



ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

April 18, 2021



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MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

Monday, April 19, Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Barbara Dugan/The Juergens Family
 8:00 a.m. †Jim Ferguson/The Hertlein Family
 11:30 a.m. †Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

Tuesday, April 20, Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Missy & †Terry Scales/Tricia Speicher
 8:00 a.m. †Tom Bescanceney/Malissa & Nick Frohlich
 11:30 a.m. †Tim Petric/Jim & AnnaMaria Spurgin

Wednesday, April 21, Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Pat Connor & Family/Carol & Jeff Remenowsky
 8:00 a.m. †Mary Lou Brockman/Susan & Herb Wandstrat
 11:30 a.m. †Margaret McCafferty/Ray & Marylyn Clark

Thursday, April 22, Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Mary Lou & Bill Greim/Anne & Dave Spaeth
 8:00 a.m. †Lisa Gonya/The Pavloff Family
 11:30 a.m. †Donald Sammons, Sr./Rick Sammons

Friday, April 23, Easter Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Marlene Tisher/Martha Coors
 8:00 a.m. †Pat Monahan/Diane & Jim Tomaszewski
 11:30 a.m. †Vinnie Englert/The Glorius Family

Saturday, April 24, Easter Weekday

- 8:00 a.m. †Deceased Members of the Kehoe Family/
 The Family
 11:30 a.m. †Marjorie A. McCarthy/Molly & Bruce Vollmer

April 24-25, 4th Sunday of Easter

- Saturday †Leo Plum/Thomas & Christin Spurr
 Sunday People of St. Gertrude, Living and Deceased
 †Richard Marion Mullen, Sr./
 The Knights of Columbus
 †Janet Brown/Fred Bowling
 †Leonard Sodergren/Brad & Katie Bursa
 †Janie Klare/Elaine & Jeff Parker

Parish Office Info

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)



**A SEASON OF RENEWAL,
A TIME TO BE REBUILT**

Throughout the Easter season, the Church invites us to reflect upon the Acts of the Apostles. These writings present us with events and developments in the early Church following the Resurrection of Jesus.

Acts presents us with facts that illuminate the conversion of people to faith in Jesus through the repentance of their sins, and the new life they come to experience in the grace of the Holy Spirit. Each person's encounter with the Risen Lord is life-changing. We hear and learn from these writings that God gave marvelous growth to the Church through the preaching of the Apostles, the miracles worked through them, and through the daily activities and witness of the Christian community. They were a visible and tangible expression of the presence and love of God.

The Holy Spirit continues to work in the Church today, bringing people to repentance and faith in Jesus, and transforming their lives through His indwelling in their souls. In a practical way, God's work continues in the most local way through the parish church. The local parish is the "community of believers" united in heart and mind. The local parish is the place of encounter with Jesus for those inquiring, a place of human and spiritual growth for those choosing the path of discipleship, and a place of mercy for everyone who strives to work out their own salvation.

Acts records for us that, after the preaching of Peter on the day of Pentecost, 3,000 people were added to their number that day. These "devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers"(Acts 2:42). That description sounds like parish life. What is not recorded are the logistical and practical ramifications of such gatherings. What did they do for food, water, shelter, restrooms!, cry room, meeting rooms, etc.??? Surely there had to be a mix of seniors, parents, and children. How did all those different personalities get along with one another? Yes, the members of the early Church had received the gift of the Holy Spirit, but it is the responsibility of all those Spirit-filled people to learn and live charity among them. In my imagination, it was all far from "perfect," but they were striving for perfection.

Because a parish is a human community, there will always be difficulties and challenges, just as there were in the early Church. The Holy Spirit works through these moments to help everyone grow in grace, virtue, and holiness. In virtue of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist, the divine life of God and the gift of charity is given to each of us. To us is given the responsibility of learning and practicing charity with one another. Ours is a large, dynamic, and diverse parish with seniors, singles, parents, and children. Each has a personality and particular life circumstances. Some people have physical challenges, others have mental illness or emotional burdens, and all of us are sinners. God calls us all together to love Him and one another. As

St. Paul says, "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ...As we have the opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith"(Gal 6:2,10).

