I AM THE Good Shepherd,

AND I KNOW MINE AND MINE KNOW ME JOHN 10:14



ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER | APRIL 21, 2024

MASSES AND CONFESSION

Monday, April 22, Easter Weekday

7 a.m. † Don Beimesche by Marian & Omer Scharold 8 a.m. Chris & Hannah Langsenkamp by Tony & Sara Cole 11:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

Tuesday, April 23, Easter Weekday

7 a.m. † Donald Sammons, Sr. by Rick Sammons 8 a.m. Lizzie Clanton by The Clanton Family 11:30 a.m. † Gary Babcock by St. Gertrude Parish

Wednesday, April 24, Easter Weekday

7 a.m. Lorraine & Charles Nork by Suzanne Reynolds8 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Kehoe Family by Dennis Kehoe

11:30 a.m. † Marjorie A. McCarthy by Molly & Bruce Vollmer

Thursday, April 25, St. Mark the Evangelist (F)

7 a.m. † Cindy McCray by Sherry Schuler8 a.m. † Howard DoBell by Dolores Brandstetter

11:30 a.m. † Mary Bartel by Pete & Donna Marcello

Friday, April 26, Easter Weekday

7 a.m. † John Retzler by Elaine & Jeff Parker 8 a.m. † Fred Runk by The Runk Family 11:30 a.m. † Nancy Stautberg by Ray & Marylyn Clark

11.50 a.m. | Namey Stautberg by Ray & Marylyn

Saturday, April 27, Easter Weekday

8 a.m. † June Zappia by Brian Zappia
11:30 a.m. † Kathy Mack by Judy Bayer & Family
4:30 p.m. † Bob & Anne Siebert by The Siebert Family

Sunday, April 28, 5th Sunday of Easter

8 a.m. † Al Stevenson by Phil & Denise Motz
10 a.m. The Imbus Family by The Henderson Family
12 p.m. People of St. Gertrude

6 p.m. † Val Waldron by Ann & Andy Cordier

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 | stgertrude.org parishoffice@stgertrude.org Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. School Office Hours Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Church Hours Every day: 7 a.m.-9 p.m.



Join us to watch the film GUADALUPE MOTHER OF HUMANITY

Saturday, May 4 Parkland Theatre

6550 Parkland Ave. Cincinnati 45233

\$11 per person includes small popcorn and 12 oz. soda

RSVP to Dina Henderson by April 30 to (513) 207-4246. **9 a.m.** Doors open

9:15-11 a.m.

Viewing of Film (In Spanish with English subtitles)

> 11:15-11:45 a.m. Rosary

> > 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Social

Prayers for Confirmands

This Sunday, April 21, St. Gertrude Parish eighth graders will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep them in your prayers as they take this next step in their spiritual journeys and are filled with the Holy Spirit.

Dominican Rite Mass



In honor of St. Catherine of Siena

APRIL 30 | 7 P.M. ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

Venerate St. Catherine's relic

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



The Easter season began on Easter Sunday and lasts for a full 50 days—all the way until Pentecost, which is Sunday, May 19, this year. Here is an article from *The Catholic Telegraph* with suggestions for ways to keep the Easter celebration going beyond Easter Sunday.

God bless,

Rev. John Paul Walder, O.P.

Father John Paul Walker, O.P.

CELEBRATING EASTER ALL SEASON LONG

Easter is everything. Easter is God's ultimate gift of love, mercy and sacrifice. It is how we are reconciled, where we find forgiveness and hope. It is where death is overcome by life everlasting.

But in the rush for the next season or the next holiday, we don't always take enough time for this pinnacle celebration of our liturgical year. Instead, Easter's festivities often get squeezed into a single Sunday morning and then are swept out with plastic grass, candy wrappers and broken eggs later that day.

Easter eggs and candy are great, but the celebration is so much more than just one day! Eastertide gives us a full 50 days to celebrate the resurrection of Christ. Here are some ideas to help you keep the celebration going.

USE THE PASCHAL GREETING

Teach your family and friends the Paschal greeting for your hellos this Eastertide. This Easter tradition from the Eastern Orthodox Church is a simple greeting of "Christ is Risen" to which is replied, "He is risen indeed."

It is a simple thing but offers great opportunity for frequent reflection. What does this mean for you at this moment in your life?

PLANT A MARY GARDEN

Something as simple as a small pot of Lilies of the Valley in a sunny window or tucked away in a corner of the backyard can provide a spot to cultivate beauty, peace and a place of prayer.

