

I AM THE WAY  
AND THE TRUTH  
AND THE LIFE.  
NO ONE COMES  
TO THE FATHER  
EXCEPT

*through Me.*

JOHN 14:6



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | MAY 7, 2023

# MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

## Monday, May 8, Easter Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Thomas Tran by Thien Cao  
8 a.m. † Norbert Kohus by Mariemont Service Dept  
11:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

## Tuesday, May 9, Easter Weekday

- 7 a.m. † James M. Sullivan by Kate Stoiber  
8 a.m. † Donald Allemeier by Mike & Elaine O'Connell  
11:30 a.m. † Rosemarie Fernandopulle by Dennis & Cecilia Ramenaden

## Wednesday, May 10, St. Antoninus of Florence, O.P. (M)

- 7 a.m. † Barbara Jean Heling by Anne Marie Schmidt  
8 a.m. † Edward Alf by Doug & Robin Postler  
11:30 a.m. † Kevin Shannon by The Dorn Family

## Thursday, May 11, Easter Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Jeanette Zimmerman by Mary McGoron  
8 a.m. † Fenn Hathaway by Pat & Terry Baute  
11:30 a.m. † Jane Sansalone by Tony & Keke Sansalone

## Friday, May 12, Easter Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Tom Martino by Joe Martino  
8 a.m. † Chris Imbus by The Holt & Pavloff Families  
11:30 a.m. Dennis & Shirly Ramenaden by Dennis & Shirly Ramenaden

## Saturday, May 13, Our Lady of Fatima (M)

- 8 a.m. David & Julie McLaughlin by Mary Clare Smith  
11:30 a.m. Octavio Flores Resendiz by Maria Resendiz  
4:30 p.m. † Joseph & Marjorie Schirmer by The Schirmer Family

## Sunday, May 14, 6th Sunday of Easter

- 8 a.m. People of St. Gertrude  
10 a.m. Mother's Day Novena  
12 p.m. † Dorothy Grant by Catherine Fishlock  
6 p.m. † Marianne Klekamp by The Woodward Family

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.

## STRATEGIC PLANNING PROCESS CONVOCATION



### WHAT IS IT?

A key component of the strategic planning process, the Convocation allows all church parishioners and school families the opportunity to share their wisdom and suggestions to help solve the seven identified challenges that St. Gertrude Church and School will face over the next one, three, and five years.

### WHAT IS THE FORMAT?

Attendees will be divided in small groups to come up with creative solutions to the challenges. One unique aspect is the "multi-vote" process, which allows attendees to vote on the top priorities they would like to recommend to church and school leaders. Every vote counts!

### WHO CAN ATTEND?

All adult (18+) St. Gertrude Church parishioners and school parents are invited to attend the Convocation. This will help ensure that we move forward as one parish.

### WHAT ARE THE SEVEN CHALLENGES?

Over the past year, our strategic planning process leaders have gathered input—through assessments, surveys, planning sessions, and interviews—on challenges that our parish faces. They arrived at seven challenges, which are posted on our website at [stgertrude.org](http://stgertrude.org).

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10  
6:30 P.M.

ST. GERTRUDE GYM

RSVP at [bit.ly/2023convocation](https://bit.ly/2023convocation)



WE VALUE YOUR INPUT!

SEPTEMBER 28-OCTOBER 1, 2023

## DOMINICAN ROSARY PILGRIMAGE



BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF  
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION  
WASHINGTON, D.C.

### COST

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

### SIGN UP

To reserve your spot and  
book your hotel room,  
please visit  
[bit.ly/rosarypilgrimage](https://bit.ly/rosarypilgrimage)

### CONTACT

If you have any questions,  
please contact Father  
Joachim Kenney at  
[frjoachim@stgertrude.org](mailto:frjoachim@stgertrude.org).

### PLEASE JOIN US!

St. Gertrude Church is joining Catholics from around the country on September 30, 2023, in Washington, D.C., for the Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage—a full-day, national event hosted by the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph. The event includes life-changing talks, Mass, adoration, and the rosary.

Our pilgrimage bus will depart on Thursday, September 28, visit the national shrine of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton on the way to Washington, D.C., and return to St. Gertrude on Sunday, October 1.

There are only 39  
spots available!





