:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

## Tuesday, February 22, The Chair of St. Peter (F)

- 7 a.m. † James Schuster by Bill & Tish Shefcik
- 8 a.m. † Carmelita Duckro by Patty & Jim Hook
- 11:30 a.m. † Mitzi Smith by Cynthia & Kelly King

## Wednesday, February 23, St. Polycarp (M)

- 7 a.m. † Kitty Newton by Jeanne Johantges
- 8 a.m. † Jane O'Connor by Ted & Joanne Bayer & Family
- 11:30 a.m. † Jean Long by Jennison Family

## Thursday, February 24, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Julie Weeks by Paula Maxwell
- 8 a.m. † Kathleen Schirmer by Anne Schirmer
- 11:30 a.m. † Clyde Dorn by Sherry Schuler

## Friday, February 25, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Donald & Marilyn Sammons by Rick Sammons
- 8 a.m. † Helen Minturn by Teri & Susan
- 11:30 a.m. John P. Barnes by Tricia Speicher

## Saturday, February 26, Weekday

- 8 a.m. † Loretta Holden by The Stevenson Family
- 11:30 a.m. † Lois Zepf by Nancy DeBrunner
- 4:30 p.m. † Stephen Dominic Voto by The Knights of Columbus

## Sunday, February 27, 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8 a.m. People of St. Gertrude
- 10 a.m. † Dorothy Arozarena by Julce & Diane
- 12 p.m. † Ann Lukey by Mary Petric
- 6 p.m. † Christy Corder by The Runk Family

Confession 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 | [www.stgertrude.org](http://www.stgertrude.org)

### Parish Office Hours

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

### School Office Hours

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

### Church Hours

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

# ASH WEDNESDAY

March 2, 2022

Please join us for Mass at  
7 a.m., 8 a.m., 11:30 a.m., or 7 p.m.  
as we enter into the Lenten season.  
Ashes will be distributed at all  
Masses.



"Remember, you are dust  
and to dust you will return."

## Jesus Is Waiting for You

"The Church and the world have a great need for eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him . . ."  
- Pope St. John Paul I

Our Mother of Mercy Adoration Chapel is open daily from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. As you can see from the chart below, Guardians (people who commit to spending an hour with our Lord at a set time each week) are still needed during many of these hours. Nevertheless, we will begin overnight adoration on Wednesdays, starting with Ash Wednesday, March 2.

Please consider committing to spend just one hour each week with Jesus in his eucharistic presence.

Adoration Coverage Chart

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	MIDNIGHT
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Legend Updated 02/14/2022

● In need of adorers

● Empty, Most Urgent Need



For more information  
about adoration and to  
sign up, please visit  
[stgertrude.org/adoration](http://stgertrude.org/adoration)



**ANOTHER STEP IN THE BEACONS OF LIGHT PROCESS**

This past Monday, the Archdiocese of Cincinnati released the assignment plan for pastors and priests as part of the Beacons of Light process. The complete listing of assignments can be found at [BeaconsAOC.org](http://BeaconsAOC.org).

In that listing, you will find that I am named as pastor of St. Gertrude Church—remaining in my current position for the foreseeable future. The positions for two parochial vicars are listed as “projected.” The reason for this determination reflects the reality that the parish is entrusted to the care of the Dominican friars, and it is the provincial who makes the assignments of priests to the priory community and proposes priests to the archbishop for a parochial assignment. Listing the positions as projected was a way for the archbishop to indicate two parochial vicar positions without overreaching and determining assignments that belong to the provincial. Currently, Father John Mark and Father Jordan are serving in the two positions and giving themselves wholeheartedly to the pastoral care of the parish. I am grateful for their presence on the parochial staff and for their commitment to the life and growth of the parish. I am not aware of any changes in their assignments, so we look forward to their continued ministry here.

The release of the assignments is another step in the Beacons of Light process. The first six months of 2022 are a preparatory period with trainings, workshops, and resources for priests, deacons, and parish staffs. Some of this work has included roundtable meetings to provide an overview of the Pastoral Planning Pathway and presentations on the Guiding Principles; providing formation and training for priests and lay leaders; and developing resources that will help parish teams understand and reflect on the theological foundations of Beacons of Light. Upcoming parish bulletins will provide further information to the parish on the six foundational principles for this pastoral planning

process. I hope you will read them to stay informed about the process and its impact on our parish.

