



ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

July 4, 2021

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MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

Monday, July 5, Weekday

8:00 a.m. Only – Independence Day Observed

- †Carole Twyman/Doug & Robin Postler
- †Paul & Joan Ortiz/Al Stevenson
- †Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

Tuesday, July 6, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Joe Sushine/Nicole Best
- 8:00 a.m. †Vinnie Englert/The Butschie Family
- 11:30 a.m. †Dorothy Arozarena/Julee & Diane

Wednesday, July 7, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †June Smith/Kathy & Sy Swart
- 8:00 a.m. †Giovanna Ragusa/Ken, Karen & Lizzy Lenhart

- 11:30 a.m. †Tony Thieu Tran/Thien Cao

Thursday, July 8, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Bubba Hoctor/The Hayes Family
- 8:00 a.m. †Bonnie McGonegle/Kathleen McGonegle
- 11:30 a.m. Stephen Kenny & Family/
Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Kenny

Friday, July 9, Weekday

- 7:00 a.m. †Carol Coors/Melanie & John Sheridan
- 8:00 a.m. †Mary Ellen Martin/Doug & Ann Oppenheimer
- 11:30 a.m. †Jeff Vollmer/Pat & Nealy Mechley

Saturday, July 10, Weekday

- 8:00 a.m. †Virginia O. Goedde/Peter Goedde
- 11:30 a.m. Mary Petric/Shari Siebert

July 10-11, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday – 4:30 p.m.

†Jim & Margie Ferguson/Terry Ferguson

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

People of St. Gertrude

†Jane Thole/John & Mary Jo Eimermacher

†Jeffrey S. Vollmer/Molly & Bruce Vollmer

†Mary Lou Brockman/Susan &

Herb Wandstrat

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. **There will be no confessions on Monday, July 5.**

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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July 22

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ST. GERTRUDE
CHURCH



GRATEFUL FOR OUR HISTORY

For many people around the world, the Fourth of July is just another day. But for us Americans – for us American Catholics – it's an opportunity to remember the principles upon which this country was founded and to thank God

for the many blessings He has bestowed upon our great nation and each one of us. Despite the struggles we are facing today in our country, our Church, our homes, and in our hearts, we are obligated to be grateful.

As we celebrate the founding of the United States of America, I am reminded of two other foundings: the establishment of the Diocese of Cincinnati (1821) and St. Gertrude Church (1923). No doubt, these are two more gifts to add to our gratitude list.

Just like the United States, the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and St. Gertrude Church have rich histories and rare beauty that merit being shared. That's why Fr. David Endres and members of the archdiocese's bicentennial committee have collaborated with publisher Editions du Signe to create two timely books, *Treasures of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati* and *Seeking the Lord*.

As its introduction states, *Treasures* is "a pictorial celebration of many of the Roman Catholic places of worship that grace the landscape of Western and Southwestern Ohio. Over much of the past 200 years, these beautiful churches and religious sites have helped millions of Catholics, in times both good and bad, lift their hearts and minds to God..."

These are the places where we have gathered to give praise and worship to God, introduce our children to the love of Jesus and grow as followers of Christ. These are the places where we have been baptized, confirmed, forgiven and, ultimately, commended to God's mercy. These are the places where we encounter our Lord and Savior, both in His Word and in His Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist, welcoming Him into our hearts so that we can radiate Christ to all we meet."

The authors acknowledge that "no single book could possibly capture the rich history of every parish or all the beautiful architecture, statuary, stained glass and iconography of the expansive Archdiocese of Cincinnati." In fact, out of the 210 parishes in the archdiocese, only 135 parishes (along with seventeen non-parish locations) are featured. Some of the churches are familiar to many, while others are hidden gems known only to local parishioners. This bicentennial year presents the perfect opportunity to learn about and visit these historical places.

