

ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

April 11, 2021 - Divine Mercy Sunday

MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

Monday, April 12, Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Easter Novena
- 8:00 a.m. † Suzanne Stegman/Gary & Denise Crouch
- 11:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

Tuesday, April 13, Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. † Tom Eckenrode/Terry Overbey
- 8:00 a.m. † Mary Allen Johnson/The Finnegan Family
- 11:30 a.m. † Vera Mappes/Charlene Rettig Bosken

Wednesday, April 14, Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Cathy Darnell/Nancy Lucas
- 8:00 a.m. † Robert & Joan Rogers/The Hellers
- 11:30 a.m. † Charlie & Ceil Lemming/The Butschie Family

Thursday, April 15, Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. † Philomena Hilgefert/Thomas & Ann Marie Dierker
- 8:00 a.m. † Claire Wolcott/Bob & Jan Tribbe
- 11:30 a.m. Kelly Kuhlman & Family/Maria Kuhlman

Friday, April 16, Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. † Karen R. Bay/Steve Bay
- 8:00 a.m. † Mary Kay Feighery/John Feighery
- 11:30 a.m. People of St. Gertrude, Living and Deceased

Saturday, April 17, Easter Weekday

- 8:00 a.m. † Hank Wordeman/Peter Bertoli
- 11:30 a.m. † Dick & Alberta DeBrunner/Nancy DeBrunner

April 17-18, 3rd Sunday of Easter

- Saturday † Jane Thole/John & Mary Jo Eimermacher
- Sunday People of St. Gertrude, Living and Deceased
- † Ray Meyer/Moira & Jeffrey Grainger
- † John Perin, Sr./Janet Roedel
- † Miguel Obdolio Carrillo/Elvira Carrillo
- † Mercedes Corina Rodriguez de Guzman/Nora Klopp Frias

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.-4:00 p.m.

Church Hours

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

PUBLIC WORSHIP AT ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH IN TIME OF PANDEMIC

Updated April 1, 2021

"The Coronavirus pandemic, despite positive trends and widespread vaccination, is not yet over. For that reason, **the dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation will remain in place at least for now** to not unduly burden the consciences of those who have serious health concerns, either for themselves or for someone in their immediate care. Likewise, please maintain vigilance when it comes to wearing masks, social distancing and using hand sanitizer in church. The health and safety of our communities continues to be of paramount importance."

– Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr, Letter to the Faithful of the Archdiocese, March 15, 2021

HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES

- Keep a prudent distance inside the church. Ushers will help ensure safe seating on Sundays.
- We ask that the faithful wear cloth masks for the sake of the common good. People with breathing difficulties and young children should not wear masks.
- Only friars, sisters, novices, lay ministers and a limited number of staff members will be in the sanctuary and sacristy.

HOLY COMMUNION

- You are not obliged to receive Holy Communion at every Mass you attend. Consider making a spiritual communion, or receiving at a weekday Mass.
- The faithful who choose to receive Holy Communion will come up to the altar rail, where one or two priests will distribute the sacred host. Keep space in line, and only remove your mask at the rail.
- You may receive in the hand or on the tongue, kneeling or standing. Note: the rail is a high-contact surface.

Mass & Confession Schedule

SUNDAY

- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 10:00 a.m. Conventual Mass
- 12:00 p.m. Mass
- 6:00 p.m. Mass

WEEKDAYS

- 7:00 a.m. Mass
- 8:00 a.m. Mass
- 11:30 a.m. Conventual Mass
- 12:00 p.m. Midday Prayer in Church
- 4:00 p.m. Confessions in Church
- 7:30 p.m. Confessions in Church (Wednesdays Only)

SATURDAY

- 8:00 a.m. Conventual Mass
- 11:30 a.m. Mass
- 3:30 p.m. Confessions in Church
- 4:30 p.m. Mass (Sunday Anticipated)



THE ABCS OF DIVINE MERCY AND NOTES ON HOLY WEEK/EASTER

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday. The message of The Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us; and, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC:

- A. Ask for His Mercy.** God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world.
- B. Be Merciful.** God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and forgiveness to others just as He does to us.
- C. Completely Trust in Jesus.** God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.

The message and devotional practices proposed in the *Diary of Saint Faustina* are completely in accordance with the teachings of the Church and are firmly rooted in the Gospel message of our Merciful Savior. Properly understood and implemented, they will help us grow as genuine followers of Christ. Spend time to learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you. Information can be found at: www.thedivinemercy.org.

