

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUST 13, 2006 - PENTECOST X - SS HIPPOLYTUS & COMPS., MM - ST JOHN BERCHMANS, C - OL REFUGE OF SINNERS

Today is the Second Sunday of the Month. **Childrens' Confessions** will be heard at 10:30 AM. **Vespers and Benediction** are at 4:45 PM. Following the 5:45 PM Mass at approximately 7:00 PM, members of the Rosary Confraternity, and all parishioners, are asked to meet in the parking lot of the First Watch Restaurant at the corner of Union Center Blvd. and Floer Dr. The address is 9233 Floer Dr. Floer Drive runs parallel with Muhlhauser Road. You may enter Floer Drive from either Union Center Blvd. or Muhlhauser Road. How greatly we should pray for peace to avert the World War III, already scheduled by the conspiracy! Your prayers count! Come and pray.

✠ FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Tuesday is the beautiful summer feast of Our Blessed Mother, the Assumption. It is a **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**. It is traditional to bless first fruits (herbs and produce) and flowers for this lovely feast, as she is the First Fruit of God's harvest of souls. **Masses** are at 6:30 AM, 9:00 AM and 5:45 PM. Please plan to bring a basket to be blessed at the 9:00 AM High Mass. We would be grateful for garden flowers to use in decorating Our Lady's tomb and for the children's procession.

Bring your children, too, for the privilege of representing the angels in our little procession *before* the 9:00 AM Mass. After Mass there is a complimentary breakfast for all the children who take part in the procession. Our "**Childrens' Day**" continues with special activities, and the day concludes at approximately 12:30-12:45 PM. We invite and encourage you to stay for Vespers and Benediction, beginning at 1:00 PM.

✠ NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday is the Third Sunday of the Month. The **Blessing of Expectant Mothers** is available after all Masses.



Set your missal: **August 20th. Pentecost XI** with the commemoration of St. Bernard, AbCD. **PREFACE:** Trinity.

✠ HOLY HELPER VOLUNTEERS

Saturday, August 19th: Katie Bischak, Briggs Family.

"By the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, of the blessed apostles Peter and Paul, and by our own authority, we pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory."

—Pope Pius XII: *Munificentissimus Deus*. (Nov. 1, 1954)

✠ SUNDAY ENVELOPES

Don't let your Sunday envelopes take a vacation! If you go away, please don't forget your obligation to contribute to the support of your Church! You may mail us your envelopes or include them with your next Sunday collection. Thank you so much!

✠ SUMMER MODESTY

Summer has been on us with a vengeance since mid-July. But, please remember, in spite of the weather there can be no compromise of Catholic modesty. Dresses that are sleeveless, tight, sheer or do not reach below the knee are unbecoming at Divine worship. As you know, the church is kept quite cool so that you can dress properly.

Modesty and decorum are for men and boys as well. Do not wear jeans to church. Wear a suit, trousers, jacket and tie! Men, give the example of respect!

✠ Servers

AUGUST 20, 2006

7:30 AM Kent Maki, John Wiesman, Joe Andreotta, Tom Kamphaus
9:00 AM Jim Gebel, Richard Smith, Dale Wilker, Jim Kolenich
11:30 AM Bob Uhlenbrock, Kirby Bischel, Dennis Hille, John French
5:45 PM John Seyfried

✠ Servers

AUGUST 14, - AUGUST 20, 2006

*TUE 8/15 6:30 AM LOW: T. Simpson
9:00 AM HIGH: All Servers Welcome! Roles will be assigned.
5:45 PM LOW: M. Briggs, G. Keaveney
*WED 8/16 6:30 AM LOW: C. & T. Simpson
*FRI 8/18 5:45 PM HIGH: Briggs, Bayer, Ritze, Keaveney
*SAT 8/19 7:30 AM LOW: C. & T. Simpson
9:00 AM HIGH: Keaveney, Briggs
*SUN 8/20 7:30 AM LOW: D. & S. Brueggemann
9:00 AM HIGH: MG: P. Lotarski; AC: C. Poepelman, R. Hill; TH: D. Poepelman; TORCH: G. Wnek, D. Poepelman, B. Lotarski, T. Simpson
11:30 AM LOW: A.D. Kinnert, Miller
1:10 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
5:45 PM LOW: C. Ritze

