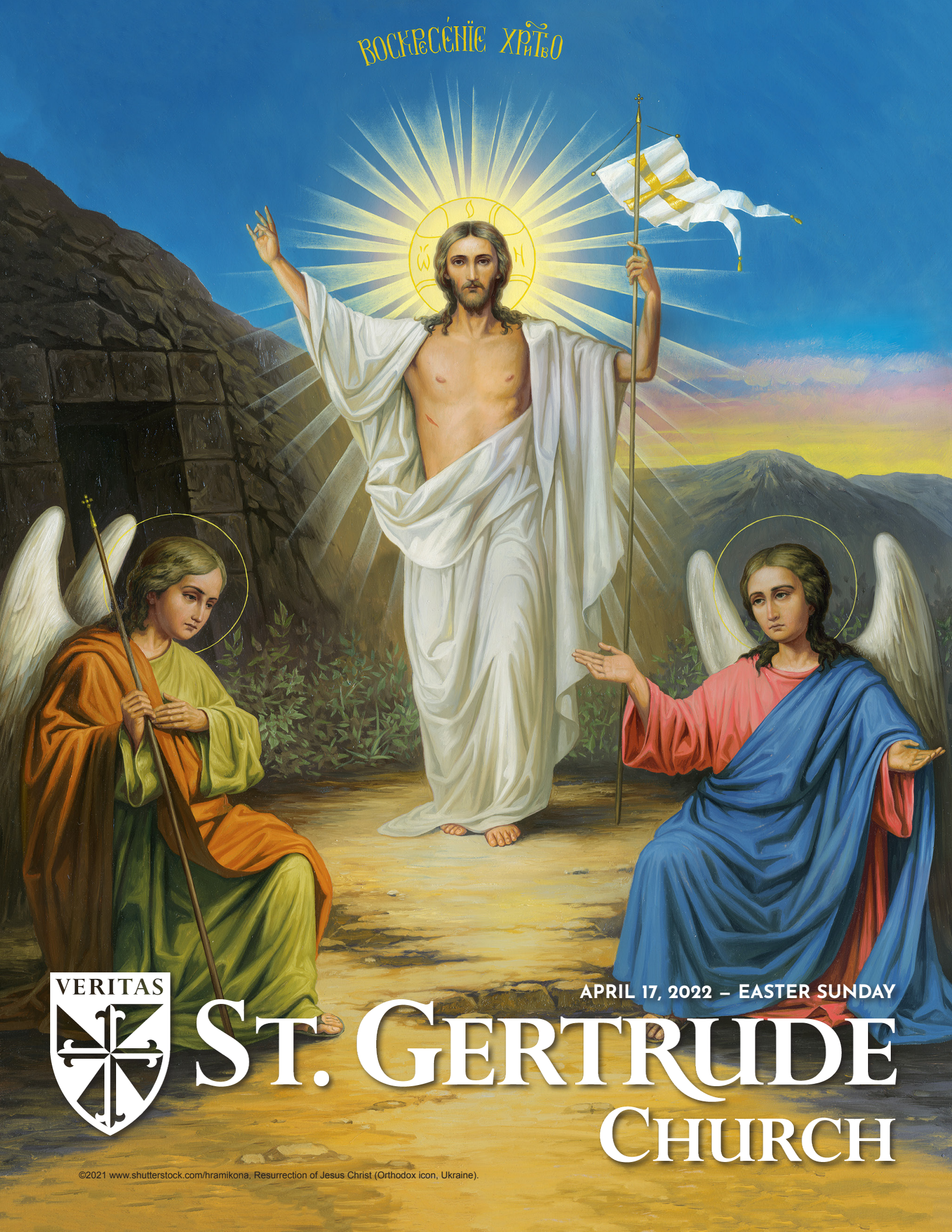


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APRIL 17, 2022 – EASTER SUNDAY

# ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH



## MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

### Monday, April 18, Monday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 7 a.m. Easter Novena
- 8 a.m. †Jane Thole by Lou Thole
- 11:30 a.m. †Catherine & Vincent Sheehan  
by David & Peggy Schlueter

### Tuesday, April 19, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 7 a.m. †Maria Alexander by Benny Alexander
- 8 a.m. Easter Novena
- 11:30 a.m. †Clyde Dorn by Pete & Donna Marcello

### Wednesday, April 20, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 7 a.m. †Kathleen Schirmer by Anne Schirmer
- 8 a.m. Hannah Pifher by The Pachuk Family
- 11:30 a.m. Easter Novena

### Thursday, April 21, Thursday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 7 a.m. Easter Novena
- 8 a.m. †Jeanette Heileman by Michael & Jana Widmeyer
- 11:30 a.m. †Dorothy Grant by Joan Ratajczak

### Friday, April 22, Friday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 7 a.m. †Donald Sammons, Sr. by Rick Sammons
- 8 a.m. Easter Novena
- 11:30 a.m. †Mary Kay Feighery by John Feighery

### Saturday, April 23, Saturday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 8 a.m. †Frances Morris by Craig & Teresa Babcock
- 11:30 a.m. Easter Novena
- 4:30 p.m. †Charles Genung by Elder Council KofC

### Sunday, April 24th, 2nd Sunday of Easter (Sunday Divine Mercy) (S)

- 8 a.m. †Tim Petric by Mary Petric
- 10 a.m. People of St. Gertrude
- 12 p.m. Easter Novena
- 6 p.m. †Marjorie A. McCarthy by Molly & Bruce Vollmer

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 | [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.



## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 24, 2022

Come experience the  
power of God's  
unconditional mercy.

2-4 p.m. - Confession

3 p.m. - Divine Mercy  
Chaplet,  
followed by the  
Consecration to  
Divine Mercy

"I want to grant complete pardon to the souls that  
will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion  
on the Feast of My mercy." (Diary, 1109)



## ROSARY SOCIAL

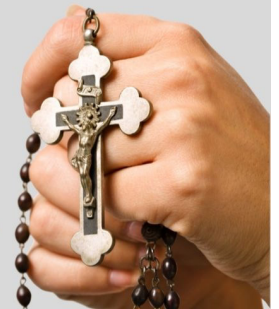
Tuesday, April 19, 2022 | 7:00 p.m.  
St. Gertrude Church / Parish Center

Join the Knights of Columbus Archbishop  
Elder Council #1195 and their families on  
Tuesday, April 19, 2022, to pray the rosary and  
listen to seminarian Matt Bischoff talk about  
his vocational journey.

The rosary will begin at 7 p.m. in the church,  
followed by Matt's talk and refreshments in  
the Parish Center.

*"The [r]osary is the most excellent  
form of prayer and the most  
efficacious means of attaining  
eternal life. It is the remedy for all  
our evils, the root of all our  
blessings. There is no more excellent  
way of praying."*

- Pope Leo XIII





**CHRIST IS RISEN!  
HE IS RISEN, INDEED!**

On this Easter day, the entire Church rejoices in the victory of Christ over sin and death; we rejoice that he has reconciled us to his Father who is also our Father. The future for us is hopeful; the future for us promises new life in the grace of the Holy Spirit; the future for us is the gift of eternal

life in communion with God. All sadness associated with human life and sin is overcome with the power of the Lord's Resurrection. As St. Paul says in a powerful and important way: "Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as [being] dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus" (Romans 6:11). Examine your thoughts. Examine your manner of living. Ask God to help you live in the grace of the Resurrection.

So wonderful is the grace of the Resurrection and the new life we have in Christ that it demands to be shared. Knowing this, St. Paul writes: "But how can they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how can they believe in him of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone to preach? And how can people preach unless they are sent?" (Romans 10:14-15). The liturgical readings and celebrations of the Easter season are a clear reminder that we belong to a Church that is continually on mission to bring people into a personal encounter with Jesus risen from the dead. All who come to repentance and faith, who ask for the sacrament of Baptism, have their sins forgiven and are born again into new life in the Holy Spirit. All who are baptized become an adopted son or daughter of the heavenly Father and members of the body of Christ—the Church. Lives are radically transformed and set on the narrow way of discipleship in Jesus that leads to eternal life. We who live this life know that there is no better way of living. The love of God impels us to share it with others.

