



# ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

June 13, 2021

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## MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

### Monday, June 14, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Darlene Hilbun/Maria Kuhlman  
8:00 a.m. †Dorothy Arozarena/Laura Ringenbach  
11:30 a.m. †Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

### Tuesday, June 15, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Giovanna Ragusa/Brent & Patty Sinclair  
8:00 a.m. †Mary Ellen Martin/Doug & Ann Oppenheimer  
11:30 a.m. †Tim Petric/Mary Petric

### Wednesday, June 16, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Trevor Hoelker/Jill Woods  
8:00 a.m. †Marlene Tisher/Martha Coors  
11:30 a.m. †James Bacho, Sr./Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Kenny

### Thursday, June 17, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Mary B. McDonald/Steve Bay  
8:00 a.m. †Deceased Members of the Kehoe Family/  
The Family  
11:30 a.m. †Antonio & Carmella Rinaldi/  
John & Joy Belperio

### Friday, June 18, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Susan Kalthorn/Anne & David Hoffmann  
8:00 a.m. †Galina Galinovskaya/Alena Sirotko  
11:30 a.m. Cynthia A. Barnes/Tricia Speicher

### Saturday, June 19, Weekday

- 8:00am †Peggy Kindt/Paul D. Kindt  
11:30am †Richard Marion Mullen, Sr./  
Knights of Columbus

### June 19-20, 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Saturday – 4:30 p.m.

†Jim Belmont/Charlene & Ron Bosken

#### Sunday – 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

People of St. Gertrude

Father's Day Novena

†Dr. William Kim Brady/The Woodward Family

†Carmen Klima/Sherry Huddle

†Miguel Antonio Carrillo/Elvira Carrillo

Confessions will be heard in the church Monday-Friday at 4:00 p.m., Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

## 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.



## A 5k Walk to Remember

To celebrate loved ones who have passed away.

**9:00 A.M.**  
**June 19, 2021**  
**Madeira, Ohio**

Course: A 3.1-mile loop beginning at St. Gertrude, through Madeira neighborhoods, and returning to St. Gertrude.

Registration: For all entries postmarked by June 3, 2021: \$25/adult, \$20/child (18 and under) and \$75.00 per family (same household). Includes T-shirts. For walk day registration: \$25 plus an additional \$5 for T-shirt (while supplies last). Walk day registration begins at 8:00 A.M. in the Parish Center. Register online at: <http://buytickets.at/stgertrude>.

Refreshments: Water is available at the start/finish line and during the race. Bagels and more after the race.

Mass: A Mass will be said for those loved ones remembered.

Prizes: All entry forms will be entered into a drawing after the walk for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes. At the finish line, entrants will receive a memory card to mark the event.

Questions: Email Pete or Donna Marcello at [peter.marcello1@gmail.com](mailto:peter.marcello1@gmail.com), or visit [stgertrude.org/news/walktoremember](http://stgertrude.org/news/walktoremember).



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## UNDER MARY'S MANTLE

This weekend, our parish has the privilege of welcoming the Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrimage statue. This statue is being carried throughout the Archdiocese of Cincinnati in commemoration of the Bicentennial Anniversary of the founding of the Archdiocese. It is the longest Marian procession in the United States. The pilgrimage will end at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains on the day of the bicentennial, Saturday, June 19, 2021. On that day, the Archbishop will re-consecrate the Archdiocese to Jesus through Mary during a special Mass commemorating the bicentennial.

Welcoming the statue this weekend is an occasion for the parish to entrust itself to the maternal love, intercession, and protection of Holy Mother Mary. I sense that we need her maternal guidance as we welcome back to Sunday Mass and other non-liturgical gatherings more of our brothers and sisters in Christ. She is our common Mother, who loves each of us as a gift of her Son. Her love seeks our greater friendship with Jesus and the unity in the Holy Spirit of all who are incorporated into His Body, the Church. The return to “normal” is a new occasion for engagement with those who rightfully belong to our parish family. The welcome we extend helps us to recognize and affirm the gifts and talents that God gives to each person for the building up of the Church.

