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BEHOLD,  
I AM  
WITH YOU

*always*

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THE AGE.

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THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD | MAY 21, 2023



# MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

## Monday, May 22, Easter Weekday

- 7 a.m. Mother's Day Novena
- 8 a.m. † Vera Rettig by Charlene Bosken
- 11:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

## Tuesday, May 23, Easter Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Barbara Heling by The Teller Family
- 8 a.m. † Marvin Heitkamp by The Pavloff Family
- 11:30 a.m. † Anne Siebert by The Siebert Family

## Wednesday, May 24, Translation of Holy Father Dominic (M)

- 7 a.m. † Joyce Moore by Bill & Kathy Dryer
- 8 a.m. † Edith Merle by Tom & Kim Hahn
- 11:30 a.m. † Tom Ruthman by Malissa & Nick Frohlich

## Thursday, May 25, Easter Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Jessie & Dan Richey by The Vasquez Family
- 8 a.m. † Rosemary Marsicano by The Wainscott Family
- 11:30 a.m. Norma Jo Platt by Gerry Dzikowski

## Friday, May 26, St. Philip Neri (M)

- 7 a.m. † Joyce Moore by Judy Bayer & Family
- 8 a.m. † David Moreno by Tom & Christin Spurr
- 11:30 a.m. † Bill Brandstetter by Dolores Brandstetter

## Saturday, May 27, Easter Weekday

- 8 a.m. † Adam Castrucci by The Castucci Family
- 11:30 a.m. Dorothy & Tom Klosterman by Ann & Fred Thomas
- 4:30 p.m. Peggy & David MacMannis by The Conlon Family

## Sunday, May 28, Pentecost Sunday (S)

- 8 a.m. † Aida Gort by Nieto Family
- 10 a.m. Ralph & Anne Chambers and Family by Courtney Roberts
- 12 p.m. People of St. Gertrude
- 6 p.m. † Jan Sutcliffe-Brown by Robin Usalis

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](http://stgertrude.org)  
[parishoffice@stgertrude.org](mailto: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.

## Understanding This Catholic Moment

with **George Weigel**

*Distinguished Senior Fellow of the Ethics and Public Policy Center, New York Times Bestselling Author*



How did we get here? In his talk, "Understanding This Catholic Moment," George Weigel will dissect the relationship between modernity and Catholicism and contend that knowing the past 200 years of Catholic history is essential to understanding where the Church finds itself today. Q&A, book signing, and reception to follow Mr. Weigel's talk.

**JUNE 6, 2023 | 7 P.M.**

**ST. GERTRUDE PARISH GYM**  
6543 Miami Ave., Cincinnati, OH



Learn more and check out all our upcoming centennial events at [stgertrude.org/centennial](http://stgertrude.org/centennial).

## CORPUS CHRISTI

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Join us after the 10 a.m. Mass on **Sunday, June 11**, as we process with the Blessed Sacrament down Miami Avenue to downtown Madeira. Busses will be available to bring everyone back to the gym for an ice cream social.

### MASS

10 a.m. | Church

### EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION

After Mass | Miami Avenue

### ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Following procession | Gym



SEPTEMBER 28-OCTOBER 1, 2023

## DOMINICAN ROSARY PILGRIMAGE

### COST

\$15 to reserve your spot + \$90/night for hotel + food  
*A donor has covered bus cost*

### LEARN MORE / SIGN UP

To learn more, reserve your spot, and book your hotel room, please visit

[bit.ly/rosarypilgrimage](http://bit.ly/rosarypilgrimage)

### CONTACT

Email Father Joachim Kenney at [frjoachim@stgertrude.org](mailto:frjoachim@stgertrude.org).

Join fellow parishioners and Catholics from around the country on September 30, in Washington, D.C., for the Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage, hosted by the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph. The full-day event includes life-changing talks, Mass, adoration, and the rosary.

**There are only 39 spots available!**



**THE PRICE OF ITINERANCY:  
HAVING TO SAY GOODBYE  
(FOR US, TO TWO OF OUR SISTERS)**

For roughly the first millennium of Christianity, there was essentially only one form of common religious life in the Church: monasticism. And one of the defining characteristics of the vocation of monks and monastic nuns was a fourth vow they took. Besides the standard vows (also called evangelical counsels) of poverty, chastity, and obedience, they also professed a vow of “stability.” In other words, a monk or nun would enter a monastery and remain at that monastery *for life*.