Celebrating Holy Week and Easter together this year as a parish family was an abundant blessing as we continue to live through the Coronavirus pandemic. Though there were liturgical differences – such as adoring the Cross on Good Friday while remaining in place and beginning the Easter Vigil with the fire in the circle driveway – all our celebrations followed the rubrics (instructions) and the options given in the liturgical books. The Church provides options to accommodate circumstances and pastoral needs. A clear exercise of the Church's authority regarding the liturgy was the permission given for an additional Mass on Holy Thursday and an additional liturgy on Good Friday, which included an additional intercession for an end to the pandemic. All this is to say that there is a richness in the liturgical prayer of the Church that provides legitimate expressions of worship.

Our celebrations this year were made possible because of the labors and sacrifices of many people. Please join me in thanking the Dominican priests for their celebration of the liturgies, well-prepared homilies, and generous availability for sacramental Confession; the

parish choir and other musicians under the direction of Catherine Fishlock for the beautiful music to raise our minds and hearts to God; the reservations team of Doug Postler, Megan Dickert, and Anita Pappalardo who labored over reservations and wait lists to accommodate as many people as possible; the Knights of Columbus and all others who served as ushers at the Masses; the altar servers; the sacristans and volunteers who helped to clean and decorate; and the maintenance work of Keith Caldwell and volunteers to set up, tear down, and clean in the church and parish center.

Please pray for the parish as we renew the vitality of our parish life. There is much work ahead to rebuild what was weakened or lost during the shutdown. Volunteers need to be re-recruited and trained in many areas such as adorers for the Adoration Chapel, altar servers, and other liturgical ministers. We need to develop new ways of gathering as a parish family for social occasions and celebrations. We need to invite and welcome new families to our parish and school. And so much more. Pray that the Holy Spirit will inspire, guide, and empower the parish pastoral team and all parishioners.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George, O.P.

FROM THE DIARY OF ST. MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA



Divine Mercy Sunday – “On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy.

The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity.” (*Diary, #699*)

COVER IMAGE: “The Painting of Divine Mercy,” originally created by Eugeniusz Kazimirowski in 1934 under the direct guidance of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, whose visions were the foundation for the Chaplet of Divine Mercy prayers. Image: public domain.

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I l l u m i n a t e

Helping Parents Navigate Raising Children in a 'Pornified' Culture

We live in unprecedented times. Never before has pornography been as graphic and as easy to access as it is now. Exposure to pornography severely impacts brain development and relationships – especially for our children. Raising kids in this 'pornified' digital culture can often leave parents feeling caught off guard, uncertain, and even paralyzed. Illuminate is a three-part series offered to all parents to help them understand the scope of the issue, how to help children who have been exposed to pornography heal, and to prevent pornography from ever taking root in the home.

Session 1, April 14:
**No more taboo. We're going
to talk about porn.**

Session 2, April 21:
**Porn wounds.
God heals.**

Session 3, April 28:
**Take Action: A game plan for
prevention.**

All sessions will be held in the Parish Center Lobby from 1:45pm - 2:45pm. Space is limited. Registration opens on Monday, March 22nd on stgertrude.org/illuminate



*All sessions will be delivered by Bryan Wells, Director of Youth Evangelization, and Brad Bursa, PhD,
Director of Evangelization at St. Gertrude Church.*

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
APRIL 11TH

Join us in the Church, Confessions from 2:00-4:00 p.m., Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3:00 p.m. followed by renewal of Consecration to Divine Mercy.



ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS:
NEW CHILD PROTECTION PLATFORM

In July 2021 the archdiocese will be moving to SafeParish as the new platform for Child Protection training and compliance. SafeParish is an organization that specializes in training and education solutions for organizations world-wide. They have 20+ years of experience in providing child safe environment training programs. SafeParish will continue to work with our current background check provider – Selection.com. All training and background information in your current VIRTUS account will be transferred to SafeParish. No new live training through SafeParish will be required if you have completed live child protection training through VIRTUS. Ongoing child protection training will still be required for all volunteers and employees and will consist of quarterly interactive video-based training instead of monthly bulletins. As the archdiocese moves closer to the conversion date, additional information regarding your new SafeParish account will be provided.

