



ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

July 25, 2021

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MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

Monday, July 26, SS. Joachim & Anne (M)

- 7:00 a.m. †Amy Gehring/A friend
8:00 a.m. The Rentrop Family/Mr. & Mrs. Andy Schmitt
11:30 a.m. †Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

Tuesday, July 27, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †John Perrino/Richard & Paula Maxwell
8:00 a.m. †Rosemarie O'Sullivan/Dr. & Mrs. David Zipfel
11:30 a.m. †Ann Lukey/Al Stevenson

Wednesday, July 28, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Frank Tartaron/The Tartaron Family
8:00 a.m. †Peggy Kindt/Paul A. Kindt
11:30 a.m. †Bill Goldschmidt/Kevin & Susan Kane

Thursday, July 29, St. Martha (M)

- 7:00 a.m. †Fr. Ron Piepmeyer/Kim & Cheryle Hunchuck
8:00 a.m. Kathy Jilek/Nancy Lucas
11:30 a.m. †Tim Petric/Mary McGoron

Friday, July 30, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. Rev. Jeff Stegbauer/Steve Bay
8:00 a.m. †Denny Schone/Dennis Schone
11:30 a.m. †Ed & Martha Fischer/The Fischer Family

Saturday, July 31, St. Ignatius of Loyola (M)

- 8:00 a.m. †Samuel & Mary Laneve/Bill & Gindy Schneller
11:30 a.m. †Thomas Schlie/Nancy DeBrunner

July 31-August 1, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

†Bob Volz/John & Joy Belperio

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

People of St. Gertrude

†Ted Scherpenberg/Marian Scherpenberg

†Terry Scales/Peter Bertoli

†Jane Thole/John & Mary Jo Eimermacher

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

There will not be confessions on Monday (7/26) or Tuesday (7/27).

Parish Office Info

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

School Office Hours

Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Church Hours

Every day: 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.



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**2021 ST. GERTRUDE
GOLF BALL DROP**
In memory of Jerry and Shirley Seeger

GRAND PRIZE: \$1,000
SATURDAY, AUGUST 21, 2021
7:00 P.M.
PARISH LAWN / PICNIC

You don't need to go golfing to get a hole-in-one. Join us at the parish picnic to watch as a fire truck raises and drops 1,000 numbered golf balls onto the parish lawn. The person whose ball makes it into the hole or lands closest to the hole will **win \$1,000!**

Golf balls are \$5.00/each, and only 1,000 balls will be sold. You can purchase your golf balls beginning Saturday, July 24, online at my.stgertrude.org or with cash or check in the parish office.



A 5k Walk to Remember

To celebrate loved ones who have passed away.

NEXT WEEKEND
Saturday, July 31, 2021
9:00 a.m.
St. Gertrude Church

Check-in and walk-day registration begin at 8:00 a.m. in the parish center. For more information and to register online, visit stgertrude.org/news/walktoremember.

We look forward to seeing you there!





The Gospel reading for Mass this weekend is the beginning of Jesus' Bread of Life discourse in John chapter 6. Subsequent weekends are the continuation of this teaching, the proclamation of segments of this important chapter with clear references to the holy Eucharist. I write to encourage every parishioner to read and pray with this chapter of sacred Scripture. I do so because our liturgical reflection on this chapter will be interrupted in the coming weeks with the celebration of the feast of St. Dominic on August 8, and the celebration of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15. The interruption means that we will not hear the key verses of Jesus' teaching at Mass.

Our Catholic faith in the real presence of Jesus in the holy Eucharist is paramount to our identity and practice. We learn from the Catechism that "the Eucharist is the efficacious sign and sublime cause of that communion in the divine life and that unity of the People of God by which the Church is kept in being. It is the culmination both of God's action sanctifying the world in Christ and of the worship men offer to Christ and through him to the Father in the Holy Spirit" (1325). Tragically, there is a current crisis of faith in the Real Presence. Survey after survey presents the data that a large percentage of Catholics do not believe in the Real Presence and regard the Eucharist as a mere symbol. Hence, they do not see the need to attend Mass each week and receive the Lord in holy Communion. To them, and to each of us who do believe, there is the strong urging of the Lord for us to receive him in the sacrament of the Eucharist: "Truly, truly I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you" (Jn 6:53). In short, we cannot live in the fullness of divine grace and fellowship with the Lord without the sacrament of the Eucharist.