Please join me in welcoming the following newly-initiated Catholics of our parish (Confirmation names are in bold). Those baptized and fully initiated are Alejandra **Maria Magdalena** Medina and Kayla Marie **Teresa** Minton. Those who are entering into full communion with the Catholic Church and receiving Confirmation and holy Communion are Timothy Alvin **Matthias** Shane, Andrew Francis **Michael** Schuster, and Harrison Tucker **Michael** Engel. They now participate in the life and sacraments of the Church, continuing their formation and growth as disciples of Jesus. The community of believers is a necessary support for these new members. The Church calls them *neophytes*, meaning that they are young in the faith. They need prayer, fellowship, and encouragement to remain committed to the new life God has bestowed upon them. Why? Because they are beginning this new life amid a culture that is barely supportive of them.

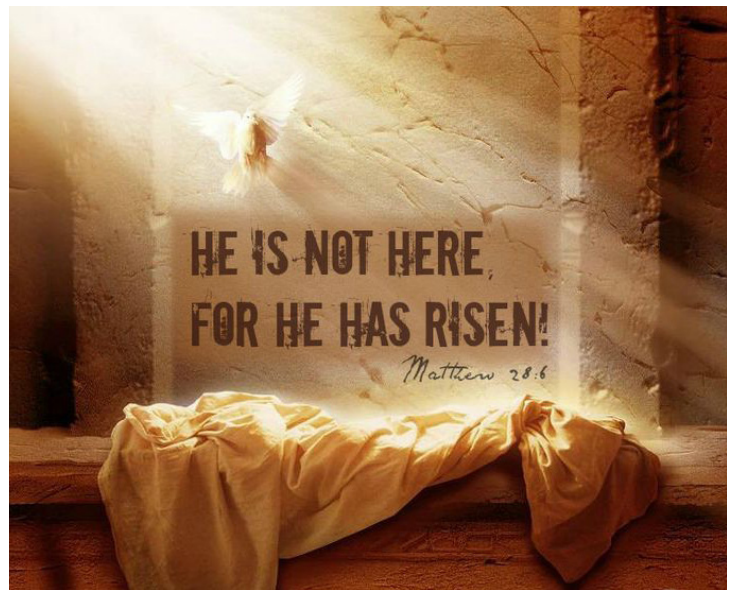
Through our prayers, words, and actions, we show that God

exists and wants a personal relationship with every person through Jesus. The Holy Spirit guides us in the welcome and hospitality we extend to all who come to our parish. God desires all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth (cf. 1 Tim 2:3-4). Our desires can be no less. May the grace and joy of the Resurrection make us effective witnesses within our parish. Invite people to encounter Jesus here.

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**



"My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. 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*)



## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Monday, April 18–Friday, April 22 - Easter Break (School and office closed)
- Tuesday, May 3 - May Crowning | 7 p.m.

## PASSION PLAY

We entered into Holy Week on Monday, April 11, with our annual Passion Play, prepared and presented by our seventh grade students. For the first time since 2019, the event was open to everyone and well-attended. Here are a few pictures from the powerful production.



## WE HAVE OPEN POSITIONS!

St. Gertrude School is hiring the following positions for the 2022-2023 school year:

- School receptionist
- Second grade teacher
- Third grade teacher
- Latin teacher
- Social studies teacher (grades 6-8)

Please visit [stgertrudesch.org/employment](http://stgertrudesch.org/employment) to view the full job descriptions and to apply.