This weekend, we welcome Father Ken Letoile, O.P., prior provincial of the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph and a previous pastor here at St. Gertrude. He will celebrate and preach the 10 a.m. Mass. During his six days of visitation, he will meet with each Dominican priest and novice, as well as parish staff and parish members from the parish pastoral council, the finance council, PTO, and the school advisory committee.

Let us 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**



Oh, how sweet it is to toil for God and souls! I want no respite in this battle, but I shall fight to the last breath for the glory of my King and Lord. I shall not lay the sword aside until He calls me before His throne; I fear no blows, because God is my shield.

It is the enemy who should fear us, and not we him. Satan defeats only the proud and the cowardly, because the humble are strong. Nothing will confuse or frighten a humble soul. I have directed my flight at the very center of the sun's heat, and nothing can lower its course. Love will not allow itself to be taken prisoner; it is free like a queen. Love attains God. (*Diary, #450*)

**COVER IMAGE:** *The Betrayal of Jesus* (Detail), di Bondone (1304)

**NOMINATIONS FOR ST. GERTRUDE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL**

It is time once again to seek nominations for open positions on the St. Gertrude Parish pastoral council. The council represents the people of the parish and serves as a consultative body to the pastor. Council members are selected from among registered adults (age 21 or over) who have been parishioners for at least one year. The council meets the fourth Monday of the month during the school year. Please consider nominating yourself or someone you think may be called to this important ministry. Please do not nominate someone without first speaking with them. **Nominations will be accepted until March 7, 2022.**

Submit nominations using the form below. Drop in the collection basket or bring/send to the parish office (6543 Miami Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45243).

I would like to nominate the following parishioner for consideration for St. Gertrude Parish Pastoral Council.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

This person is being nominated by: \_\_\_\_\_

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- **St. Gertrude Players: Madagascar, Jr.** - February 19 (2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.) and February 20 (2:30 p.m.)
- **No School** - February 21 (Presidents' Day)
- **End of Second Trimester** - February 25

## FIRST RECONCILIATION

Congratulations to our second graders and their families who received the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Tuesday, February 8! The children were filled with joy, a tangible sign of the presence of Christ. We pray that our children remain close to Jesus throughout their lives, recognizing the healing gift of this sacrament. Here are a few pictures from their First Reconciliation retreat and evening.



## POWER OF THE PEN

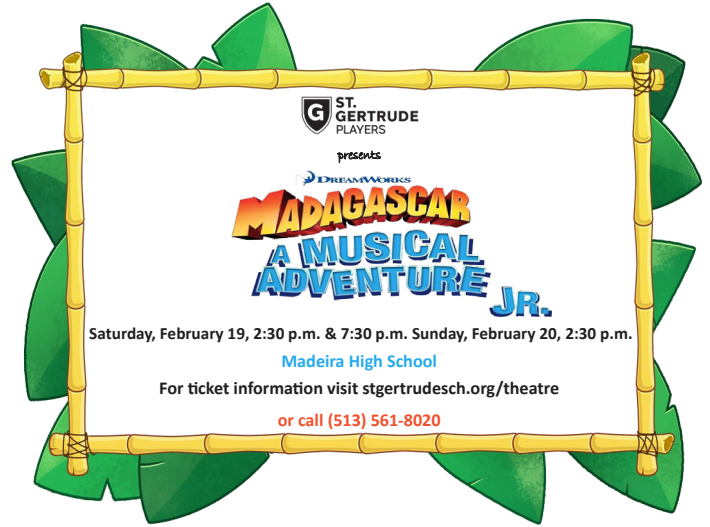
Congratulations to the following writers who qualified for the Power of the Pen Regional Tournament on March 5! (Power of the Pen is a non-profit creative writing program for students in grades seven and eight).

**7th Grade:** Lara Licu, Laura Clanton, Maggie McCormick

**8th Grade:** Aurora Wibowo, Caleb Naumann, Genevieve Lochrer

## SCIENCE FAIR

Congratulations to the seventh graders for presenting their Science Fair projects on Monday, January 31, during Catholic Schools Week! The following seven students received superior ratings: Asher Schilling, Caroline Rentrop, Connor Finnan, Ethan Corsmo, Grace Shafer, Maggie McCormick, Gabriella O'Keefe.