Seeking Our Lady's intercession will also help our parish to engage with the Archdiocesan-wide pastoral planning process entitled “Beacons of Light.” Here is a description: “Beacons of Light is a multi-year process of pastoral planning for the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Groupings of parishes will come together as one faith community. These new “Families of Parishes” will be stronger, with the resources to focus more on mission than on maintenance. Through Beacons of Light, 50-60 parish groupings will become Families of Parishes throughout the cities and towns, suburbs and rural communities of the 19 counties in western and southwestern Ohio. Pastors and parish leaders will then plan for the future of their Family of Parishes.” The parish pastoral team and administrative staff have been participating in this process for the last 2 years – providing requested data and attending informational meetings and listening sessions. No specific information is available at this time regarding our parish. An initial draft of the Families of Parishes is expected in the Fall. All are welcome to stay informed

and to offer input through the free monthly *Beacons Update* at: [CatholicAOC.org/Beacons](http://CatholicAOC.org/Beacons).

As the Archdiocese crosses the threshold into the third century of its existence, the consecration of the Archdiocese to Jesus through Mary demonstrates her accompaniment with all of us to seek the grace and guidance of the Holy Spirit. Something new is on the horizon. As on the day of Pentecost, the grace of God will lead us in new directions, empower new efforts of evangelization, and unite us in the love of God. Holy Mother Mary was docile and receptive to the gift of the Holy Spirit in her life. Her “fiat” brought Jesus into the world. May her intercession enable us to welcome the same Holy Spirit into our lives. With this grace, we will be able to make Jesus known and loved in the world.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

*Fr. George, O.P.*

**COVER IMAGE:** Sower by Vincent van Gogh, 1888; Arles, Bouches-du-Rhône, France

## FROM THE DIARY OF ST. MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA



Jesus said to me with kindness, **Daughter, give Me your misery, because it is your exclusive property.** At that moment, a ray of light illumined my soul, and I saw the whole abyss of my misery. In that same moment I nestled close to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus with so much trust that even if I had the sins of all the damned weighing on my conscience, I would not have doubted God's mercy but, with a heart crushed to dust, I would have thrown myself into the abyss of Your mercy. (Diary, #1318)

## **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

**First Grade Teacher:** St. Gertrude School is looking for a full-time, professional first grade teacher with appropriate Ohio licensure.

**Jr. High Science Teacher:** St. Gertrude School is looking for a full-time, professional science teacher for grades 6, 7, and 8 with appropriate Ohio licensure.

**After School Care Coordination (Part Time):** St. Gertrude School is looking for a part-time (17 hours a week, 2:30-6:00 p.m.) After School Care Coordinator and Assistant.

**School Receptionist (Part Time):** St. Gertrude School is looking for a part-time School Receptionist.

All Candidates will be required to obtain a valid Ohio License, fingerprints, a background check, and VIRTUS current with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati prior to starting the position. Catholic Candidate required or preferred.

**Contact:** Interested candidates should submit a cover letter, résumé, and contact information for three references to [info@stgertrudesch.org](mailto:info@stgertrudesch.org).

## **SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS**

School office hours for the week of June 13th are 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Monday-Friday



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## **NEW ARRIVALS AND ANOTHER DEPARTURE**

BY BRAD BURSA

I'm pleased to announce that we have successfully made two hires for the Evangelization Team.

First, I am happy to let you know that Michelle Dushensky has accepted the position of Communications Coordinator (a completely new position on our staff). Born in Minnesota and raised in the northwest suburbs of Chicago, Michelle attended the University of Missouri, where she earned a bachelor's in journalism with an emphasis in strategic communications. In 2015, she moved to Greater Cincinnati and joined the Dynamic Catholic team as the nonprofit's first copywriter. There, she met her now husband, George. They currently live in northern Kentucky.