A personal encounter with Jesus awaits us at every moment of holy Communion and is sustained by our life of prayer, devotion, and works of charity. Praying in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, particularly in eucharistic exposition, prolongs our encounter with Jesus. The Eucharist that we adore comes from the altar at Mass and the graces that we receive from our adoration prepares us for a return to the celebration of the Mass wherein Christ is again received and the soul is filled with grace. The adoration chapel here at our parish gives everyone the opportunity to encounter Jesus who loved us to the end and remains with us always. Here is an insight from Pope St. John Paul II: "The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease" (as quoted in CCC 1380).

Please consider signing up for a regular time for eucharistic adoration in our chapel. Join the many people who have been blessed and enriched in faith and grace through this commitment. More

information is found at stgertrude.org/adoration. We will be able to return to perpetual adoration when we have commitments for all the hours of the day and night.

I am happy to share with you that our new parochial vicar, Father Jordan Kelly, has arrived. It is such a blessing to have him here at St. Gertrude, and I look forward to continuing to serve all of you with my fellow Dominican Brother.

Here is a letter of introduction from Father Jordan. I invite you to welcome him and introduce yourselves when you see him at Mass and around campus.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George, O.P.

My Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May the grace of Our Lord remain always with us!

I am Father Jordan Kelly. I go by Father Jordan, and I am the new parochial vicar here at St. Gertrude. I am delighted and humbled to be here with all of you, my beloved Dominican Brothers, and our wonderful Nashville Dominican Sisters. I look forward to getting to know you and together drawing closer to Christ—making him the source, center, and end of our lives.

I come to you from St. Sebastian Church in Providence, Rhode Island. For the last three years, I had the great privilege of being the pastor of this very tightly knit community on the East Side of Providence. I have also served as pastor of the Church of St. Catherine of Siena and the executive director of Dominican Friars Health Care Ministry, both in New York City.

My greatest love is the liturgy! I am convinced that if we celebrate the liturgy prayerfully and beautifully, the greatest goal of the new evangelization will be accomplished. What is that goal: to hear the Gospel, as we never have before, and to respond to the Gospel without compromise. Inspired preaching, beautiful music, and a prayerful community are essential elements that enhance the great gifts the Lord offers through the Mass and other liturgical celebrations. God has blessed me with a great love for liturgical music.

I have also taught every grade from kindergarten through graduate school. Along the way, I was moved into school administration, but my heart was always in the classroom.

I grew up in Allentown, Pennsylvania, with a very normal, blue collar, loving family. My parents and my brother have gone home to God; my sister and her husband are in Baltimore.

I look forward to being with you for as long as God allows.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee!

Fr. Jordan, O.P.

COVER IMAGE: *Multiplication of the Loaves and Fish, Ambrosius Francken*

NEXT FAMILY FUN GATHERING: JULY 27!

We invite all of our St. Gertrude School students and families to join us for our last summer gathering in July.

When: Tuesday, July 27, 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Where: Symmes Township Park
11600 Lebanon Road
Cincinnati, OH 45140

Symmes Township Park has a ton to offer kids and teenagers, including a basketball court, a volleyball court, an obstacle course, playgrounds, creeks, trails, a pond for fishing, and a bark park. Bring your favorite sports equipment and fishing rods/nets. Meet on the basketball court visible from the parking lot. (The summer gathering and parking are free.)

Leah Naumann will be supervising this event and is happy to keep an eye on older children. Should you decide to drop off your child, please connect with Leah when you arrive to exchange phone numbers and plan to show up for pickup 30 minutes prior to the end of the event. Thank you!

If you have any questions, please contact Leah at leah_naumann@yahoo.com or (513) 260-5441.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

School office hours for the week of July 25 are 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.



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(TRYING TO) LIVE THE MISSION: IT'S NFP, BABY!

BY BRAD BURSA

“Let them have dominion” (Gen. 1:26). This is the first desire God expresses for human beings, the part of creation made in his image and likeness. Upon creating human beings male and female—distinct, complementary, and equal—God issues his next desire in the form of a command: “Be fertile and multiply” (Gen. 1:27).

The Catholic Church upholds the goodness of the marriage covenant and its lifelong bond of fidelity. Respecting the Creator’s imperatives for spouses, it champions a spousal love that is free, total, faithful, and fruitful. The Church is a holdout in days dominated by a contraceptive culture and other Christian denominations falling like dominos since the Lambeth Conference in 1930.

In our time, the Church continues to pray for married couples to generously open their fertility to the possibility of God blessing them with the gift of children and endorses numerous natural methods by which couples can exercise a rightful responsibility for their conjugal love in freedom.

