

WHOEVER
DOES NOT
TAKE UP

HIS CROSS

AND FOLLOW
AFTER ME
IS NOT
WORTHY
OF ME.

MATTHEW 10:38



THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JULY 2, 2023

MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

Monday, July 3, St. Thomas the Apostle (F)

- 7 a.m. † Michael Manda by Tom & Kim Hahn
8 a.m. † Marianne Klekamp by Bob & Carol Connors
11:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

Tuesday, July 4, Independence Day

- 8 a.m. For Our Country

Wednesday, July 5, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Ted & Marian Scherpenberg
by John & Marilyn Scherpenberg
8 a.m. † James Wohleber by Nancy & Bob Hoye
11:30 a.m. † Raymond Zoeckler by Catherine Fishlock

Thursday, July 6, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Mary Alice Schutte by Moira & Jim Bonn
8 a.m. Sierra Shuck Sparer & Family by Heidi & Ron Sparer
11:30 a.m. Octavio Flores Resendiz by Maria Resendiz

Friday, July 7, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Marilyn Riehle by Don & Nancy Beimeche
8 a.m. † Jim Dell'Aira by The Dell'Aira Family
11:30 a.m. † Maxine Daniel by The Daniel Family

Saturday, July 8, Blessed Virgin Mary (M)

- 8 a.m. † Bubba Hoctor by The Hayes Family
11:30 a.m. † Vanessa Lin by The Bartlett Family
4:30 p.m. † Joseph & Marjorie Schirmer by The Schirmer Family

Sunday, July 9, 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8 a.m. People of St. Gertrude
10 a.m. † John Cataline by Charlene Bosken
12 p.m. † Sister Mary Louis Russley, O.P., by Natalie Moore
6 p.m. Donald Michael Mueller by Dolores Brandstetter


There will be no confessions on July 3 & 4. Confessions will be heard in the church Wednesday-Friday at 4 p.m., Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

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Parish Office Hours
Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
School Office Hours
Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-12 p.m.

Church Hours
Every day: 7 a.m.-9 p.m.



DRINKING WITH DOMINICANS

Life's Little Problems and Practical Solutions

July 6, 2023
Who Makes the First Move?
Deepen Your Relationship with God
Brother Christopher Daniel, O.P.

July 13, 2023
Too Busy to Pray?
Tips for Making Time for What Matters Most
Father Luke Mary VanBerkum, O.P.

July 20, 2023
Flying Off the Handle?
How to Be Patient Amid Life's Frustrations
Father John Paul Walker, O.P.

July 27, 2023
Analysis Paralysis?
Master the Art of Choosing Wisely
Father Brendan Baran, O.P.

7-8:30 p.m.
Oakley Kitchen
3715 Madison Road, Cincinnati
Come as early as 6 p.m. to grab dinner!

stgertrude.org/dwd2023

SAVE THE DATE

ST. GERTRUDE PARISH CENTENNIAL PICNIC

One hundred years is a big deal, so we're celebrating with a pig roast catered by Vonderhaar's! (We will also have a special menu for children.) Picnic highlights include activities for kids, the 1960s Top 40s band Deja Vu, and the opportunity to purchase our centennial book! Stay tuned for more details.

Saturday, August 19

5:30 p.m.

(following 4:30pm Mass)

Church Parking Lot

(in front of the school)





MY PERSONAL SPIRITUAL AQUARIUM

During my first year or so here, I've had a number of people ask me at various points what I do for fun when I am not busy with parish or priory duties. One big part of the answer to that question is I am an aquarist; that is, someone who has an aquarium. This hobby is one that provides me with relaxation and enjoyment in two ways. On one hand, there is nothing more peaceful than to sit down in my chair (which faces the aquarium, pictured below) and just watch the fish swim to and fro. In addition, I actually enjoy the work of weekly maintenance on the aquarium: cleaning the tank, trimming the plants, and so forth. My aquarium brings me great enjoyment, but in reflecting upon it, it strikes me that an aquarium can be a good metaphor for our own spiritual lives.