## WE HAVE OPEN POSITIONS!

St. Gertrude School is seeking a **school receptionist** and a **third grade teacher** to join our faculty during the current 2021-2022 school year. Please visit [stgertrude.org/employment](http://stgertrude.org/employment) to view the full job descriptions and to apply.

## SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

For the week of February 21, 2022, the school office will be closed on Monday and open Tuesday-Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.

**Where students gather in Faith, are guided in Truth, and grow in Excellence.**



*"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 whole world."*

- Sister Maria Christi Greve, Principal

For over 85 years, the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia have led St. Gertrude School, providing a foundation for students in grades K-8 to flourish and lead a full life for the glory of God.

**NOW ENROLLING  
FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR**

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**SPEAKER SERIES**

*The Presence of God*

7 p.m. | March 10, 17, 24, 31  
St. Gertrude School Cafeteria

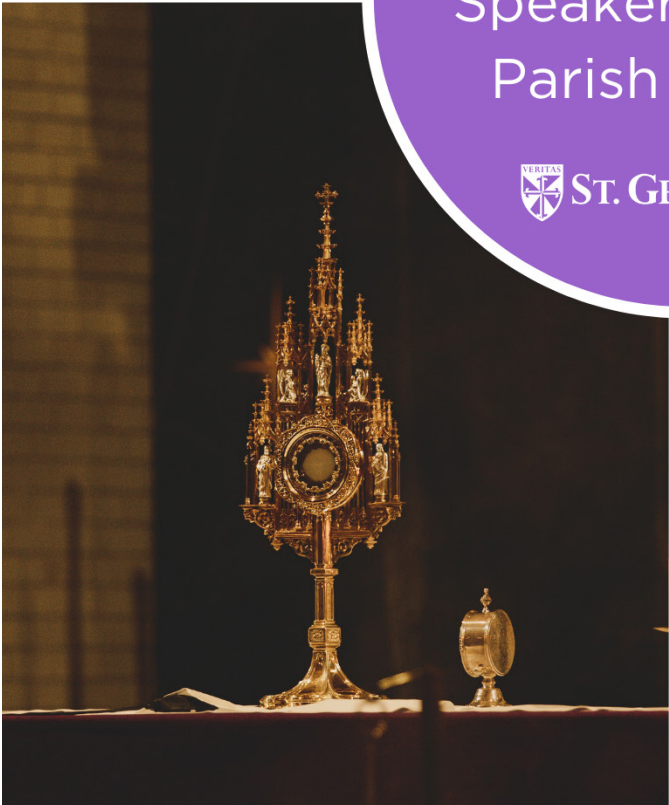
Be enlightened and inspired as you listen to four Dominican friars speak about God's presence in sacred Scripture, Church history, the sacraments, and moral life.



**LENT 2022**  
Speaker Series & Parish Mission



**ST. GERTRUDE**  
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**MISSION**

*Living in the Presence of God*

April 4-6

St. Gertrude Church

Presented by:  
Father Gabriel Torretta, O.P.

11:30 a.m. Mass,  
followed by adoration

7 p.m. Talk, followed  
by adoration and  
benediction  
(confession available)



For more information and to view the list of speakers and the mission schedule, please visit [stgertrude.org/lent2022](http://stgertrude.org/lent2022).



## 2022 CMA CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

### 2022 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL (CMA)

We thank everyone who has participated in the 2022 CMA. Your generous gifts will have a huge impact on the lives of the thousands of people who are served through six important ministries in our archdiocese. Additionally, if we exceed our parish goal, 50 percent of the funds come back to St. Gertrude for our use here at the parish. For more information or to donate online, please visit [CatholicAOC.org/CMA](http://CatholicAOC.org/CMA). Thank you!



### CAN YOU NAME THIS DOMINICAN SISTER?

This is a picture of a Dominican sister who served at St. Gertrude in 1958. Do you know who she is or her role in the parish? Please email Mark Holland at [mholland3353@gmail.com](mailto:mholland3353@gmail.com).

