

THE KINGDOM
OF HEAVEN
MAY BE
LIKENED TO
A MAN WHO
SOWED GOOD
SEED IN HIS
FIELD.

- MATTHEW 13:24



MATH XIII

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | JULY 23, 2023

MASSES AND CONFESSION

Monday, July 24, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Beverly Lohr by The Lohr Family
8 a.m. Paula Zipfel by The Zipfel Family
11:30 a.m. † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

Tuesday, July 25, St. James (F)

- 7 a.m. Lindsay Sears by Brooke & Jeff Wolf
8 a.m. † Harold Noble by The Noble Family
11:30 a.m. † Thomas Schlie by Nancy DeBrunner

Wednesday, July 26, Sts. Joachim & Anne (M)

- 7 a.m. † Jim & Fran Wainscott by The Wainscott Family
8 a.m. David & Julie McLaughlin by Mary Clare Smith
11:30 a.m. † Tim Petric by Mary Petric

Thursday, July 27, Weekday

- 7 a.m. † Maria Xuan Dang by Thien Cao
8 a.m. † Allen Rusche by Mike & Beth Stoll
11:30 a.m. † Terrence Kennedy by Lynda & Bill Frillman

Friday, July 28, Weekday

- 7 a.m. Patty D'netto by Ida Nieto
8 a.m. † Peggy Kindt by Paul D. Kindt
11:30 a.m. † Jane Sansalone by Tony & Keke Sansalone

Saturday, July 29, Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus (M)

- 8 a.m. † Jennifer Voet by Dominican Sisters, St. Gertrude Convent
11:30 a.m. † Audrey Ruthman by Rita Johantges
4:30 p.m. † Joe Silvers by Sherry Schuler

Sunday, July 30, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8 a.m. † Josephine & Ubald Ramenaden by Dennis Ramenaden
10 a.m. † Vincent & Catherine Sheehan by David & Peggy Schlueter
12 p.m. † Regina Kosmalski by Knights of Columbus
6 p.m. People of St. Gertrude

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

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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

Brother Christopher

July 13, 2023

Too Busy to Pray?

This isn't Making Time for

Prayer

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

A FATHER/SON EVENT #UNBREAKABLE

All dads and their sons (K-8th grade) are
invited for an epic afternoon that includes . . .

- fun games and activities
- a motivational talk from Bengal Hall of
Famer Anthony Munoz
- a challenge for each father/son
- lunch and refreshments

September 23, 2023

12:30-3:30 p.m.

St. Gertrude Campus

Sign up by August 30 to get

t-shirts and a \$5 discount.

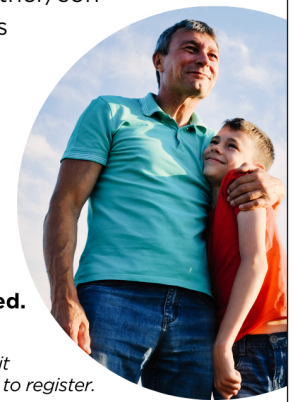
Prices go up August 31, and

shirt orders won't be accepted.



Scan the QR code or visit
bit.ly/2023unbreakable to register.

Hosted by the St. Gertrude Parish Boosters and the Knights of
Columbus Archbishop Elder Council #1195.





**FIDELITY MATTERS
(AND IS WORTH
CELEBRATING)**

This weekend, our parish welcomes Father Martin Martiny, O.P., and Father Benedict Croell, O.P., who will be celebrating the Silver Jubilee (25th anniversary) of their priestly ordinations at the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday. For

those who are newer to the parish and might not know, Father Benedict's first assignment as a newly-ordained priest was here at St. Gertrude as a parochial vicar, where he served for four years, including being present here for the jubilee year of 2000 A.D.

Their presence here this weekend has caused me to meditate a bit on the topic of fidelity. Major anniversaries—whether of ordination, religious profession, or marriage—are things that we celebrate, and rightly ought to celebrate. We celebrate them not so much because they are major milestones, but because they represent a legacy of fidelity.

I don't have the time here to share the entirety of the ways Father Benedict and Father Martin have served during their 25 years as Dominican priests, but a few highlights are worth mentioning. After serving here at St. Gertrude as a parochial vicar, Father Benedict was assigned to our foreign mission in East Africa, where Father Martin faithfully served for many, many years. Father Benedict has also served in New York City in parish ministry and campus ministry, for many years as Vocations Director for our province (during a time where we saw a "vocations boom" unlike any we have seen since the Second Vatican Council), and most recently doing development work at the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas (the "Angelicum") in Rome. Father Martin, now back from Africa, currently serves at our Dominican parish in Louisville.