As the parish strives to rebuild its life following the pandemic, we will be renewing our mission to be a place of encounter with Jesus. Within our parish boundaries, there are souls who have not yet received the Gospel message of love, forgiveness, and new life



in Christ. These people need to see the witness of love among us. There are parishioners who have been absent for a while because of the pandemic. They, too, need a loving, patient, and understanding welcome. The "regulars" lastly, have a reasonable expectation to experience the love and mercy of Jesus through all their brothers and sisters in Christ who have received the same gift of the Holy Spirit.

Will the efforts of rebuilding be perfect? Probably not. But I do know that the Holy Spirit can work marvels in our lives as we receive His gifts and put them at the service of one another. The Holy Spirit can help each of us to grow in virtue and holiness through all those irritations and circumstances that will do marvels for us if only we do not despise them. The Holy Spirit will restore, renew, and revive our parish life as we allow the fire of His love to purify and sanctify our hearts.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George, O.P.

**FROM THE DIARY OF
ST. MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA**



O my Jesus, how very easy it is to become holy; all that is needed is a bit of good will. If Jesus sees this little bit of good will in the soul, He hurries to give Himself to the soul, and nothing can stop Him, neither shortcomings nor falls – absolutely nothing. Jesus is anxious to help that soul, and if it is faithful to this grace from God, it can very soon attain the highest holiness possible for a creature here on earth. God is very generous and does not deny His grace to anyone. Indeed He gives more than what we ask of Him. Faithfulness to the inspirations of the Holy Spirit – that is the shortest route. (*Diary, #291*)

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JOB OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. GERTRUDE SCHOOL

Assistant Care Provider – After School Program

Position Description:

St. Gertrude School is looking for an *Assistant Care Provider* for its *After School Program*. This position is part-time (Approx. 15 hours a week) from 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

Candidate will be required to obtain fingerprints, a background check, and VIRTUS current with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati prior to starting the position. Candidate will assist with crafts, games, etc. as well as supervision and general care of students.

Contact: Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, résumé, and contact information for three references to Cara Beinke, Coordinator of the After School Program at cbeinke@stgertrudesch.org.

Catholic Candidate: Preferred



ST. GERTRUDE SCHOOL

Administrative Assistant Wanted

Position Description:

Administrative Assistant/Full-Time: The primary function of this position is to assist the administration in the function of the school. The Administrative Assistant for School operations performs a variety of secretarial and administrative duties, which support overall school operations. This includes maintaining the integrity of information and operating the office efficiently. General duties include database maintenance, submitting annual reports, weekly email newsletter, admission of new students, and administrative support of the school principal and assistant principal. Candidates need to be proficient in utilizing database, Google G Suite and website applications, Microsoft Office Suite, with emphasis on Microsoft Word, Publisher and Excel. Strong computer, written and oral communications skills are essential. Previous experience is important. 11-month full-time position, 1-month part-time position. Status: Non-exempt. Contact: Send résumé and cover letter to: Sister Maria Christi, O.P., St. Gertrude School, 6543 Miami Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45243 smchristi@stgertrudesch.org.

DEPARTURES AND TRANSITIONS



Bryan Wells

Since joining the staff at St. Gertrude 4 years ago, it has been an incredible journey and blessing to be able to work here and get to know so many of you and your families. Megan, my wife, and I have been blessed to be able to share

so many milestones with the parish family such as starting my ministry career, marrying, and then discovering that we were expecting.

The next milestone for us is bittersweet in that I will be leaving St. Gertrude and heading to Steubenville, OH. Recently, I accepted a position with my alma mater, Franciscan University, to work in the Youth Conference Office. It's been a dream of mine to work for the Conference Office ever since I first encountered the Lord at a 2012 Steubenville Youth Conference. While it wasn't in our family's plan to move to Steubenville, we definitely feel at peace that this is where the Lord is calling us.

Again, I am incredibly grateful for the gift of having been able to work at St. Gertrude and live in Cincinnati. St. Gertrude will always hold an important place in our lives as we move onto this next step. My last day with St. Gertrude will be May 2nd, but we will not be moving until June. So, I hope to connect with many of you over these next two months!