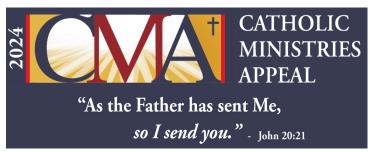
It is a beautiful devotion to grow flowers for our Holy Mother, be they given to her to adorn the church or used to cheer up a neighbor. Each weed pulled and every blossom tended is an opportunity for a heartfelt petition or just a quick utterance of gratitude and love as you surround yourself with and nurture this new and growing life sprouting forth.

THROW A BIRTHDAY PARTY

Eastertide culminates with the Solemnity of Pentecost, in which the Holy Spirit imbues the apostles with the divinized ability to baptize in God's name. Pentecost is the birth of the Church, and that definitely deserves a party! Wear red clothes to Mass and make sure to put candles on that cake after your Pentecost dinner. Everyone blows them out on the count of three, and really thinks about what it is that the Holy Spirit is moving you to do. How can you be a gift to God and those around you? Pray. Listen. But also, act!

Do something concrete that moves you in the direction God wants you to go. Give yourself over evermore completely to this new life in Christ. Isn't that what Easter is about? Savor the 50 days and let God make you new.

This article was written by Rebecca Sontag and posted on the catholic telegraph.com on March 30, 2024. Reprinted with permission.



Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the 2024 Catholic Ministries Appeal. We are at 141 percent of our parish goal! As in previous years, 50 percent of all pledges in excess of our parish goal of \$99,541 will remain here at St. Gertrude for our own use. Additionally, a \$5,000 rebate will be awarded to the top 10 parishes in the archdiocese with the highest percentage increase in donor participation over last year's total parish donors. Last year, 273 parishioners contributed to the CMA; as of now, 301 parishioners have contributed—that's 10 percent more than last year! There's still time to make your gift if you have not already done so. You will find extra pledge envelopes on the table in front of the relic chapel for your convenience. To make a donation online, please visit CatholicAOC.org/CMA. Thank you!

THE POWER OF THE ROSARY



"For every time we devoutly say the rosary in supplication before her, we are once more brought face to face with the marvel of our salvation; we watch the mysteries of our Redemption as though they were unfolding before our eyes; and as one follows another, Mary stands revealed at once as God's Mother and our Mother."

- Pope Leo XIII

SUPPORT OUR ANNUAL FUND THIS EASTER!

This year, our parish school is raising funds to support growth of our Outdoor Curriculum, to launch an alumni relations initiative, and to add safety upgrades and enhancements for our playground. Please consider giving to help provide our students with the best in teaching and learning! Scan the QR code or visit <u>bit.ly/SGSannualfund</u> to give today.



Schedule a Personal Tour!

A Catholic education is more affordable now than ever before!

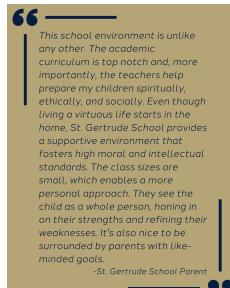
We invite you to visit us for a personal tour to meet our principal, observe classes, and discover—first hand—



the St. Gertrude School difference.

NOW ENROLLING FOR 2024-2025!







MOTHER & SON KICKBALL TOURNAMENT

Moms and their sons had a blast at last Sunday's Mother & Son Kickball Tournament! The event was '80s-themed. Check out everyone's awesome wristbands, headbands, neon, tube socks, and gym shorts!











EVANGELIZATION AND FAITH FORMATION

This past Saturday, 137 people participated in our Called and Gifted Workshop! Created by the Catherine of Siena Institute, Called and Gifted is a process of discerning the unique gifts, or charisms, given to each person at his or her Baptism and sealed at his or her Confirmation. The workshop was the first step in this process and included a series of dynamic talks given by Leyden Rovelo-Krull (presenter with the Catherine of Siena Institute) and our very own Sister Mary Agnes Greiffendorf, O.P. You might be asking yourself, what are charisms and why does it matter if I know what mine are? In a word, charisms are gratuitous gifts of the Holy Spirit that are ordered toward evangelization and the building up of the Church. They are gifts we receive that are meant to be given away! Imagine what would happen to our parish and community if we all knew our charisms and lived them out in the world? Enjoy the pictures from the workshop below, and stay tuned for the next time we offer Called and Gifted here at St. Gertrude Parish!









Tyler Castrucci



























ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

All boys in grades four and up who want to become altar servers—or who are currently altar servers and want a refresher—are invited to our next altar server training on Friday, April 26, from 3 to 4 p.m. in the church.