These two wonderful priests would be the first to tell you that each of those assignments has had its own sets of joys and consolations. What they might be less likely to tell you, unless perhaps you gave them an injection of truth serum, is that each of those assignments also came with its own set of challenges, trials, failures, and sufferings. And along the way, sacrifices. Many, many, many sacrifices.

Yet through all of them, they have persevered and given an incredible service to God, to the Order, and to the Catholic faithful. I am sure there are countless times over these 25 years that they could have given up, thrown in the towel, or turned back. But they never did. They have always served—with integrity and fidelity.

How many married couples in our parish have reached the milestone of their 25th anniversaries? For those of you who have, I am sure you could testify to the exact same thing . . . that those 25 years brought many joys and consolations, but also many trials and challenges and sacrifices. And through it all, you have persevered. The example of your fidelity and love is an inspiration to all of us.

Anniversaries matter. They are a testimony to the power of love and sacrifice to overcome adversity and difficulty. This weekend, we celebrate Father Benedict's and Father Martin's anniversaries. But what we really

celebrate is their fidelity. May their example inspire all of us to remain faithful to everything that the Lord Jesus has called us to do, and be, in our lives as well.

God bless,

Rev. John Paul Walker, O.P.

Father John Paul Walker, O.P.

CENTENNIAL GALA

*Eat Dinner with
a Dominican*

Is there a Dominican friar or sister that you want to celebrate with at the Gala? Purchase an early bird ticket* for him or her for just \$150 to guarantee that he or she sits at your table.


Get your tickets at bit.ly/100anniversarygala or by scanning the QR code.



*Prices increase September 1! Must be 21 to attend.

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

**PRAYER FROM
ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT**



A Prayer for Priests

I implore you, O most holy Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, to pour into the hearts of all your priests the spirit of grace and of fervor, that they may be enabled to continually celebrate your tremendous Mystery with awe and devotion. Amen.

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IMPORTANT UPDATE ON SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR CURRENT AND PROSPECTIVE ST. GERTRUDE SCHOOL PARENTS

Recent state legislation includes significant changes to Ohio’s EdChoice Scholarship Program. The key legislative change is that all Ohio students are now eligible for a full or reduced scholarship. At SGS, we want to help you take advantage of this incredible opportunity!

Household incomes up to 450 percent of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) are eligible for a full scholarship. Household incomes *greater* than 450 percent of the FPL are eligible for a reduced scholarship amount. See **Table 1** to determine your Federal Poverty Level and **Table 2** for scholarship amounts based on household FPL.

Table 1: Federal Poverty Level - Based on Household Adjusted Gross Income (AGI)

Federal Poverty Levels with Gross Annual Amounts								
Number in Family/ Household	200%	450%	500%	550%	600%	650%	700%	750%
1	\$29,160	\$65,610	\$72,900	\$80,190	\$87,480	\$94,770	\$102,060	\$109,350
2	\$39,440	\$88,740	\$98,600	\$108,460	\$118,320	\$128,180	\$138,040	\$147,900
3	\$49,720	\$111,870	\$124,300	\$136,730	\$149,160	\$161,590	\$174,020	\$186,450
4	\$60,000	\$135,000	\$150,000	\$165,000	\$180,000	\$195,000	\$210,000	\$225,000
5	\$70,820	\$158,130	\$175,700	\$193,270	\$210,840	\$228,410	\$245,980	\$263,550
6	\$80,560	\$181,260	\$201,400	\$221,540	\$241,680	\$261,820	\$281,960	\$302,100
7	\$90,840	\$249,809	\$227,100	\$249,810	\$272,520	\$295,230	\$317,940	\$340,650
8	\$101,120	\$278,079	\$252,800	\$278,080	\$303,360	\$328,640	\$353,920	\$379,200
For each additional person add:	\$10,280	\$23,130	\$25,700	\$28,270	\$30,840	\$33,410	\$35,980	\$38,550

Source: Office of the Asst. Secretary for Planning & Eval/US Dept of HHS

Table 2: Scholarship Award Amounts - Based on Federal Poverty Level

Federal Poverty Level	Award Amount for Grades K-8	Award Amount for Grades 9-12
0 – 450%	\$6,165	\$8,407
451 - 500%	\$5,200	\$7,050
501 - 550%	\$3,650	\$5,000
551 - 600%	\$2,600	\$3,550
601 - 650%	\$1,850	\$2,500
651 - 700%	\$1,300	\$1,750
701 - 750%	\$900	\$1,250
751% or higher	\$650	\$950



A quality Catholic education is now affordable for all families.

