

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OCTOBER 8, 2006 - ROSARY SUNDAY
PENTECOST XVIII - ST. BRIDGET, W**
The Masses today are of the *Solemnity of the Most Holy Rosary* (October 7th) with the commemoration and Last Gospel of Pentecost XVIII.

The Rosary Confraternity will lead the outdoor procession after the 9:00 AM Mass. The Annual Rosary Confraternity Communion Breakfast follows the Mass and procession.

Rosaries will be blessed (with all indulgences) at all Masses.

Vespers are at 4:30 PM, with Exposition, October Devotions and Benediction following Vespers. Someone please attend.



IN YOUR CHARITY...

Elizabeth (Betty) Richter, a dear and long-time member of St. Gertrude the Great died this past week. Her wake will be this Tuesday morning in Helfta Hall at 10:30 AM. The Rosary will be at 11:15 AM followed by the Requiem High Mass at 11:30 AM.

Also please remember to pray for the repose of the soul of Mr. Thomas "Rocky" Teets, husband of Colleen and brother-in-law of Larry and Anne Brugger. Bishop Dolan performed his funeral yesterday in Urbana.

Remember to pray as well for Father Francis LeBlanc. Bishop Dolan sang the pontifical Requiem High Mass for him on Wednesday this past week in Phoenix.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Finally, in your charity please pray for all of our sick and shut-in, especially for the father of Linda Cambell. Who is seriously ill.



✠ OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

The October Devotions (Rosary, Litany and Prayer to St. Joseph) are recited every school day at 3:10 PM. By exception, due to No School this Monday, October Devotions are at 4:30 PM with Low Mass at 5:00 PM. Every Wednesday the Rosary is recited before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed at 3:00 PM, with Benediction and Holy Communion at

approximately 3:30 PM. Join our children in prayer! The Rosary is also recited before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed on Saturday at 8:10 AM with Benediction followed by Mass at 9:00 AM.

✠ OCTOBER FATIMA ROSARY PROCESSION
Friday, October 13th, the Rosary Confraternity is sponsoring the final, candlelight, Fatima Rosary Procession at approximately 7:15 PM, following the 5:45 PM Mass. We will meet in our usual location, at the First Watch Restaurant parking lot across from Rafferty's on Floer Road, which runs parallel with Muhlhauser Road. You may enter Floer Road from either Union Center Blvd. or Muhlhauser Rd. The darkness is closing in. Come to spread some light.

✠ NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday is the Third Sunday of the month. The **Blessing of Expectant Mothers** follows all Masses. Please come to the center of the Communion rail. Rosary and Benediction are at 5:15 (special time).

Set your missal: **October 15th, Pentecost XIX** with the commemoration St. Teresa, of Avila, V. **PREFACE: Trinity.**



✠ CONGRATULATIONS!

Our prayers and best wishes to Charles and Bev Simpson, whose daughter, Regina Marie Angelina was baptized Monday evening, and Larry and Deborah Eby, whose daughter Catherine Suzanne was baptized yesterday.

The Holy Virgin has brought us forth twice, in the Incarnation and at the foot of the Cross; she is then doubly our Mother.

—ST. JOHN VIANNY

✠ BIRTHS

7:30 AM John Wiseman, Kent Maki, Joe Androvich, Tom Kampmann
9:00 AM Jim Gebel, Richard Smith, Dale Wilker, Jim Kolenich
11:00 AM Bob Uhlensbrock, Kirby Bischof, Dennis Hill, John French
5:45 PM John Seyfried

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✠ SERVICES

*TUE 10/10 5:45 PM Low: G. Keavney
*WED 10/11 6:30 AM Low: C. & T. Simpson
*THU 10/13 5:00 PM Low: Briggs, Beyer, Rine, Keavney
*SAT 10/14 7:30 AM Low: C. & T. Simpson
9:00 AM High: Briggs & Keavney
*SUN 10/15 7:30 AM Low: D. & S. Baumgartner
9:00 AM High: MC: A. Lotarski, C & P if necessary; Lotarski; TH: J. Lotarski; AG: R. Hill, L. Schappacher; TORCH: T. Simpson, B. Lotarski, G. Wack, F. Pugliesi
11:30 AM Low: Corness Brothers
5:15 PM Exp, ROSARY, OCT DEV. & BENEDICTION: G. Miller
5:45 PM Low: G. Miller

✠ Collection Report

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 01, 2006 \$4645.83
SECOND COLLECTION \$ 816.00

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

✠ POETRY CORNER

MY BEADS

BY FR. ABRAM J. RYAN

Sweet, blessed beads! I would not part
With one of you for richest gem
That gleams in kingly diadem;
Ye know the history of my heart.