**LIFE LESSONS  
FROM TODDLERS**

Earlier this week, our parish hosted our second Moms & Littles Holy Hour. It was such a joy to see so many small children and toddlers there in the presence of the Lord. It reminded me of a trip I took a few years ago when I went to Atlanta to celebrate a wedding and stayed with close friends of mine who lived nearby. At the time, my friends had two little girls, one 3-year-old and one around 18 months.

Spending the better part of three days in a house with two little ones and experiencing my share of “toddler meltdowns,” I came to a greater appreciation of the vocation to the married life. I also came away with an *ever greater* appreciation of the vocation of celibacy! (Haha.) Watching (and hearing . . . sometimes from across the room, down the stairs, through multiple closed doors) a toddler in full meltdown mode is an amazing thing indeed.

As my friends explained to me, a lot of their toddler’s recent meltdowns have been the result of a dichotomy that is, apparently, a part of every toddler’s maturation process. She wants to do everything “herself,” but many of the things she wants to do she simply *can’t* do herself. So she would cry and wail in objection if anyone tried to help her, but also cry and wail in frustration when her repeated attempts resulted in nothing but failure.

What is a mom or dad to do in such a situation?

I don’t know the answer to that (sorry, parents!), but in musing upon this parenting dilemma, it got me thinking that, when it comes to our own attempts to live this thing called the integrated Catholic life, many (all?) of us are in the same boat as toddlers. We want to do everything ourselves, but there are a lot of things in the spiritual life we simply *cannot* do on our own. Yet like stubborn toddlers, there

is a part of each of us that refuses help . . . a part of us that is dead-set on trying and trying and trying again. And no matter how many times our tries end in failure, we somehow live the delusion that if we could just try “a little bit harder” next time, *that* is what will make the difference, and success will finally be ours. This can be true no matter what the “success” is we are seeking, from overcoming a habitual sin to growing deeper in prayer to rearranging our life to put God in the center.

During the Easter season, we celebrate in a special way the victory Jesus Christ won over sin and death. We recall how Jesus did what none of us, on our own, would ever have any hope of doing: conquering the power of sin and death. We celebrate how Jesus not only won a victory none of us could ever have won on our own, but that he won that victory *for us*, freely offering us a share in his victory.


So, the next time you are really struggling to take the next step in your spiritual life, pause and ask yourself if you are unwittingly imitating a toddler and trying to do it all on your own. And if the answer is yes, or at least closer to yes than you would like to admit, take a deep breath and, with full confidence, humbly ask the Lord for his help.

God bless,

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

Father John Paul Walker, O.P.

**PRAYER FROM  
ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT**



**Prayer during Easter**  
Lord Jesus, by the love with which at your resurrection you glorified your sacred Body, placed your humanity at the right hand of the Father, and the mutual love of your divinity and humanity: spare us. Graciously hear us, O Jesus, Savior of the world, to whom nothing is impossible except to refuse mercy to the wretched. Amen.

**COVER IMAGE:** *Jesus Christ holds the cross* (cathedral, Ravenna, Italy) © www.shutterstock.com/g/GoneWithTheWind



*Save the Date*  
**FOR THE  
CENTENNIAL GALA  
AT THE MANOR HOUSE**

**FRIDAY  
NOVEMBER 3, 2023  
6:30-10:30 p.m.**

**The Centennial Gala Committee is currently seeking in-kind donations.** Some ideas include season ticket holders (Bengals, Reds, FC, Arnoff Theater, Cincinnati Ballet etc.), gift cards or goods from your small business, vendors (florist, photographer, video, etc.), guest experiences (bourbon tasting, wine pairing, restaurant private dining, etc.), and vacation homes.

Please email Beth Pavloff at pavloffdogs@yahoo.com if you can help or have any questions. Thank you!

## UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

- **May 10:** 1st Grade Field Trip to Cincinnati Nature Center
- **May 12:** Candle Mass
- **May 15:** 8th Grade Awards Night
- **May 16:** Graduation
- **May 17:** 3rd Grade Field Trip to California Woods Nature Preserve
- **May 26:** Last Day of School; Field Day; Bulldog Bash

## SURPRISE WEDDING SHOWER

One of the Kindergarten classes had a surprise wedding shower for their teacher, Miss Rivard. They surprised her with treats, a gift, and some of their best marriage advice. Our amazing teachers are worth celebrating!