We invite you to consider St. Gertrude School!

School representatives will be at all Masses this weekend to answer questions.

IT'S NFP AWARENESS WEEK!

BY JENNA BERNARDO, NFP MINISTRY LEADER,
PARISHIONER, MARQUETTE METHOD NFP INSTRUCTOR

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a natural, church-approved, God-intended way to space children, tap into a woman's fertility, and have optimal health. It is 99 percent effective at spacing children with zero side effects. As birth control and contraceptives while being sexually active are a mortal sin, NFP is permissible because you are always open to life. You are a co-creator with God.

I personally was introduced to NFP in 2014 when I was finishing nursing school and engaged to my wonderful husband, Chris. In our eight-plus years of utilizing NFP and my two-plus years of instruction, I've personally seen the many fruits of NFP.

I've seen the opportunities for communication, vulnerability, teamwork, self-sacrifice—and therefore endurance and self-growth. All 12 fruits of the Holy Spirit have shown themselves, especially joy, patience, generosity, self-control, and chastity. On a medical note, I've helped diagnose thyroid problems, low progesterone, fibroids, endometriosis, and more. I've helped improve cycle length, decrease pain, improve acne, balance hormones, navigate postpartum and perimenopause, and most notably (in my opinion), help couples conceive. I've helped navigate moral dilemmas, answered taboo

questions, been a listening ear, and more. I don't say this to brag but to give hope to women and couples who don't feel they have options or who feel their relationship is yearning for truth. That truth can absolutely be in the form of NFP. And for couples who feel they don't have any health issues . . . fantastic! NFP should be even simpler! NFP is such an important lifestyle that gives couples in all stages of fertility the opportunity to grow in spirit, love, and health. Most importantly, it honors God's design for biology and married love, and complements the knowledge that children are a gift from God.

So, where do you begin? There are four main NFP methods which can be grouped into three categories: Cervical Mucus Methods (Billings and Creighton), Sympto-Thermal Method (Couple to Couple League, among others), and a Urinary Hormone Method (Marquette). Not all methods are perfect for every couple, so it's important to choose the right one for your situation. The Archdiocese of Cincinnati—and St. Gertrude specifically—offers courses for all four instructed methods. They all have a few different variations, but still have their high efficacy. Included on this page are pictures of our friendly parish instructors to hopefully give you courage to take the next step. Visit stgertrude.org/nfp to learn more about each specific method, or email me at nfp@stgertrude.org for help discerning which method would be best for your current stage of life.



Jenna Bernardo
Marquette Method



Dave and Ann Stein
Couple to Couple League's
Sympto-Thermal Method



Emily Young
Creighton Model



Samuel and Adriana Vásquez
Billings Ovulation Method



Darcie Hester
Billings Ovulation Method



Sara Cole
Infertility Focus

CENTENNIAL BOOKS ON SALE THIS WEEKEND!

Stop by the Parish Center before or after any Mass this weekend to purchase your copy of *St. Gertrude Church: The First 100 Years* for just \$35. You can also get our centennial book at The Catholic Shop (7015 Miami Avenue) or in the parish office. Check, cash, and credit cards accepted.

HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE

Join the St. Gertrude Parish Respect Life Ministry on Wednesday, July 26, from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the church for a special Holy Hour for Life to pray for the defeat of the proposed “Right to Reproductive Freedom with Protections for Health and Safety” amendment. This proposed amendment is on the November ballot and would enshrine abortion at the expense of protections for preborn children and women. Learn more at ohiocathconf.org/protect-ohio. Sponsored by St. Gertrude Church Respect Life Ministry.

MOMS & LITTLES HOLY HOUR

All moms, dads, grandparents, and babysitters of little ones are invited to our next Moms and Littles Holy Hour on **Tuesday, July 25, from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the church.** Fussy infants, antsy toddlers, and children of all ages are welcome. Want to receive reminders and schedule changes for these Holy Hours and chat with other parents? Scan the QR code to join the Adoration with Kids GroupMe group.



IS GOD CALLING YOU?

Have you considered answering the call to join the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? Together we grow in friendship and holiness by performing spiritual and corporal works of mercy! Pray about it! Maybe God is calling you. If you want to learn more, please leave a message on the SVdP voicemail line (513) 561-5954, ext 2112, with your name and phone number, and someone will call you back.

BAPTISM

Sunday, July 9, 2023



Child: Klara Josephine Sullivan
Parents: Anne & Ryan Sullivan

walking with purpose

Come as you are.

YOU ARE WELCOME HERE

WWP Bible studies combine personal study with small group discussion, linking our everyday challenges to solutions given through Scripture. If you desire to grow in your faith—in a supportive community of Catholic women—join us!

