

# ✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NOVEMBER 12, 2006 - PENTECOST XXIII - PATRONAGE OF OUR LADY**  
 Today is the Second Sunday of the Month. **Childrens' Confessions** are at **10:40 AM** this morning.

At **11:00 AM** today we observe our **Veterans' Day Absolution Service** and Rosary for all the those who have died in our various wars.

Our **Annual Rosary for the Faithful Departed**, sponsored by the Rosary Confraternity, is this afternoon at **3:30 PM** in *Gate of Heaven Cemetery*. All members of the parish are invited to take part in this beautiful suffrage for the poor souls.

## BOYS' & GIRLS' GROUPS

Due to the ordination this week in Detroit, the Knights of the Sacred Heart and the St. Angela Merici Girls' Group have been cancelled.

## ST ALBERT THE GREAT / ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT

Due to the ordination taking place this Wednesday in Detroit there will be **NO MASSES** offered at St. Gertrude on Wednesday and Thursday.

## NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday is the Third Sunday of the Month. **The Blessing of Expectant Mothers** follows the *Low Masses*.

*Set your missal:* November 19th.

**LOW MASSES: Pentecost XXIV (Epiphany VI)** with the commemorations of St. Elizabeth, W, St. Gertrude the Great, V, St. Pontianus, PM. **PREF:** Trinity.

**HIGH MASS: Solemnity of St. Gertrude the Great**, (November 16th) with the commemoration and Last Gospel of Pentecost XXIV (Epiphany VI). **PREF:** Common.

All parishioners are invited to a **Reception** in Helfta Hall in honor of the Solemnity of St. Gertrude and the newly ordained Fr. Disposito following the High Mass.

Father Disposito will give his **First Priestly blessing** after Mass.

**Vespers and Benediction** are at **4:45 PM**.



## THANKSGIVING

Join us for a special holiday Mass with patriotic music on Thursday, November 23rd, at 9:00 AM. Holy Mass is the best

way to give thanks! Let's joyfully and thankfully stress the religious character of this holiday. The *abstinence* is traditionally *dispensed* on the *Friday* after Thanksgiving and meat may be taken.



**Arts & Crafts** **CALLING THE CRAFTY**  
 If you're a "crafty" kind of person, perhaps you would like to help make a success out of our Sunday, December 17th, Christmas Craft Sale. You are welcome to drop off items at the church office, or call Connie Kamphaus 513-892-1469 for more information. Thank you so much for your help, time and creativity.

We are planning a Christmas Bake Sale for the same Sunday morning. Please mark your calendar, and plan on sharing some of your Christmas goodies with us to make this a great fundraising booster.

## VIGILANTES NOT NEEDED

Please do not take it upon yourself to correct or castigate someone you believe to be improperly dressed at church. You are welcome to share your concerns with me. For the rest, we have ushers to maintain order.

This kind of comment may be well meant, but it is devastatingly embarrassing. Recently a visitor was set upon this way, and has vowed never to return!

Be kind and welcoming to all. When it comes to modesty, most women are self-policing, once they realize what other ladies are wearing. If not, a discreet word to the pastor will suffice.

—BISHOP DOLAN

NOVEMBER 19, 2006

## Ushers

7:30 AM John Wiesman, Kent Maki, Joe Andreatta, Tom Kamphaus  
 9:00 AM Jim Gebel, Richard Smith, Dale Wilker, Bernie Brueggemann  
 11:30 AM Bob Uhlenbrock, Kirby Bischel, Dennis Hille, Tim Carney  
 5:45 PM John Seyfried

## Servers

NOVEMBER 13- NOVEMBER 19, 2006

\*FRI 11/17 5:45 Low: Briggs, Bayer, Ritze, Keaveny  
 \*SAT 11/18 7:30 AM Low: C. & T. Simpson  
 9:00 AM High: Keaveny and/or Briggs  
 \*SUN 11/19 7:30 AM Low: D. & S. Brueggemann, T. Simpson, Sr.  
 9:00 AM High: MCs: R. VandeRyt; AG: J. Lotarski, S. Cozzens.;  
 TH: A. Lotarski; CROSS: D. Poepelman; TORCH: S. Cozzens, B. Lotarski, T. Simpson, G. Wneck, F. & N. Puglielli  
 11:30 AM Low: C. Ritze, I. French  
 4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller  
 5:45 PM Low: G. Miller

## Collection Report

ALL SAINTS, NOVEMBER 01, 2006	\$2133.00
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2006	\$4498.96
SECOND COLLECTION	\$ 466.00