## BROWN SCAPULARS

Congratulations to our second graders who received their brown scapulars at the all-school Mass on Thursday, April 27. The children proudly kissed their scapulars as they received them from Father John Mark. Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, pray for us!



## NEWS FROM MRS. VOET

Dear St. Gertrude Families,  
*It is with much sadness I share that I will not be returning to SGS for the 2023-2024 school year. Due to some unforeseen family circumstances, I will need to stay at home to care for my children. I am so grateful for my friendships among the staff and the relationships I have built with the families and students. It has been a wonderful year! I continue to pray for the school community and ask that you pray for me.*

*Yours in Christ,  
Elizabeth Voet*

We are grateful to Mrs. Voet for this year with us and sorry that she will not be returning next year. We know, however, that she is blessed in her vocation as mother and pray that this is a special time of grace for her family.

## SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

For the week of May 8, 2023, the school office will be open Monday–Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

## PRAYING PARENTS

The prayer theme for the month of May is “the mission of the school.” We will meet on Friday, May 12, at the 9:30 a.m. school Mass. We will pray the rosary directly after Mass in the Church and enjoy coffee on the front lawn for fellowship, weather permitting. If you are unable to attend, you are welcome to dedicate a rosary for the mission of the school. If you have any questions, please contact Monica Wenstrup at [mkleinky@yahoo.com](mailto:mkleinky@yahoo.com) or Molly Morande at [mbspurgin@gmail.com](mailto:mbspurgin@gmail.com).

# We Are HIRING!

Are you passionate about educating children and forming them in the Catholic faith? Do you have experience teaching primary grades or junior high math? Would you like to be part of a dynamic and faith-filled team?

**APPLY FOR OUR OPEN POSITIONS!**

Visit [stgertrudesch.org/employment](http://stgertrudesch.org/employment) to view our job postings and apply.

**Where students gather in Faith, are guided in Truth, and grow in Excellence.**



For over 85 years, the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia have led St. Gertrude School, providing a foundation for students in grades K-8 to flourish and lead a full life for the glory of God.

**Now enrolling for the 2023-2024 school year.**

6543 Miami Ave., Madeira, OH  
(513) 561-8020



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## *Help Protect the Dignity of Life in Ohio*

Life in its earliest and most vulnerable stages is threatened by groups proposing an amendment to the Ohio Constitution for the November 2023 ballot to expand and enshrine abortion at the expense of protections for women and preborn children. The Catechism of the Catholic Church proclaims that “human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception.” The Church accompanies and supports women facing unexpected pregnancies and mothers through programs like Walking with Moms in Need and the services of Catholic Charities.



**PROTECT  
THEM BOTH**

The bishops of Ohio strongly encourage Catholics statewide to unite in prayer and work to defeat this proposed amendment and its grave consequences for women and preborn children in Ohio. Starting this week, the following ***Protect Them Both*** materials about the proposed amendment are available in Ohio parishes:

- **Protect Them Both Prayer Card:** Unite with Catholics across Ohio in asking God to strengthen us as we defend and accompany mothers and preborn children.
- **Dignity of Life Threatened in Ohio Flyer:** Learn more about the proposed amendment and what you can do now.

These are the first of many resources that will be available to help defeat the proposed amendment. Learn more about the ***Protect Them Both*** campaign and access resources online at: [ohiocathconf.org/protect](https://ohiocathconf.org/protect)



**CATHOLIC  
CONFERENCE OF OHIO**

*All materials created by the Catholic Conference of Ohio (CCO), in collaboration with the dioceses across Ohio. CCO is the official voice of the Catholic Church in Ohio on public policy, advocating for the dignity of life at all stages, immigrants, Ohioans in need, and Catholic education.*  
[ohiocathconf.org](https://ohiocathconf.org)

### **CORRECTION**

In last weekend's bulletin, we shared a story about a beautiful tradition in the Westendorf family involving a baptismal gown. (In case you missed it, you can read the story in the online version of the April 30 bulletin at [stgertrude.org/bulletin](https://stgertrude.org/bulletin).) The story was written by Emily Westendorf, not Molly Westendorf, and incorrectly referred to Emily as Molly. We apologize for the error.