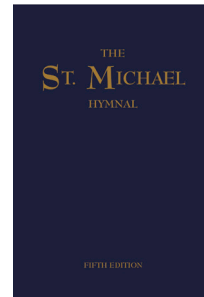
In 2023, St. Gertrude Church will celebrate its 100th anniversary! As part of the celebration, we are publishing a commemorative book entitled *St. Gertrude: The First 100 Years*, which will be available September 2023. If you have historical photos (like this one) from 1923 to 1980 and are willing to share them, please drop them off at the parish office. Be sure to include the name and date of the event, as well as your contact information so we can return your photos to you. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Holland.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Are you passionate about St. Gertrude Church's mission? Do you sense that God is calling you to use your gifts and talents to serve him in a new way? We're looking to hire a **director of music – organist and choirmaster** and a **head sacristan**—and you may be the perfect additional to our team! To view the job descriptions for both of these positions and to apply, please visit [stgertrude.org/employment](http://stgertrude.org/employment).

### ST. GERTRUDE TRACK & FIELD

It's time to register your child for St. Gertrude's Track & Field team! Practice begins the week of March 7, and the season runs through mid-May. For more details and to sign up your son or daughter, visit [sgsbulldogs.org](http://sgsbulldogs.org). (Click on "Online Registration" on the left, and scroll down to "2022 Track.") **Registration ends March 6.** If you are interested in helping with the program (no track experience necessary), please contact Cameron Simoneau at [cameron@tristaterunning.com](mailto:cameron@tristaterunning.com). This is also a fun way for high schoolers to earn service hours.



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

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](http://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.

### LET US PRAY

### PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

#### THE SICK:

Dolores Brandstetter, Kim Caswell, Bettie Caudill, Ann Cerone, Triset Defonseka, Lisa Ely, Dick Gelhaus, Bob Gerwin, Andrew Goad, Cameron Goad, Matthew Goad, Glenn Grismere, Hummel Family, Megan Johnson, Rhonda Keith-Stephens, Aiko Kimura, Ed Kinney, Marianne Klekamp, Janice Koncius, Diane Kosobud, 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:

Patrick Burke, Gabe Dorsey, Jacob Dorsey, 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



## **SOUP KITCHEN SIGN-UPS**

Are you looking for an opportunity to serve the poor and needy in Cincinnati? Sign up to serve lunch at the Queen City Kitchen soup kitchen in Walnut Hills on March 27 and/or May 1. It takes approximately 30 people to cook and serve the main meal and side items—a great opportunity for families, groups, or ministries. Sign up in the Parish Center lobby before or after 8 a.m., 10 a.m., or 12 p.m. Mass on Sunday, February 27. You can also sign up online at [my.stgertrude.org](http://my.stgertrude.org) beginning the evening of February 27. For more information, please contact Andy Cordier at [SoupKitchen@stgertrude.org](mailto:SoupKitchen@stgertrude.org).

## **CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE - NEXT WEEKEND**

Become the husbands, fathers, sons, brothers, friends, and neighbors God calls you to be at the E6 Catholic Men's Conference next Saturday, February 26, in St. Leon, IN. Featuring Matthew Kelly, Gus Lloyd, and Father Vincent Lampert, the conference includes inspiring talks, confession (available all day), Mass, and fraternity with fellow men of Christ. Get your tickets now at [www.e6cmc.com](http://www.e6cmc.com). Can't make it in person? Watch the conference via livestream for only \$10.00.

E6 Catholic Men's Conference Bonus

## **THE KING'S MEN WORKSHOP**

The E6 Catholic Men's Conference is excited to sponsor a FREE 4-hour workshop on Sunday, February 27, 2022, with Mark Houck, president and founder of The King's Men. This leader's training workshop will teach men how to organize and facilitate an effective and dynamic Catholic men's formation and accountability group. All men are encouraged to attend.

**WHEN:** Sunday, February 27, 2022 (Day after E6 Conference)  
10 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** All Saints Parish - St. Martin Campus  
8040 Yorkridge Rd., Guilford, IN 47022

For more information about the workshop or the E6 Catholic Men's Conference, visit [e6cmc.com](http://e6cmc.com).



## **POPE FRANCIS WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU**

There are still two opportunities to attend a session for the global Synod on Synodality. To register for either of these two meetings, please visit [www.catholicaoc.org/synod](http://www.catholicaoc.org/synod).

February 23	February 24
Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception (Dayton)	Our Lady of Victory (Cincinnati)
7-9 p.m. (in Spanish)	7-9 p.m.