## A TRIBUTE TO STUDENTS' EDUCATION AT SGS

Our eighth grade students completed their apologetics presentations the week of April 4. The Dominican brothers were highly impressed by the students' knowledge of their faith and ability to reason through challenging questions. One of the brothers remarked that some of the information the students presented was at the undergraduate level! This result is not the effect of one year but is a tribute to the students' entire education at St. Gertrude School over the years. Mrs. Joan Ratajczak, our seventh and eighth grade literature teacher and seventh grade English teacher, told our teachers and staff, "They were this successful because all of you taught them religion, language, math, history, science, and the arts with a goal of excellence for the glory of God. It is a privilege to work with you."



## SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

For the week of April 18, 2022, the school office will be closed Monday-Friday for Easter Break. The office will reopen on Monday, April 25 at 7:30 a.m.



# APPLY TODAY for the 2022-2023 School Year

[www.stgertrudesch.org/apply](http://www.stgertrudesch.org/apply)





**(TRYING TO) LIVE THE MISSION:  
DEEPER COMMUNION**

BY KRISTEN EGGERS, EVANGELIZATION  
OFFICE COORDINATOR

I love to plan and host parties, so last fall, I proposed to a few friends that we meet on the first and third Tuesdays of the month to enjoy snacks and drink tea while watching *The Chosen* (a crowd-funded multi-season series about the life of Christ). It was an open invitation, so those friends also invited some new acquaintances.

For Lent, this same group of friends and I decided to visit a different fish fry every Friday. Through this, we made even more acquaintances and had new opportunities to witness. We also had new opportunities to pray together as we attended Stations of the Cross. On the Friday in the fourth week of Lent, we grabbed fish dinners from a drive-through near my sister’s house and dined with her family that evening. Since it was the feast of the Annunciation, we closed the night by singing “Immaculate Mary.” My friends’ witness greatly affected my sister and her family, refreshed by our shared meal and time of prayer and song together.

And to think that all of this started with just snacks and tea at my house, and then progressed into full fish fry meals with the greater parish community, then praying the Stations of the Cross in the church, then visiting seven churches on Holy Thursday to pray

together in adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. How did we get here?! A simple invitation to a few friends to eat and drink together—and a simple invitation to our Lord to be in our midst.

We’ve become more than a watch party; we’ve become more than just acquaintances, more than just friends. We’ve become close friends in Christ. We have shared prayer intentions, sung together, prayed over one another, and celebrated engagements and birthdays. We have shared life. It’s no accident that the same people “God chose, in advance to preach to the people and testify that [Jesus] is the one appointed by God” are the same people “who ate and drank with him after he rose” (Acts 10:40-42).

This didn’t all happen overnight. It was a matter of making time every other week for us to gather and share in light refreshments, which opened us up to the possibility for more. We extended invitations to new friends and entered into new conversations. The Lord knows . . . it isn’t ever just about food. It’s about communion, which is something more than just being together. It’s a unity that is deeper than community alone. It’s a shared life that starts and ends with the source of life itself—our Lord.

This is just one story of how he has invited some friends and me into that deeper communion. How is he inviting you?

*One Sunday of each month, St. Gertrude Bulletin will feature stories and tips for trying to live the faith in the ordinariness of life.*

**Children & Youth Faith Formation**  
SUMMER 2022 | 2022-2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

St. Gertrude Church is committed to supporting parents in the Christian formation of their children. We do this by offering child-centered, family-based faith formation programs throughout the year, including:

- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (age 3–grade 3)
- Sacramental Formation (generally grade 2)
- Family Faith (grades 4–6)
- L’alto: Confirmation (grades 7–8)
- L’alto: High School (grades 9–12)

**Registration is now open for our summer 2022 and 2022-2023 academic year faith formation programs.**

View each program, the sessions offered, and the faith formation handbook, at [stgertrude.org/childrenandyouth](http://stgertrude.org/childrenandyouth). To register for a program, visit [buytickets.at/stgertrude](http://buytickets.at/stgertrude).