Next, Walter Plummer has accepted the position of Director of Youth Formation (Grades 4-12). Walter is a Cincinnati native who spent the bulk of his childhood in Cleveland. He studied English at Baldwin Wallace and has a MA in Theology from Mt. St. Mary's Seminary of the West. Walter comes to us with ample youth ministry experience, as he's been the youth minister at Good Shepherd here in Cincinnati since 2013. Back when I was the youth minister at St. Gertrude, I actually met Walter within the first week of his employment at Good Shepherd and have been a mentor and friend since then. He and his wife Abby have three children, and Walter informed me that they'll be registering as parishioners at St. Gertrude.

So, that's the good news. Unfortunately, I have bad news as well. Mrs. Cindy Wurzelbacher, our Director of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, has accepted a position with Good Shepherd Catholic Montessori. I am so grateful for Cindy and for all that she's done to help develop Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at St. Gertrude after Shari Siebert initiated the program. I have sincerely enjoyed working with Cindy this year and will miss her presence around the office and her gifts in catechesis tremendously. Please see Cindy's letter to our parishioners here at St. Gertrude below.

*The first time I observed the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd as a former high school youth minister, I was convinced this method was essential to the faith of each young child to build a strong foundation of a Christ-centered, joyful life. Next thing I knew, I was getting trained and building CGS at St. Gertrude School and Church. Six years have passed. All children ages 3 through 3rd grade in the parish now have the opportunity for CGS in one of three atria (environment where CGS occurs). The Holy Spirit is present, at work, and moving in the hearts of those participating. It has been an honor and privilege to serve as the Director and witness beautiful moments of conversion.*



*It's bittersweet for me to share that as of mid-July I will be resigning from my position as the Director of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. An opportunity was presented to me to take a part-time position providing CGS at another location. Beginning next school year, I will serve as an Atrium Catechist/Catechetical Leader at Good Shepherd Catholic Montessori School. In prayer, my husband and I discerned this decision will allow me more time for my first and most important vocation, wife and mother.*

*CGS never could have flourished without the endless prayers, support, volunteers, trained catechists, parents, parish and school staff, and of course the Dominican Friars and Sisters. My family will remain parishioners, and I can't wait to see how the Lord will continue to touch the lives of the children and families through the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd at St. Gertrude!*

# Coming This July: Drinking with Dominicans

Must be 21 or older to attend. Details forthcoming.



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## Marian Pilgrimage Events 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 on June 12-13, 2021. Visit our webpage for all of the details about this historic event. Please note the following signature events during the time the statue will be at the parish:

### June 12: Mem. of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

- 3:30pm - Veneration of the Statue
- 4:30pm - Saturday Vigil Mass
- 7:00pm - Marian Pilgrimage Concert
- 8:00pm - Marian Consecration Ceremony
- 8:30pm - Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary
- 9:30pm - Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary
- 10:30pm - Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary
- 11:30pm - Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary

### June 13: Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

- 10:00am - Sunday Mass
- 11:00am - Our Lady of Fatima statue procession from St. Gertrude to St. Cecilia



For more information, visit:  
[stgertrude.org/marianpilgrimage](http://stgertrude.org/marianpilgrimage)



## GARDEN CLUB

St. Gertrude is fortunate to have a committed corps of volunteer hands to help maintain the appearance and health of the garden beds around the church, parish center and gym. But this is a big property for even the most dedicated gardeners, so additional help is always needed and welcomed. Since we have an “adopt a plot” philosophy, it allows volunteers to choose how much they want to take on and work at their leisure as their schedule permits. Currently, we have spaces that could use a little TLC, so if this is something that interests you, please let Susan Brokaw know by emailing [sabrokaw54@gmail.com](mailto:sabrokaw54@gmail.com) or by phone or text message at 513-702-6877.



