

October 31, 2021 – Commemorating All Saints and All Souls

MASSES AND CONFESSIONS AT ST. GERTRUDE

Monday, No	vember 1, All Saints (S) –
Not a holy	day of obligation this year
7:00 a.m.	Patty Junker/Don & Nancy Beimesche
8:00 a.m.	†John Caffaro/Janet Buchert
11:30 a.m.	†Deceased Members of the Dominican Order
Tuesday, No	vember 2,
The Commer	noration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)
7:00 a.m.	All the Faithful Departed
8:00 a.m.	All the Faithful Departed
11:30 a.m.	All the Faithful Departed
7:00 p.m.	All the Faithful Departed
Wednesday,	November 3, St. Martin de Porres, O.P. (F)
7:00 a.m.	†Jane Thole/Lou Thole
8:00 a.m.	†Patricia Everson/Mary Lee Simmons
11:30 a.m.	†Gerald DeBrunner/Nancy DeBrunner
Thursday, No	ovember 4, St. Charles Borromeo (M)
7:00 a.m.	†James P. Frank/Thomas D. Murphy
8:00 a.m.	Sara Ringenbach/Laura Ringenbach
11:30 a.m.	†Tim Petric/Sal & Teri Forlini
Friday, Nove	mber 5, Weekday
7:00 a.m.	†Kathleen Schirmer/Nancy & Scott Wallace
8:00 a.m.	†Pat Higgins/Joan Kunkel
11:30 a.m.	†Rosemary Baele/Jane Wright
Saturday, No	ovember 6, Weekday
8:00 a.m.	†Joseph & Marjorie Schirmer/The Schirmer Family
11:30 a.m.	†Margaretha Thung/Novilia Suhendra
November 6	-7, 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday	
4:30 p.m.	†Bob Siebert/The Siebert Family
Sunday	

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Sunday	
8:00 a.m.	People of St. Gertrude
10:00 a.m.	†Ann Wolf/Ron & Pegge Schuermann
12:00 p.m.	†Holy Souls in Purgatory/Thien Cao
6:00 p.m.	†Salvatore Rose/The Naumann Family

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

Parish Office Info

6543 Miami Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45243 (513) 561-5954 | www.stgertrude.org Parish Office Hours Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. School Office Hours Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m. Church Hours Every day: 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

COVER IMAGE: Adoration of the Holy Trinity, Dürer (1471-1528)

ALL SOULS' DAY MASS

Tuesday, November 2 | 7:00 p.m. St. Gertrude Church

Please join us as we celebrate a solemn Mass for all the faithful departed, the souls in purgatory, and particularly those from our parish who have been buried this year.

This special Mass will be in Latin, and a detailed worship program will be available. In addition, we will all be facing God *(ad orientem)*, which symbolically proclaims our place in the great procession that culminates in our entrance to the kingdom of heaven.



Increasing Adoration Hours

The Mother of Mercy Adoration Chapel is currently open daily from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Volunteers are still needed during many of these hours. Nevertheless, we are taking an incremental approach to restore perpetual eucharistic adoration, starting with Wednesday and Saturday nights.

We would like to begin with November 3 and 6, but we can only do so if we have two adorers scheduled for every hour through the night.

Please consider using one hour of the time God gives you to spend time with the Lord Jesus in his eucharistic presence.



Sign up at <u>stgertrude.org/adoration</u>, or call or stop in the parish office.



The following <u>article</u> by Father Earl Fernandes appeared in the September 2021 edition of <u>The Catholic Telegraph</u> <u>Magazine</u>. It is the third article in his three-part series on Beacons of Light. (The first article was reprinted in our <u>September 12 bulletin</u>, and the second article was reprinted in <u>last weekend's bulletin</u>.) Father Earl offers a unique perspective on the Families of Parishes, and I thought it was worth sharing.

Fr. George, O.P.

FAMILIES OF PARISHES: JOURNEYING TOGETHER

In the first two articles of this series, we explored the foundations for Beacons of Light. The first described the Church as the Family of God, and the second shared characteristics of an evangelizing community. Each Family of Parishes formed through the Beacons of Light process is called to make known the joy of the Gospel. The experience of being a Family of Parishes will bring both challenges and blessings. In this article, I will describe Beacons of Light as a journey rooted in our belief in the Triune God.

Growing up, most of us took a family vacation, a journey, with hope for renewal. Those adventures were filled with many joys and likely a few mishaps. The Greek word *synodos* means "to be on the journey together" as in a caravan or religious pilgrimage (Lk. 2:41-44). As the Archdiocese of Cincinnati journeys into the future, we do so together.