**REVITALIZE**

**Do you sense that God has something more planned for you, but you don't know what it is—or how to find it?** Join us for Revitalize, an invigorating 7-week formation program that will **deepen your friendship with God, help you cultivate a more intentional prayer life, open your heart to the Holy Spirit**, and more.

The spring program begins Thursday, April 28. For more information and to register, visit [stgertrude.org/revitalize](http://stgertrude.org/revitalize). Space is limited

**April 28–June 9  
7–9 p.m.  
Parish Center Lobby**



**TEMPORARY CARETAKER NEEDED**

A parishioner who is recovering from a fall needs assistance as soon as possible with morning daily living activities in her home (Madeira). The maximum amount of time per week would be 9 to 10 hours. If you are interested, please contact Katia at (214) 505-5957 to set up an interview. A background check will be required, and Council on Aging will pay the caretaker \$11.52 per hour.

**CATHOLIC MEN’S FELLOWSHIP MEETING**

The St. Gertrude Catholic Men’s Fellowship meets every second and fourth Saturday from 7:30 to 9 a.m. in the school cafeteria. All men are welcome to attend! Join us for prayer, fellowship, Scripture, and to discuss living our faith as Catholic men. The next meeting is April 23 (“Bearing Fruit”). Come, and bring a friend!

**BAPTISM**

April 3, 2022



Child: Stella Ines Frias  
Parents: Nora & Lucio Frias



Child: Benjamin Thomas Hurst  
Parents: Kristen & Thomas Hurst



Child: Ford Robert Rossmann  
Parents: Michelle & Robert Rossmann

**CANA FAMILY FOR MOTHERS**

Are you looking for a way to share ideas with other moms on how to raise faith-filled children and strengthen your marriage? A new Cana Family Called to Motherhood group is being formed for fall 2022! We meet twice per month from September through May to reflect on the Gospel, Catechism of the Catholic Church, and Pope St. John Paul II’s writings on the dignity of women. We share stories and advice on how to raise faith-filled children and how to be better wives and mothers. Please come to the Parish Center on Thursday, May 5, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. to meet current members and learn more. Babysitting will be provided. You can find more information at [canafamilyinstitute.com](http://canafamilyinstitute.com). Please contact Anita Pappalardo at [pappacinci@gmail.com](mailto:pappacinci@gmail.com) or (513) 375-9320 with any questions.



**LET US PRAY**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .**

THE SICK:

Scott Boone, Kim Caswell, Bettie Caudill, Ann Cerone, Triset Defonseka, Lisa Ely, Dick Gelhaus, Bob Gerwin, Andrew Goad, Cameron Goad, Matthew Goad, Glenn Grismere, Hummel Family, Rhonda Keith-Stephens, Aiko Kimura, Ed Kinney, Marianne Klekamp, 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 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

Carolyn Horst

**WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS**

Benny Alexander  
Robert & Lynn Alley  
Paige Bradshaw

John & Margaret Halpin  
Matt Morande  
Dennis & Cecilia Ramenaden





### **THANK YOU!**

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who attended their all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast on Sunday, April 3.

### **ARE YOU PREPARED?**

Come to a pre-planning seminar at Gate of Heaven Cemetery (Administration Building Chapel, 11000 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, OH 45249) on April 19 at 2 p.m. or 6 p.m. The seminar is no more than 90 minutes and can be helpful in communicating your wishes to loved ones, reducing stress for your family and friends, saving money, and more. RSVP to [community@gateofheaven.org](mailto:community@gateofheaven.org) or (513) 489-0300 by April 18, and let us know how many family and friends will be coming with you, what parish you are from, and which seminar you plan to attend.



### **HIKE WITH POETRY**

Are you ready to escape winter's gray and take in some springtime green? Grab your hiking boots and join the Angelico Project for Nature Hike with Poetry at 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 23 at French Park. Nature and poetry are both known for their relaxing effect on weary souls, and poetry opens us to truths that plain spoken language can't express—especially when viewed from a Catholic perspective! Tickets are \$5/person and available at [angelicoproject.org](http://angelicoproject.org) or at the park on the day of the event.