Father John Paul's fish tank

Before I go into the analogy, I feel the need to point out that I've been in this hobby on and off since my childhood. I've experienced the "bring a goldfish home from the state fair and plop it in a bowl, only to see it die a week later" phenomenon. I've done the fish tank with the neon blue gravel and pirate decorations. I've experimented over the years with many kinds of fish and other creatures. But my current tank is one I especially enjoy. It is a "natural" looking setup, with a dark sand for the substrate, natural driftwood and stones, and plants of all sizes . . . tall ones in the back, medium-sized in the midground, and shorter ones in front. I have a school of a dozen fish in there but also other creatures. I have four different types of freshwater snails, two types of freshwater shrimp, and some dwarf crayfish. These creatures all get fed a wide variety of foods. I dose fertilizers for my plants. I control the output of my aquarium lights using a programmable smartphone app. Every piece goes together to form a coherent, balanced ecosystem. The shrimp and crays clean up any uneaten fish food. The light and nutrients in the water not only help the plants grow, but also lead to some algae growth. The snails and shrimp clean up the algae so it doesn't grow out-of-control. Fish waste settles in the substrate where it becomes fertilizer for the plant roots. All of the elements of the tank work together to provide a thriving, balanced "home" for all the creatures within. Without the fish, the plant roots would have no nutrients and the plants would wither and die. If I suddenly tripled the amount of light, the algae would grow so fast the snails and shrimp would not be able to keep up. A healthy tank is one where everything is in balance. And while it may be impossible to have a tank that is absolutely, *perfectly* in balance . . . in general, the closer to a balance there is, the happier everything in the tank will be.

We need the same in our lives. We need times of communal, sacramental prayer—first and foremost the Mass. We need personal prayer. We need to be feeding our mind through some sort of study or spiritual reading. We need to always attend diligently and faithfully to the duties and responsibilities of our state in life. We need to receive the Lord's mercy in confession, and extend our mercy and forgiveness to those who have hurt us. We need to prudently provide financial stability for ourselves and our families, while still being generous with the church and other charities. We need to engage in some sort of productive work, in the home or outside of it. We need moments of rest and recreation. We need to be able to give and to be willing to receive. We need to take care of our bodies as well as our souls. In short: we need balance. Just like my aquarium.

So when it comes to your "spiritual aquarium," how are you doing? Is there a

somewhat reasonable balance in your life? Or are some aspects completely taking over while others are nearly absent? During these days of summer, now might be the ideal time to reflect on our lives and ask the Holy Spirit to help us figure out how we might be able to better balance everything in our spiritual aquarium.

God bless,

Rev. John Paul Walker, O.P.

Father John Paul Walker, O.P.

CENTENNIAL GALA

Early Bird Tickets

On Sale Now!

Couple	\$300 (regular \$350)
Single	\$150 (regular \$175)
Table of 8	\$1,100 (regular \$1,400)

Prices increase September 11! Must be 21 to attend.

Get your tickets at
bit.ly/100AnniversaryGala

November 3, 2023 | 6:30-10:30 p.m. | Manor House

PRAYER FROM ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT



A Prayer on the Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle
 May the most loving and worshipful brotherhood of the Apostles, by whose intercessions you wonderfully sustain your Church, shout for joy to you for me. Amen.

COVER IMAGE: *Christ Carrying the Cross* (Adapted), Titian (c 1565)

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Now Hiring: Part-Time School Health Associate

St. Gertrude School is looking for a part-time school health associate to join our faculty for the 2023-2024 school year. The school health associate manages daily care for students, conducts annual screenings, and completes state reports. Hours are based on school need and less than 20 hours per week. Candidate must have a nursing license; school nurse license is not required. Other requirements include the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Safe Environment process prior to starting the position. Open to job sharing. This is an hourly position. Visit stgertrudesch.org/employment for more information!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Share Your Talent!

Is there a skill or talent that you have developed that you would like to share with our students? If so, please let Mr. Travis Johnson, our assistant principal, know. We are looking for more parent assistance and involvement with our junior high enrichment program next year. The enrichment program offers unique, extracurricular opportunities for our 6th-8th graders to explore and learn new things outside of the regular instruction time. Recently offered enrichments include art, chess, creative writing, gardening, Finance & Investing 101, and robotics. We are open to other enrichment ideas and would even welcome a couple of parents working together. Email tjohnson@stgertrudesch.org for more information or to share your idea.

Art Enrichment Help Wanted

We are currently looking for volunteers to help with the art enrichment for junior high next year. If you have a background in art or a passion for art, please contact Ms. Amy Pugliano, our art teacher, at apugliano@stgertrudesch.org or Mr. Travis Johnson at tjohnson@stgertrudesch.org.