Collection Report

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, 2006 \$4812.00
SECOND COLLECTION \$ 825.50

*Thank you for your generosity!
Remember St. Gertrude's in your will!*

✠ POETRY CORNER

THE ASSUMPTION

BY M. CHRISTINE KOTTE

Let men break past his bonds of flesh and bone

When praising her in whom the Spirit stirred
To form a tabernacle for the Word

And pose her heel to lay the serpent prone.
Man's praise is like the clash of stone on stone,

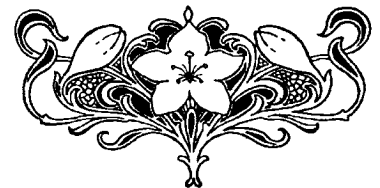
For once in secret solitude she heard
Angelic antiphons; and spheres have whirred

In rhythmic melody around her throne.

While as the morning mist, lambent as noon,
Flesh incorruptible, soul without scars,

Resplendent Woman,
down whose path are strewn
Rose chaplets, banners of triumphant wars,
Clothed with the sun and at her feet the moon

And on her head a diadem of stars!



THE NEWER VAINGLORY

Two men went up to pray; and one gave thanks,
Not with himself aloud,
With proclamation, calling on the ranks
Of an attentive crowd.

"Thank God, I clap not my own humble breast,
But other ruffians' backs,
Imputing crime—such is my tolerant haste—
To any man that lacks.

"For I am tolerant, generous, keep no rules,
And the age honors me.
Thank God, I am not as these rigid fools,
Even as this Pharisee."

—BOOK OF VERSE (a Compilation)

TWO WENT UP INTO THE TEMPLE TO PRAY

Two went to pray? o rather say
One went to brag, th'other to pray:
One stands up close and treads on high,
Where th'other dares not send his eye.

One nearer to God's Altar trod,
The other to the Altars God.

—R. CRASHAW

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT'D.)

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



A CATECHISM OF THE CHANGES

By Most Rev. Donald J. Sanborn

(This week we continue with Bishop Sanborn's question and answer explanations of Vatican II, the Pope and the SSPX.)

37. Q. Are you not aware that many traditional priests, who themselves are not *una cum*, think that it is all right to attend these Masses?

A. Yes, I am aware of this fact, but the only reasons I have heard them give is either (1) that the people have no other place to go; (2) that the priest means well; (3) that the people do not know that the Mass is *una cum*. But obviously none of these reasons really addresses the issue. I have never heard them give a reason why the *una cum* Mass would not be displeasing to God.

But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach a gospel to you besides that which we have preached to you, let him be anathema. (Galatians 1:8).

Whosoever revolteth, and continueth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that continueth in the doctrine, the same hath the Father and the Son. If any man come to you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into the house, nor say to him, God speed you. For he that saith unto him, God speed you, communicateth with his wicked words. (II John: 1: 9-11)



MARY'S GLORIOUS ENTRANCE INTO HEAVEN

A joy greater than human heart can conceive fills the heavenly spirits when a soul enters heaven to receive her reward. What jubilant transports, then, must those have been with which they hailed the entrance into heavenly bliss of the most pure and holy Virgin, the Mother of the Son of God, body and soul, transfigured in glory! Who can describe the affecting meeting of the divine Son coming to welcome His Mother. What a superabundant reward for affliction and suffering! What an ocean of joy and bliss when the Son of God presented His Mother before the throne of His heavenly Father, who greeted her as His beloved Daughter! What a joy to behold the Holy Ghost, whose pure Spouse she had been even on earth! These transports of bliss baffle all attempts at description.

Though we are unable to have an adequate perception of Mary's glory in heaven; we can rejoice at the glory of our blessed Mother, and join the heavenly spirits and the saints in paying homage to her. Let us resolve never to forget that Mary attained to the largest share of her divine Son's glory because she was foremost in sharing His sufferings. Let this encourage us to bear our cross, to bear it with our Savior even to the height of Calvary, there to die with Him.