In the early part of the second Christian millennium, a new form of religious life emerged: that of the friars. Probably the two most famous orders in this new movement were the Dominicans and the Franciscans. Unlike the monks, who took a vow of stability, St. Francis and St. Dominic wished the exact opposite for their friars: they wanted them to be **itinerant**; that is, *not* rooted to one particular location, but free to be sent to various locations at a moment’s notice as the needs of the apostolate demanded. For both Dominican friars and Dominican active sisters, this itinerancy is still a central aspect of our religious vocations today. Being moved from one location to another is something we all realized would happen when we “signed on the dotted line” and became Dominicans. Part of this itinerancy is that, sadly, we find ourselves frequently having to say “goodbye.” And in the same way, the faithful whom we serve are often in the position of frequently having to say goodbye to us as well.

A few weeks ago, I shared in the bulletin that Father John Mark and Father Michael would soon be leaving St. Gertrude for new assignments. This week, I have to share the bittersweet news that two of the four sisters who served in our school this year recently learned that they, too, will be moving on to new assignments. So very soon we will say goodbye to Sister Emma and Sister Maria Christi. Though Sister Emma has only been with us one year, her gentle nature and deep faith have made such a wonderful impact on our school community, especially upon her fourth graders and the girls of the St. Anne’s Guild who have been graced by her presence so regularly this year.

We will also be saying goodbye to our principal, Sister Maria Christi. She has served the school so faithfully for many years and bravely led the school through the extraordinarily difficult period of the COVID shutdown and helped navigate the school through the post-COVID period of incredibly difficult restriction, safety precautions, and limitations. I can say without hesitation that St. Gertrude School would not be in the position it is today, having emerged from the chaos of the pandemic, without the strong and resolute leadership of Sister Maria Christi. She will be sorely missed.

Because this Sunday is the final Sunday that Sister Maria Christi will be with us, **I invite everyone in the parish to attend a reception to wish her and Sister Emma well, which will be held in the gym after the 10 a.m. Mass this weekend.** Please join me in thanking both of these sisters for their contributions to our school and parish community.

We look forward to welcoming the two new sisters who will be filling Sister Emma’s and Sister Maria Christi’s roles. But this weekend isn’t about them; it’s about saying our “goodbyes” to our two departing sisters. I am so grateful for all they

have given to our parish and our school. Please join me on Sunday in expressing that gratitude. God bless,

*Rev. John Paul Walker, O.P.*

Father John Paul Walker, O.P.

**CENTENNIAL GALA**

Do you or your family own a vacation property or time share?

**The Centennial Gala Committee is looking for vacation properties or time share owners who are willing to donate a stay at their properties to our Centennial Gala live auction.**

If you are interested, please contact Beth Pavloff at pavloffdogs@yahoo.com

*Save the Date*

**FRIDAY | NOVEMBER 3, 2023  
6:30-10:30 p.m.  
Manor House (Mason)**

**Early Bird tickets go on sale July 1!**



**PRAYER FROM  
ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT**



**A Prayer on  
Ascension Day**

O compassionate Jesus, with that exceeding love with which you endured a bitter death and on the day of your ascension, I pray that you will also raise me up, who am sunk in sin. Render me well-pleasing to you in all things. Amen.

**COVER IMAGE:** *The Ascension of the Lord*, Salviati (dome, Rome, Italy) © www.shutterstock.com/RSmedkova

## UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

- **May 26:** Last Day of School; Field Day; Bulldog Bash

## TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

May 8-12 was Teacher Appreciation Week. Our theme this year was “You Lift Us Up,” so each day we did something special for our faculty and staff that had to do with the word “Up.” Our PTO kicked off the celebration on Monday by treating our amazing faculty to morning treats delivered on a fully-stocked coffee and donut cart. Each staff member also received a personalized tumbler. On Tuesday, our PTO organized a Fuel Up trail mix bar for our faculty and staff. For lunch on Wednesday, our teachers and staff dug into an “Eat Up” loaded potato and salad bar, and a generous parent donated Tri-State Running gift cards to our teachers so they could pick up some new gear. On Thursday, all the teachers made flower/snack bouquets to “Brighten Up” their classrooms. We wrapped up the week on Friday with a “Sweeten Up” dessert spread for our sweet staff. We are so grateful for our amazing teachers! Thank you for all you do for our students!