## Register Now!

**A call to action for all men to “Step into the Breach” and actively engage in the Spiritual Battle that is raging around our families and communities!**

10 Part Series Starts Sat, July 10th

1. Deepen Your Faith
2. Prepare Yourself for the Challenge
3. Learn from Men’s Experiences!

Learn more and register at  
[stgertrude.org/intothebreach](http://stgertrude.org/intothebreach)



## LET US PRAY

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

### THE SICK:

Bettie Caudill, Ann Cerone, Marguerite Crema, Kylee Dawson, Triset Defonseka, Jean Ellert, Kathy Elsbernd, Lisa Ely, Bob Gerwin, Andrew Goad, Cameron Goad, Matthew Goad, Glenn Grismere, Loretta Holden, Hummel Family, Megan Johnson, Aiko Kimura, Ed Kinney, Janice Koncius, Kevin Lewis, Sandra Munyon, Gerry Patterson, Christina Rettig, 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:

Samuel C. Bascom, Patrick Burke, Cole and Kyle Foster, Dominic Geraci, Daniel Holian, Mike Huber, Aaron Jacobson, Jacob Kramb, John Kramb, Kelly Leugers, John Oscar, Sarah Ries, Kolbe Roberts, Dan Roseman, Andrew Shannon, and Ian Tester

### THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Ann Fabe – mother of Erin Cappel

## **ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS: NEW CHILD PROTECTION PLATFORM**

In July 2021, the archdiocese will be moving to SafeParish as the new platform for Child Protection training and compliance. SafeParish is an organization that specializes in training and education solutions for organizations worldwide. They have 20+ years of experience in providing child safe environment training programs. SafeParish will continue to work with our current background check provider Selection.com. All training and background information in your current VIRTUS account will be transferred to SafeParish. No new live training through SafeParish will be required if you have completed live child protection training through VIRTUS. Ongoing child protection training will still be required for all volunteers and employees and will consist of quarterly interactive video-based training instead of monthly bulletins. As the archdiocese moves closer to the conversion date, additional information regarding your new SafeParish account will be provided. If you have questions, please contact [virtus@stgertrude.org](mailto:virtus@stgertrude.org).



## **2ND ANNUAL SVDP FOOD DRIVE**

SATURDAY JUNE 26 & SUNDAY JUNE 27

Join us in helping our local Neighbors in Need as well as our twin parish Resurrection of Our Lord in Price Hill!

Food and Cash Donations Are Welcome!

Items Needed: Canned Protein Sources, such as Tuna, Chicken, Hearty Soups, Canned Meatballs and Spaghetti, Peanut Butter, Canned Vegetables, Cereal, Kid Friendly Fruit Pouches, and Veggies Pouches, Mac/Cheese.

### **Two Convenient Drop-off Options**

**Saturday** – Drive-thru at Miami Avenue Circular Drive between 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

- Drive into circle. Stay in your car. Volunteers will remove food from your car, and/or accept cash donations.

**Sunday** – Drop off to the Food Barrel before/after the 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon Masses.

- Barrel located outside church in walkway near Sacristy Door for Food Donations. A Volunteer will be present at the barrel.

Thank you for your generosity!

## **GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MASS 2021**



Married Couples celebrating their *50th wedding anniversary* in 2021 are invited to attend one of the following Golden Anniversary Masses:

**August 7, 2021, 4:30 p.m., Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Dayton**

Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr, Celebrant

**August 8, 2021, 11:00 a.m., Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains, Cincinnati**

Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr, Celebrant

To register to attend one of these Masses, complete the Anniversary Certificate form, which is available online at <https://resources.catholicaoc.org/offices/center-for-the-new-evangelization/marriage-family>.

## **INTRODUCING BEACONS OF LIGHT: PASTORAL PLANNING FOR OUR THIRD CENTURY**

Archbishop Schnurr has announced the next phase of pastoral planning, called “Beacons of Light.” The process is designed to foster vital parish life throughout the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, leading all to radiate Christ in our homes, places of work, schools, parishes and the wider world. Sign up at <https://catholicaoc.org/beacons#newsletter> to receive the free “Beacons Update” e-newsletter which will provide monthly prayers, reflections and planning process news.