AnnaMaria Spurgin

When I accepted the position of Wedding Coordinator nearly 9 years ago, I had no idea how my role and our programming for both Marriage Preparation & Marriage Enrichment would grow and evolve. This would not have been possible without the continued support of the Dominican Friars, my fellow peers/staff, and the wonderful volunteers & Mentor Couples I have had the pleasure of collaborating with over the course of 9 years. I am deeply grateful to each of them and to you, our St. Gertrude community, for the offering of prayers, time and care.

It is a tremendous gift to assist engaged couples as they prepare for the great Sacrament of Matrimony, and in addition, to offer vital programs that enhance the lived experience of the vocation of marriage. I am profoundly grateful to all of the engaged and married couples I have had the joy to serve. I have learned abundantly from each of you.

So it is with both sadness and great peace that I announce I will be stepping down from my position as Wedding Coordinator effective April 30th. After much prayerful discernment, I feel God calling me to reduce my work hours, but am delighted to share I will remain on staff as Bereavement Coordinator to serve the needs of our parish families.

I give thanks to our Heavenly Father & Mother for the good fruits that have been poured out on our Marriage Preparation & Enrichment ministries. Your continued support and prayers are appreciated. God bless, AnnaMaria Spurgin

**IMPORTANT UPDATE
REGARDING CAMP 3:16**

Dear Parents, after prayerful discernment, the Office of Evangelization has unfortunately felt the need to postpone Camp 3:16 until next summer. We were eager to create a new, vibrant summer ministry experience for children 4-years-old to 8th Grade. However, because of several upcoming staff changes in our office, the collaborative team that was planning the camp experience is being rebuilt. Given the extensive transition that will be taking place over the next few months, we do not feel we could offer the kind of quality summer camp experiences our parishioners are accustomed to, and frankly, the children deserve. As our team is rebuilt, please keep us in your prayers as you are in ours. We look forward to seeing how the Lord works and we will be working on a few simpler summer events for the youth of the parish. Stay tuned!

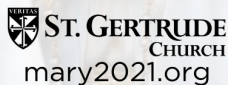


**Save the Dates
June 12 & 13**

St. Gertrude is a host-site for the historical Bicentennial Marian Pilgrimage for the Visit of the Our Lady of Fatima Statue.

We will need parishioners to host the 10 Statue Guardians who will be arriving at our Parish Saturday June 12 . We are looking for parishioners who would host one or more pilgrims in their home overnight and provide breakfast the next morning.

We are also looking for parishioners that would be interested in serving on our Marian Pilgrimage Committee. If you are interested please contact Richard Sammons at 513-675-1122 or Rick@RightPathCFO@gmail.com



SOUP KITCHEN SIGNUPS for serving lunches on April 25 will be available online. Please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0C4BAEA92FA5FEC70-stgertrude>. For more information, contact Andy Cordier at SoupKitchen@StGertrude.org

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.



**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.

LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

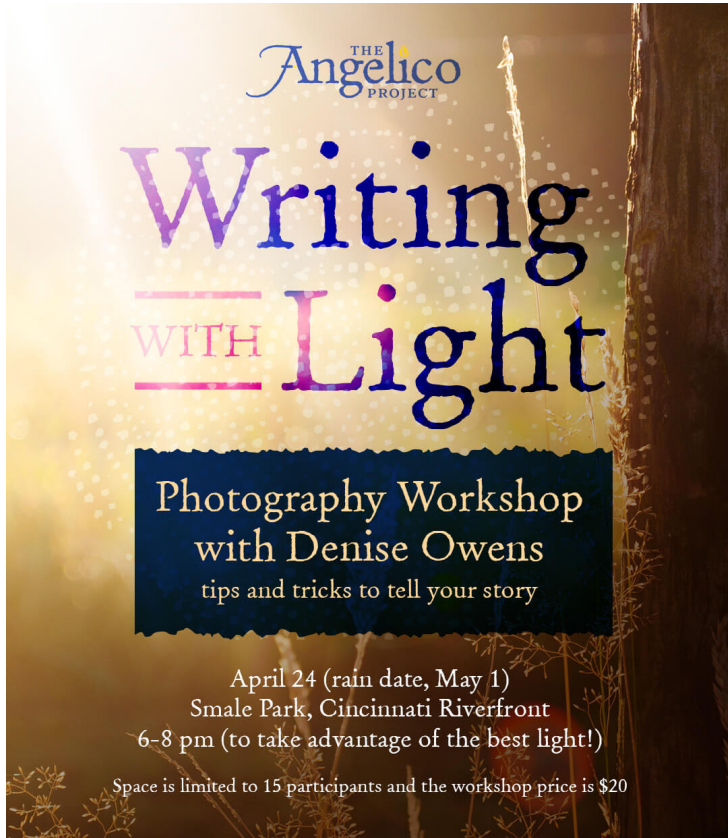
THE SICK:

Michael Bell, Bettie Caudill, Ann Cerone, 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



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/>.

DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR WANTED

Cincinnati Right to Life is hiring a full-time Development Director. The Development Director will build relationships with donors, manage all fundraising efforts and donor initiatives, and seek new sources of funding for the organization. Please call Cincinnati Right to Life at 513-728-7870 or email at mail@cincinnatirighttolife.org to obtain a copy of the full job description and learn about the interview process.

GENTLEMEN, INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING AT PREGNANCY CENTER EAST?

Male mentors empower men to advocate for their unborn children. Training provided. Please contact Pregnancy Center East at 513-321-3100 or Kbonner@pregnancycentereast.com for more information.

KOC BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

A reminder that the Knights will be collecting baby bottles filled with cash, coins, or check at all Masses on **Sunday, April 18** and again on **Sunday, April 25** (including Saturday vigil Mass). All proceeds will be donated to Old St. Mary's Pregnancy Center in Over-The-Rhine. If you are unable to return bottles on these dates, please drop off at the parish office.

A SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY!



We are currently recruiting new Vincentians to join us on our journey to holiness by continuing the mission of helping our neighbors in need through works of charity.

St. Gertrude SVDP Conference is beginning a partnership with Resurrection of Our Lord Parish. This parish is located in Price Hill and their conference receives two to twelve calls for assistance per day. We are looking for Vincentians who can help support these calls from the comfort of their own home by completing paperwork to obtain conference assistance funds. Each application takes about two hours to complete and may include contacting landlords and/or utility companies. Vincentians are called to confidentiality of neighbor information. Training will be provided.

If you are feeling called to assist in this especially important endeavor, please leave a voicemail message at 513-561-5954, ext. 2112 and you will be contacted by a St. Gertrude SVDP Volunteer. Thank you for considering to answer the call!



ASK A PRIEST - DEATH TO SIN, LIFE WITH GOD

BY FR. JOHN MARK SOLITARIO, O.P.

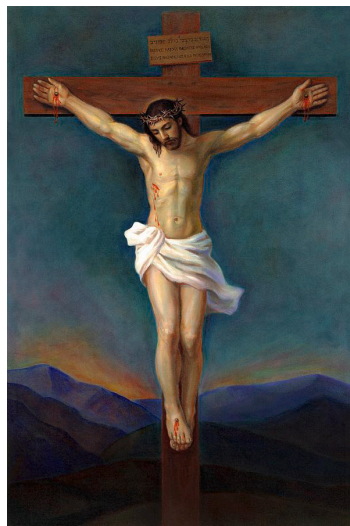
Q: What does it mean that Jesus conquered sin on the cross? What sin did He conquer? If we all still have original sin and we all still continue to

sin, then what sin did He conquer?

Q: Since Jesus came to earth as a man to “reset” the human race, please explain why we would pay attention to modern theories of evolution?

A: These questions relate to the Church’s doctrines on Original Sin and Redemption/ Sanctification. I will not pretend that these topics haven’t fueled endless theological discussions both inside and outside the communion of the Catholic Church. Nevertheless, some basic doctrinal truths can help set us in the right direction so that we avoid speaking or living in ignorance of the Church’s salutary teaching. This week, we’ll mostly tackle the first question.

At the Easter Vigil, we heard about the irreversible effects of Christ’s salvific death and triumphant Resurrection: “As to his death, he died to sin once and for all; as to his life, he lives for God. Consequently, you, too, must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.” (Romans 6:11) Adam and Eve freely rebelled from God’s original plan for the human race. By sinning, they prevented their descendants from enjoying the harmony of a completely intact and holy human nature – a life of perfect understanding and respect with one’s Creator, one’s neighbor, and within oneself. What we casually call “human nature” nowadays is really an *injured* nature, a general status transmitted congenitally and referred to with the blanket term of **original sin**. It is not a personal choice of ours (Adam and Eve took care of the decision-making here!) but a spiritual, psychological, and even physical disorder we inherit; it is the disruption of the harmonious state of **original justice** in which humanity was created (See CCC 400).