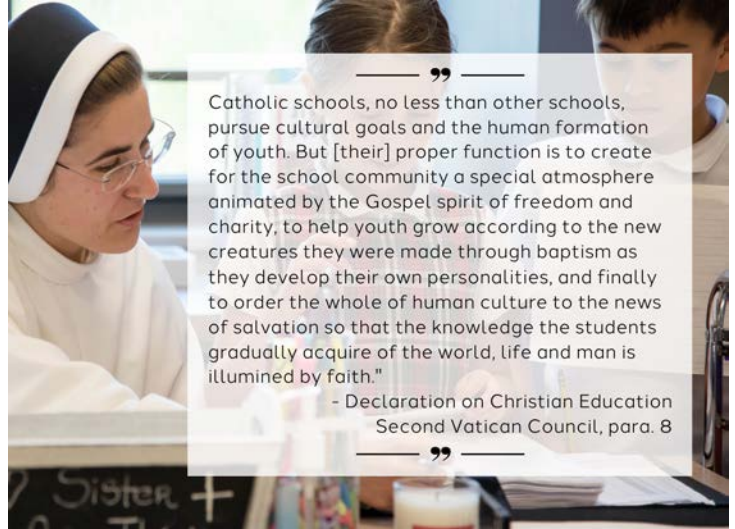
Do You Like to Decorate?

Do you like to organize? Make spaces beautiful? We're rearranging our faculty and staff lunch room. Help is needed with light cleaning, organizing of materials, and some decorating. Contact Sister Mary Agnes at smagnes@stgertrudesch.org for more information!

What Parents Are Saying

"St. Gertrude School offers my child a high-caliber education with amazing teachers, sports program, and a challenging curriculum. My child thrives in the environment and is held to a higher standard with the monthly virtues program and weekly Mass. In a world of fear and negativity in schools, St. Gertrude is a true gift to parents and our community."

-Michelle Gonzalez, St. Gertrude School Parent



SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

For the week of July 3, 2023, the school office will be closed Monday, Tuesday, and Friday and open Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.



Discover the Dominican Tradition

St. Gertrude School is a K-8 Catholic school that fosters excellence in each student through exceptional Catholic academic development and faith formation. Led by the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia for over 85 years, our school is a place where learning and communion flourish and children build a lasting relationship with God, form treasured friendships with each other, and graduate ready to meet the challenges of high school and beyond.

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GATHER IN FAITH



GUIDE IN TRUTH



**GROW IN
EXCELLENCE**

SUMMER 2023 CHILDREN & YOUTH FAITH FORMATION HIGHLIGHTS

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS)

Level 1 Catechist Formation, June 5-10, 2023

There were 39 participants from Cincinnati, Dayton, and Louisville (14 were parishioners or intend to serve at St. Gertrude Parish)



Summer CGS: Level 1 & 2, June 20-24

Ella works with the Good Shepherd and the Eucharistic presence material. Liam creates his own chart of all the books of the Bible after learning about the history, development, and sections of Scripture. Father Joachim gives a tour of the sacristy to the children in Level 2.



Family Faith: Summer Edition

Minute to Win It Night, June 25, 2023



Junior High Youth Ministry

Teambuilder Night, June 20, 2023



L'alto: High School

Hike and Mass at East Fork Lake, June 13, 2023



VOTER REGISTRATION

St. Gertrude Church will be conducting a non-partisan voter registration drive after all Masses this weekend. There will be tables outside (or in the Parish Center in case of rain) where you can register. If you are not registered to vote or have recently moved, we urge you to please take time to register and to vote in the upcoming Ohio special election on August 8.

Issue 1 is on the ballot for this special election. Because Issue 1 does not contain any moral content, the Ohio bishops do not take an official position on it. However, Archbishop Schnurr offers the following for your consideration:

“Issue 1 will increase the threshold required for any proposed amendment to the Constitution of Ohio from a simple majority vote to at least a 60 percent majority vote in order to pass. Therefore, a “yes” vote on Issue 1 will make it more difficult to pass any future amendment to the Constitution of Ohio, including this November’s ballot initiative seeking an abortion rights constitutional amendment that expands and enshrines abortion at the expense of protections of preborn children and women. A “no” vote on Issue 1 will maintain the current threshold, making it easier to pass an amendment to Ohio’s constitution, including the one coming this November on the abortion expansion amendment.”