For I have told you every grief
In all the days of twenty years,
And I have moistened you with tears,
And in your decades found relief.

Ah! time has fled, and friends have failed
And joys have died; but in my needs
Ye were my friends, my blessed beads!
And ye consoled me when I wailed.

For many and many a time, in grief,
My weary fingers wandered round
Thy circled chain, and always found
In some Hail Mary sweet relief.

How many a story you might tell
Of inner life, to all unknown;
I trusted you and you alone,
But ah! ye keep my secrets well.

Ye are the only chain I wear—
A sign that I am but the slave,
In life, in death, beyond the grave,
Of Jesus and His Mother fair.



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

BY FRANCIS A. GAFFNEY, O.P.

Lepanto marks the spot of victory,
O'er crescent cruel and strong, by forces
weak,
Of hallowed cross; of which, "if sign you
seek,"

'Tis white-robed Pius Fifth the Rosary
Lifted like the rod of Moses, meek;
Whilst Ottomans on Christians wrath
would wreak

And, as of old, engulfed them in the sea.

O Lady of the Rosary, today
Thy clients all beseech thee, hear thy
prayer,
And beg the Christ who raging storms did
quell,

Bid warring nations cease their bloody
fray;

His power and thine honor, we declare,
O Thou All-Fair, thou Joy of Israel.

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT'D.)

§SGG BOYS ATHLETIC CLUB

When: Every Monday from 4:15 - 6:00 PM

Where: Sharon Woods Park Soccer Fields

Who: All boys - ages 8—90

Contact the Office to sign up: 513-645-4212.

§ADDITIONAL CONFESSIONS

School confessions will now be heard after school (approx. 3:30 PM) every Tuesday afternoon during the School Year. You are welcome as well. In addition, Confessions are heard at about 11:15 AM on Friday morning, and 10:45 AM on First Friday.

§HOLY HELPER VOLUNTEERS

Saturday, October 15th: Katie Bischak, Briggs Family.

§SEATING IN CHURCH

We truly have family Masses at both 9:00 and 11:30 AM on Sunday. Families with children who have been properly trained are bringing their children to the front of the church so they may easily see the altar and truly learn/see the beauty of the Mass. Whereas our parents with little ones sometimes sit in the back and the side chapel so they can get in and out easily as needed. May I ask you...

At Low Mass

We're reserving the back 2 or 3 pews for families with small children, who may have to come and go. Others are asked to be considerate and sit elsewhere.

At High Mass with Choir

It's terribly distracting to try to sing with parents and children going back and forth by the choir. So, for the 9 o'clock, please plan to sit in the back 2 or 3 pews over on the Gospel —BVM—side.

There's usually plenty of room. Thanks for your understanding.

The ushers will ask parishioners who are seated in pews reserved for families with little ones to move forward in the church. Thanks for your cooperation.

—Bishop Dolan

§3RD ANNUAL ALL SAINTS PROCESSION / ALL HALLOWS EVE HALLOWEEN PARTY

Sunday, October 29th we invite all of our children to participate in our annual All Saints Procession. Children are invited to come to church dressed as a saint. Each child should also prepare a few words about his saint's story. We will assemble in Helfta Hall at 8:50 AM and begin the procession a few minutes later. After we process into church the children may go to be seated with their family for the Mass. After Mass we return to the Hall. Some of the children will give a presentation on their saints, and all of the children are invited to a little party. Prizes for the best costume in each age level will be awarded.

§CATHOLIC MEN & BOYS

For almost five years, now, it has been our policy that Catholic men and boys are to wear a suit coat or jacket, and a tie, to Sunday Mass. This old Catholic custom both expresses and teaches respect for God's Day and House and Sacrifice. There always are a few who take a stand "on principle" to appear at Sunday Mass in very casual or even sloppy dress. They will be asked to appear somewhere else if they refuse to follow this reasonable little rule. "*Deo Optimi Maxima—To God the Greatest Our Best*".