Glorious Virgin and Mother of God, Mary! I beseech thee through the preparation which with which thou was glorified by God—by the Father has His most beloved Daughter, by the Son of His immaculate Mother, and by the Holy Ghost as His most pure Spouse—in heaven; obtain for me the grace to share to some extent this thy glory, and therefore to live so that I may deserve it.

—Mary Help of Christians

"Divine love so penetrated and filled the soul of Mary that no part of her was left untouched, so that she loved with her whole heart, with her whole soul, and her whole strength, and was full of grace."

—ST. BERNARD OF CLAIRVAUX

"Suddenly my soul was uplifted to behold and contemplate the Blessed Virgin Mary in Glory; and beholding a woman placed in such nobility, glory, and dignity as was she, I was filled with marvelous delight, and the sight did produce in me most immense joyfulness. The glorious Virgin was praying for the human race."

—BLESSED ANGELA OF FOLIGNO

On November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII defined the dogma of the Assumption. Thus he solemnly proclaimed that the belief whereby the Blessed Virgin Mary, at the close of her earthly career, was taken up, body and soul, into the glory of heaven, really forms part of the deposit of faith, received from the Apostles. "Blessed among women" by reason of her divine maternity, our Lady, the Immaculate Virgin, who from the moment of her conception was privileged to escape original sin, could not know the corruption of the tomb. To avoid all that is uncertain the Pope did not state either the manner or the circumstances of time and place in which the Assumption took place: only the fact of the Assumption of Mary, body and soul, into the glory of heaven, is the matter of the definition.

—ST. ANDREW DAILY MISSAL

MARIA

WOULDST TWINE A WREATH FOR MARY?

Wouldst twine a wreath for Mary
Of flowers that never die?
Of fragrant blossoms wafting
Pure incense to the sky?
Say thou, with deep devotion,
In joy, in grief, in care,
The angels' heaven-born Ave!
The saint's and sinner's prayer.

And lay thy lowly tribute
Before her throne—nor fear;
The beautiful Queen of Angels
Thy whispered words will hear;
And sweeter than the music
Of earth, her voice shall be,
Imploring love and mercy
From Jesus' Heart for Thee!

OUR GOAL

100%

75%

50%

25%



AUGUST RECTORY FUND UPDATE

August Monthly goal	\$5000.00
Received to date	\$2355.00
Percent of goal received	48.00%
Possible contributors	200
Contributors to date	55
Percent contributing	28.00%

Your support is needed and appreciated!

✠ THE CALENDAR

✠ BISHOP'S CORNER



MON	08/14/06	VIGIL OF THE ASSUMPTION - ST EUSEBIUS, C 11:30 AM Low Mass <i>Benefactors of St. Gertrude School</i>
TUES	08/15/06	ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION 6:15 AM Confessions 6:30 AM Low Mass <i>In Honor of Our Lady of Good Success for My Intentions (Frances R. Mattingly)</i> 8:30 AM Confessions 9:00 AM Blessing of First Fruits & Flowers, Procession & High Mass † <i>Kyle R. Ormrod - 2nd Anniversary (Anne M. Lotarski)</i> followed by Childrens' Breakfast & Activity (will last until about 12:50) 1:00 PM (Approx.) Vespers & Benediction 5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary 5:30 PM Thirteen Tuesdays of St. Anthony - IX 5:45 PM Low Mass <i>In Honor of Our Lady's Assumption (Wanke Family)</i>
WED	08/16/06	ST JOACHIM, FATHER OF OUR LADY - St Roch, C 11:30 AM High Mass † <i>Virgil McCormick</i>
THUR	08/17/06	ST HYACINTH, C - OCTAVE OF ST LAWRENCE 11:30 AM High Mass <i>Holy Souls in Thanks & For Our Intentions (MIM C. Bellavia)</i>
FRI	08/18/06	WITHIN THE OCTAVE - ST AGAPITUS, PM - St Helena, Empress, W 5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary 5:45 PM High Mass, Novena, Benediction, Confessions <i>Barbara Schmelzer (MIM Charles Briggs)</i>
SAT	08/19/06	ST JOHN EUDES, C 7:15 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass <i>Special Intention "C" (James Kolenich)</i> 8:45 AM Confessions 9:00 AM High Mass, Confessions <i>C. J. Mountford (Barb Steinmetz)</i> 4:30 PM Confessions
SUN	08/20/06	PENTECOST XI - ST BERNARD, ABCD 7:30 AM Low Mass <i>Special Intention (Kathy Schweitzer)</i> 9:00 AM High Mass <i>Barb Schmelzer (Mike Briggs Family)</i> 11:30 AM Low Mass <i>Poor Souls in Union With the Intentions of the Bohman Family (Keith Bohman)</i> 5:45 PM Low Mass <i>For the People of St. Gertrude's</i>