### **HUMAN TRAFFICKING - KEEP KIDS SAFE**



Misinformation about human trafficking in Ohio abounds in the media. If you want to know, firsthand, what is happening in Ohio with this issue and how to recognize, respond, and keep your loved ones safe, come to St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish (5720 Hamilton Mason Road, Liberty Township) at 7 p.m. on Thursday, April 21, to hear Tonya Folks' presentation, "Sex and Labor Trafficking: Everything You Need to Know, Including How to Keep Kids Safe." Tonya is the co-founder of a national anti-sex trafficking organization, owner of Human Trafficking Essentials, LLC, COO of Oasis House, and more. Doors open at 6:45 p.m., and there will be light food fare. It is recommended that no one under the age of 15 be in attendance due to the adult nature of the subject matter. The event is free, but registration ([saint-max.org/trafficking](http://saint-max.org/trafficking)) is encouraged for planning purposes.

### **GENDER IDENTITY: PRACTICAL TIPS FOR ACCOMPANIMENT**

The Archdiocese of Cincinnati Center for the New Evangelization (CNE) is hosting a luncheon on Friday, April 22, 2022, that offers formation on the beauty of the Church's teachings on sexual identity with tips for accompaniment. The event is geared toward parents, educators, parish catechists—anyone desiring formation on this important topic. Damon and Melanie Owens, founders of Joyful Ever After and contributors to various marriage enrichment initiatives will give the keynote presentation. The luncheon is \$10 and begins at 12:30 p.m. at St. Paul Catholic Church in Engelwood, OH. Childcare is not available; however, mothers with infants are welcome to attend. For more information and to register, please visit [centerforthenewevangelization.org/events](http://centerforthenewevangelization.org/events).

### **FATHER EARL K. FERNANDES APPOINTED BISHOP OF COLUMBUS**

On April 2, the Holy See announced that Pope Francis has appointed Father Earl K. Fernandes of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati the thirteenth bishop of the Diocese of Columbus. Father Fernandes will be consecrated and installed on Tuesday, May 31, 2022. Read how Father Fernandes has ministered to the archdiocese in Archbishop Schnurr's letter to the faithful, posted at [stgertrude.org/news/fernandes](http://stgertrude.org/news/fernandes).

### **DATE NIGHT WITH FR. NATHAN CROMLY**

Enjoy an evening with your spouse on Saturday, April 30, 2022, at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center (5440 Moeller Avenue, Norwood, Ohio 45212) as you learn how your marriage can change the culture. Doors open at 6 p.m., and the program begins at 7 p.m. The cost is \$90 per couple and includes heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer, wine, soft drinks, and live music. Register at [bit.ly/DateNightFrNathan4302022](http://bit.ly/DateNightFrNathan4302022).





## ASK A PRIEST— SUPPORTING NEW CATHOLICS

FATHER JOHN MARK SOLITARIO, O.P.

**Q:** I'm happy that with everything happening in the world, people are still undergoing the RCIA process and joining the Catholic Church. What can I do to support our new members?

**A:** It's certainly a joy for the entire Church every time a child or adult is baptized, a non-Catholic Christian is received into "full communion," or a lifelong Catholic returns to the practice of the sacraments! We see our numbers increase, we imagine the potential that these candidates bring to our community, and we believe that with them our everlasting joy in God will be multiplied. Furthermore, many of us realize how important it is to support this "new growth" on the "vine" that is Christ's Mystical Body.

What can we do for our new brothers and sisters? What is important for us who have been Catholic for a while to do vis-à-vis those joining the family of faith that is St. Gertrude Catholic Church?