## **PREGNANCY CENTER WEST IS HIRING**

PCW is looking to hire a full-time client services manager. This role is very important to the center, as the CSM is responsible for managing all client-related services! For more information or to apply, please contact Lorrie McNickle at [lorrie@pc-west.org](mailto:lorrie@pc-west.org), or call (513) 244-5700.

## **ELIZABETH'S NEW LIFE CENTER JOB OPENINGS**

ENLC is looking to hire a part-time male mentor, a part-time nurturing parent educator, and a RDMS/RN (3–5 days/week). For more information and to apply, please visit <https://elizabethnewlife.org/careers/>.

## **HELPING THE POOR TOGETHER**



In today's Gospel, Jesus gives us the challenge to "Love your enemies. . . . Give to everyone who asks of you. . . . Do to others as you would have them do to you. . . . Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful."

Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the SVdP voicemail line at (513) 561-5949, ext. 2112, and leave a brief message so that together we can help the poor, the suffering, and the deprived. There is still time to sign up for the Exploring Poverty workshop on Saturday, March 12, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at 1125 Bank Street. If you are interested, please leave a message on the SVdP voicemail line with your name and phone number. We will carpool from the St. Gertrude Church parking lot.

## **ANOTHER MARRIAGE-SAVING WEEKEND COMING SOON**

Retrouaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. During a Retrouaille weekend, a team of three couples and a priest gives a series of presentations and introduces a communication technique that enables you to take a good look at different areas of your relationship. For confidential information about or to register for the April 2022 program, beginning with a weekend on April 1-3, 2022, please call (513) 486-6222 or visit [HelpOurMarriage.com](http://HelpOurMarriage.com).

## **HEARTBEATS FOR LIFE 5 K**

April 9, 2022 | Lunken Playfield

Cincinnati Right to Life is once again hosting the annual family-friendly Heartbeats for Life 5K at Lunken Playfield to support life in Greater Cincinnati. All proceeds go toward pro-life efforts to affect culture and policy, and each participant will receive a drawstring backpack with swag. For more information and to sign up, please visit [CincinnatiRightToLife.org](http://CincinnatiRightToLife.org). Registration ends April 7.





## ASK A PRIEST - LENT 2022 AT ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH PART II

*Intrigued by our last conversation with Father Jordan Kelly, O.P., St. Gertrude Bulletin again chatted with Father Jordan about what Lent will be like this year at St. Gertrude. During this*

*discussion, we talked about the musical shape of the upcoming Lenten season.*

**St. Gertrude Bulletin:** Okay, Father Jordan, let's continue our conversation from last week. What will Lent 2022 *sound* like?

**Father Jordan:** I'm excited for our parishioners to *pray* the music being prepared for our Lenten journey. I purposely used the infinitive "to pray" because that is the *precise* purpose of all liturgical music—to deepen our prayer.

**SGB:** It's intriguing to think of music as prayer, Father Jordan. How does music help us to pray during Mass?

**FJ:** Music that is prayerful allows us to enter more fully into the mystery that is the holy sacrifice of the Mass, the perfect sacrifice in which heaven is wedded to earth. St. John Vianney teaches us, "If we really understood the Mass, we would die of joy." I pray that the musical structure used at our Masses will help us understand the Mass more.

**SGB:** How will this happen?

**FJ:** First this will happen through the use of a good deal of ritual music. Ritual music can be defined in two ways: a musical pattern that allows us to sing by memory, from the heart; and music that comes directly out of the texts of the Mass, those texts found in the Roman Missal and the Lectionary. Ritual music leads us back to the texts prescribed for that day's Mass.

**SGB:** Sounds interesting, but how will this happen?

**FJ:** Very simply, it will seem like we are repeating a lot of music. We have already experienced this repetition during Advent when the same tune was used as the Introit or Entrance Antiphon. The tune was the same each Sunday, but the antiphon and its verses were proper to a particular Sunday. During Lent, every Sunday Mass will begin by singing, "If today you hear the voice of God, harden not your hearts." The refrain remains the same but, like Advent, the verses will be proper to each Sunday.

Another key moment of ritual music is the Mass setting we will use during Lent. In Advent, we sang the Latin Mass setting *Missa Alme Pater*. We will use this Mass setting again during Lent. The *Missa Alme Pater* is a beautiful Mass setting, and we were just

getting accustomed to it when Advent became Christmas. Lent will give us a longer opportunity to use this setting.