THE RETURN OF DONUT SUNDAYS

We are happy to announce the return of Donut Sundays on April 11 (weather permitting). In light of COVID-world, we will be making some adjustments in terms of location and distribution. Coffee and donuts will be available in the “gathering area” located between the church and parish center after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses on April 11.

3RD-8TH GRADE (GIRLS) VOLLEYBALL
REGISTRATION IS OPEN

- Please visit the SGS Boosters website for more information and to register: sgsbulldogs.org/registration.
- Practices will tentatively start in August and season runs through mid-October.
- Registration will remain open until May 16.
- If you have any questions, or are interested in coaching (must be a parishioner 21 years or older) please contact the girls’ coordinator Shannon Schuler at shannon_schuler@hotmail.com.

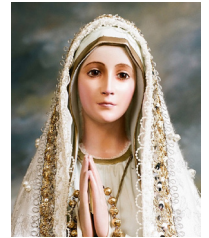
MOTHER’S DAY NOVENA:

A beautiful spiritual remembrance for your Mother, Grandmother, Aunts or friends is to enroll them in the Mother’s Day Novena of Masses to be offered here at St. Gertrude Church. This Novena of nine Masses begins on Mother’s Day through May 17. Novena Cards are available at the entrances of the Church and also at the parish office in the school.

SAVE THE DATE OF JUNE 12TH FOR
A VISIT FROM OUR LADY OF FATIMA
NATIONAL STATUE

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati’s Bicentennial Marian Pilgrimage is one of the premier events and will be the longest Marian Pilgrimage in the United States. It will be 33 days long, over 300 miles, hitting 36 parishes in every deanery in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. The Pilgrimage begins May 16, 2021 at the Our Lady of Fatima Shrine in Russells Point. From there pilgrims will process with The Statue of Our Lady of Fatima to a new host parish every day.

St. Gertrude will host the Statue on June 12th, the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. We need Parishioners who can help feed the 10 Guardian Pilgrims a dinner or breakfast, or put them up for the night. We also will be looking for volunteers to venerate the statue throughout the night in groups or families. We will be reaching out to various ministries for additional help. More details will be forthcoming in the weeks ahead.



BEACONS OF LIGHT PASTORAL
PLANNING PROCESS

To learn more about the Archdiocese of Cincinnati’s pastoral planning process, please visit catholicaoc.org/beacons.

LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THE SICK:

Michael Bell, Bettie Caudill, Marguerite Crema, Kylee Dawson, Triset Defonseka, Ed Doll, Jean Ellert, Kathy Elsbernd, Lisa Ely, Bob Gerwin, Andrew Goad, Cameron Goad, Matthew Goad, Glenn Grismere, Loretta Holden, Hummel Family, Aiko Kimura, Ed Kinney, Janice Koncius, Nancy Lucas, Sandra Munyon, Gerry Patterson, Michelle (Lydon) Ruscher, Jane Sansalone, Ellen Schaengold, Patricia Scherer, Pegge Schuermann, Richard Seifert, Teddie Slaper, Jack Spilker, Jim Spurgin, Patricia Strauss, Judy Sullivan, Mary Saul, Mary Valker and Bill Van Hise

THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES:

Patrick Burke, Cole and Kyle Foster, Dominic Geraci, Daniel Holian, Mike Huber, Aaron Jacobson, Jacob Kramb, John Kramb, Kelly Leugers, John Oscar, Sarah Ries, Dan Roseman, Andrew Shannon, and Ian Tester

THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Jeff Morgan – brother of Beth (Brian) Wright
John Gillum – father of Jim Gillum



Hike WITH THE Poets

Saturday, April 17, 1-5 pm
 Winton Woods - Fox Knoll Shelter and Fitness Trail
 Space is limited - get tickets at angelicoproject.org - \$5 per person

Live performance by Fr. Adam Puntel
Guided Nature Walks
Stops along the way to read poetry
Baked goods and beverages by "Sweet T Bakes"