**ADORATION CHAPEL
CLOSED FOR FOURTH OF JULY**

The Mother of Mercy Adoration Chapel will be closed through Tuesday, July 4. The chapel will reopen on Wednesday, July 5, at 7:30 a.m. If you are in town while the chapel is closed, we encourage you to make extra visits to the church for Mass and to pray, especially for the defeat of the proposed abortion amendment to the Ohio constitution.

WE’RE HIRING A PART-TIME SACRISTAN

Are you passionate about St. Gertrude Church’s mission? Do you have a basic understanding of the Catholic Church’s liturgy and knowledge of how to clean sacred vessels? You could be our new part-time sacristan! To view the job description and apply, please visit stgertrude.org/employment.



2023 CMA GOAL UPDATE

Thanks to your help and support, we exceeded our 2023 Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA) goal with gifts and pledges totalling \$122,399.10 to date. That’s 141 percent of our \$87,097 goal! The archdiocese also exceeded its CMA goal with just over \$6 million in pledges from over 21,370 households. Neither of these achievements would have been possible without your contributions!



Do you want to visit the Holy Land but can’t travel there?

Join Father Joachim Kenney, O.P., and your fellow St. Gertrude Church parishioners this fall on a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

On the way, you will stop at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land, a pilgrimage site for those who cannot physically go to the Holy Land.

Learn more at bit.ly/rosarypilgrimage



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, Michael Stoll, Judy Sullivan, Debbie Van Hise, Brigitte Vielhauer and Kerry Walden

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:

† Mary Bartel, mother of Teri Forlini

COME & SEE DISCERNMENT WEEKEND

Have you considered being a missionary priest or brother? Glenmary Home Missioners is hosting a Come and See discernment weekend July 7-9, 2023. This will be an opportunity for young men ages 16-20 to meet Glenmary missionaries, learn about the mission needs, spend time in prayer, and meet others who are discerning their call. The retreat will take place at Glenmary's headquarters in Fairfield, Ohio. Contact Brother David Henley, vocation director at Glenmary, at vocations@glenmary.org or (513) 881-7411 to reserve your space or for more information.

SUMMER IGNATIAN WEEKEND RETREAT

All men and women are invited to the Jesuit Spiritual Center the weekend of July 7-9, 2023, as we explore the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola. The weekend will be a time of prayer and contemplation as we seek to know Jesus more deeply and intimately. Father David Watson, SJ, will offer a series of presentations, reflections on Scripture, and various methods of prayer to help you draw closer to our loving God. The retreat will include Mass, Reconciliation, adoration, praying the Stations of the Cross and the rosary, spiritual direction, and time for private reflection. The cost is \$310, which includes a private room and meals during your stay at the Spiritual Center. For more information or to register, please call (513) 248-3500, ext. 10, or visit jesuitspiritualcenter.com/summerretreat.

FREE CATHOLIC INFO BOOTH AT COUNTY FAIR

The Legion of Mary will be hosting a free Catholic information booth at the Montgomery County Fair on July 9 (12–10 p.m.) and July 10-15 (10 a.m.–10 p.m.). The booth will be in the air-conditioned Main Event Center at the 4-H Fairgrounds, 645 Infirmary Road, Dayton, OH 45417. You will find free literature, rosaries, medals, and more. The regular \$10 Fair admission applies. For more info about the Fair and to purchase tickets online, visit montcofair.com. For info about the Legion of Mary or to volunteer, call or text Ennis and Gloria Dodd at (937) 999-1263.

BOOTS & BOTTLES

Dust off your cowboy boots and grab your trusty bandana for Pregnancy Center Plus' Boots & Bottles event on Thursday, July 13, at 6:30 p.m. Enjoy live music and BBQ at the famous Boone County Distillery in Florence, Kentucky (on the Bourbon Train). Tickets are \$30 each or \$50 for two and include BBQ, a dessert bar, \$10 drink token, and a raffle ticket. All proceeds support the Pregnancy Center Plus pro-life ministry. Learn more and buy your tickets at supportpcplus.org/boots-and-bottles. Ticket prices increase at the event, so don't wait!

VOLUNTEER AT OLD ST. MARY'S PREGNANCY CENTER

Old St. Mary's Pregnancy Center is looking for volunteers to lead 15-minute Bible studies with clients and to help pack baby items for those in need. (The readings for the Bible study are already prepared, so no prep needed!) Shifts are 1 to 3 p.m., Monday–Thursday. The pregnancy center is located at 123 E. 13th Street in Over-the-Rhine, Cincinnati. For more information, please call Barbara Rose at (513) 969-4739 or leave a voicemail at (513) 929-9165.