BAPTISM

Saturday, April 6, 2024



Child: Felicity Maria Cordier Parents: Joseph & Mary Cordier Priest: Father Michael Cordier

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 2024! We meet twice per month from September through May to reflect on the Gospel, the *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 be better wives and mothers. Come learn more on **Thursday**, **May 2**, **from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Parish Center**. You can find more information at <u>canafamilyinstitute.com</u>. If you have any questions, please contact Anita at cana@stgertrude.org.

BULLDOGS FOOTBALL REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

All boys in grades K-8 are invited to join the Bulldogs football team for the 2024 fall season!

Practices begin the third week in July. The registration fee is \$200 per player; full payment is due by May 31. For more information and to register, visit stgertrude.org/football or scan the QR code.



DATE WITH FATHER NATE: A CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

You and your spouse are invited to join other couples next Saturday, April 27, from 5:30 to 10 p.m. at the St. Gertrude Parish Center for an evening to focus on your marriage. Using humor and inspiration, Father Nathan Cromly will help you make sense of the ordinary struggles couples face and give you tools to renew and re-energize your marriage and reflect on what is truly important. The event is presented by the Saint John Leadership Network and includes live music by Easter Rising Band! Tickets are \$95/couple and include heavy hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer, and soft drinks throughout the evening. Young parents needing support to offset the costs of a babysitter can receive a \$20-off discount on their couple's ticket. Please email Margaret Pluta at margaret.pluta@saintjohninstitute.org to obtain the discount code. For more information and to register, please visit brushfire.com/eagleeyeministries/saint-john-leadership-network/569727.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

The Knights of Columbus Archbishop Elder Council #1195 will be collecting your filled baby bottles this weekend, April 20-21, and next weekend, April 27-28. You can also return your filled bottles to the parish office. One hundred percent of the funds raised will be donated to Old St. Mary's Pregnancy Center on behalf of St. Gertrude Parish.

LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

THE SICK:

Linda Burke, Vicki Calonge, Carol Conners, Dan DeBow, Triset Defonseka, Beth Egbers, Lisa Ely, Octavio Flores-Resendiz, Ron Freudenberg, Dick Gelhaus, Bob Gerwin, Goad Family, Elsa Hall, Mark Holland, Hummel Family, Andrea Kattel, Mary Patrice Kaufman, Aiko Kimura, Diane Kosobud, Robert Lantz, Ed and Karen Larkin, Ted Leugers, Mimi Leverone, Kevin Lewis, Gertrude Maxwell, Kim McClung, Elaine O'Connell, Sue Paas, Gerry Patterson, Gert Patterson, Pegge Schuermann, Richard Seifert, Judy Sullivan, Jim Tappel, Brigitte Vielhauer, Kerry Walden, and Viktor & Mary Wilhelmy

THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES:

Patrick Burke, Gabe Dorsey, Jacob Dorsey, Curtis Flores, Luis Flores, Jr., Cole Foster, Kyle Foster, Dominic Geraci, Daniel Holian, Mike Huber, Aaron Jacobson, Jacob Kramb, John Kramb, Kelly Leugers, Dominic Lloyd, Seth McGann, John Murdock, Jr., John Oscar, Sarah Ries, Dan Roseman, Andrew Shannon, Ian Tester, and Gus Voto

THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

† Ernest "Bill" Hoffman, husband of Marjorie



BEING PREPARED IS EVERYTHING

Learning, planning, and being prepared is part of life. Gate of Heaven Cemetery is here to help you understand Church teachings so that planning end-of-life decisions can be made with peace of mind. Attend a complimentary preplanning seminar at Gate of Heaven Cemetery this Tuesday, April 23, at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., or 6 p.m. Please RSVP to community@gateofheaven.org or (513) 489-0300.

MORALITY AND LAW PRESENTATION

On Wednesday, April 24, Nik Nikas with the Catholic Bar Association will be giving a Morality and Law presentation from 12 to 1 p.m. in the St. Agnes Church Undercroft (1680 Dixie Highway, Fort Wright, KY). This is your opportunity to learn about the necessary relationship between law and morality. Attorneys and non-attorneys are encouraged to attend. St. Agnes offers 11:30 a.m. Mass, for anyone who would like to attend prior to the presentation. A box lunch will be available for \$10. In order to have an accurate lunch count, please call (859) 431-6111 or email fredsumme@summelaw.com to RSVP. This presentation is sponsored by Catholics United for the Faith, Clay Ministries, and NKY Right to Life.