In a clear manifestation of God’s providence in our confusing times, a number of St. Gertrude parishioners have taken up apostolates to teach various natural family planning (NFP) methods. This is an unbelievable resourcebank that will bless our parish now and for years to come. It is my pleasure to have these generous members of our parish introduce themselves and NFP methods approved by the archdiocese.



David and Ann Stein – Couple to Couple League’s Sympto-Thermal Method

Ann and David Stein are certified instructors for the Couple to Couple League International (CCLI) dedicated to helping couples build

healthy marriages and families in accord with the truth of married love. CCLI classes focus on the Sympto-Thermal Method of NFP, the return of fertility after childbirth, and Catholic Church teaching on marriage and sexuality. Are you feeling weighed down by having to shoulder all the responsibility of family planning on your own? Let your spouse help you! Try NFP and experience the freedom that comes with working as one with your spouse. To learn more, visit www.ccli.org or call (513) 207-9673.



Jenna Bernardo – Marquette Method

The Marquette Method allows women to test their urinary hormones with the ClearBlue monitor. The monitor reads low, high, or peak fertility, and women use that information, along with protocols and complementary markers, to abstain or conceive a child with up to 99 percent effectiveness. With the help of a registered nurse, couples can determine their fertility in an objective manner while navigating normal cycles, and especially during postpartum and perimenopause, which are generally confusing phases in cycles. For more information, please reach out to JennaMarquetteRN@gmail.com.



Darcie Hester – Billings Method

My name is Darcie Hester. I’m a wife of two years, a mother of a three-month-old boy, and a certified instructor for the Billings Ovulation Method. Billings focuses on the sensation felt from cervical mucus to help women realize and chart their own unique pattern of fertility. Using four consistent rules, couples can understand where they are in the woman’s cycle and use that knowledge to either achieve or space a pregnancy that month based on their discernment. This method is also a powerful tool that any woman (married or single) can use as a strong indicator of her health. Please reach out to darcie.hester@gmail.com if you have questions or are interested in learning more!



Emily Young – Creighton Method

Emily Young is a wife, mom of two little girls, and a FertilityCare Practitioner-Intern instructing clients in the Creighton Model FertilityCare System. The Creighton Model is a clinically-proven, life-affirming, and medically-applicable method of Natural Family Planning that focuses entirely on cervical mucus observations. Charting with the Creighton Model empowers a woman to take charge of her reproductive and gynecological health. This is especially true when Creighton Model charting is used in conjunction with treatment from a physician trained in NaProTECHNOLOGY, a women’s health science that works cooperatively with the woman’s cycle. To learn more, contact Emily at eyoung@pregnancycentereast.com or at (513) 493-4546.

The fourth Sunday of each month, we’ll feature stories and tips for trying to live the faith in ordinariness of life.

**THANK YOU TO KEITH CALDWELL -
PARISH MAINTENANCE**

After over 21 years of serving St. Gertrude Church and School, Keith Caldwell submitted his resignation on Friday, July 16. We are incredibly grateful for everything Keith has done here at St. Gertrude, and he will be missed. Let us pray for Keith and ask God to bless him and guide him as he begins a new chapter in his life.

2021 ANNIVERSARY MASS

Married couples from our parish who are celebrating significant anniversaries (25, 40, 50, 60, 65, 70, or 75) this year are invited to attend the 12:00 p.m. Mass at St. Gertrude on Sunday, September 26, 2021. Fr. George Schommer, O.P., our pastor, will bestow an anniversary blessing to honor these couples.

Reserved seating will be available for you and your family members. If you are planning to attend our parish anniversary Mass, please contact Brad Bursa at (513) 561-5954 or bbursa@stgertrude.org no later than August 15, 2021 to register.

CLEANING THE CHURCH FLOORS

We are having the church floors cleaned on Monday, July 26, and Tuesday, July 27. **There will not be confessions on Monday or Tuesday, and all Masses on Tuesday will be in the gym.**

LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THE SICK:

Bettie Caudill, Ann Cerone, Marguerite Crema, Kylee Dawson, Triset Defonseka, Clyde Dorn, Jean Ellert, Kathy Elsbernd, Lisa Ely, Dick Gelhaus, Matt Gelhaus, Bob Gerwin, Andrew Goad, Cameron Goad, Matthew Goad, Glenn Grismere, Loretta Holden, Hummel Family, Megan Johnson, Rhonda Keith-Stephens, Mike Kennedy, Aiko Kimura, Ed Kinney, Marianne Klekamp, Janice Koncius, Kevin Lewis, Sandra Munyon, Elaine O'Connell, Gerry Patterson, 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