## **Discover the Hidden Dominican Vocation**



### **Virtual Vocation Day – Saturday, June 26**

We invite young women age 16-27 to draw closer to Jesus and Mary and learn more about our vocation as cloistered Dominican nuns: [MarburyDominicanNuns.org/vocation-days](http://MarburyDominicanNuns.org/vocation-days)

**Cloistered Dominican Nuns, Marbury, Alabama**



**ASK A PRIEST –  
WHY DO CATHOLICS  
HAVE TO GET MARRIED  
“IN THE CHURCH”?**

BY FR. JOHN MARK SOLITARIO, O.P.

**Q:** I have a family member who has never gotten into practicing the Faith,

but who received Baptism and the other Sacraments as a child. Can you help me understand why she should still be married in the Church?

**A:** Marriage has always been a complex topic, engaging very human and very divine matters in a way that hits close to home! When Jesus was asked a complicated question pertaining to marriage, He showed us how we might approach other similar situations (see Mt 19:3-12): look first to God’s plan and remember that He can always work in hearts that give Him the space! You should be confident in what you know through the gift of faith, even if that generates friction with the *status quo*. The Church has been encouraging and supporting married couples for centuries and wants them to know the clarity and power Jesus wishes to bring to married couples and their families.

God created human beings with a definite plan and purpose. In the first place, marriage receives its “blueprint” from none other than God! Jesus confidently taught that marriage involves the union of a man and a woman in a permanent and faithful bond. He also seemed to suggest that the challenges we sinners have with marriage in our present time might only be resolved in view of the larger teaching about the Kingdom of Heaven (see Mt 19:12).

Marriage as a Christian Sacrament was gradually unveiled from the beginning of Jesus’ public ministry: the wedding feast at Cana (Jn 2:1-11). Jesus was invited to a wedding where a couple made an embarrassing oversight: there was not enough wine for the duration of the feast. At His mother’s petition, Jesus was prevailed upon to work His first miracle, a miracle that launched Him into His public ministry and therefore towards His ultimate death on the Cross. He started the path to the Cross in choosing to help a couple who had committed a *faux pas* at their reception. He made plain water into wine.

The Catechism says the following about the wedding feast at



Cana: “The Church attaches great importance to Jesus’ presence at the wedding at Cana. She sees in it the confirmation of the goodness of marriage and the proclamation that thenceforth marriage will be an efficacious sign of Christ’s presence.”<sup>1</sup> By laying down of His life for His own Bride, the Church, Christ gave marriage sturdier legs to stand on and a much broader horizon (See Eph 5:22-33). The Sacrament of Marriage is part of the “something new” proclaimed by Jesus’ apostles. This holy covenant is meant to help toward the healing of individuals and society based off God’s grace-filled plan for humanity. All are to benefit from the Sacrament of Marriage.

Why must Catholics get married “according to ecclesiastical form”? Wouldn’t any declaration of mutual love and commitment be enough? What if a Catholic no longer practices? To the first two questions, we should say that the bare minimum required by the Church for a valid marriage between a man and a woman (at least one of whom is Catholic) is rather simple: vows, two witnesses, and a lawful Catholic minister to receive the vows. A full nuptial Mass, however glorious, is not always required or even advisable. The ceremonial requirement, coupled with a six-month preparation phase is meant to grant the engaged couple the understanding and tools needed to contract and live marriage well. To the third question, I ask: why *not* have Jesus’ and the Church’s blessing for your marriage? The Church recognizes that people generally have a right to the Sacraments, as long as the request is reasonable and the recipients can be judged to be well-disposed. “Bad Catholics” need the Sacraments most of all; a designation which could apply to most of us to some degree! Since Baptism is irreversible; a Christian should strive throughout

his or her life never to act apart from this fundamental relationship with Jesus and the Church. Marriage, like the other Sacraments, is a grace-promising occasion to help men and women who without it would falter.