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

# ✠ POETRY CORNER

## MATER DOLOROSA

By EDITH HARLAN ROBERTSON

Mary, you stood below a wayside cross  
 And watched your Son's young body  
 slowly die,  
 Too horrified for tears—your grief and loss  
 Hushed at His last despairing earthly cry.  
 Oh, Mary, Mother, you who loved Him so  
 All through the grief bowed years He  
 could not stay,  
 Weep for our sons—now marching row  
 by row—  
 While we who watch can only hope and  
 pray.  
 They have been ours so short a time. We  
 tried  
 To teach that kindness, honor, duty, love  
 Were necessary as the changing tide.  
 Look down in mercy as you weep above!  
 These torn and mud-stained that we bore  
 These crushed and tortured men on  
 shell-torn sod—  
 Our sons. That badge of courage which  
 we wore  
 When first they marched, a broken cry  
 to God!  
 Keep us from bitterness, from hatred, fear  
 Of those wild forces—those who know  
 thee not—  
 That the undying courage we hold dear  
 May be as thy dear Son's, without a blot.  
 Oh, Mary, weep for us! Our sons' release  
 Is death. Their clean souls won  
 What living—we cannot remember  
 peace.  
 Give them the love which thou didst give  
 thy Son!



## LIFE AND DEATH

Life is short and death is sure.  
 We must not feel ourselves secure,  
 But be prepared to meet our God;  
 When we are laid beneath the sod.

Life is short and death is sure.  
 The little troubles we must endure,  
 Will be rewarded by our King;  
 In heaven where the angels sing.

Life is short and death is sure.  
 We search the earth to find a cure,  
 The only cure is found above;  
 In loving God with burning love.

—SR. MARY GERARD VINCENT, O.S.F.

# ✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS (CONT'D.)

## FEED THE HUNGRY!

A few weeks ago there was a request in the bulletin for volunteers (women and men) to cook meals for our priests. As of now there are only two volunteers. We would love to have several more to help. It is so easy. They only need the meal for the Tuesday of each week.

All you need to do is prepare a meal at your home and bring it to the church either on Sunday when you come to Mass or by Tuesday morning. Put it in the refrigerator in Helfta Hall and Paulina will come in and warm it up for the priests dinner!

Keep all the receipts you spend on food purchased and turn them in at the church office. **You Will Be Reimbursed!** And yes, you get all of your dishes back sparkling clean! You can also bring food in Zip-Lock bags! Keep that receipt, too!

Please call to schedule yourselves. **Call Paulina in the evening at: 513-791-2074.**

The more ladies or gentlemen (they can cook too) we get to help, the fewer Tuesdays for each of us.



## PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS

**MY JESUS**, by the sorrows Thou didst suffer in Thine agony in the Garden, in Thy scourging and crowning with thorns, in the way to Calvary, in Thy crucifixion and death, have mercy on the souls in purgatory, and especially on those that are most forsaken; do Thou deliver them from the dire torments they endure; call them and admit them to Thy most sweet embrace in paradise.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Eternal rest, etc.  
(Indulgence of 500 days.)

Merciful Lord Jesus, grant them everlasting rest!

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## HOLY HELPER VOLUNTEERS

**Saturday, November 18th:** Katie Bischak, the Wilker Family, the Briggs Family, Jeannie Hille.

*Reverend Mister Nicholas Disposito*

*requests the honor of your presence at his*

### Sacerdotal Ordination

*to be conferred by*

*His Excellency  
Most Reverend Donald J. Sanborn*

*at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church  
Warren, Michigan*

*on the fifteenth day of November,  
two thousand six.*



### Solemn High Mass

*Sunday, the nineteenth of November,  
two thousand six*

*at nine o'clock in the morning.*

*Reception immediately following  
in Helfta Hall*



## 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.)

### 11. Q. *How do you think Ratzinger will treat traditionalists?*

**A.** He will totally ignore the sedevacantists, I think. Perhaps he will excommunicate one or two of us. I think that he will give something to the Indult movement and the Fraternity of Saint Peter. They accept Vatican II and have no trouble with the new ecclesiology. So Ratzinger will have no trouble, I believe, in granting them more status than Wojtyla did. Wojtyla hated the traditional movement. Ratzinger is different. On matters of pure taste, he is more conservative than Wojtyla, and will favor the preservation of the traditional Latin Mass, something like a museum piece. As long as they are on board with "reconciled diversity," the Indult people and the FSSP will receive favor from Ratzinger.