Cecilia Tejada – wife of Joey

**PARISH PICNIC -
FOOD, FUN, AND FRIENDS**

We invite all St. Gertrude parishioners and families to our parish picnic on Saturday, August 21, 2021, following the 4:30 p.m. Mass. Come and enjoy tasty food, music, and an evening of carefree timelessness with your St. Gertrude friends. There will be plenty of games and activities for the kids, and the infamous Golf Ball Drop will take place on the parish lawn at 7:00 p.m. The parish will provide the main dishes. We are asking that people with last names A-M bring side items and people with last names N-Z bring desserts. For more information and to RSVP, please visit stgertrude.org/parishpicnic2021.

BAPTISM



Child: Mary Margaret Patch
Parents: Andrea & Jonathan Patch



Child: William Francis Popovich IV
Parents: Rachel & William Popovich



Child: Olivia Marie Roseman
Parents: Bridget & Daniel Roseman
Priest: Fr. John McLoughlin

HEALING SERVICE

July 28, 2021

Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center

Holy Rosary Chapel

5440 Moeller Ave.,
Norwood, OH 45212
(513) 351-9800

6:45 p.m. - Rosary

7:15 p.m. Mass

Healing Service after Mass

Healing Services will be on every fourth Wednesday of the month. Visit olhsc.org for more information

THANK YOU!

The Ladies of Charity wish to thank the St. Gertrude families and friends 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.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING WEEK, JULY 25-31



Adriana Vasquez – Director of Marriage and Family Life, Archdiocese of Cincinnati

NFP is a powerful tool in harmony with God's plan for marriage for engaged couples and married couples to learn how to monitor their reproductive health

and either achieve or postpone pregnancy by practicing periodic abstinence. An NFP course teaches couples how to observe the signs of fertility and apply simple rules to space their children without using drugs or devices. Here in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, we offer NFP courses in a variety of approved methods. Choosing the best method for you and your fiancé(e) or spouse to learn can be tricky if you aren't familiar with the NFP methods. To help you decide, here is a link to a short quiz provided by the Diocese of Phoenix NFP Office at <https://phxmarrriageprep.org/nfp-quiz-which-method-is-right-for-us/>. After taking the quiz, check out our list of upcoming NFP classes, which can be found at <https://www.centerforthenewevangelization.org/marriage-family/natural-family-planning>.

UPDATE ON MASS IN THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

On Friday, July 16, Pope Francis issued a *motu proprio* entitled *Traditionis Custodes* regarding the celebration of the traditional Latin Mass using the Roman Missal of 1962. Archbishop Schnurr has responded to the document, detailing how the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will implement the Holy Father's *motu proprio*. To read both documents, please visit stgertrude.org/news/latinmass. More information to follow regarding how this impacts our occasional parish celebration of Mass in the Dominican Rite.

HOPE EMERGENCY CENTER COLLECTION

On August 7 and 8, the Ladies of Charity will be at the white van in the parking lot before and after all Masses (except 6:00 p.m.) collecting items for the Hope Emergency Center, an agency in Lynchburg, Ohio, that aids the poor in Adams, Brown, Clinton, Highland, and surrounding counties. The center serves about 250 families that are struggling to make ends meet. We are collecting school supplies, backpacks, lunch boxes, paper, notebooks, crayons, pencils, etc. Special needs this year are socks and underwear (sizes pre-school to young adult). This is a perfect opportunity to take advantage of Ohio's sales tax holiday on August 6-8. Cash and check donations are also appreciated! Anything and everything that we supply goes a long way toward preparing our future leaders. If you have questions, please contact Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085.

FROM THE DIARY OF ST. MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA

As I usually do, I asked the Lord Jesus one evening to give me the points for next day's meditation. I received the answer: **Meditate on the Prophet Jonah and his mission . . .** I recognized myself in the person of the prophet, in the sense that often I, too, try to make excuses to the Lord, claiming that someone else would do His holy will better than I could, and not understanding that God can do all things and that His omnipotence will be all the more manifest if the tool is poorer . . . I told my confessor that fear seized me because of this mission for which God was using me, clumsy tool that I was, and my spiritual father answered that, willing or not, we must carry out the will of God, and he gave me the Prophet Jonah as an example. (*Diary, #331*)



**ASK A PRIEST -
DOMINICAN
OBEDIENCE**

FR. JOHN MARK SOLITARIO, O.P.

Q: The Dominicans strike me as both traditional and intellectually open and engaged. How do friars obey those in authority when their own opinions

and preferences are challenged?