A Pilgrim Church

We are a "pilgrim Church," journeying toward the heavenly Jerusalem. Significantly, in Lumen Gentium (LG, 9-17), the Dogmatic Constitution on the Church, the Second Vatican Council addresses the "People of God" before addressing the hierarchy. Prior to this document, a pyramidal view of the Church, with the bishops and priests on top and the laity on the bottom, dominated. With the document's promulgation all the baptized, with their distinctive roles, could understand their vocations as a service to the Church. **Synodality**

Synodality is a way of living the faith in a permanent way at every level: in the parish, in the family and at the peripheries. All Church members, not just the clergy or experts, are to be engaged in this way of living. Synodality describes the journeying together of the People of God toward the New and Eternal Jerusalem.

Pope Francis calls us to be a synodal Church, a Church that walks together. He spoke of this at the 50th Anniversary of the Institution of the Synod of Bishops in 2015, stating that it is "precisely this path of synodality which God expects of the Church of the third millennium." He echoed Pope Benedict XVI in saying that synodality is a "constitutive element of the Church" and described it as "nothing other than the 'journeying together' of God's flock along the paths of history towards the encounter with Christ the Lord."

A synodal Church is one that listens and "which realizes that listening is more than simply hearing." This involves listening not only to one another, but also to the Holy Spirit to know what "he says to the churches" (Rev. 2:7). Listening affirms each person's dignity and expresses respect for the voices, legitimate desires, problems and sufferings of the People of God.

The process of listening begins with the People of God, who, by virtue of their baptism, share in the prophetic office of Christ. Priests and bishops, attentive to the voice of the flock, listen to God to act rightly and give credible witness to the apostolic faith. The process converges to a point of unity in faith, facilitating an encounter with the Lord in truth.

Theological Basis

What are the theological foundations for understanding the Church as a Family of God that journeys together? That is, if parishes will be grouped together into "Families of Parishes" in order to discern a future together that best serves evangelization, on what theological basis might this be done?

We begin almost every prayer with the sign of the cross, invoking the Trinity. While we will delve deeper into the theological foundations of Beacons of Light in upcoming months, our belief in the Trinity is a good starting point. There is a clear Trinitarian imprint on the understanding of the Church in the documents of Vatican II, which describe the Church as "a people made one with the unity of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit" (LG, 2-4). One speaks of a "Trinitarian synodality" ad intra, referring to the dynamic relationship of the Persons of the Trinity as a communion of love, and a "Trinitarian synodality" ad extra, in which the persons of the Godhead "journey together" toward all of creation, the Church and humanity in history. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit are the model for all forms of synodal living and, therefore, of a model of living as the Church.

The Scriptures allude to this in the Divine "We" in the story of creation (Gen. 1:26), in the visit of the three guests to Abraham (Gen. 18:1-5) and in the journey of God toward His people through the covenants of the Old Testament, culminating in the Messiah, who offers salvation to Jews and Gentiles alike. The New Testament, especially the Annunciation (Lk. 1:26-38), recounts the Incarnation as a Trinitarian action – a journeying together: the Father sends the Holy Spirit to overshadow the Virgin so the Eternal Word of the Father might become incarnate. In the Trinity, there is communion and reciprocity among the Persons and an outpouring of love toward humanity.

The Father, Son and Holy Spirit journey together in harmony. The Triune God journeys together toward all of humanity. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit journey with us as we discern the way forward for our archdiocese. In turn, we, as Families of Parishes, must journey together, open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and guided by the living Word (cf. Ps. 119:105).

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FROM THE DIARY OF ST. MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA



There will come a time when this work, which God is demanding so very much, will be as though utterly undone. And then God will act with great power, which will give evidence of its authenticity. It will be a new splendor for the Church... That God is infinitely merciful, no one can deny. He desires everyone to know

this before He comes again as Judge. He wants souls to come to know Him first as King of mercy... God has promised a great grace especially to you and to all those who will proclaim My great mercy, **"I shall protect them Myself at the hour of death, as My own glory. And even if the sins of souls were as dark as night, when the sinner turns to My mercy, he gives Me the greatest praise and is the glory of My Passion. When a soul extols My goodness, Satan trembles before it and flees to the very bottom of hell." (***Diary, #378***)**

DATES TO REMEMBER

- No School Friday, November 5, 2021
- Fall Open House Wednesday, November 10, 2021 (see ad below)

DADDY/DAUGHTER DANCE

Here are some fun pictures from our Daddy/Daughter Dance, which took place on Saturday, October 23, in our school gym.



SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

School office hours for the week of November 1 are 7:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m., Monday through Friday.

WE'RE HIRING!