In so doing, I think that Ratzinger will appeal to the left wing of the Society of Saint Pius X to regularize itself, i.e., come under the Vatican. He may grant them considerable concessions. If he is successful, he will split this group, as they are already split into left and right.

Unfortunately, however, I think that the remnant SSPX will blithely continue the same old line of "being with the Holy Father" — a bold-faced lie — and at the same time continue their practice of defiance by organized and universal disobedience to him. So there is not much hope there.

*(To be continued.)*

## LORD OF SCIATICA

Why not?

You who calmed your quaking disciples,  
Seasoned sailors all—

You who commanded the hell-bent winds  
On a raging sea to be still—

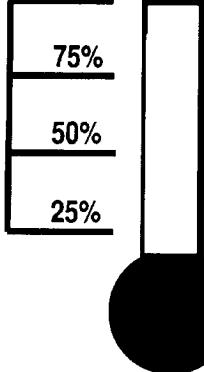
You who cherished each hair on our heads  
And remind us

How much we are more than the sparrows  
You feed and note every fall—

Can you not restrain an unruly nerve  
From crippling the body you made?  
O God of our wholeness and faithful lover,  
Why not?

## OUR GOAL

100%



## NOVEMBER RECTORY FUND FIGURES

November Monthly goal                      \$5000.00

Please remember, this is an on-going appeal to your generosity so that we may complete the rectory without incurring an expensive debt.

**Your support is needed and appreciated!**

## ✠ THE CALENDAR

<b>MON</b>	<b>11/13/06</b>	<b>ST DIDACUS, C - ST STANISLAUS KOSTKA, C</b> <b>11:30 AM High Mass</b> <i>Joseph Prell - Birthday Remembrance (Beth and the Kids)</i>
<b>TUES</b>	<b>11/14/06</b>	<b>ST JOSAPHAT, BPM</b> <b>8:30 AM High Mass</b> <i>Benefactors of St. Gertrude School</i>
<b>WED</b>	<b>11/15/06</b>	<b>ST ALBERT THE GREAT, BPCD</b> SECONDARY PATRON OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI <b>NO MASSES TODAY, DUE TO THE ORDINATION IN DETROIT</b> <b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal
<b>THUR</b>	<b>11/16/06</b>	<b>ST GERTRUDE THE GREAT, V</b> <b>NO MASSES TODAY, DUE TO THE ORDINATION IN DETROIT</b>
<b>FRI</b>	<b>11/17/06</b>	<b>ST GREGORY THAUMATURGUS, C - St Hugh of Lincoln, BpC - Bl Philippine Duschene, V</b> <b>11:15 AM</b> Confessions <b>11:30 AM High Mass</b> <i>Special Intention (Barb Steinmetz)</i> <b>5:15 PM</b> Confessions & Rosary <b>5:45 PM Low Mass, Sacred Heart Novena, Benediction, Confessions <i>Rita Brueggemann - Birthday (Bob Brueggemann)</i></b>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>11/18/06</b>	<b>DEDICATION OF BASILICAS OF SS PETER &amp; PAUL - Our Lady of Divine Providence</b> <b>7:15 AM</b> Confessions <b>7:30 AM Low Mass, Confessions</b> <i>Special Intention of Dr. Wozny (Constance Wozny)</i> <b>8:45 AM</b> Confessions <b>9:00 AM High Mass, Confessions</b> <i>†The Soul of Harold O. Landry (Angela Cecere)</i> <b>4:30 PM</b> Confessions
<b>SUN</b>	<b>11/19/06</b>	<b>SOLEMNITY OF ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT - PENTECOST XXIV (EPIPHANY VI)</b> St Elizabeth, W - St Pontianus, PM <b>7:30 AM Low Mass</b> <i>Special Intention (Kathy Schweitzer)</i> <b>9:00 AM Solemn High Mass of Fr. Disposito followed by a Reception</b> <b>11:30 AM Low Mass</b> <i>†Victor Tancreti - 3rd Anniversary of Death (Cindy Beaver)</i> <b>4:45 PM</b> Vespers & Benediction <b>5:45 PM Low Mass</b> <i>For the People of St. Gertrude</i>

## ✠ ELECTION AFTERMATH

In the rush of yet another meaningless exercise in "civics," many well-meaning people are rending their garments and gnashing their teeth over which set of professional, career criminals were chosen to steal their money, promote various and sundry moral evils and eliminate more of their legitimate liberties under cover of law as holders of the public weal.