**MOTHER'S DAY  
RIGHT TO LIFE FLOWER SALE**

The St. Gertrude Church Respect Life Ministry will be selling beautiful hanging flower baskets after all Masses on Mother's Day weekend, May 13 and 14. These baskets make a perfect gift for Mother's Day or for your own garden and can be purchased with cash or checks made out to Right to Life. All proceeds benefit Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati. If you have any questions, please contact Joan Ragusa at rjragusa1@gmail.com.

**MOTHER'S DAY NOVENA**

Remember your mother, grandmother, aunts, sisters, and/or friends in a beautiful way by enrolling them in the Mother's Day novena to be offered here at St. Gertrude Church. The novena, consisting of nine Masses, begins on Mother's Day, May 8, and ends May 16. Novena cards are available at the entrances of the church. Please return remittance envelopes before Mother's Day. Offerings go to support the priory.

**GIFT OF LIFE LAYETTE**

As is a long-standing tradition, a Pack 'n Play has been placed outside the relic chapel in the church to collect donated new baby items throughout the month of May. The items will be delivered to Old St. Mary's pregnancy center, which serves mothers and babies in Over-the-Rhine. Most needed items include diapers (N-6 months), baby wipes, shampoo, lotion, baby wash, onesies, sleepers, blankets, socks, warm weather outfits, baby bottles, and formula. Please donate new items only; no books or toys. If you have any questions, please contact Mary or Terry at (513) 305-3787.

**BAPTISM**



**Saturday, April 22, 2023**  
Child: Margot Isabella Wood  
Parents: John & Shannon Wood



**Sunday, April 23, 2023**  
Child: Thomas David Johnson  
Parents: Travis & Kirsten Johnson

**BLESSING OF UNBORN CHILDREN**

We invite all expectant moms and their families to attend the 11:30 a.m. Mass on Saturday, May 13. During that Mass, the celebrant will invite the expectant mothers and their families forward for a special blessing, taken from the Church's *Rite for the Blessing of an Unborn Child*. It is our intention to offer this blessing in the parish once every three to four months moving forward so that these children will have multiple opportunities to receive this blessing before birth.

**TO THE PRESSES!**

On Monday, April 24, our centennial book, *St. Gertrude Church: The First 100 Years*, went to print and should be delivered in August!



Here is a photo from the press proof (pictured left to right): Bill Burleigh (book committee member and book contributor), Jim Tomaszewski (book committee member), Duff Arnold from Arnold Printing (book printer), Anne Burleigh (book committee member and book author), Mark Holland (centennial committee book chair), Robert Fleischel (book photographer). Thank you, committee members, for all your hard work! Stay tuned for information on how you can get your own copy of the book!

**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:**

† Gary Babcock, brother of Craig                      † Rita Gehrig



## MARY MAGDALEN HOUSE COLLECTION

This weekend, the Ladies of Charity will be at the white van in the parking lot before and after all Masses (except 6 p.m.) collecting items for Mary Magdalen House in Over-the-Rhine.

In addition to cash donations and Wal-Mart and Amazon gift cards, Mary Magdalen House is in need of the following items:

- Clothing (gently used unless noted): Men's and women's thermal tops/bottoms, shirts/tops, gym shoes; mens underwear (new) sizes 30-36 (most needed 32-34), T-shirts, sweatshirts/hoodies (large and up), sweatpants (medium and up), work pants/jeans/shorts (sizes 30-36), belts, white socks (new), work boots; women's bras (especially new sports bras), underwear (new) sizes 5-9, and washable pants.
- Cleaning Supplies: Liquid Drano, Lysol, HE laundry detergent, stain remover (Shout, etc.), dryer sheets, Clorox II, window cleaning supplies, cleaning cloths, Top Job/Mr. Clean, plastic trash bags (13-55 gallon), paper towels, toilet tissue, Kleenex tissues.
- Personal Care Items: Disposable razors, spray deodorant, toothbrushes, Vaseline Petroleum Jelly, washcloths, combs, and brushes

Please call Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085 with any questions. Thank you for your help!