MILES FOR MARY

Pregnancy Center West invites you to honor Mary during the month of May by joining the Miles for Mary challenge. It's simple: all you have to do is walk, run, cycle, swim, dog walk, or elliptical one mile every single day in May (totaling 31 miles). Everyone who successfully completes this challenge will be entered in the Split the Pot on June 10. PCW also encourages honoring Mary during the challenge by reciting a decade of the rosary, the entire rosary, or any other Marian devotional. The Split the Pot proceeds will go toward PCW's operational needs. To register,

scan the QR code, text MILES4MARY to (513) 957-GIVE, or visit <u>supportpcw.org/event/miles-for-mary</u>. If you have any questions, email jame@pc-west.org or call (513) 244-5700.



MASS FOR SURVIVORS OF SUICIDE LOSS

On Sunday, May 5, at 9 a.m. at St. Francis de Sales Church (Lebanon, Ohio), there will be a Mass for Survivors of Suicide Loss. All are invited to attend. Let us lift up our needs and prayers to ask for the intercession of St. Dymphna, patron saint of people living with mental illness. St. Dymphna, we ask for your intercession for those living with mental illness and their families. Grant peace in their hearts and clarity of purpose. We remember all those who died by suicide. Creator of all, we entrust the souls of our loved ones and friends who died by suicide to your Divine Mercy. We embrace all our families, friends, loved ones, and parishioners impacted by suicide. May the Divine Healer bring them comfort. We pray for all those unnamed and unknown who died by suicide who have no one to pray for them.

MARY IN CATHOLIC EDUCATION EXHIBIT

The Blessed Virgin Mary is an integral component of Catholic educational culture as both a subject of teaching and an exemplar for educators. From now through June 28, 2024, the University of Dayton Roesch Library is having a Mary in Catholic Education exhibit (first-floor gallery and the Marian Library, seventh floor). In this exhibit, teacher education students at the University of Dayton used materials from the Marian Library's collections to explore how Catholic ideals have been shared with different audiences through various media. The exhibit is free and open to the public 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. For parking, directions and other information, please visit go.udayton.edu/mary-in-catholic-ed.

THEATER EVENT: SAVED BY BEAUTY— THE LIFE OF DOROTHY DAY

Join us for a unique Catholic theater experience this Friday, April 26, at 7 p.m. at Good Shepherd Catholic Montessori (4460 Berwick Street, Cincinnati 45227). Saved by Beauty is a play about the life of Dorothy Day that explores the dramatic question, "Can the world be saved by beauty?" It presents the cost of Day's conversion to Catholicism and her long-suffering fidelity to God and the Church following the abortion she had in her youth. Over and above her well-known protests, arrests, newspapers, and houses of hospitality, Day's life also embraced critically important yet little-known commitments to people, such as her common-law husband Forster, her daughter Tamar, and her comrade-playwright Eugene O'Neill. Performed as "Readers Theater," the event will include a post-performance live Q&A with the playwright, Reverend Albert J. DeGiacomo of Lexington, KY. To learn more and to reserve your seats, visit AngelicoProject.org.



GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY TEAM

This fall, the Cincinnati Centurions, the local field hockey club team, is launching a middle school program for girls in grades 6-8. Mount Notre Dame, Ursuline, St. Ursula, Summit Country Day, Indian Hill, and Walnut Hills high school all have field hockey teams, and this is a great opportunity for girls to try out the sport before getting to high school.

Players will learn the skills of field hockey and play games. For more information, please visit <u>cincinnaticenturions.com</u> or contact us at cincinnaticenturions@gmail.com.

New players are invited to attend the following introductory events:

- May 28-30 Mount Notre Dame Middle School Camp | Learn more at mndhs.org/summer-camps-2024/
- June 17-20 Ursuline Academy Field Hockey Camp | Learn more at <u>ursulineacademy.org/summer</u>



ASK AN EXPERT— DOMINICAN RITE MASS, PART 2

CHRISTOPHER HOLMAN, DPHIL, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Q: Last week, Father Luke discussed the theology of the Dominican Rite Mass, which is now offered monthly at St. Gertrude Parish. From the viewpoint

of the laity and musicians, what aspects of this form of the Mass are unique to Dominicans?