Thankfully, God does not like to see children punished for the bad choices of their parents, so He immediately effected a plan to save us from this state of rebellion and alienation. Jesus Christ, Son of God and son of Mary, was uniquely qualified both to stand in for sinful humanity *and* atone for our collective and personal sins. He met the most threatening punishment for sin – death – and robbed it of its power eternally to separate us from God and neighbor. He paid the price of our guilt and had credit left over! This is the teaching of Christian **redemption**: because of God’s love for us, Jesus freely gave His life as a ransom so that we would no longer have to face the spiritual consequences of sin (See CCC 622).

The Church really believes and lives as if death had “lost its sting.” (See 1 Cor 15:55) This is because, although we still suffer death and a host of other disturbing “infections” on all levels, **Baptism** profoundly connects us to God’s redemptive plan in Jesus. Like Jesus, baptized Christians may still face sickness and temptation and death while we live in the world. But thanks to the reconciliation He accomplished and His super-abundant grace flowing into our minds and hearts through Baptism and the other Sacraments, we experience a healing “at the roots:” the baptized no longer carry the guilt of original sin or its worst punishment, eternal separation from God. Yes, other “temporal” effects of original sin are still experienced and will be experienced until all things are restored in Christ at the end of time. But Jesus’ death and Resurrection have taken away the lasting “bite” of these afflictions, which is sin.

All this helps provide an answer to the second question, which inquires about the “newness” of redeemed humanity. It is important to distinguish the principles of our renewal in **grace** (i.e. friendship with God) from the principles at work within our **human nature**. It is truly wonderful that God has sent His Son who not only enables the “reset” of our friendship with God, but through the gift of His Spirit, makes us God’s adopted sons and daughters. This unfolding event may “outshine” the story of our physical, psychological, and social development as human beings, but does not make our history irrelevant. In the Resurrection, when all things are made new, we will still have truly human souls and bodies, albeit ones that shine with the image of Jesus’ glory. And we can give thanks to God for everything in the present life that testifies to His wisdom and loving care.

“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!

Monday, April 19	Tuesday, April 20	Wednesday, April 21	Thursday, April 22	Friday, April 23	Saturday, April 24	Sunday, April 25
Religious Education 3:30 p.m. School Atrium	Children's Choir 3:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Prayer Shawl 10:30 a.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.	Consoling the Heart of Jesus 9:00 a.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby		Catholic Men's Fellowship 7:30 a.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	KofC Baby Bottle Drop-off <i>After All Masses</i>
SportsLeader 6:00 p.m. School Library	Religious Education 4:30 p.m. School Atrium	Illuminate 1:45 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby			KofC Baby Bottle Drop-off <i>After 4:30 p.m. Mass</i>	Religious Education 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. School Cafeteria, Atrium
Boosters 7:00 p.m. School Library	Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria	Rosary Makers 3:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.			New Parishioner Dinner 6:00 p.m. School Cafeteria	Confirmation Preparation 9:00 a.m. School Cafeteria
Healing Rosary 7:00 p.m. Church	Real Friendship 7:30 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby				HSYM Discipleship Training Cells 7:00 p.m. Parish Center
RCIA 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria		Benediction 8:50 p.m. Church				

CMA UPDATE

We have now exceeded our parish goal of \$93,470 with a pledged amount of \$95,558.15 and \$75,411 paid to date.

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

OFFERING

St. Gertrude Parish
Weekly Collection and Budget Report

Collection for April 11

Weekly Budget	\$	38,235
Collection	\$	27,592
Weekly Deficit	(\$	10,643)

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

Fiscal YTD Budget	\$	1,609,412
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$	1,571,151
Fiscal YTD Deficit	(\$	38,261)

BULLETIN DEADLINE

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5/2/21

MATERIALS DUE
4/21/21

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 Rev. Clement Dickie, O.P., parochial vicar
 Rev. John Mark Solitario, O.P., parochial vicar

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