Join us this fall for the study *Keeping in Balance*.
Fridays | September 8, 2023–March 22 | 8:30-10:30 a.m.
St. Gertrude Parish Center
Childcare available

Come to an Open House on Friday, August 25, at 8:30 a.m. in the Parish Center. Meet other ladies, check out materials, and ask questions!

For more information, email wwp.st.gertrude@gmail.com

www.walkingwithpurpose.com

LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

THE SICK:

Simon Berry, Maureen S. Currens, Triset Defonseka, Pamela K. Dwyer, Lisa Ely, Lynn Fedele, Octavio Flores-Resendiz, 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, Jim Tappel, 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:

† Carol O’Donnel

TREASURE MART THANK-YOU

The Ladies of Charity wish to thank the families and friends of St. Gertrude Parish for making the Treasure Mart a success! Your donations and support will go a long way in our efforts to help the poor and children of our area.

BEING PREPARED IS EVERYTHING

Come to a preplanning seminar at Gate of Heaven Cemetery on Tuesday, July 25, at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., or 6 p.m. The seminar is no more than 90 minutes and can be helpful in communicating your wishes to loved ones, reducing stress for your family and friends, saving money, and more. Please RSVP to community@gateofheaven.org or (513) 489-0300, and let us know how many family and friends will be coming with you, what parish you are from, and which seminar you plan to attend. The seminar will be in the St. Peter's Chapel (11000 Montgomery Road, Cincinnati, OH 45249).

Cocktails with the Catechism presents

Catholicism: The Most Diverse Institution in the World



Tuesday, July 25th
7-9 pm
Big Ash Brewing

The Eastside Family Young Adult Ministry invites you to join us for our July rendition of Cocktails with the Catechism, featuring special guest, Fr. George Hajj, from St. Anthony of Padua Maronite Church! Many times we can forget that Roman Catholics are only one part of the worldwide Catholic Church. The universality of Catholicism presents itself through 7 different rites and 24 different churches that span languages, cultures, and nationalities, creating a rich tapestry of worship and devotion to one Triune God and His Bride, the Church. But how exactly did this come to be? Who are these other Catholics that are in communion with Rome across the globe? And what traditions might we encounter that broaden our encounter with the truth, goodness, and beauty of the faith?

And listen to Fr. Mike Schmitz's podcast, "Catechism in a Year," with us on Spotify, Apple, Amazon Music, and YouTube!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT ST. FRANCIS SERAPH MINISTRIES

St. Francis Seraph Ministries is in *huge* need of volunteers to serve in our dining room. We serve the urban poor in Over-the-Rhine. Shifts are 6:45 a.m.–9 a.m. for breakfast, 3:45 p.m.–6 p.m. for dinner. This is a great opportunity to bring your children to volunteer or get the required service hours needed for school. Please contact Theresa Diersen at tdiersen@sfsministries.org or (513) 276-7037 for more information.

EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES CONFERENCE

You're invited to a Eucharistic Miracles Conference at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood this August 11th-13th. Learn about the many Eucharistic miracles around the world. Discover what the Church teaches about this precious gift and why it is pivotal to your spiritual journey. Hear speakers Fr. Leo Patalinghug, Fr. Ryan Ruiz, Fr. Ethan Moore, Fr. Rob Jack and more. Music by The Vigil Project. Learn, pray, adore, and ignite your faith! Register at hostofmiracles.org or by scanning the QR code.





2023 ANNUAL BANQUET

"Wonderfully Made"

Featuring Bobby and Jackie Angel
Author, singer, and Ascension Presents contributors

Thursday, August 10, 2023 | 6:30 p.m.
Lawrenceburg Event Center
91 Walnut St., Lawrenceburg, IN 47025
Tickets: \$55 | Sponsorships: \$600+

Reserve your spot today!
Visit supportpcw.org or scan the QR code.

Mail a check to 2859 Boudinot Ave., Ste 320
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NATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR CATHOLIC SINGLES

Looking to meet faithful single Catholics? Join 400+ singles coming from all parts of the United States (and beyond!) on August 25-27, 2023, at the 22nd National Conference for Single Catholics in Plymouth, MI (or participate virtually and engage with others via the online socials and small group discussions). This is your chance to connect with like-minded singles of all ages. The weekend includes talks by dynamic speakers, music, social events, Mass, adoration, fellowship, and more. If attending in-person, use the promo code **PARISH23** when you register to get \$50 off! (Discount for the first 50 sign-ups nationwide to use this code.) Visit NationalCatholicSingles.com for more information and to register. Can't find your question answered on the website? Call (512) 766-5798.