THE Angelico PROJECT

HEALTH CARE AND HUMAN DIGNITY

We are excited to invite you to a one-of-a-kind Bioethics Conference this spring in nearby Columbus, Ohio. The John Paul II Foundation, the Diocese of Columbus, and the Catholic Medical Association of Central Ohio are pleased to present the first annual Bioethics Conference, April 24, 2021 at the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio. From abortion ethics to end-of-life care, from conscience rights to addiction to social justice and the poor in light of Catholic Social Teaching, this conference spans a diverse range of topics critical to the health care professional. In-person and virtual registration options available. 7 CME credits will be offered for physicians, as well as 7 for nurses and chaplains. We urge our members to join us for a day of prayer, scholarly learning from national experts, and a White Mass celebrated by Columbus' Bishop Brennan. At the provided lunch, graduating medical students and health professional students will be specially honored. Students may attend virtually FREE, and in person for only \$39.00. All graduating medical students will attend free. For registration, pricing, a more detailed list of speakers, and more information, visit <https://forlifeandfamily.org/events/cr21-cmoh/>.

ARE YOU PREPARED?

Let us help you. Join us at Archdiocese of Cincinnati Gate of Heaven Cemetery for our preplanning seminar. This seminar will help educate you and guide you and your family when making your decisions. The opportunity to preplan provides you with the peace of mind that your needs have been cared for and that they will not become either an emotional or financial burden to your family at the time of death. Please join us on Thursday, April 29, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at Gate of Heaven Cemetery Administration Building, 11000 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, OH 45249. RSVP via phone or email by April 26th. Please provide your name, and other family member names attending, along with the name of your parish to community@gateofheaven.org or 513-489-0300. "Will you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you?" – Catholic hymn by David Haas. Our ministry at Gate of Heaven is to serve you. We dedicate our Spiritual Works and Corporal Works of Mercy to the respectful care of the people of God in life and in death.

THE SPIRITUAL GIFTS OF HEALING AND MIRACLES

APRIL 23-25, 2021

"Then He summoned His twelve disciples and gave them authority to expel unclean spirits and to cure sickness and disease of every kind." (Matthew 10:1). "The sick upon whom they lay their hands will recover" (Mk 16:18). Accept healing through the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and other healing prayers. Where: Our Lady of Guadalupe Discipleship Center, 5701 Lawshe Road, Peebles, OH 54660. Cost: A donation – Pray and "do whatever He tells you." Includes meals on Saturday, guest rooms and retreat. To Register: call 513-373-2397 or email retreats@presentationministries.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Archdiocese is recruiting Men and Women to be "Guardian Pilgrims" for this Pilgrimage. Each day, Guardian Pilgrims will carry a statue of Our Lady of Fatima between 6-15 miles as they process from one parish to the next. Guardian Pilgrims will commit to specific legs of the journey which last from 3-6 days. We will stop at approximately 36 parishes and other institutions along the way. Statue Guardians must be at least 18 years old and outside of high school, physically capable of walking up to 15 miles in a single day while helping to carry the statue on a platform, and must commit to at least three consecutive days of the route. You can find out more and register as Statue Guardian at <https://www.centerforthenewevangelization.org/bicentennial-marian-pilgrimage> and click on "Join In."



**ASK A PRIEST –
THE SIGNIFICANCE OF
THE “KYRIE ELEISON”
AT MASS**

Q: What is the significance of the “Kyrie eleison” at Mass?

A: The refrain from the Roman Rite of the Mass, “Kyrie eleison” or “Lord, have mercy,” is a phrase we have left largely un-translated due to its connection to the early Church, its powerful meaning, and its origin in the New Testament.

While the refrain “Kyrie eleison” was used in Christian liturgies from the first few centuries of the Church, Pope Gelasius officially brought it into the Latin Rite in the late 400’s. The beginning of the Mass had a series of petitions much like we pray in the “Universal Prayer” after the Creed today. The response to each petition was “Kyrie eleison,” following the original (Greek) language in use in the Roman Church. In the sixth century, Pope St. Gregory the Great made this refrain a prayer unto itself on days when a full litany would have been too much, simply inserting the phrase, “Christe eleison” (“Christ have mercy”) into the repetitions. These responses began to take on a life of their own musically speaking, developing by the Middle Ages into one of the most beautiful chants of the Mass. Each phrase was usually repeated three times and sometimes hints of a litany or “tropes” were appended to them much as we do today in the third form of the penitential rite.