## CANDLE MASS

On Friday, May 12, we had our annual Candle Mass—a beautiful all-school Mass during which the eighth graders pass on the school to the seventh graders. Our graduates and incoming eighth grade students look forward to this Mass every year! After Mass, the moms of the seventh and eighth graders gathered for a brunch in the Parish Center, and the students formed a tunnel for the eighth graders to run through.



## WE'RE HIRING!

St. Gertrude School is expanding its staff for the 2023-2024 academic year! Do you have a desire to help our students gather in faith, guide in truth, and grow in excellence? Please visit [stgertrudesch.org/employment](https://stgertrudesch.org/employment) to apply for one of our current open positions.

## LETTER FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Each year at this time, the Dominican sisters receive their annual assignments for the following school year. Sister Mary Agnes Greiffendorf, O.P., has been assigned as the principal of St. Gertrude School for 2023-2024 school year. Most recently, Sister Mary Agnes has served as the founding director of the Institute for the Transformation of Catholic Education (ITCE) at Catholic University. Prior to this role, she has served a variety of positions in Catholic education at the elementary, secondary, and collegiate levels. Sister Mary Agnes is familiar with SGS, as she served on the faculty as a second grade teacher from 2004 to 2007. With Sister Mary Agnes' background in the renewal of Catholic education, I am very excited about her continuing the formation of our teachers in a Catholic vision of education, which began this year. Providing a wealth of knowledge and experience, she will be a great leader during the implementation of our parish and school strategic plan.

Sister Jacinta Mann, O.P., has been assigned as a fourth grade teacher at St. Gertrude School. She has been teaching in various schools served by the Congregation, most recently teaching just outside of Atlanta, Georgia. Sister Maria Francesca and Sister Anne Therese will remain on the faculty here at St. Gertrude School. We are grateful to Sister Emma for her year of service at SGS and wish her blessings in her new assignment.

I am very grateful for my time here at St. Gertrude School and Church. It has been a privilege and a gift to me. I am especially grateful to have had the opportunity to get to know the families of St. Gertrude School and for your support and collaboration. I will keep you all in my prayers and ask that you pray for me in my new assignment.

In Christ,  
Sister Maria Christi Greve, O.P.

## SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

For the week of May 22, 2023, the school office will be open Monday–Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.



# PARISH PRAISE NIGHT

**"Praising Like Mary"  
(Luke 1:39-46)**

Inspired by The Vigil Project event this past March, this beautiful evening will include Eucharistic Adoration, the opportunity for confession, praise and worship music, and silence.

All ages welcome!

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 31**

**7:30-8:30 P.M.**

**(During the regular Holy Hour)**

**ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH**

**CONTINUING  
CHRIST'S  
SAVING WORK**

Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension, we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples—and now through us.

Because of your generous donations, in April we were able to help three families with rent for a total of \$1,700. St Gertrude SVdP provided \$275 in utility assistance and was able to twin with other parishes to help neighbors in need. Our food pantry provided food for two families and Kroger gift cards assisted these families with the ability to buy perishable food and diapers.

Our neighbors are truly grateful for your help! God bless you for showing our neighbors the love and mercy of Jesus!



**2023 BULLDOGS WRESTLING CAMPS**

All young kids entering grades K-8 for the 2023-2024 year are invited to St. Gertrude Parish's summer wrestling camps!

**Fundamentals of Wrestling** (June 12-15, 5-6:30 p.m.) - Open to athletes of all experience levels and ages, this camp will focus on wrestling fundamentals of takedowns and will feature a Daily Sports Leaders virtue development talk. Cost is \$40/athlete. Learn more and register at [assn.la/Reg/?r=1:328020](https://assn.la/Reg/?r=1:328020).