A: The bright lights of the Dominican Order teach us that adherence to Tradition and freedom of thought and action are not necessarily opposed.¹ The Catechism treats Tradition not as something stagnant but “living.” Guided by the Holy Spirit, the Church obtains deeper knowledge and clearer teaching regarding what has been “handed on” from the Apostles. For example, the books of the New Testament were composed after Jesus ascended into Heaven, thanks to the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. The same Spirit continues to assist the Church with the interpretation of that written Word today.²

Jesus promised true freedom to those who accepted the truth from his lips (see Jn 8:32). There can be no real flourishing for any man or woman without faithfulness. The pope and bishops have the responsibility to see that sacred Tradition, both written and spoken, is passed on fully to Christians today so that they can know and love the truth that completes them. In performing this task, the Church’s pastors are not to domineer but to serve the Word.³ Individual Christians, too, are called to explore God’s revelation in a spirit of faithfulness through contemplation and study and even theological research. Given their imitation of Jesus who was always obedient to his Father, the overall approach of the Church is one of adventure: “Thanks to the supernatural sense of faith, the people of God as a whole never cease to welcome, penetrate more deeply, and live more fully from the gift of divine revelation.”⁴

The Dominican charism presupposes obedience. In our vow formula, obedience is the only virtue that is named: to God, Mary, St. Dominic, and various elected superiors and their successors as specified in our Constitutions and Rule. Obedience is meant to ensure that all the friars—from the youngest novice to the Master of the Order—remain united to the spirit and mission: preaching for the salvation of souls. Singularity and self-pursuit undermine our preaching of Jesus Christ, whose Spirit of truth, love, and peace we have been called to “put on.” Short of asking a brother to sin or transgress the laws of the Church or Dominican Order, our superiors are given the benefit of the

doubt and, according to the Rule of St. Augustine, pitied and prayed for given their great responsibilities. We elected them, after all! We may disagree with them and perhaps their faults are quite visible, but certain decisions—all consultation said and done—are theirs to make and ours to follow.

¹ I recommend Congar’s *Tradition and Traditions*, Pinckaer’s *The Sources of Christian Ethics*, Benoit’s *Prophecy and Inspiration*, and Arintero’s *Mystical Evolution* for modern theological studies that aim for faithfulness to what has been passed down as well as a hopeful ingenuity.

² CCC 78-82

³ CCC 83-86 makes it clear that in their exercise of the Church’s Magisterium, these pastors of the Church can and must exercise stewardship in the areas of Christian teaching, community, liturgy, and devotion.

⁴ CCC 99.

Ask a Priest will be a regular format for our Holy Teaching section in the coming months. Submit your own question to parishoffice@stgertrude.org for one of our Dominican priests to answer in the bulletin!



Monday, July 26	Tuesday, July 27	Wednesday, July 28	Thursday, July 29	Friday, July 30	Saturday, July 31	Sunday, August 1
L'Alto: HS Core Team Meeting 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria		Resurrection Choir Practice 8:30 a.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.			Walk to Remember 9:00 a.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby & Parking Lot	Rosary Sales <i>After all Morning Masses</i> Outside or Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby
Healing Rosary 7:00 p.m. Rosary Garden (weather permitting)		L'Alto: HS Summer '21 6:30 p.m. School Playground				Little Flower Library Open 9:00-11:30 a.m.
		LFL Book Club 7:30 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.				
		Benediction 8:50 p.m. Church				

For guidelines about meetings on campus and scheduling information, please visit stgertrude.org/covid19.

DRINKING WITH DOMINICANS

Join us for the last evening of our summer speaker series and get a fresh perspective on one of today's most relevant topics.

July 29
The Gospel Value of Friendship
 Presented by Fr. John Mark Solitario

Thursdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Ferrari's Little Italy & Bakery
 7677 Goff Terrace, Madeira, OH 45243

After each event, join the Dominican friars and novices for night prayer at St. Gertrude Church.

For more information, visit stgertrude.org/dwd

ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

OFFERING

St. Gertrude Parish
Weekly Collection and Budget Report

Collection for July 18

Weekly Budget	\$ 35,294
Collection	\$ 23,547
Weekly Deficit	(\$ 11,747)

Fiscal Year-To-Date
(for year ending June 30, 2022)

Fiscal YTD Budget	\$ 105,882
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$ 108,497
Fiscal YTD Surplus	\$ 2,615
2nd Collection – Catholic Education	\$ 3,073

BULLETIN DEADLINE

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7/28/21

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