I am happy to share that St. Gertrude, the only Dominican

parish in the archdiocese, is among the parishes highlighted in this keepsake book. For many of you, St. Gertrude has been a building block of your faith and an important – and essential – part of your everyday lives. It's where you grew up. It's where you were married. It's where you had your children baptized. It's where you've brought your joys and sorrows and offered them to your Heavenly Father. And it's where you gather with the faithful every Sunday to give praise to God and encounter Jesus Christ.

I encourage you today to thank God for not only the many freedoms you have as a citizen of the United States but also the incredible gift of our parish and the archdiocese, both of which have shaped us and connect us to the generations of faithful Catholics who have come before us and the generations that will come after us.

Let us love one another and pray for each other,

Fr. George, O.P.

Treasures of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati (\$30.00) and *Seeking the Lord* (\$15.00), an engaging illustrated history of the archdiocese suitable for children and adults, will be available for purchase exclusively through parishes in September. St. Gertrude will have a limited number of copies of each book, so we will offer them on a first-come, first-served basis. (Stay tuned for more information.) If you would like to take a look at either book, there is a copy of each one at the parish office.

FROM THE DIARY OF ST. MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA



On one occasion I heard these words in my soul – **Make a novena for your country. This novena will consist of the recitation of the Litany of the Saints...** Towards the end of the litany I saw a great radiance and, in the midst of it, God the Father. Between this radiance and the earth I saw Jesus, nailed to the Cross in such a way that when God wanted to look at the earth, He had to look through the wounds of Jesus. And I understood that it was for the sake of Jesus that God blesses the earth. (*Diary, #59*)

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JULY FAMILY FUN GATHERINGS

We invite all of our St. Gertrude School students and families to join us for four exciting events this month! Check out our Facebook page and future bulletins for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Leah Naumann at leah_naumann@yahoo.com or (513) 260-5441.

When	Where	What
Wednesday, July 7 2:00-4:00 p.m.	Smale Park 166 W. Mehring Way Cincinnati	Cool off at the spray grounds and fountains and have a blast at the unique playscape. (Water and park activities are free; rides are \$2.00/person.)
Tuesday, July 13 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Cottell Park 5847 Irwin-Simpson Road Mason	Climb, swing, fish, shoot hoops, and play soccer, football, baseball, tennis, or catch-and-release! Bring your favorite basketball and fishing rod/tackle box if you choose to participate in the knockout challenge, free-throw shooting contest, or fishing contest.
Thursday, July 22 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Julifs Park 8429 Clough Pike Cincinnati	Enjoy an afternoon on the playgrounds, playing basketball and sand volleyball, and walking on the beautiful walking trail (perfect for bikes and scooters).
Tuesday, July 27 6:00-8:00 p.m.	Symmes Township Park 11600 Lebanon Road Cincinnati	Engage in a variety of fun on the basketball and volleyball courts, obstacle course, playgrounds, and trails. There's even a creek for fishing and a bark park.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

St. Gertrude School is looking for a...

- full-time **first grade teacher**
- full-time **junior high science teacher** (grades 6-8)
- part-time (17 hours/week, 2:30-6:00 p.m.) **assistant care provider** for our After School Care program

For more information and to view the job postings, please visit <https://www.stgertrude.org/employment.html>.

SGS is also in need of a part-time **receptionist**. If you are or someone you know is interested, please submit a cover letter, a résumé, and contact information for three references to info@stgertrudesch.org.

SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

School office hours for the week of July 4 are 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Tuesday through Friday. **The office will be closed on Monday, July 5, for Independence Day.**



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MEET THE TEAM: WALTER PLUMMER



Each month, the St. Gertrude bulletin will feature an interview with a member of the parish's Evangelization team. This month, we're highlighting Walter Plummer, director of youth formation.

St. Gertrude Bulletin: You're new to the staff at St. Gertrude, right?

Walter: Yes! My first day was June 10. So by the time people are reading this, I'll be a seasoned veteran of almost one month. Prior to arriving at St. Gertrude, I served in youth ministry for seven years here in the Archdiocese of Cincinnati and two years as a program manager for high school and college mission trips.

SGB: Can you share a bit about what drew you to the position at the parish?