St. Joseph Fundraiser Dinner

An Evening of Dinner and Music at the Maria Stein Shrine

July 20th 2023

Cost: \$30

Dinner and Concert in the Upper Room

5:30 pm Cocktails and Music
6:30 pm Dinner
7:30 pm St. Joseph Fund Update
7:45 pm Stringed Quartet - Lima Symphony
Minster Singing Quartet

Register online at mariasteinshrine.org

ONE-DAY BUS TRIP TO MARIA STEIN SHRINE OF THE HOLY RELICS

On Friday, August 11, you have the opportunity to make a one-day pilgrimage to Maria Stein Shrine of the Holy Relics in Maria Stein, Ohio. While there is much to see, the highlight of the trip will be the 7:30 p.m. outdoor Mass celebrated by Father Robert K. Muhlenkamp, parochial vicar at Family of Parishes Northwest-2. The evening will end with a rosary procession immediately following Mass; the bus will return shortly after midnight. The cost is \$40 and includes a round-trip bus ride, bottled water and snacks on the bus, buffet dinner and tips for the bus driver and food servers. Seating is limited to the first 50 pilgrims who provide their contact information and \$40 fee to John McCabe, bus trip co-coordinator. Please contact John at (513) 543-1170 to sign up!

TABLE HOSTS FOR ENLC BANQUET

Elizabeth's New Life Center is looking for table hosts for its upcoming South Partnership Celebration Banquets on October 5 (Oasis Conference Center, Loveland) and October 6 (Willow Event Center, Cincinnati). Interested parties can contact Lori Ernest at (937) 226-7414, ext. 430, or lernerst@ElizabethNewLife.org. For more information, including details about the keynote speakers, and to register, please visit enlc.life/banquetsouth.



ASK A PRIEST— EUCCHARISTIC PRAYERS

FATHER BRENDAN BARAN, O.P.

Q: Could a priest address the various Eucharistic Prayers? What are the differences between them?

A: There is one holy sacrifice of the Mass. Within the liturgy, however, there are many different forms and options available. For example, every week we have different readings and different opening and closing prayers. At the core of every Mass is the Eucharistic Prayer, which itself has variable aspects. Drawing from the ancient tradition of the Church, there are four versions of the Eucharistic Prayer, each with its own character, history, and emphasis.

Common Elements

The Eucharistic Prayer has several parts which are always present. It starts with the Preface, in which the priest, often singing, gives a prayer glorifying God and giving thanks. Then the people all sing or recite the *Sanctus* (“Holy, holy, holy . . .”). Every Eucharistic prayer has an *Epiclesis*, which is when the priest extends his hands and the bells are rung, signaling the presence of the Holy Spirit. Also, in every Mass, no matter which Eucharistic Prayer is used, the priest always says the exact same words of consecration: “This is my body . . .,” and “This is my blood . . .” Using these sacred words, given to us by the Lord himself (see Mark 14:22-24 and 1 Cor 11:24-25), the priest makes present the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Eucharistic Prayer always concludes with the *Final Doxology* (“Through him, with him, and in him . . .”) to which the people respond with the great, “Amen.”

While the congregation is kneeling, the priest offers prayers of intercession, supplication, and praise to God the Father. The exact wording of these prayers differs depending on the different Eucharistic Prayer being used. Here is a brief overview of each Eucharistic Prayer.

Eucharistic Prayer One

One of the most recognizable aspects of Eucharistic Prayer One (also called the Roman Canon) is that it twice calls upon the intercession of the many saints and martyrs from the earliest centuries of the Church (“Linus, Cletus, Clement, Sixtus,” etc., etc.). The English translation comes from the original Latin text which first took form in the fourth century and has been used in the Roman Church, with only minor changes, since the time of Pope St. Gregory the Great

(died 604). It is especially suitable for Sundays and solemnities, as well as feasts or memorials of a saint mentioned by name. As liturgist Peter Elliot writes, it is “the Eucharistic Prayer *par excellence* of our Rite.”