**Advanced Techniques of Wrestling** (June 12-16, 6:30-8:30 p.m.) - Geared toward experienced wrestlers, this camp will focus on advanced principles of takedowns, being aggressive on referee position, and leg offense and defense. Cost is \$75/athlete. Learn more and register at [assn.la/Reg/?r=1:328021](https://assn.la/Reg/?r=1:328021).

**ANGELIC WARFARE  
CONFRATERNITY ENROLLMENT**

Angelic Warfare Confraternity (AWC) enrollments will be Saturday, May 27, in the church after 8 a.m. Mass. The AWC is an official prayer ministry of the Dominican Order devoted to growth in the virtue of chastity. With St. Thomas Aquinas as their guide and with God's help, members of the AWC commit to live chastity in the way most appropriate to their single, consecrated, or married state of life. In addition, everyone prays two special prayers each day and 15 Hail Mary's and wears a blessed cord (reminiscent of the angels who "girded" St. Thomas with chastity). Any confirmed Catholic is able to enroll. To learn more about the confraternity, please visit [stgertrude.org/angelicwarfare](https://stgertrude.org/angelicwarfare).

**BAPTISM**

Sunday, May 7, 2023



Child: Josephine Rose Milligan  
Parents: John & Jenna Milligan



Child: Lucy Elizabeth Skiles  
Parents: Scott & Samantha Skiles



Child: Jace William Suer  
Parents: Joel & Maria Suer

**LET US PRAY**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ...**

THE SICK:

Simon Berry, Maureen S. Currens, Triset Defonseka, Pamela K. Dwyer, Lisa Ely, Lynn Fedele, Dick Gelhaus, Bob Gerwin, Goad Family, Baby Leo Henry Grolmes, Elsa Hall, Jane Hazelton, Hummel Family, Andrea Kattel, Aiko Kimura, Diane Kosobud, Ed and Karen Larkin, Kevin Lewis, Gertrude Maxwell, Kim McClung, Elaine O'Connell, Sue Paas, Gerry Patterson, Gert Patterson, Patricia Scherer, Pegge Schuermann, Richard Seifert, Teddie Slaper, Jack Spilker, Judy Sullivan, Debbie Van Hise and Brigitte Vielhauer

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:

† Jean Ellert, mother of Julie Murdock



## **NATIVITIES FOR BREAD**

The Ladies of Charity are looking for Nativity sets, individual Nativity pieces, stars, and crèches for their Nativities for Bread program. All profits go directly to help charities in our surrounding area. If you have anything that you would like to donate, please contact Mary Lou Doran at (513) 543-3696. Thank you!

## **THE EXCITEMENT IS BUILDING!**

The Ladies of Charity 2023 Annual Treasure Mart is July 15 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the St. Gertrude Parish gym. Donations can be dropped off (in the gym) Tuesday, July 11, through Thursday, July 13, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. On Friday, July 14, donations will be accepted from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Please note, there is no storage space to accept donations earlier than these dates. Stay tuned for more details about the Treasure Mart. Thank you for your support. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085.

## **PREGNANCY CENTER WEST IS HIRING!**

Pregnancy Center West, the pro-life voice for the unborn in Cincinnati's west side for more than 40 years, is currently seeking candidates for several positions, including executive director, chastity educator (outreach coordinator), BrightCourse (Client Education) assistant, and Ultrasound Technician. For details on each position and to apply, please visit [catholicjobs.com](http://catholicjobs.com) and search Pregnancy Center West.

## **FINANCIAL PLANNING SEMINAR**

The Knights of Columbus Archbishop Elder Council #1195 will be hosting a Financial Planning Seminar on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, in the Knights Hall (located in the Parish Center). The seminar will include information about faith-based investing. The event is open to all; you do not have to be a member of the Knights of Columbus. The seminar will begin at 7:30 p.m. with prayer, immediately followed by the video *Father Michael McGivney, An American Blessed*. The event will continue with a webinar presentation from Tom Hegna, "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?" at 8 p.m., followed by Q&A with field agent Joseph Murdock. Light refreshments will be provided.