Walter: Wow, it's hard to shrink it down to just a few points. But I'll try, for the good of the reader. First, the beautiful liturgy. My first Easter Vigil in Cincinnati as an adult, Abby (my then girlfriend, now wife) and I worshipped here at St. Gertrude. I just remember being struck by the beauty, simplicity, and reverence of the Mass at the parish. Second, the Dominican charism of preaching. We have regularly received the sacrament of reconciliation here at St. Gertrude since we started living in the area and have been extraordinarily blessed by the wisdom and clear teaching of the Dominican priests. Third, the community of intentional disciples. My primary vocation is marriage and the blessing of family life that flows from it, and one of my greatest desires is to see my wife and children know the Lord more and more. It is a blessing to see and be with so many other families who desire the same, who run the race so as to win.



SGB: Had you always planned on doing ministry?

Walter: Not always. My undergraduate studies were in English and secondary education, with the goal of being a high school teacher. At some point I realized that at the heart of what I loved about working with young people was seeing them embrace a future full of hope. I believe at the center of that hope, of any real hope, is the reality of who God is and who He says we are. At that point I knew that I wanted to spend the rest of my life witnessing to that fundamental reality.

SGB: Let's switch gears and talk about life outside of ministry. Were you born and raised in Cincinnati?

Walter: Born, yes. Raised, kind of. My family and I lived here until I was in third grade, and then we moved to Cleveland because of my dad's work. So my formative years involved a lot of Browns' and Cavs' games, which has got to earn me at least a year off of purgatory. I came back to Cincinnati in 2013 and have loved being here ever since.

SGB: Describe your family a bit, if you don't mind.



Walter: They're pretty great. My beautiful wife, Abby, and I have been married for almost seven years. We have three boys who keep us busy and remind us of the joy the Father has in us. (Most of the time!) Our son William is four, James is two, and Benedict is eight months and counting. We love to be

outside, water our plants (and each other), hike, and have pillow fights. And we love Jesus.

SGB: Did you decide to register your family in the parish?

Walter: Absolutely!

SGB: What excites you most about that?

Walter: I believe that a Christian life is an integrated one, where our spiritual lives, domestic lives, and work all join together into one organic whole. My wife and I want to be a part of this parish family, to bring those parts of our lives together, to worship, serve, and be formed with the other members of this family, old and young. What excites us most is seeing the other families devoted to the same end, truly operating as a family of faith: encouraging, loving, serving, and praying for one another, united to the head of our family, Jesus Christ.

SGB: What do you like to do for fun?

Walter: I am a total nerd, so I like to read philosophy, theology, and really good books. I also like to pretend that I understand them. Beyond that, I'd say wrestling with my kids (haven't lost yet!), playing board games with Abby (at which I do lose often enough), and catching the occasional international soccer match.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR CHANT CAMP

Want something a little different for your kids to do this summer? St. Gertrude's music program will be holding a three-day camp for children ages 5 to 13 to teach kids how to read and sing the distinctive music of our faith: Gregorian chant. There will also be an art session each day during which the children will create and paint examples of letters inspired by ancient illuminated music manuscripts.

When: July 8-10, 2021

- Morning session (5- to 7-year-olds): 9:00-11:30 a.m.
- Afternoon session (8- to 13-year-olds): 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Where: St. Gertrude Parish Center

Cost: First child \$50.00. Each additional child \$25.00. (Cost covers art supplies, music handouts, and snacks.) Camp is limited to 40 children. To reserve your spot, visit stgertrude.org/news. If you have any questions, please contact Catherine Fishlock at musicdirector@stgertrude.org.

HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER EVENTS



We invite all high schoolers (including incoming freshmen and outgoing seniors) to our L'alto: High School summer events. (L'alto: High School is the new name of our high school youth ministry program.) Each event will begin with a short Bible study (a reflection on the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday), followed by outdoor games. Bring your friends, and join us for some summer fun! No registration required, but you will need to complete a [permission form](#) in order to participate.