- **Pray.** We've been praying especially during Lent for all the catechumens and candidates preparing for entry into the Church. During Easter time, now our prayers of petition might become prayers of thanksgiving for the gift of each person's Christian calling and prayers of supplication for continued graces. Let's be marked by a spirit of gratitude and brotherly solicitude—because we're all branches on the vine, called to bear fruit (see Jn 15:1-10). This marks us as a true family of faith: As Jesus takes joy in each one of his friends, we can be joyful in them, too.
- **Offer a personal greeting.** At the Easter Vigil and again at the noon Easter Mass, we'll have the opportunity to pray

alongside our newest brothers and sisters in the faith. Some parishioners have prepared greeting cards and little gifts for our new Catholics (if you still have these, please leave them at the sacristy door or parish office with a note to Fr. John Mark). Take the opportunity to extend a personal welcome to these men and women when you see them next. Ask them about their journey into the Church, and share something about your own love for God, the Catholic faith, and your parish.

- **Continue to invite.** This is the hard part; not because you're all shy, but because it takes intentionality (don't we all run short here sometimes)! If you perceive something in common with one of our new Catholics, or a need they might have, don't be afraid to approach them and strike up a conversation! This is a big step for each one of them, and they can't do it alone. Our eighth graders have been joyfully accompanying Kayla, our youngest catechumen, throughout this school year. We should all try to sense when the Lord is asking us to go the extra mile for a brother or sister. Our own faith in Jesus will probably grow in this exercise of fraternal charity.

St. Paul says this about all baptized members of the Church: "We were indeed buried with him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might have newness of life" (Rom 6:4). New life is beautiful. It is also delicate and dependent. We've all been "new" at life, including the Christian life. We simply shouldn't take our brothers and sisters, especially the "youngest," for granted. This Easter, let's remember that faith in Christ is never simply a private thing. Our new life is a family way of life marked by fraternal love. A strong St. Gertrude Church welcome to our new Catholics!

*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, April 18	Tuesday, April 19	Wednesday, April 20	Thursday, April 21	Friday, April 22	Saturday, April 23	Sunday, April 24
<b>Parish Office Closed</b>	<b>Parent/Child CGS Sacramental Formation</b> 6:30 p.m. School Cafeteria	<b>Rosary Makers</b> 3 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room	<b>Cana Family</b> 9:30 a.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby		<b>Catholic Men's Fellowship</b> 7:30 a.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Little Flower Library Open</b> 8-10 a.m.
<b>SportsLeader</b> 6 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room	<b>K of C Rosary &amp; Social</b> 7 p.m. Church	<b>Adult Choir</b> 7 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Ladies of Charity Meeting</b> 6 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby		<b>Faith Formation First Communion Retreat</b> 8:30 a.m. School Cafeteria	<b>Parish Coffee &amp; Donuts</b> After 8 & 10 a.m. Masses Gym
<b>Booster Meeting</b> 7 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room		<b>Confessions, Adoration &amp; Benediction</b> 8:50 p.m. Church	<b>Regina Veritatis Team Meeting</b> 6:30 p.m. PC St. Joseph Room		<b>8th Grade Confirmation Retreat</b> 10 a.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby	<b>K of C Baby Bottle Handout</b> After all Masses Breezeway
<b>Become Catholic (RCIA)</b> 7 p.m. PC St. Dominic Lobby					<b>K of C Baby Bottle Handout</b> After 4:30 p.m. Mass Breezeway	<b>Family Faith</b> 9 & 10:30 a.m. School Cafeteria
<b>Healing Rosary</b> 7 p.m. Church						<b>Catechesis of the Good Shepherd</b> 9 & 10:30 a.m. Atrium I & II
<b>K of C 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 April 3**

Collection	\$	41,758
Weekly Budget	\$	35,294
Weekly Surplus	\$	6,464

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

Fiscal YTD Actual	\$	1,540,843
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$	1,492,054
Fiscal YTD Surplus	\$	48,789

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

BULLETIN  
5/1/22

MATERIALS DUE  
4/20/22

Please submit your Mass announcements and bulletin articles to [bulletin@stgertrude.org](mailto:bulletin@stgertrude.org), 6543 Miami Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45243 (513) 561-5954 | FAX (513) 561-7184 | [www.StGertrude.org](http://www.StGertrude.org)



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