**SGB:** Why do we use a Latin Mass setting, and how can this become music that comes from the heart?

**FJ:** Latin is the official language of the Roman Catholic Church, and the Second Vatican Council never intended it to be fully abandoned. In *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, the document on the liturgy, the Second Vatican Council Fathers make clear that Latin and Gregorian Chant have "pride of place" in the celebration of the sacred liturgy, and both are to be preserved and taught to the people. In fact, Pope St. Paul VI wrote that every parish should be able to sing settings of the Latin Ordinary of the Mass.

**SGB:** Will we sing any of the familiar Lenten hymns like, *These 40 Days of Lent, O Lord*?

**FJ:** Yes. We will sing a familiar hymn on each of the Sundays of Lent.

**SGB:** Will the congregation's musical participation change this Lent?

**FJ:** Yes, there is one significant change this Lent: there will not be a recessional hymn at the end of any of the Sunday Masses.

**SGB:** Why is that?

**FJ:** The Sacramentary of Pope St. Paul VI and the Roman Missal, Third Edition, make no mention of the singing of a recessional hymn. Both state, "If desired, a hymn may be sung . . ." A recessional hymn is not required and has never been required. Traditionally, if there is a hymn following the final blessing, it is the appropriate antiphon to Our Lady. Instrumental music to accompany the procession is most appropriate.

Following the Prayer to Saint Michael, the priest(s) and servers will leave in silence. The people are asked to remain silently in their places until the procession has entered the sacristy. The silence reminds us of the penance we are embracing during the Lenten season. More importantly, it invites us to encounter together the contemplative silence in which we hear the voice of God.

*If you have any questions about Lent 2022, especially questions about what our liturgies will be like here at St. Gertrude Church, you can contact Father Jordan at [frjordan@stgertrude.org](mailto:frjordan@stgertrude.org).*

*Ask a Priest is a 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, February 21	Tuesday, February 22	Wednesday, February 23	Thursday, February 24	Friday, February 25	Saturday, February 26	Sunday, February 27
<b>Parish Office</b> Closed	<b>True Devotion to Mary</b> 12 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Resurrection Choir Practice</b> 8:30 a.m. PC St. Joseph Room	<b>Second Greatest Story Ever Told</b> 9:45 a.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	<b>L'Alto: Confirmation Teaching Mass</b> 7 p.m. Church	<b>Catholic Men's Fellowship</b> 7:30 a.m. School Cafeteria	<b>Parish Coffee &amp; Donuts</b> After 8, 10 a.m. Masses Gym
<b>St. Gertrude School</b> No School	<b>Children's Choir</b> 3 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Adult Choir</b> 7 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Level 1 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd</b> 11:15 a.m. Atrium I			<b>Soup Kitchen Sign ups</b> After 8, 10 & 12 Masses Atrium II
<b>SportsLeader</b> 6 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room	<b>Family Faith</b> 6 p.m. School Classrooms	<b>Cub Scouts</b> 7 p.m. School Cafeteria	<b>Cana Family Year 1</b> 7 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room			<b>Little Flower Library Open</b> 9-11:30 a.m.
<b>Become Catholic (RCIA)</b> 7 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Catechesis of the Good Shepherd</b> 6 p.m. Atrium I & II	<b>Benediction</b> 8:50 p.m. Church				<b>Catechesis of the Good Shepherd</b> 9 & 10:30 a.m. Atrium I & II
<b>Booster Meeting</b> 7 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room	<b>Boy Scouts</b> 7 p.m. School					<b>Family Faith</b> 9 & 10:30 a.m. School Cafeteria
<b>Healing Rosary</b> 7 p.m. Church						<b>Baptisms</b> 1:15 p.m. Church
<b>KofC Executive Meeting</b> 7 p.m. K of C Hall						<b>Benedictine Oblates</b> 2 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room
<b>L'alto: Confirmation Adult Core Team Meeting</b> 7 p.m. OE Conference Room						<b>L'alto: High School</b> 7 p.m. Parish Center

**OFFERING**

St. Gertrude Parish  
Weekly Collection and Budget Report  
Collection for February 13

Weekly Budget	\$	35,294
Collection	\$	34,956
Weekly Deficit	(\$	338)

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

Fiscal YTD Budget	\$	1,209,702
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$	1,251,499
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