When: July 7, 14, 21, 28

- 6:30-7:00 p.m. – Bible study
- 7:00-8:30 p.m. – Games

Where: St. Gertrude School lower lot by the playground (gym if it rains)

BAPTISM



Child: Paul Edward Castrucci
Parents: Molly & Tyler Castrucci

JUNIOR HIGH SUMMER EVENTS

Get to know other 7th and 8th graders in the parish – and have some fun – at two exciting events this month!



- **Teambuilder Night: Friday, July 9, 6:00-7:30 p.m.** Games, and games, and games, oh my! Join us for some good-spirited competition in the St. Gertrude lower lot. There is no cost, and friends are always welcome. Please bring a completed [permission form](#), and get ready for a high-energy evening.
- **Kayak Trip: Saturday, July 31, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** There's nothing like a trip down the river to get outside and beat the heat. Join us at Scenic River Canoe Excursions in Milford for a 5-mile kayak/canoe trip. Cost is \$40.00, and we suggest bringing \$5.00 in case you want to buy a cold beverage after the excursion. Spots are limited to 30 participants. Please visit <https://www.stgertrude.org/news> for more information and to register, beginning July 6.

If you have any questions, please contact Walter Plummer, director of youth formation, at wplummer@stgertrude.org or (513) 561-8369.

LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THE SICK:

Bettie Caudill, Ann Cerone, Marguerite Crema, Kylee Dawson, Triset Defonseka, Jean Ellert, Kathy Elsbernd, Lisa Ely, Dick 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, Janice Koncius, Kevin Lewis, Sandra Munyon, Elaine O'Connell, Gerry Patterson, Christina Rettig, 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

**Have you started your spring cleaning yet?
Wondering what to do with all those gently used
“treasures”? Donate them!**

- Drop off your gently used donations at the gym door on July 13,14,15 between 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. or Friday, July 16, between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m.
- All proceeds go directly to programs that help the poor. Items that aren't purchased will be donated to Hope Emergency or St. Vincent DePaul.



**TREASURE
MART**

**Saturday, July 17
9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
St. Gertrude Gym**

A lot of volunteers are needed to help with setup, moving large items, and cleanup! Thank you for your help and support!

Items We Cannot Accept

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| • BBQ grills/ propane tanks | • Blinds/draperies | • Mattresses |
| • Computers/computer equipment | • Tvs/stereos | • Encyclopedias |
| • Combustibles/tires/paint | • Cribs/playpens/car seats | • China hutches/desks |

CONTACTS

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A PIECE OF HISTORY

Deepen your understanding and appreciation of the first 200 years of Catholic life and leadership in the archdiocese with Fr. David Endres’ new book, *A Bicentennial History of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati*. You can order your copy for \$29.95 (including delivery) at <https://shop.catholicaoc.org/collections/bicentennial-merchandise>.



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FREE CATHOLIC INFORMATION BOOTH

The Legion of Mary will be hosting a free Catholic information booth at the Montgomery County Fair on July 11 (12:00-10:00 p.m.) and July 12-17 (10:00 a.m.-10:00 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 \$10.00 Fair admission applies. For more information about the Fair and to purchase tickets online, visit <http://www.montcofair.com/>. For information about the Legion of Mary or to volunteer, call or text Ennis and Gloria Dodd at (937) 999-1263.



**Knights of
Columbus®**

You are invited to join the Knights of Columbus on Saturday, July 10, for a pro-life Mass at Holy Name

Church, 2422 Auburn Avenue, Cincinnati. **Fr. Michael Mary Dosch** will be the celebrant. Mass will be at 8:00 a.m., followed by Eucharistic adoration and a peaceful rosary procession to Planned Parenthood (just a few blocks away). We will process back to Holy Name Church for Benediction.

These Masses are organized by a dedicated group of pro-life individuals and take place every Saturday morning at Holy Name Church. A visiting priest usually celebrates Mass. This is a prayerful opportunity to give witness to the sin of abortion and to pray for the innocent children, the parents, and those working in the abortion industry.