—Bishop Dolan



DON'T GET YOUR HOPES UP ABOUT RATZINGER

By Most Rev. Donald J. Sanborn

(This is a series with Bishop Sanborn's question and answer explanations of Pope Benedict XVI - Joseph Ratzinger.)

8. Q. *What does all this mean?*

A. It means the abandonment of the traditional teaching of the Catholic Church concerning the nature of the Church of Christ. It contradicts the traditional teaching, and we therefore say that Vatican II is heretical and that Ratzinger is a heretic for having promulgated this teaching. For this reason, I say that Ratzinger is not even a Catholic.

(To be continued.)

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Wedding Banns

SECOND TIME

Jennifer Gajewski

&

Joseph Manzardo

THANK YOU!...

to the "bakers" and the "buyers" who made the Autumn Bake Sale a success. The school realized a profit of \$420.00. God bless you!

§UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 21st - "Wines of Northern Europe" Wine tasting. (For details see the flyer in today's bulletin.)
- October 29th - Christ the King and the All Saints Childrens' Procession.



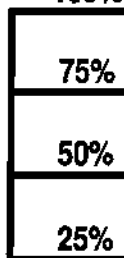
§MASS STIPENDS

We are always delighted to receive your stipends for Holy Mass. Please fill out a form (sent by mail with the National Newsletter) or an envelope (available in the vestibule and at the Gift Shop) for each Mass requested. Make checks payable to St. Gertrude the Great Church.

—Bishop Dolan

OUR GOAL

100%



SEPTEMBER RECTORY FUND FINAL FIGURES

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|--------------------------|-----------|
| September Monthly goal | \$5000.00 |
| Received to date | \$4440.11 |
| Percent of goal received | 88.08% |
| Possible contributors | 200 |
| Contributors to date | 80 |
| Percent contributing | 40% |

Your support is needed and appreciated!

✠ THE CALENDAR

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| MON | 10/09/06 | ST JOHN LEONARD, C - Ss DENIS, BP & COMP, MM - COLUMBUS DAY - NO SCHOOL 4:30 PM October Devotions 5:00 PM Low Mass <i>Our Children's Intentions (Jim & Margie Soti)</i> |
| TUES | 10/10/06 | ST FRANCIS BORGIA, C 10:30 AM Betty Richter Wake 11:15 AM Rosary 11:30 AM Requiem High Mass †Elizabeth Richter 3:10 PM October Devotions, Childrens' Confessions 3:30 PM Confessions 5:45 PM Low Mass †Special Intention (Barbara Kolenich) |
| WED | 10/11/06 | MATERNITY OF OUR LADY 6:30 AM Low Mass <i>The Poor Souls (Brad & Francine Bradley)</i> 11:30 AM High Mass <i>In Thanksgiving to Our Lady and All the Heavenly Court (Kathy Cozzens)</i> 3:00 PM Exposition, October Devotions, Benediction, Holy Communion 6:30 PM Choir Practice |
| THUR | 10/12/06 | FERIAL DAY - Our Lady of the Pillar 11:30 AM High Mass <i>Eamon Shea (Brad & Francine Bradley)</i> 3:10 PM October Devotions 7:00 PM Compline |
| FRI | 10/13/06 | ST EDWARD, KING, C 11:15 AM Confessions 11:30 AM High Mass †Thomas E. Simpson - 53rd Anniversary 8/4 (Tom & Stella Simpson) 3:10 PM October Devotions 5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary 5:45 PM Low Mass, Sacred Heart Novena, Benediction, Confessions <i>In Honor of the Immaculate Conception (Michael DiSabo)</i> 7:45 PM (N.B. Special Time): Candlelight Closing Fatima Rosary Procession |
| SAT | 10/14/06 | ST CALLISTUS I, PM 7:15 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass <i>In Thanks to the Poor Souls (Rose Kitchen)</i> 8:10 AM Exposition, Rosary, Oct. Devo. & Benediction 8:45 AM Confessions 9:00 AM High Mass, Confessions <i>Intentions of Rosemary (H.O. & Becky Hinton)</i> 4:30 PM Confessions |
| SUN | 10/15/06 | PENTECOST XIX - ST TERESA OF AVILA, V 7:30 AM Low Mass †Cleophas Greenwell (M/M Victor Ritze) 9:00 AM High Mass <i>In Honor of Dr. Jesus for Our Sick</i> 10:30 AM Childrens' Catechism Classes 11:30 AM Low Mass <i>Floyd Bischel (Kirby & Jean Bischel)</i> 5:15 PM Exposition, Rosary, Oct. Devo. & Benediction 5:45 PM Low Mass <i>For the People of St. Gertrude</i> |



REQUEST FROM BISHOP DOLAN...when you say the Rosary aloud, especially in church, say it softly. "These words are a kind of melody which soothes the ear and isolates us from the noise of the world around us..."