## MADE FOR MORE

Renowned speaker and author Christopher West and award-winning musician Mike Mangione are coming to St. Susanna Catholic Church (616 Reading Road, Mason, OH 45040) on May 10 from 7 to 9:30 p.m. with a beautiful multi-media event called *Made for More: Visions of the Promised Land*. This is being offered through a collaboration of St. Ignatius, St. Gertrude, and St. Susanna parishes, The Angelico Project, *Embodied* magazine, and The Cor Project. Tickets are limited and can be purchased at [M4Mcincy.eventbrite.com](http://M4Mcincy.eventbrite.com). Bring your family and friends.

## CALLING ALL LADIES OF CHARITY

The Ladies of Charity will have an organizational meeting on Saturday, May 13, at 10 a.m. in the St. Joseph Room in the Parish Center. We will make our plans for the upcoming summer and fall activities, including the annual Treasure Mart and Craft Fair. All current Ladies of Charity should please plan to join us—and invite a friend! Any woman who is 18 years or older and is a practicing Catholic is welcome to join; come meet new friends and enjoy serving fellow members of our community. If you need more information, please contact Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085.

## ASK A DOMINICAN

Don't miss this rare opportunity to gather with *The Angelico Project* on Monday, May 15, at 7 p.m. in the St. Gertrude School cafeteria as we invite the audience to "Ask a Dominican." An illustrious panel of highly trained and experienced Dominican friars—Father John Corbett, O.P., Father Paul Keller, O.P., and Father Stephen Dominic Hayes, O.P.—will field your probing questions with intelligence, skill, and humor! Wondering about the meaning of life, what makes us "human," the problem of suffering, is free will possible when God already knows everything, and much more? Join us, armed with your inquiring mind! Light refreshments will be served.

## SURVIVE SUMMER: THRIVE WHEN YOUR KIDS ARE HOME

Are you home with your children during the summer months? This time with kids doesn't have to be a struggle! On May 17 at 8 p.m., parishioners Scott Borchers and Brad Bursa, co-founders of Nazareth Revisited, will offer parents tips and tools for a peaceful season as a family. To register for the online mini-course, please visit [nazarethrevisited.com/courses](http://nazarethrevisited.com/courses).

## PREGNANCY CENTER WEST IS HIRING!

Pregnancy Center West, the pro-life voice for the unborn on Cincinnati's west side for more than 40 years, currently is 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.

## FRIENDS OF JESUS

Friends of Jesus is a group for adults with developmental disabilities (18 years of age or older) that primarily focuses on support, prayer, and socializing. We come together at various times throughout the year for prayer, craft-making, and refreshments. Our End of the Year Picnic will be Saturday, May 20, from 1 to 3 p.m. at Dick Hartman Picnic Shelter in Sellman Park (6700 Marvin Avenue, behind Madeira Middle School). New members are always welcome, and everyone needs to RSVP to Jane Callan by May 16 at (513) 793-3546 so we can plan for food and craft supplies.



## Rosary Procession

Everyone is encouraged to bring roses for each intention you wish to pray for during the rosary. At the end of the rosary procession, you will lay down your roses at the foot of the Blessed Mother statue.

**WHEN:** May 13, 2023 | 2 p.m.

**WHERE:** Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center  
5440 Moeller Avenue, Norwood, 45212

**CONTACT:** [support@rosesformary.org](mailto:support@rosesformary.org) or (330) 635-5828

For more information about Roses for Mary and all the event details, visit [rosesformary.org](http://rosesformary.org).



### **ASK A PRIEST—DECLINE TO SIGN THE PETITION**

FATHER JOACHIM KENNEY, O.P.

**Q:** Is there a new threat to women and unborn children in Ohio?

**A:** As noted in the information from the Ohio Catholic Conference on page 4 of this weekend's bulletin, pro-abortion extremists have proposed a radical "reproductive rights" amendment to the Ohio Constitution that will appear on the ballot this November—if they gather the required number of signatures. The amendment is so radical that it has attracted national attention, including a column in the *Washington Post* on March 31. If it passes, the amendment will:

- legalize abortion on demand in Ohio for all nine months, for any reason;
- eliminate all restrictions on other procedures, including sex change operations;
- eliminate all parental notification and consent laws; and
- eliminate any distinction in the laws of adults and minors.\*

Right now, the amendment is at the signature gathering stage. If you are approached to sign the petition to get this amendment on the ballot in November, please decline to sign.