ORGAN DONOR NEEDED

A parishioner’s brother is in need of a kidney transplant. If you are or someone you know is interested in being an organ donor for this man, please contact Barb at (513) 315-4251. Thank you!



**ASK A PRIEST –
TALKING ABOUT
PEOPLE: INFORMATION
OR DETRACTION?**

BY FR. JOHN MARK SOLITARIO, O.P.

Q: My family of origin is somewhat “complicated” (drinking issues, drama, etc.). As I build friendships, is it okay to share things about my background with my friends? Or is this the sin of detraction?

A: When it comes to speech, ultimately, we’re all responsible for what we say or don’t say, for what we choose to hear or not hear. Our ability to converse with others is a great gift which sets us apart from the other animals. It’s an essential skill to survive in society and also an art that takes practice and perfection. Speech can set us apart from those who oppose us and it can also bring us into community with friends. Most importantly, speech is how we sinners-invited-to-be-saints received the news of salvation from God: “Faith comes through what is heard, and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ” (Romans 10:17).

Admittedly, most of us don’t think very much about what we say from moment to moment. In some families and social settings, talking is treated almost like breathing – do it or die! But Christians understand that we’re meant to use the spoken word for more than simple chatter. If important words are to be heard or said, we need silence first! Our conversations, due to our faith in Christ, can carry salvific meaning if we budget the “room” for God.

This goes to the heart of your question: **What do Christian friends talk about? Should some things be left unsaid?** We know that friends need to share certain things in order to communicate. Some of these things will be mundane and basic to close-living while others will be more refined and important to cultivating mutual knowledge and trust. But other things can hurt communication. The love of friendship, explains St. Thomas Aquinas, extends even to those who are related and connected to our friends. Whereas for simple pagans, this might mean loving those family members or connections my friend loves and despising those whom he despises (and letting my speech convey this), it’s different for Christians. After the model of Jesus, we learn

to love even our enemies because we love God and recognize they are God’s children too. Alongside my friend, I don’t have to like them, but I do have to love them. The way I speak to my friend should help us both to adapt and grow in Jesus’ way of seeing and loving other people.

What does this mean regarding speaking to our friends about “complicated” family situations? We must talk to our friends about other people in a way that keeps love of God and neighbor before our eyes, never allowing this charity to be eclipsed. A friend is “another self” and can be a great help in dealing with difficult people and issues. But we should always respect the privacy of others, their reputation, and their value in the eyes of God. Whether I am alone or in the company of a friend, not everything needs to be said or even thought. Detraction is disclosing the (true) faults and failings of another without an objectively valid reason.¹ The Church teaches that truth-speaking must be guided by authentic love for our neighbor.² When speaking to my friend, what is important information and what is simply “gossip?” What is communication and what really offends Christian friendship? As a rule, I should shape my speech as I wish my heart to be shaped. A friend, by his or her thoughtful speech or by silence, will help me do this.

¹ See CCC 2477.

² See CCC 2487.

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 5	Tuesday, July 6	Wednesday, July 7	Thursday, July 8	Friday, July 9	Saturday, July 10	Sunday, July 11
Parish Office Closed		<i>L'Alto</i> HS Summer '21 6:30 p.m. School Playground	Children's Choir Chant Camp 9:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Children's Choir Chant Camp 9:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Into The Breach 7:30 a.m. School Cafeteria	NFP 1:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.
Adoration Chapel Closed		Benediction 8:50 p.m. Church		<i>L'Alto:</i> Junior High 6:00 p.m. School Playground	Children's Choir Chant Camp 9:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	
Healing Rosary 7:00 p.m. Rosary Garden (weather permitting)						

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

OFFERING

St. Gertrude Parish
Weekly Collection and Budget Report

At the time of printing for the July 4, 2021 bulletin, the financial report from June 27 was not available.

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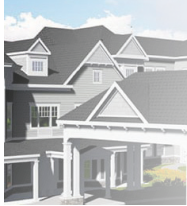
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