Last Sunday's seven hours of solemn adoration seemed to pass very quickly, but I know it was a Midsummer grace for many to be able to ascend Thabor, see Our Lord, and adore. "It is good for us to be here."

I hope you will feel the same way about sanctifying your Sunday evening today by publicly processing and praying for peace. Our Lady's Peace Plan is so easy. It does not require negotiating with Moslems, Jews, or One Worlders. It calls only for sweet surrender to Almighty God on His terms—a true devotion to Mary's Immaculate Heart. How great is our need, and how late is the hour! The hour of the Rosary is not late, but quite timely—7:00 PM.

I am still hearing heartwarming stories about our Summer Camp, and receiving compliments on how well it was run. It has turned out to be an excellent experience not only for our children, but for the whole parish.

We hope to recapture a bit of its spirit Tuesday as we observe our customary Childrens' Day for the Assumption. The children represent the angels for the Procession honoring Our Lady, and afterwards, we host them for a breakfast and some enjoyable activities, which should conclude about 12:30 - 12:45 PM. You are welcome to stay for the Vespers and Benediction at 1:00 PM.

In any case, remember the Holy Day, Holy Mass and the Holy Mother of God.

Thank you for your prayers for a fruitful Parish Mission in Cocoyoc, Morellos, Mexico. Fathers Siordia and Saavedra report all went very well, with a full church for the sermons and many confessions.

More and more boys—even Protestants and Mormons—came each day for the Childrens' Mission, attracted by the "futbol" (soccer) but stayed for Rosary and Mass.

This was a good first experience for the Fathers and most of the faithful. Pray for lasting fruit for the apostolate.

May God bless all who help us so! Mary Help of Christians, pray for us.

I send a blessing,

—Bishop Dolan

✠ THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

O Immaculate Virgin, Mother of God and Mother of men, we believe with all the fervor of our faith in thy triumphal Assumption, both in body and soul, into heaven, where thou art acclaimed as Queen by all the choirs of Angels and all the legions of the saints. And we unite with them to praise and bless the Lord who has exalted thee above all other pure creatures, and to offer thee the tribute of our devotion and our love.

We trust that thy merciful eyes may deign to glance down upon our miseries and our sorrows, and upon our struggles and our weaknesses; that they countenance may smile upon our victories; that thou mayst hear the voice of Jesus saying to thee, of each one of us, as He once said to thee of His beloved disciple: 'Behold thy son.'

We are inspired by the certainty that thine eyes, which wept over the earth watered by the Blood of Jesus, are yet turned towards this world, held in the clutch of wars, persecutions, oppression of the just and the weak.

And from this earth, over which we tread as pilgrims, comforted by our faith in future resurrection, we look to thee, our life, our sweetness and our hope, draw us onward with the sweetness of thy voice, that one day, after our exile, thou mayst show us Jesus, the blessed Fruit of thy womb, O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

✠ A SUNDAY AFTERNOON'S LIGHT SPIRITUAL READING

The Vision

He said: write down the vision that you had,
and I wrote what I saw.

I saw the world kissing its own darkness.

It happened thus: I rose to meet the sunrise
and suddenly over the hill a horde appeared
dragging a huge tarpaulin.

They covered unwary land and hapless city
and all sweet water and fields.

And there was no sunrise.

I strained my eyes for a path and there was no
path.

I bumped into trees and the bushes hissed at me,
and the long-armed brambles cried in a strident
voice:

never through here!

But I struggled on, fumbling my beads of no.

I came to a dark city where nobody knew
that there was darkness.

And strange! though there was no light I still could
see

what I did not want to see:

people who moved to the loveless embrace of folly.
They ate her gourmet food; they drank her wine,
danced to her music that was crazed with rhythm,
were themselves discord though they knew it not,
or if they knew, cared less.