## **HEALING SERVICE**

All are invited to Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center (5440 Moeller Ave. Norwood) on Wednesday, May 24, to pray the rosary, celebrate Mass, and participate in a healing service. The rosary begins at 6:45 p.m. and Mass is at 7:15, followed by the healing service. For more information, please call (513) 351-9800.

## **MARIEMONT UKULELE SUMMER CAMPS AT THE BARN**

For the third year in a row, Wyoming Primary music teacher and St. Gertrude Church parishioner Kelly James is teaching ukulele summer camps at The Barn in Mariemont (6980 Cambridge Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45227) for children in grades 2-6. The children will jam for eight hours over four days of fun and learn three to four songs. Beginners with no experience and intermediate players who want to keep their skills fresh are welcome to attend. The cost is \$130/child, and there are two sessions available:

- June 6-9, 2023 | 9:30-11:30 a.m.
- June 27-30 | 9:30-11:30 a.m.

For more information, please visit [ukulelekidz.com/camp](http://ukulelekidz.com/camp). To register, please visit [ukulelekidz.com/camp-registration](http://ukulelekidz.com/camp-registration).



## **MENTOR MOM'S NEEDED**

Do you have a heart and passion to help young mother's and expectant mother's along their journey through motherhood? If so, we would LOVE to hear From YOU!

YOU CAN FIND THE APPLICATION HERE:  
<https://elizabethnewlife.org/get-involved/>

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL:

**937-226-7414**



## **ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY FIELD MASS**

Gate of Heaven Cemetery's Annual Memorial Day Field Mass is on Monday, May 29—and Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr is the celebrant! The event will open with a presentation at 10:30 a.m., followed by Mass at 11 a.m. and a patriotic rosary in Section 28 (Veterans Garden) at 2 p.m. Please bring folding chairs. Refreshments will be provided after Mass. For more information, please visit [gateofheaven.org](http://gateofheaven.org) or call (513) 489-0300.

**SAVE THE DATE**

## **BLOOD DRIVE**

**Friday, June 2, 2023**  
**9-11 a.m. | 12:15-3 p.m.**  
**St. Gertrude Parish Gym**

Visit [hoxworth.org/groups/stgertrude](http://hoxworth.org/groups/stgertrude) or call Hoxworth at (513) 451-0910 to schedule your appointment.  
*Appointments strongly suggested.*

**Every donor receives a Cincinnati Reds replica jersey!**

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## ASK A PRIEST— DOMINICAN COMINGS AND GOINGS

FATHER JOHN MARK SOLITARIO, O.P.

**Q:** Why do Dominican priests and sisters seem to move so frequently?

**A:** The Dominicans were founded as an *itinerant* Order. This means that, as opposed to monks who vow stability of place and diocesan clergy who serve in the local Church, the friars and some of our sisters (like our Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia) travel in imitation of the Apostles who were sent out “two by two” to evangelize many nations and cultures. Whereas it can be refreshing to experience the dynamism and variety of a Dominican parish and school, that same beehive of activity can have certain drawbacks from a human standpoint (e.g. “I finally got to know Father X, and now he’s being sent across the country!” or “My daughter adored Sister Y and her absence next school year will be felt!”).

I’ve heard our more seasoned parishioners express their familiarity with this pattern of comings and goings among the Dominicans: certain friars and sisters may be missed but they are also remembered. If you stick around St. Gertrude Parish long enough, you become familiar with more men and women religious than you ever thought possible; every holiday and summer, old friends appear! One parishioner shared this insight: Dominican detachment is very good; the priests are *detached* in order to be radically free to follow what is asked by their superiors. However, wherever they go, they are remarkably *attached* to those they are asked to serve. I think this parishioner captured something unique in the Dominican ideal.

The French Dominican Lacordaire famously said that a priest of Jesus Christ “belongs to all men and yet to none.” I would say this applies to all Dominicans: novices, sisters, and priests. The Holy Spirit helps us to be agents of Christ wherever we go, possessing something of St. Dominic’s spirit: “Dominic was so much on fire with zeal for souls that ‘he received all in a broad embrace of charity and since he loved them all he was loved by all in return.’” Our Dominican Constitutions go on to explain that every Dominican is called to a supernatural, God-like way of loving: “We imitate the virginal life of Christ who for love of the Church gave himself up for her. Impelled by our apostolic vocation we are wholly dedicated to the Church, and thus to love humanity more fully.”<sup>1</sup> The “impelled” part of itineracy is both exciting and unsettling; we can never get too comfortable as

long as we live in this present life!