ASK A PRIEST – A PEEK INTO THE LIFE OF A NOVICE

FATHER MICHAEL MARY DOSCH, O.P.

Q: What do the novices do and learn during their novitiate year?

A: The novitiate is a year set aside for men entering the Order of Friars Preachers

to fully discern their vocation while learning what it means to be a Dominican friar. The year prepares them to profess a vow of obedience for the next three years, anticipating a similar profession for the rest of their lives.

Docility – A man has to be docile to the promptings of the Holy Spirit to initially recognize his vocation to the Dominican Order. After applying to the Order and being accepted, he continues to grow in the virtue of docility as he learns all the various elements of the life, many of which he never anticipated. In this environment, the Lord continues to teach him how great is the gift of his vocation or, sometimes, to learn that it is not where he belongs.

Education – The novices attend many classes in the priory: introduction to sacred Scripture, the history of the Order, the Book of Dominican Constitutions, evangelical virtues and the vows, Latin, music theory, religious life in Aquinas and Church documents, and more. Every week, they have a monastic chapter with a conference by the novice master on various dimensions of our life. Throughout the year, they also have special workshops on the Liturgy of the Hours (the Divine Office), the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, Canon Law, etiquette, chastity, boundaries, the history of early monasticism, and the history of our province. They have many voice lessons and choir practices weekly, learning the musical traditions of the Order. They also take up a hobby, which is often a musical instrument.

Immersion – A novice’s most important lessons are not a subject matter, but *how to live the life*. They learn largely by living it, being directed and corrected by the novice master. They are immersed into community life, learning to cook for each other, recreate with each other, fraternally correct each other, and serve each other through common apostolates and “bellman” jobs in service to the community. They learn how to wear the habit with dignity, live a life with penitential exercises and silence, and to do all with charity, especially the common life of prayer. The source and summit of the day is the Mass. “The celebration of the liturgy is the center and heart of our life” (*Dominican Constitutions* no. 57).

“The novitiate is a trial period during which the novices come to understand more clearly the nature of a divine and Dominican vocation. They experience the Order’s way of life, are trained, mind and heart, in the Dominican spirit, that their intention and suitability may be ascertained.”

– Dominican Constitutions no. 177

Obedience – The evangelical counsels are poverty, chastity and obedience. These Gospel virtues taught by our Lord are the substance of the vows made by every consecrated religious. However, St. Dominic made his friars take only one vow—obedience. In professing obedience to God, Our Lady, St. Dominic, our superiors, and to all the laws of the Order, it thereby includes both poverty and chastity. The novices make their “simple” (temporary) profession of obedience for three years every feast of the Assumption of Mary. **Come join us for this glorious celebration at the 11:30 a.m. Mass on August 15 as**

our current novices make their profession of obedience.

Until Death – Every novice looks forward to moving to Washington, D.C., to continue their formation with formal seminary studies at the Dominican House of Studies. Before they are ordained transitional deacons on their way to the priesthood, or

at the end of their initial formation as cooperator (non-ordained) brothers, they will profess a similar “solemn” vow of obedience. This time it will be forever, adding at the end two powerful words, “until death”!



Novices visiting Father Giles at the Rosary Hill Home run by the Hawthorne Dominican Sisters



Novices at Harkins Hall, Providence College, RI

Monday, July 24	Tuesday, July 25	Wednesday, July 26	Thursday, July 27	Friday, July 28	Saturday, July 29	Sunday, July 30
Healing Rosary 7 p.m. Rosary Garden	Moms & Littles Holy Hour 9:30 a.m. Church	Resurrection Choir Practice 8:45 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	Drinking with Dominicans 7 p.m. Oakley Kitchen			Baptisms 1:15 p.m. Church
	JHYM Summer Sessions 6:30 p.m. Parish Center	Holy Hour with Confessions 7:30 p.m. Church				
	Boy Scouts 7 p.m. School Playground					

SAVE THE DATE

ST. GERTRUDE PARISH CENTENNIAL PICNIC

Saturday, August 19 | 5:30 p.m.

(following 4:30pm Mass)

Church Parking Lot


Learn more at stgertrude.org/centennial



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 July 16	
Collection	\$ 32,967
Weekly Budget	\$ 37,000
Weekly Deficit	(\$ 4,033)
Fiscal Year-To-Date (for year ending June 30, 2024)	
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$ 103,088
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$ 111,000
Fiscal YTD Deficit	(\$ 7,912)

BULLETIN DEADLINE

BULLETIN

8/6/23

MATERIALS DUE

7/26/23

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