To learn more about the amendment and efforts to stop it, visit [protectwomenohio.com](http://protectwomenohio.com), [protectwomencincinnati.org](http://protectwomencincinnati.org), and the Ohio Catholic Conference's website ([ohiocathconf.org](http://ohiocathconf.org)).

For the protection of Ohio's women and unborn children, it is imperative that we defeat this proposed amendment. Prayer and education are needed. We will be dedicating our normal Wednesday Holy Hour (7:30-8:30 p.m.) on May 17 here at St. Gertrude for this intention. Please join us if you are able. Also, kindly share the above information with everyone you know.

*\*Information taken from [cincinnati.rightrighttolife.org/decline-to-sign/](http://cincinnati.rightrighttolife.org/decline-to-sign/)*

*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 8	Tuesday, May 9	Wednesday, May 10	Thursday, May 11	Friday, May 12	Saturday, May 13	Sunday, May 14
<b>Schola Cantorum</b> 3:30 p.m. PC Choir Room	<b>Cana Family – Year 1</b> 9 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Resurrection Choir Practice</b> 8:45 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	<b>CGS Level I</b> 11:15 a.m. Atrium I	<b>NFP Instructor Meeting</b> 10 a.m. St. Joseph Room	<b>Catholic Men’s Fellowship</b> 7:30 a.m. School Cafeteria	<b>Parish Coffee &amp; Donuts</b> After 8 & 10 a.m. Masses Gym
<b>Dominican Laity – Our Lady of Peace – Formation</b> 6 p.m. Holy Family Conference Room	<b>True Devotion to Mary</b> 12:30 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Schola Cantorum</b> 3:30 p.m. PC Choir Room	<b>Parish Choir</b> 7 p.m. PC Choir Room	<b>Amiguitas del Corazón de Jesús</b> 4:30 p.m. St. Joseph Room	<b>St. Anne &amp; Child Mary Guild</b> 9 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Right to Life Mother’s Day Flower Sale</b> After all Masses Outside Church
<b>Become Catholic (RCIA)</b> 7 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby	<b>Dominican Laity – Bishop Fenwick Chapter</b> 6:30 p.m. Church	<b>Strategic Planning Convocation</b> 6:30 p.m. (Doors open at 6) Parish Center			<b>Acts of the Apostles Bible Study</b> 9:30 a.m. School Cafeteria	<b>Baptisms</b> 1:15 p.m. Church
<b>Dominican Laity – Our Lady of Peace</b> 7 p.m. School Cafeteria	<b>Boy Scouts</b> 7 p.m. School Cafeteria	<b>Holy Hour with Confessions</b> 7:30 p.m. Church			<b>L of C Board Meeting</b> 9:30 a.m. St. Joseph Room	
<b>Healing Rosary</b> 7 p.m. Church	<b>Cana Family – Year 1</b> 7 p.m. Holy Family Conference Room				<b>L of C Organizational Meeting</b> 10 a.m. St. Joseph Room	
	<b>St. Gertrude School SAC Meeting</b> 7 p.m. School Library				<b>Blessing of Unborn Children in the Womb</b> At the 11:30 a.m. Mass	
	<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b> 7 p.m. St. Joseph Room				<b>Right to Life Mother’s Day Flower Sale</b> After 4:30 p.m. Mass Outside Church	

**OFFERING**

**St. Gertrude Parish Weekly Collection and Budget Report  
Collection for April 30**

Collection	\$	35,004
Weekly Budget	\$	36,500
Weekly Deficit	(\$	1,496)
2nd Collection – Ladies of Charity & St. Vincent de Paul: \$5,138		
<b>Fiscal Year-To-Date (for year ending June 30, 2023)</b>		
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$	1,670,815
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$	1,633,000
Fiscal YTD Surplus	\$	37,815

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

BULLETIN  
5/21/23

MATERIALS DUE  
5/10/23

Please submit your Mass announcements and bulletin articles to [bulletin@stgertrude.org](mailto:bulletin@stgertrude.org)  
6543 Miami Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45243  
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 Father Joachim Kenney, O.P., parochial vicar

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

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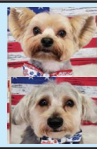
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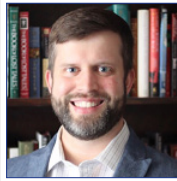
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