We cannot “do without” our Savior, especially when taking up one of life’s most significant tasks: forming a permanent and faithful bond for the sake of new life and mutual support. Marriage reflects not only who we are now, but where God is helping us go all together. For all the nerves and sweat it might cause, this is something that’s worth discussing and promoting amidst our Catholic family members and friends. May God help us all understand and witness toward this beautiful mystery.

<sup>1</sup>CCC 1613.

“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](mailto:bulletin@stgertrude.org) for one of our Dominican priests to answer in the bulletin!

| Monday,<br>June 14   | Tuesday,<br>June 15                                | Wednesday,<br>June 16   | Thursday,<br>June 17   | Friday,<br>June 18 | Saturday,<br>June 19  | Sunday,<br>June 20 |
|--|--|---|--|--------------------|---|--------------------|
| <b>Dominican Laity –<br/>Our Lady of Peace</b><br>7:00 p.m.<br>School Cafeteria          | <b>Boy Scouts</b><br>7:00 p.m.<br>School Cafeteria | <b>Rosary Makers</b><br>3:00 p.m.<br>Parish Center<br>St. Joseph Mtg. Rm. | <b>Regina Veritatis<br/>Team Meeting</b><br>6:30 p.m.<br>Parish Center<br>Music Room |                    | <b>Illuminate</b><br>9:00 a.m.<br>School Library                          |                    |
| <b>Healing Rosary</b><br>7:00 p.m.<br>Rosary Garden<br>(weather permitting)<br>or Church |  | <b>Benediction</b><br>8:50 p.m.<br>Church                                 |  |                    | <b>Race to<br/>Remember</b><br>9:00 a.m.<br>Parish Center/<br>Parking Lot |                    |

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



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
Dominican Rite Mass  
June 29 (Tuesday) at 7:30 p.m.  
Sts. Peter and Paul (Class I feast)

**Illuminate**  
Helping Parents Navigate Raising Children in a 'Pornified' Culture

**Summer Intensive**  
June 19, 2021  
9am-1pm  
School Library  
\$10/person  
Register at:  
[stgertrude.org/illuminate](http://stgertrude.org/illuminate)

*All sessions will be delivered  
by Brad Bursa, PhD, Director  
of Adult Formation at St.  
Gertrude Church.*

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## OFFERING

### St. Gertrude Parish Weekly Collection and Budget Report

| Collection for May 30 |            | Collection for June 6 |            |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Weekly Budget         | \$ 38,235  | Weekly Budget         | \$ 38,235  |
| Collection            | \$ 29,513  | Collection            | \$ 33,929  |
| Weekly Deficit        | \$ (8,722) | Weekly Deficit        | \$ (4,306) |

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

|                    |              |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Fiscal YTD Budget  | \$ 1,915,294 |
| Fiscal YTD Actual  | \$ 1,853,033 |
| Fiscal YTD Deficit | \$ (62,261)  |

**Parish Staff**

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

**Dominican Friars in Residence**

Very Rev. John Langlois, O.P., prior  
 Rev. Joseph Alobaidi, O.P.  
 Rev. John Corbett, O.P.  
 Rev. Paul J. Keller, O.P.  
 Rev. Michael Mary Dosch, O.P., novice master

**St. Gertrude School – 513.561.8020**

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 School Advisory Council

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 Soup Kitchen – Andy Cordier soupkitchen@stgertrude.org  
 St. Vincent De Paul Society – Jim Spurgin 513.561.5954, ext 2112  
 Visitation of the Sick – Judy Hartmann 513.984.8003

**Vocations Directors**

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 Communion to Sick – Judy Hartmann 513.984.8003  
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 Rosary Making – Larry Ball 513.831.8572  
 Unbound Ministry – Nealy Mechley 513.505.1740

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