Eucharistic Prayer Two

This option is recognizable because, after a very brief introduction, the *Epiclesis* quickly follows—the bells ring almost immediately after you kneel down. The text of the prayers is drawn from an ancient document called the *Apostolic Tradition*, which is attributed to St. Hippolytus of Rome, who was martyred in the year 235. It stresses the unity of the Church and the saving action of Christ. It is most commonly used at daily Mass.

Eucharistic Prayer Three

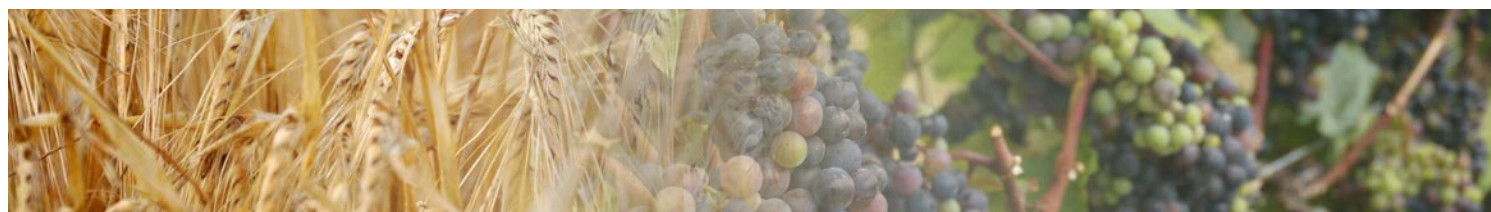
This Eucharistic Prayer is derived largely from the Roman Canon, but it also incorporates elements of the Gallican Rite (from medieval France) and the Mozarabic Rite (still celebrated in parts of Spain). One feature of this prayer is that there is a place where the priest can call upon the intercession of any saint—if you hear “St. Gertrude” or “St. Dominic” mentioned by name, then it’s Eucharistic Prayer Three. This prayer places special emphasis on Christ’s sacrifice on the cross and how the Mass is a continuation of that sacrifice.

Eucharistic Prayer Four

Less commonly used, this beautiful prayer opens with a summary of the entirety of salvation history—from creation to the Resurrection to the recreation in the Holy Spirit. The text has been received in the Roman Church from a fourth-century text called the *Anaphora* of St. Basil the Great, who was bishop of Caesarea (in modern Turkey). Similar prayers are used also in the modern Eastern Orthodox and Coptic Churches. Its great strength is that it is jam-packed with biblical references and quotations.

For more information on the Eucharistic Prayers, you can read Peter J. Elliott’s *Ceremonies of the Modern Roman Rite* (San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 2005) or Enrico Mazza’s *The Eucharistic Prayers of the Roman Rite* (New York: Pueblo, 1986).

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, July 3	Tuesday, July 4	Wednesday, July 5	Thursday, July 6	Friday, July 7	Saturday, July 8	Sunday, July 9
Adoration Chapel Closed	Adoration Chapel Closed	K of C Cincinnati Chapter Meeting 7 p.m. Gym	JHYM & L'alto: HS Going Deeper – Bible Study After 11:30 a.m. Mass Parish Center		Catholic Men's Fellowship 7:30 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	100th Anniversary Book Sales After all Masses St. Dominic Lobby
Parish Office Closed	Parish Office Closed	Holy Hour with Confessions 7:30 p.m. Church	Drinking with Dominicans 7 p.m. Oakley Kitchen		Respect Life Meeting 9 a.m. St. Joseph Room	Little Flower Library Open 8:45-11:15 a.m.
			K of C Business Meeting 7 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby		Voter Registration After 4:30 p.m. Mass Outside Church	Baptisms 1:15 p.m. Church
					100th Anniversary Book Sales After 4:30 p.m. Mass St. Dominic Lobby	Family Faith: Summer Edition – Sacred Space Workshop 1:30 p.m. Parish Center
						L'alto: HS Summer Nights 7 p.m. Parish Center

Interested in Joining St. Gertrude Church?

Visit 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 June 18

Collection	\$	25,533
Weekly Budget	\$	36,500
Weekly Deficit	\$	(10,967)
2nd Collection - Peter's Pence: \$2,895		

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

Fiscal YTD Actual	\$	1,947,681
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$	1,925,000
Fiscal YTD Surplus	\$	22,681

BULLETIN DEADLINE

BULLETIN
7/16/23

MATERIALS DUE
7/5/23

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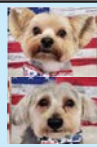
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