Do you want a fulfilling career in a supportive environment? St. Gertrude School is currently hiring two full-time positions:

- Junior High History Teacher
- School Receptionist



View the job descriptions and apply at stgertrude.org/employment.

Where students gather in faith, are guided in truth, and grow in excellence.



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FALL OPEN HOUSE

November 10 11 a.m.-1 p.m 7-8 p.m.

Please RSVP at stgertrudesch.org

> For over 85 years, St. Gertrude School has been led by the Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia.

L'ALTO: HIGH SCHOOL

FALL RETREAT



CONTACT Walter Plummer Director of Youth Formation wplummer@stgertrude.org (513) 561-8369



Step Back. Reconnect. Be Recreated.

WHEN: Friday, November 19, 7:00 p.m. – Sunday, November 21, 1:00 p.m.

WHERE: Woodland Lakes Christian Camp & Retreat Center 3051 Lindale Mt. Holly Road, Amelia, OH 45102

> The retreat is \$90/person. We will celebrate Mass at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday. Parents, please drop off and pick up your teen at Woodland Lakes.

Visit my.stertrude.org/s/events to register!



Advent Wreath Making

Join us as we celebrate Advent with this fun parish activity! You'll find fellowship, fun, refreshments, and activities for the children. We provide all the materials, just don't forget to bring your pruners and a tray to transport your wreath home.

> SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28 1:00-3:30 P.M. ST. GERTRUDE SCHOOL CAFETERIA \$25/WREATH KIT

Register at my.stgertrude.org/s/event-list by November 22!

For more details, contact Kristen Eggers at kristen@stgertrude.org or (513) 561-5954, ext. 2109

ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH



CATHOLIC MEN'S ADVENT RETREAT -DECEMBER 3-4

The annual Catholic Men's Advent Retreat, sponsored by the St. Gertrude Catholic Men's Fellowship, will be Friday evening, December 3, until 4:00

p.m. on Saturday, December 4, at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center (5440 Moeller Avenue, Cincinnati, OH 45212). Father Peter John Cameron, O.P., who served as a parochial vicar at St. Gertrude in 1992-1993, will be the retreat master. Themed "Revealing Man to Himself," the retreat will focus on how being human is both a mystery

and a challenge and will show how Jesus Christ, "the new Adam fully reveals man to himself." Space is available on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information and to register, please visit catholicmensretreat.org.



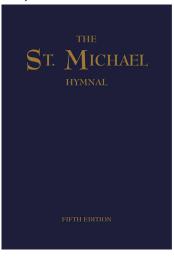
ST. GERTRUDE NOVENA

Our annual novena to St. Gertrude the Great, patroness of our parish and the holy souls in purgatory, will begin on November 8 and conclude with the feast of St. Gertrude on November 16. You should have received a letter in the mail with more information and inviting you to participate in and submit prayer requests for this powerful nine-day period of prayer. We hope you will join in this beautiful communal event.

NEW HYMNAL FOR OUR PARISH

The First Sunday of Advent will not only welcome the beginning of a new liturgical year but also bring the arrival of the hardcover St. Michael Hymnal, Fifth Edition, to our parish. Providing the highest quality of liturgical choices, this significant addition and enhancement to our liturgical worship presents a beautiful opportunity for parishioners and friends to purchase a St. Michael Hymnal and donate it to the

church in memory of a deceased loved one, in gratitude, or as a gift. Each hymnal that is donated will include a personalized bookplate. For more information, please see the <u>St. Michael Hymnal Donor</u> <u>Bookplate Purchase Form insert.</u> Members of the choir will be in the back of church after all Masses next weekend and November 6-7 with a few copies of the St. Michael Hymnal for you to page through, samples of the bookplate, and donor bookplate purchase forms.



FEAST OF ST. GERTRUDE CELEBRATION

Join us on Saturday, November 20, 2021, as we celebrate St. Gertrude's feast day!

Festivities include:

- 4:30 p.m. Mass
- Torchlight procession
- Veneration of St.
- Gertrude's relics
- Party in the parish center with music from the Chardon Polka Band, sandwiches from Servatii's, and beer from Cartridge Brewing

LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

THE SICK:

Tim Brinkman, Bettie Caudill, Ann Cerone, Kylee Dawson, Triset Defonseka, Clyde Dorn, 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, Aiko Kimura, Ed Kinney, Marianne Klekamp. Janice Koncius, Kevin Lewis, Kim McClung, Sandra Munyon, Elaine O'Connell, Gerry Patterson, Ellen Schaengold, Patricia Scherer, Pegge Schuermann, Richard Seifert, Teddie Slaper, Jack Spilker, Jim Spurgin, Patricia Strauss, Judy Sullivan, Mary Saul, Mary Valker, Bill Van Hise, and Brigitte Vielhauer