The Greek verb transliterated, “*Eleeo*,” means “to have compassion, show favor or mercy.” The scholar Fr. Spicq explains that, in biblical terms, “Most commonly the verb *eleeo* translates the Hebrew *hanan*, ‘to show favor or grace,’ with the nuance of a freely given favor, a generous gift.” Fr. Spicq continues in order to explain the Christian significance of the word: “The [New Testament] takes up Israel’s faith in God’s mercy in exactly the same form and continues it. It gives much greater emphasis, however, to the precept of brotherly mercy, which it makes into an active, internal virtue, an indispensable condition for eternal blessedness.” The word we repeat at the beginning of Mass is an important attribute

of God in His relating to us as well as a virtue we hope to emulate ourselves.

Kyrie eleison is a phrase more or less lifted from the Gospels, preserving the Greek language in which they originally were inspired by God. For instance, it is the plea of the Canaanite (i.e. Gentile) woman who wants Jesus to cure her daughter of a spiritual affliction: “Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David,” *eleison me, Kyrie* (Mt 15:22). It is the subject of the parable of the two servants where a king decides to totally forgive a “huge” debt and expects his servants to show similar forbearance and mercy to one another (See Mt 18: 21-35). It is the word Jesus uses to depict the Good Samaritan “neighbor” who treated the injured traveler’s wounds, transported him to a hostel, and lavishly provided for his further treatment: “Which...was neighbor?... The one who treated him with mercy...Go and do likewise” (See Lk 10:29-37).

May the refrain at Mass, “*Kyrie eleison*,” be our ongoing plea to God asking His compassion even though we have done nothing to deserve the gift of His mercy. May it also remind us of our duty to emulate the heavenly Father’s love so openly revealed in His Son Jesus: “Blessed are the merciful for they will be shown mercy” (Mt 5:7).

“Ask a priest” will be a regular format for our Holy Teaching section in the coming months. Submit your own question to parishoffice@stgertrude.org for one of our Dominican priests to answer in the bulletin!



The Dedication of St. Gertrude’s Church

Missa Cantata
in the
Dominican Rite

Friday, April 16, 2021
7:30PM
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| Monday, April 12 | Tuesday, April 13 | Wednesday, April 14 | Thursday, April 15 | Friday, April 16 | Saturday, April 17 | Sunday, April 18 |
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| Religious Education 3:30 p.m. School Atrium | True Devotion 12:30 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby | Resurrection Choir Practice 8:30 a.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm. | PTO Meeting 8:30 a.m. School Cafeteria | Dominican Rite Mass 7:30 p.m. Church | KofC Baby Bottle Drop-off After 4:30 p.m. Mass | KofC Baby Bottle Drop-off After All Masses |
| Dominican Laity – Our Lady of Peace 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria | Children’s Choir 3:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby | Illuminate 1:45 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby | Cana Family 9:30 a.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby | St. G Players “The Jungle Book Kids” 7:30 p.m. Parish Center Gym | | Religious Education 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. School Cafeteria, Atrium |
| Healing Rosary 7:00 p.m. Church | Religious Education Family Faith Formation 6:30 p.m. School Cafeteria | Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby | Regina Veritatis Team Meeting 6:30 p.m. Parish Center Music Room | | | St. G Players “The Jungle Book Kids” 4:30 p.m. Parish Center Gym |
| RCIA 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby | Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. Parish Center Gym | PHM Health Cabinet Meeting 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm. | | | | HSYM Discipleship Training Cells 7:00 p.m. Parish Center |
| | Dominican Laity – Bishop Fenwick Chapter 7:00 p.m. Church | Benediction 8:50 p.m. Church | | | | |
| | SAC Meeting 7:00 p.m. School Library | | | | | |
| | St. Vincent de Paul 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm. | | | | | |

For guidelines about meetings on campus and scheduling information, please visit: stgertrude.org/covid-19-guidelines/.

CRS COLLECTION
Next weekend, April 17-18, our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this Collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ’s love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and help Jesus in disguise. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

OFFERING

St. Gertrude Parish
Weekly Collection and Budget Report
Collection for April 4

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| Weekly Budget | \$ 40,000 |
| Collection | \$ 56,025 |
| Weekly Surplus | \$ 16,025 |

Fiscal Year-To-Date (for year ending June 30, 2021)

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| Fiscal YTD Budget | \$ 1,571,176 |
| Fiscal YTD Actual | \$ 1,537,586 |
| Fiscal YTD Deficit | (\$ 33,590) |

BULLETIN DEADLINE

BULLETIN
4/25/21

MATERIALS DUE
4/14/21

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