A: As Father Luke said last week, there is only one sacrifice of the Mass. However, there are dozens of *forms* of the Mass. It's a bit like the hundreds of variants of the board game Monopoly—there's the classic version inspired by turn-of-the-century Atlantic City, the British equivalent based on London, and even Cincinnati-opoly!—but in the end, you're basically playing the same game. What makes a particular form of a game, sport, or even liturgy special is that the differences usually have some special significance to those involved.

For me, the most stunning visual difference that we see only in the Dominican Rite is the posture of the priest during the Eucharistic Prayer. He faces the altar like at the more familiar Extraordinary Form/ Tridentine Mass, but stands with his hands outstretched as if he were on the cross. Theologically, the priest is uniting himself to Christ's sacrifice. However, there is also historical and cultural relevance for Dominicans; around the year 1260, Sister Cecilia of the Dominican Monastery of Saint Agnes in Bologna, Italy, recorded nine postures of prayer which St. Dominic himself used, the sixth of which (pictured here) is identical to what we see in the Dominican Rite. She notes that "Dominic did not use this kind of prayer regularly, but only when, by God's inspiration, he

knew that some great wonder was going to occur by virtue of his prayer." In our Catholic understanding of the Eucharist—in which bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ—such a profound moment in the Mass certainly qualifies as a "great wonder."



There is also music unique to the Dominican Rite. Most Catholics have at least heard of Gregorian Chant, which was historically tied to the Roman Rite and is currently the official music of the modern *Novus ordo* Mass. But in the late Middle Ages, most people were illiterate, and paper and ink were incredibly expensive. As such, chant books were not generally used in the same way a modern musician reads from sheet music; they

served primarily as aids for memory for the choir, who would have learned the entire liturgical year's chants by heart during their novitiate, or for the laity during their choir training as children (which is something we at St. Gertrude Parish still do today in our Schola Cantorum). Given all this, you can imagine that variations—intentional or otherwise—would easily happen.



After years of Dominican liturgy that was probably somewhat chaotic, the fifth Master General of the Order of Preachers, Humbert de Romanis

(c. 1190–1277), sought to unify the prayers of all Dominicans, and established a new liturgy unique to the Order in 1256, which combined elements of the Gallican Rite, Roman usage, and the Parisian Rite, along with some of St. Dominic's postures for prayer. Humbert's *Codex*, copied by one of the finest medieval ateliers in Paris (an excerpt is pictured here), became the basis of all further Dominican Chant editions, including what we sing at St. Gertrude.



About a decade later, the sixth Master General, Giovanni da Vercelli (c. 1205–1283), successfully petitioned Pope Clement IV to issue a Papal Bull which forbade any further changes to the Dominican Rite. As such, Dominican Chant was largely immune to the influence and interference of later generations. In general, the melodies are therefore simpler than their Gregorian counterparts, and in my view, tend to be less fussy and overall easier to sing. Shortly after joining the parish staff in August 2022, I introduced Dominican Chant into our modern *Novus ordo* Masses, and most of you have not only heard a great deal of Dominican Chant but also even sung some of these ancient melodies yourselves.

Finally, at St. Gertrude's Dominican Rite, our professional choir, the Capella, also takes the opportunity to sing incredibly beautiful and elaborate choral settings of the Gloria, Sanctus, Agnus Dei, etc. In our modern Mass, the clergy and congregation sing these texts to plainchant while all liturgical action is stopped. But in the Dominican Rite, the liturgy and music overlap and are intentionally desynchronized; for example, the priest could be halfway through the Eucharistic Prayer while the choir is still singing the Sanctus. This means that for the Dominican Rite at St. Gertrude, the Capella can sing choral settings of the Ordinary—arguably the finest of the Church's treasury of sacred music—that simply cannot be practically done in the modern Mass (unless the congregation wants to stand and listen to a 10-minute choral Gloria!).

The Dominican Rite is a special and beautiful gift. Even if Latin and incense aren't your thing, I encourage you, as members of a Dominican parish, to experience it at least once; most who attend report that they are able to deepen their prayer in profound and surprisingly different ways than the modern Mass. Additionally, you will be joining the prayers of the Dominican saints, friars, sisters, and laity throughout history, for whom this liturgy has been the heart of the Order's spiritual life for the past 768 years.

The next Dominican Rite Mass will take place next Tuesday, April 30, at 7 p.m., the feast of St. Catherine of Siena, O.P. The musical setting of the Ordinary will be the seventeenth century Benedictine nun Chiara Margarita Cozzolani's *Mass for Four Voices* (1642). A relic of St. Catherine of Siena will be available for veneration after Mass.