ST. GERTRUDE

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 Murdock, Jr., John Oscar, Sarah Ries, Kolbe Roberts, Dan Roseman, Andrew Shannon, and Ian Tester

THE RECENTLY DECEASED

Walter Eugene Cameron – husband of RoseMarie

CATHOLIC COFFEE & PUB NIGHT

The Angelico Project invites you to its new event series, beginning Thursday, November 4, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Fra Angelico Studio at the Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center. Enjoy an evening of Catholic culture and community as you sip on beer, wine, or coffee; munch on snacks; and watch a painting demo with local artist Alison Shepard entitled "Painting – An Artist's Process." Admission is free. For more information, please contact mteller@angelicoproject.org or visit our Facebook page. (Please enter from the Moeller Avenue side of the building.)



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Fall is a beautiful season full of color and crisp fresh air. A Marriage Encounter Weekend is like autumn because it's

full of fresh air, new beginnings, and a time to rejoice in the beauty of your marriage and family—and enjoy time away. **The next Marriage Encounter Weekend is November 5-7, 2021,** at Maria Stein Renewal Center in Maria Stein, OH. To register, visit https://esharing.org/applyWeekend.php. For more details, contact Andy and Melanie Reinersman at (859) 653-8464, or visit esharing.org.

WOMEN'S RETREAT - NOVEMBER 6, 2021

Take a break from the world and spend the day focused on God! Retreat leader Father Nathan Cromly will lead you in prayer, talks, adoration, and Mass. Confession times will be available. To register, visit bit.ly/FrNathanWomensRetreat11621.

Where: Our Lady of Light Ministries (5418 Mueller Avenue Cincinnati, OH 45212, next to Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood)

When: 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. (doors open at 8:00 a.m., vigil Mass at 4:30 p.m.)

Cost: \$60, includes continental breakfast, lunch, and snacks

SUPPORT OUR VETERANS

After all Masses next weekend, November 6 and 7, the Knights of Columbus will be collecting items for Veterans served by VA facilities in the area. Needed items include:

- Toothpaste/toothbrushes Deodorant
- Lotion

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- Shampoo/conditioner •
- Dental floss
- Paper towelsSmall notepads
 - Ink pens
 - Canned fruits, vegetables, or meats
- Laundry products

Feminine products

- Gift cards for grocery store or fuel
- (detergent and cling free sheets) These items go directly to the Veterans and are greatly appreciated! Monetary donations are also accepted. Let's help our area Veterans and show our support for all they have done for this country!

LADIES OF CHARITY THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

The Ladies of Charity will be holding their annual Thanksgiving Food Drive the weekend of November 13-14. Handouts listing the needed items will be available after all Masses next weekend, November 6-7, but you can also view the list at stgertrude.org/news/ locThankgiving2021. Your donations will help someone in need have a wonderful Thanksgiving. If you cannot bring an item, cash and check donations are also appreciated and may be dropped off at or mailed to the parish office. (Please make checks payable to Ladies of Charity.) If you have any questions, please call Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085. Thank you!

SOLEMN VESPERS & CHORAL CONCERT

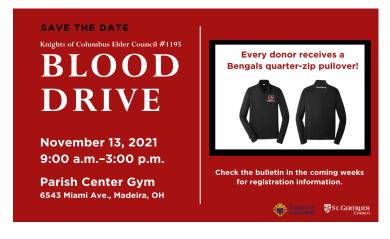
You're invited to Mount St. Mary's Seminary and School of Theology on Sunday, November 7, at 7:00 p.m. to hear Mount St. Mary's Latin Schola and the Athenaeum Chorale sing Solemn Vespers in the Chapel of St. Gregory the Great. Following Vespers, the Athenaeum Chorale and the Latin Schola will present Gregorian chants of the Requiem Mass, along with a polyphonic setting of the Mass Ordinary by Ludovico Viadana. There is no cost to attend this evening of sung prayer and the performance of a great work of the sacred music repertoire.

SACRED HEART CONGRESS

You're invited to the 10th Annual Sacred Heart Congress on November 6, 2021, at St. Paul the Apostle Church in Westerville, OH (313 N.



State Street) from 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. the day of the event, or you can register online at WelcomeHisHeart. com. If you are unable to attend in person, a livestream will be available on the site as well. Cost is \$10 for individuals and \$20 for families. The congress features Mass with Bishop Robert Brennan and incredible presenters, including Father Peter John Cameron, O.P., who served as a parochial vicar at St. Gertrude from 1992-1993.



Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time | October 31, 2021

ASK A PRIEST



ASK A PRIEST— CONTINUING THE LATIN MASS AT ST. GERTRUDE, PART 2

FATHER JOHN MARK SOLITARIO, O.P. Q: In a response about continuing the Latin Mass, you explained that St. Gertrude would not be celebrating the Dominican

Rite in the foreseeable future. But you also promised a plan that would help us pray the Vatican II *Novus Ordo* Mass in a more traditional manner. Are we going to start soon?

A: Yes! Plans are in the works for a series of Masses in which we highlight the *continuity* of our tradition within the Roman Rite. We hope to show that the new order of the Mass that has followed Vatican II does not have to feel like a complete break with the Dominican Rite and/or the Tridentine Mass. The first of our special Masses will be on All Souls' Day, this Tuesday, November 2, at 7:00 p.m. Given the eternity-focused nature of prayers on behalf of the dead, it seemed appropriate to delve into our liturgical treasury on this day.

At this Mass, we will exercise various options which, although they widely fell out of practice in the years following Vatican II, remain legitimate options for Roman Catholic worship. In my opinion, exercising these options can lead to a celebration of the Mass that is more in line with both our tradition *and* the reforms which the Vatican Council envisioned. Some of these selections include use of the Latin language (except for the readings), plainchant and sacred polyphony from our classical Catholic repertoire, and the common *ad orientem* position for the priest and people during the Liturgy of the Eucharist. (*Ad orientem* literally means "facing East." The ancient Christian practice of priest and people facing a common direction during the Eucharistic Prayer represents the fact that we are a pilgrim Church journeying together to meet the Lord when he comes, whether at the Second Coming or sacramentally at each Eucharist we celebrate.)

We don't expect everyone who comes on November 2 to be familiar with an (almost) all-Latin Mass. Nor should you already be an expert in Gregorian Chant. And perhaps you've rarely or never faced the same way as the priest during the most sacred part of our liturgy. Yet, if approached with a learning heart, I assure that this will teach you how to pray better *at every Mass you attend*. This is the real meaning of active participation!

On November 2, we will provide worship aids with English translations. Perhaps the use of chant, a sacred language, and ancient prayer-posture will remind us to pray for the many generations who, although they spoke different languages and lived in different times than we do now, lovingly handed down to us the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic faith—and hope to meet us one day in heaven.

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



THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, November 1	Tuesday, November 2	Wednesday, November 3	Thursday, November 4	Friday, November 5	Saturday, November 6	Sunday, November 7
Become Catholic (RCIA) 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Seasons of Hope 10:00 a.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.	Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Cana Family 9:30 a.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	L'alto: Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Gym	Becoming Catholic Retreat 9:00 a.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	LofC Thanksgiving Food Drive Sign-ups After 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. Masses Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby
	Children's Choir 3:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby	Peer Ministry Team Meeting 7:00 p.m. School Cafeteria	Lvl 1 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 11:15 a.m. Atrium I		Genesis to Jesus 9:00 a.m. School Cafeteria	Rosary Sales After 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. Masses Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby
	Lvl 1 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd <i>3:30 p.m.</i> Atrium I	Benediction 8:50 p.m. Church	Regina Veritatis Team Meeting 6:30 p.m. Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.		KofC VA Collection After 4:30 p.m. Mass Breezeway	KofC VA Collection After all Masses Breezeway
	Lvl 2 Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 5:00 p.m. Atrium II		KofC Business Meeting 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Hall		LofC Thanksgiving Food Drive Sign-ups After 4:30 p.m. Mass Parish Center St. Joseph Mtg. Rm.	Little Flower Library Open 9:00-11:30 a.m.
	Boy Scouts 6:00 p.m. School Cafeteria		Revitalize – Fall Series 7:00 p.m. Parish Center St. Dominic Lobby			Family Faith 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. School Cafeteria
						Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. Atrium I & II
						Baptisms 1:15 p.m. Church
	For guidelines	about meetings on ca please visit stgertre	mpus and scheduling ude.org/covid19.	information,		L'alto: High School 7:00 p.m. Parish Center
OFFERING						
Week	St. Gertrude ParishBULLETIN DEADLINEWeekly Collection and Budget ReportCollection for October 24					

Weekly Budget	\$	35,294
Collection	\$	29,167
Weekly Deficit	\$	(6,127)
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2nd Collection: \$6,077 World Mission Sunday

Fiscal Year-To-Date

(for year ending June 30, 2022)			
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$	599,998	
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$	563,786	
Fiscal YTD Deficit	\$	(36,212)	



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Circle of Prayer - Barbara Rose	prayercir	clesg@gmail.com
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