The mission of the Dominican Order and its apostolic impulse can be traced (in spirit) back to the Garden of the Resurrection. The risen Lord Jesus spoke a kind of admonition to St. Mary Magdalene when she recognized him and reached out in excitement: “Do not hold me, for I have not yet ascended to my Father; but go to my brethren and say to them, I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God” (Jn 20:17). Like Mary, the Dominican sisters and friars wish to announce the Good News of the victorious Christ wherever they are sent. Jesus simply did not “settle down” in this world; he traveled, preached, suffered and died, rose from the dead, and ascended to prepare a place for us with his Father. So while we can be thankful for the love and joy we experience even now in our beautiful parish and school community, the movement of the friars and sisters reminds us that only in God’s paradise will we find the full fruition of our earthly friendships.

<sup>1</sup> See paragraphs 25 and 26 of the *Book of Constitutions and Ordinations of the Brothers of the Order of Preachers*.

*Ask a Priest* is the 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!



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Monday, May 22	Tuesday, May 23	Wednesday, May 24	Thursday, May 25	Friday, May 26	Saturday, May 27	Sunday, May 28
<b>Become Catholic (RCIA)</b> 7 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Moms and Littles Holy Hour</b> 8:45 a.m. Church	<b>Resurrection Choir Practice</b> 8:45 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Parish Choir</b> 7 p.m. PC Choir Room	<b>Adoration Chapel Closed</b>	<b>Adoration Chapel Closed</b>	<b>Adoration Chapel Closed</b>
<b>Healing Rosary</b> 7 p.m. Church	<b>True Devotion to Mary</b> 12:30 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby	<b>SGS Rising 8th Grade Parent Meeting</b> 6 p.m. School Cafeteria		<b>Altar Server Training</b> 3 p.m. Church	<b>Catholic Men's Fellowship</b> 7:30 a.m. School Cafeteria	<b>Fr. John Mark's Farewell Mass</b> 10 a.m. with Reception following
<b>Pastoral Council Meeting</b> 7 p.m. K of C Hall	<b>Boy Scouts</b> 7 p.m. School Cafeteria	<b>Holy Hour with Confessions</b> 7:30 p.m. Church			<b>Angelic Warfare Confraternity Enrollment</b> After 8 a.m. Mass Church	<b>Baptisms</b> 1:15 p.m. Church
	<b>Moms of Special Needs Support Group</b> 7 p.m. St. Joseph Room				<b>Acts of the Apostles Bible Study</b> 9:30 a.m. School Cafeteria	<b>Benedictine Oblates</b> 2 p.m. St. Joseph Room
	<b>K of C Financial Planning Seminar</b> 7:30 p.m. K of C Hall					

## Interested in Joining St. Gertrude Church?

Visit [stgertrude.org/register](http://stgertrude.org/register) to fill out a new parishioner registration form. You can also find copies of the registration form in the church and the parish office.

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU!**



### OFFERING

#### St. Gertrude Parish Weekly Collection and Budget Report Collection for May 14

Collection	\$	37,542
Weekly Budget	\$	36,500
Weekly Surplus	\$	1,042

2nd Collection – St. Gertrude School: \$3,187

#### Fiscal Year-To-Date (for year ending June 30, 2023)

Fiscal YTD Actual	\$	1,752,296
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$	1,706,000
Fiscal YTD Surplus	\$	46,2964

### BULLETIN DEADLINE

BULLETIN  
6/4/23

MATERIALS DUE  
5/24/23

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) 561-5184 | [www.StGertrude.org](http://www.StGertrude.org)

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 Father John Corbett, O.P.  
 Father Michael Mary Dosch, O.P., novice master  
 Father Darren Pierre, O.P.

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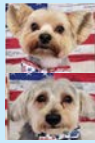
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