—DOM GARRIGOU-LAGRANCE

Let us aim for that "melody in the ear" which is the name of Jesus and Mary when we say our Rosary aloud.

✠ BISHOP'S CORNER

I write this "corner" quite early this week. It is Monday, the Feast of the Holy Guardian Angels. Sister and I are scurrying around to finish the last minute arrangements and packing as we both head off to Phoenix for the funeral of Fr. LeBlanc. Sister has kindly agreed to come and sing as Our Lady of the Sun has no choir.



Father LeBlanc, originally of New Brunswick, Canada died September 28 at the age of 82, a priest for over fifty years and still faithful to the faith and Mass of his ordination. He built a beautiful church in Sun City, AZ for his congregation of over 500 souls, and served them himself, quite selflessly, from a wheelchair until the very end. May we all, and the young seminarians we are now training, follow in his good footsteps.

Today we direct our steps outdoors for the annual Rosary Procession. This is always a splendid Sunday at St. Gertrude the Great and I thank all of you who make it shine so. If any of you have any strength left after this morning's festivities, could you please come to help me with Vespers and October Devotions at 4:30 this afternoon? God reward your persevering devotion!

I had a good visit at St. Clare last Sunday for Mass and Rosary Procession. A number of their faithful are sick or shut-in, and I ask for prayers for them.

Fr. Cekada gives an excellent report from Florida of our new class of seminarians. We will be welcoming Bishop Sanborn next Sunday, who will be preaching at the morning Masses and bring us up to date on his important work.

Columbus Day will be marked with October Devotions at 4:30 PM and Mass at 5:00 PM.

I send a blessing for Rosary Sunday.

—Bishop Dolan

✠ THE POWER OF THE ROSARY

Is it not sad that though millions of Catholics are daily saying the Hail Mary, many of them say it so badly? They repeat it hastily, not even thinking the words they are saying. They thus deprive God's Mother of the great joy they could so easily give her and deprive themselves of the wondrous graces that she wishes to give them.

One Hail Mary, well said, fills the heart of Our Lady with delight and obtains for us indescribably great graces. One Hail Mary, well said, gives us more graces than a great many badly said.

Fr. Suarez, the holy and learned Jesuit, declared when dying that he would willingly give all the many learned books he wrote, all his life's labors, for the merit of one Hail Mary. How well this great man understood the priceless value of this beautiful little prayer which is so little understood by many Catholics.

St. Bernard and all the saints say that it was never heard, at any time or in any place, that Mary refused to hear the prayers of her children on Earth. Oh, why don't we Catholics realize this most consoling truth? Why do we refuse the love and consolation that God's Sweet Mother is offering us? Lamentable is the ignorance which deprives us of such help and consolation.

✠ OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE ROSARY

INDULGENCES

This is the right time to say a little about indulgences which have been granted to Rosary Confraternity members so that you may gain as many as possible.

Briefly, an indulgence is a remission or relaxation of temporal punishment due to actual sins, by the application of the superabundant satisfactions of Jesus Christ, of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of the saints—which are contained in the Treasury of the Church.

A Plenary Indulgence is a remission of the whole punishment due to sin; a partial indulgence of, for instance, one hundred or one thousand years can be explained as the remission of as much punishment as could have been expiated during one hundred or one thousand years, if one had been given a corresponding number of the penances prescribed by the Church's ancient Canons.

Now these Canons exacted seven and sometimes ten or fifteen years' penance for one single mortal sin, so that a person who was guilty of twenty mortal sins would probably have had to perform a seven year penance at least twenty times, and so on.

Rosary Confraternity members who want to gain the indulgences must:

1. be truly repentant and must go to confession and Holy Communion, as the Bull of Indulgences teaches;

2. they must be entirely free from affection for venial sin, because if affection for sin is left the guilt is left too, and since the guilt is there, the punishment cannot be lifted;

3. they must say the prayers and carry out the good works designated by the Bull. If, in accordance with what the Popes have said, one can gain a partial indulgence (for instance, of one hundred years) without gaining a Plenary Indulgence, it is not always necessary to go to confession and Holy Communion in order to gain it. Such partial indulgences are many of those attached to the Rosary (either of five or of fifteen decades to processions, blessed Rosaries, etc.