Outside the city wall I stood in thought,
parried a moment with a frightening urge
to court the darkness;

but I held back, fearing the face of love.

Crossing a field I wandered through a desert
when suddenly behind a rock I found
a little sagebrush where a fire was burning,
shining and dancing. After my first amazed
worship of silence I was loud with praise.

I watched with fear the darkness circling it,
lunging against it, swirling a black cloak
to suffocate the light,
until the shades broke loose and one by one
in terror fled.

The flame burned on, innocent, unimperiled.
There was no darkness that could put it out.

—JESSICA POWERS

PRAYER FOR OUR GOVERNMENT

Thou, Master, hast given the power
of sovereignty to men through Thy
excellent and inexpressible might, that
we may know the glory and honor given
to them by Thee, and be subject to
them, in agreement with Thy will. And
to them, Lord, grant health, peace,
concord, and firmness, that they may
administer the government which Thou
hast given them without offense.

For Thou, heavenly Master, King of
Eternity, hast given to the sons of
men glory and honor and power over
the things that are on the earth; do
Thou, O Lord, direct their counsels
according to that which is "good and
pleasing" before Thee, that they may
administer with piety in peace and
gentleness the power given to them by
Thee, and may find mercy in Thy eyes.

O Thou who alone art able to do
these things and far better things
for us, we praise Thee through Jesus
Christ, the High Priest and Guardian of
our souls, through whom be glory and
majesty to Thee, both now and for all
generations and forever and ever. Amen.

—Pope Clement



PRAYER FOR OUR FORCES

O God, we beseech Thee, watch over
those exposed to the dangers of a
soldier's, sailor's or airman's life. Give
them such strong faith that no human
respect may ever lead them to deny it or
fear to practice it. Fortify them by Thy
grace against the contagion of bad
example, that being preserved from vice
and serving Thee faithfully, they may be
ready to meet death if it should come to
them at sea, on land or in the air.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, inspire
them with sorrow for sin and
grant them pardon. Mary, Immaculate
Mother of God, and our own loving
Mother of Perpetual Help, be with
them in battle; and should they be
called on to make the supreme
sacrifice, obtain for them that they
may die in the grace of Thy Divine
Son. St. Joseph, pray for them. Their
Guardian angels, protect them. Amen.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Give peace, O Lord! in our days; for there
is none other that fighteth for us, but only
Thou, our God.

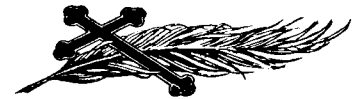
V. Let there be peace in Thy strength, O
Lord!

R. And plenty in Thy strong places.

Let us pray.

O God! from Whom proceed all holy
desires, all right counsels and just works;
grant unto us Thy servants that peace
which the world cannot give, that our
hearts may be devoted to Thy service, and
that being delivered from the fear of our
enemies, we may pass our time in peace
under Thy protection. Through Christ
our Lord. Amen.

Lamb of God who taketh away the
sins of the world, give peace to all the
world. Immaculate Queen of Peace, pray
for us.



PRAYERS IN TIME OF AFFLICTION, WARS, PESTILENCE, ETC.

O Jesus! Divine Redeemer! Be
merciful to us and to the whole world.
Amen.

O Powerful God! O Holy God! O
Immortal God! Have pity on us and all
that are in the world. Amen.

Pardon and Mercy, O My Jesus!
during these present dangers, pour on us
Thy Most Precious Blood. Amen.

O Eternal Father! Be merciful to us!
By the Blood of Jesus Christ, Thy Only
Son, be merciful to us, we beseech Thee.
Amen.

O God! Be appeased by the
supplications we address to Thee and,
through the intercession of the ever
Blessed Virgin Mary, the Glorious St.
Joseph and all the Saints, defend us from
all danger, through Jesus Christ, Our
Lord. Amen.

*"If you are in danger, she will hasten to free
you. If you are troubled, she will console you, If you
are sick, she will bring you relief. If you are in need, she
will help you. She does not look to see what kind of a
person you have been. She simply comes to a heart that
wants to love her."*

—ST. GABRIEL OF THE SORROWFUL VIRGIN