St. Gertrude Church offers our sincere thanks to The Most Reverend Dennis Schnurr, D.D., Archbishop of Cincinnati, and The Very Reverend Allen Moran, O.P., Prior Provincial of the Province of St. Joseph, for their kind permission to offer the Dominican Rite.

Have a question about faith, life, theology, the Church, or something else? Submit your question to bulletin@stgertrude.org for one of our Dominican friars, brothers, or sisters; experts; or theologians to answer in an upcoming bulletin.

Monday, April 22	Tuesday, April 23	Wednesday, April 24	Thursday, April 25	Friday, April 26	Saturday, April 27	Sunday, April 28
CGS Level 1 & 2 3:30 p.m. Atrium I & II	Cana Family - Year 2 9 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	Resurrection Choir Practice 8:45 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	CGS Level 1 11 a.m. Atrium I & II	Altar Server Training 3 p.m. Church	Catholic Men's Fellowship 7:30 a.m. School Cafeteria	K of C Baby Bottle Pick-Up After all Masses Outside Church
Schola Cantorum 3:30 p.m. PC Choir Room	Moms & Littles Holy Hour 9:30 a.m. Church	Schola Cantorum 3:30 p.m. PC Choir Room	Faith Formation First Reconciliation 7 p.m. Church		St. Gertrude School First Communion 2 p.m. Church	Parish Coffee & Donuts After 8 & 10 a.m Masses Gym
Become Catholic (RCIA) 7 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby	True Devotion to Mary 12:30 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby	CGS Level 1, 2 & 3 3:45 p.m. Atrium I & II, School Music Room	Parish Choir 7 p.m. PC Choir Room		Date Night with Father Nathan Cromly 5:30 p.m. Gym	CGS Classes 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Atrium I & II, School Music Room
Healing Rosary 7 <i>p.m.</i> Church	CGS Level 1 & 2 6 p.m. Atrium I & II	Cub Scouts - Pack Meeting 6:30 p.m. SGS Cafeteria	Evangelization Team Meeting 7 p.m. SGS Classroom 15	1	K of C Baby Bottle Pick-Up After 4:30 p.m. Mass Outside Church	CGS Parent Groups 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. SGS Classroom 15
Seasons of Hope 7 p.m. St. Joseph Room	CGS Parent Groups 6 p.m. SGS Classroom 15	Holy Hour with Confessions 7:30 p.m. Church				Little Flower Library Open 8:45-11:30 a.m.
	Boy Scouts 7 p.m. School Cafeteria					Confirmation Closing Session 10 a.m. School Cafeteria
	Fenwick Dominican Laity Council Meeting 7 p.m Holy Family Conference Room			INTERESTED II ST. GERTRUDE would love to welc sh family! Visit stge	E PARISH? ome you into our	Baptisms 1:15 p.m. Church
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BULLETIN DEADLINE

MATERIALS DUE

BULLETIN 5/5/24

Please submit your Mass announcements and bulletin articles to bulletin@stgertrude.org.

OFFERING

St. Gertrude Parish Weekly Collection and Budget Report Collection for April 14

Collection	\$ 38,265
Weekly Budget	\$ 37,000
Weekly Surplus	\$ 1,265

Second Collection - Catholic Relief Services: \$2,646 Fiscal Year-To-Date (for year ending June 30, 2024)

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Fiscal YTD Actual			\$	1,742,842
Fiscal YTD Budget			\$	1,580,000
Fiscal YTD Surplus			\$	162 842

We would love to welcome you into our parish family! Visit <u>stgertrude.org/register</u> to fill out a new parishioner registration form. You can also find paper copies of the registration form in the church and the parish office. We look forward to meeting you!

2 p.m. St. Joseph Room L'alto: HS End of Year Celebration

7 p.m.
Parish Center

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Contact Tyler Castrucci at tcastrucci@stgertrude.org or Father Luke VanBerkum at frluke@stgertrude.org to learn more about our Become Catholic (RCIA) program and get your questions answered.

STAY INFORMED ON PRO-LIFE ISSUES

Want to get more involved in pro-life ministry or simply want to be more *in the know?* Email stgertrudeprolife@gmail.com to be added to the St. Gertrude Respect Life Ministry email list.



SUPPORT FOR MISCARRIAGE

Have you experienced a miscarriage? You are not alone. Heaven's Gain Ministries is

here to provide for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of families experiencing pregnancy loss. Call Heaven's Gain at (513) 607-6083 for support, or visit <u>Heavens Gain.org</u> for more information.

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