Be sure not to neglect these indulgences. Flammin and a great number

IN OCTOBER

By G. K. CHESTERTON

Where are they gone that did delight in honour
Abrupt and absolute as an epic ends,
What light of the Last Things, like death at morning,
Crowns the true lovers and the tragic friends?

Young priests with eager faces bright as eagles,
Poor scholars of the harp-string, strict and strong,
All the huge thirst of things irrevocable
And all the intolerant innocence that died young.

The dark largess of the last gesture flinging
The glove in challenge or gold in sacrifice—
Where are they gone that had delight in honour,
That the world grows so greedy and so wise?

Vow and averted head and high refusal
Clean as the chasm where the dawn burns white,
where shall they go that have delight in honour
When all men honour nothing but delight?

Out of the infinite came Finality,
Freedom that makes unfathomably sure,
For only a wind of all the widest windows
Can close with such a clang that iron door:

The doors that cannot shut shall never open
Nor men make windows when they make not walls,
Though emptiness extend its endless prison
In the white nightmare of its lengthening halls.

Shall they not rise and seek beyond the mountains
That which unsays not and is not forsworn?
Where should they wander and in what other Eden
Find the lost happiness of the hope forlorn,

Look in what other face for understanding,
But hers who bore the Child that brought the Sword,
Hang in what other house, trophy and tribute,
The broken heart and the unbroken word?

This month of luminous and golden ruin
Lit long ago the galleys and the guns.
Here is there nothing but such loitering rhyme
As down the blank of barren paper runs,

As I write now, O Lady of Last Assurance,
Light in the Laurels, sunrise of the dead,
Wind of the ships and lightning of Lepanto,
In honour of Thee, to whom all hour is fled.



THE ROSARY

By JOYCE KILMER

There is one harp that any hand can play,
And from its strings what harmonies arise!
There is one song that any mouth can say,—
A song that lingers when all singing dies.
When on their beads our Mother's children pray
Immortal music charms the grateful skies.
(*"The rosary is my library" said a saint. To Joyce Kilmer the rosary is a harp upon which anyone, lettered or unlettered, can play immortal songs.*)

of other writers tell the story of a young girl of noble station by the name of Alexandre, who had been miraculously converted and enrolled by Saint Dominic in the Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary. After her death she appeared to him and said that she had been condemned to seven hundred years of Purgatory, because of her own sins and those that she had made others commit by her worldly ways. So she implored him to ease her pains by his prayers and to ask the Confraternity members to pray for the same end. Saint Dominic did as she had asked.

Two weeks later she appeared to him, more radiant than the sun, having been quickly delivered from Purgatory through the prayers that the Confraternity members had said for her. She also told Saint Dominic that the Holy Souls in purgatory had given her a message to beg him to go on preaching the Holy Rosary and to beg their relations to offer their Rosaries for them, and that they would reward them abundantly when they came into their glory.



An Indulgence is a means of lessening the satisfaction that we must make for our sins, even after they are forgiven. It is a grant made to us by the Church from the treasury of the superabundant merits of Christ, the Blessed Virgin, and the saints. It is a remission, in whole or in part, of the temporal punishment due to sin—and is thus known as a plenary or a partial indulgence. Confession and Communion are required to gain a plenary indulgence. But it is not necessary to go to Communion every time we wish to gain an indulgence. Weekly Communion will suffice.

The following are some of the indulgences granted to all the faithful:

PLENARY

1. For devout recitation of the Rosary (five decades) before the Blessed Sacrament, exposed or in the tabernacle.

2. At the end of a Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary.

PARTIAL

1. Five years, each time the Rosary is said.

2. Ten years, once a day, for saying the Rosary with others.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA ROSARY PROCESSION

Our Lady of Fatima implores us to pray the Rosary
The Most Holy Rosary is the KEY to our salvation

Please join us to pray for our
Families, Church, and Country



FRIDAY EVENING
OCTOBER 13, 2006



After the 5:45 p.m. Mass, approximately 7:15 PM; Starting in the
First Watch parking lot, corner of Union Center and Floer Dr.