Here are papal quotes to place all of the social chaos we are experiencing at present into its proper context and to remind one and all that we hold the key to the restoration of the Social Reign of Christ the King in the world by establishing first in our hearts and homes and by offering the sufferings of the present moment to Him through His Blessed Mother's Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart as her consecrated slaves.

"...it may clearly be seen what consequences are to be expected from that false pride which, rejecting our Saviour's Kingship, places man at the summit of all things and declares that human nature must rule supreme. But this supremacy of man, which openly rejects Christ, or at least ignores Him, is entirely founded upon selfishness, knowing neither charity nor self-devotion. Man may indeed be king, through Jesus Christ: but only on condition that he first of all obey God, and diligently seek his rule of life in God's law. By the law of Christ we mean not only the natural precepts of morality and the Ancient Law, all of which Jesus Christ has perfected and crowned by His declaration, explanation and sanction; but also the rest of His doctrine and His own peculiar institutions. Hence all who would find salvation apart from the Church are led astray and strive in vain.

As with individuals, so with nations. These, too, must necessarily tend to ruin if they go astray from "The Way." The Son of God, the Creator and Redeemer of mankind, is King and Lord of the earth, and holds supreme dominion over men, both individually and collectively. Therefore the law of Christ ought to prevail in human society and be the guide and teacher of public as well as of private life. When Jesus Christ is absent, human reason fails, being bereft of its chief protection and light, and the very end is lost sight of, for which, under God's providence, human society of natural good through the aid of civil unity, though always in harmony with the perfect and eternal good which is above nature. But when men's minds are clouded, both rulers and ruled go astray, for they have no safe line to follow nor end to aim at."

(Pope Leo XIII's *Tametsi Futura Prospicientibus*, November 1, 1900)

## ✠ BISHOP'S CORNER

Just about 3/4 of our normal Sunday attendance made one of the splendid Holy Day Masses for All Saints, which is very good, all things considered. Someone e-mailed me of his appreciation for the beautiful Rosary and Benediction service that day, as well as for the brightly decorated church warm with glowing candles, resounding with beautiful music. Thanks for taking time to thank us! We are only thankful we can do this for our Jesus, Who is too little loved.

I thank the loyal men of the Guard of Honor for their fidelity in watching with Our Eucharistic Lord each First Friday night. Your fidelity is an inspiration to us, and your prayers, believe me, benefits many souls.

Please remember our future priest this week. Father Nicholas Disposito will be ordained to the Holy Priesthood by Bishop Sanborn in Detroit this Wednesday, feast of St. Albert the Great. Our servers are going up to assist at the altar, and many priests will be attending from all over the world.

A number of these priests will be our guests next weekend, as we host a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving for Father Disposito, followed by a reception to which all are invited. By a happy coincidence, the Solemn Mass and Reception will also serve for the solemnity of our dear and great patroness, St. Gertrude, as well as the third anniversary (already!) of the dedication of our new church. Plan to be with us for this beautiful Mass, and meet some of our visiting priests.

Our long-time friend, Father Roberto Mardones, along with Father Jamie Siordia who was ordained at St. Gertrude almost ten years ago, will be arriving tomorrow. Some seminarians are with us today as a kind of advance team for the Detroit ceremonies. Please pray for all to go well, and God to be glorified.

Due to the Ordination, we will be without Mass at St. Gertrude on two special days this week, the feast of St. Albert the Great and St. Gertrude the Great. The latter will, of course, be solemnized on Sunday. Pray that our great saint will fill us with holy desires and many graces, and inflame particularly the hearts of priests with divine love.

With a blessing,

—Bishop Dolan



# ✠ A SHORT TOUR THROUGH PURGATORY: SEVEN DAYS ACCOMPANIED BY THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

## The origins of this pious devotion:

"You must take a short tour through purgatory accompanied by the Sacred Heart of Jesus, offering Him all your actions, and imploring Him to apply His merits to these holy suffering souls.

And, at the same time, you must implore Him to let them use their influence to obtain for you the grace to live and die in the love for and faithfulness to the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ by responding to His wishes for us without putting up any resistance...

And if you can be instrumental in liberating a few of these poor captive souls, you will have the joy of having an advocate in heaven to plead for your salvation."

—*SAINTE MARGARET MARY*

## DAILY DEVOTION Preparatory Prayers

**PRAYER**—Saint Margaret Mary, whom Our Lord hast chosen to establish and spread everywhere the devotion to His divine Heart as an inexhaustible source of graces, thou who hast heard the souls of purgatory asking for this new way by which they may be liberated from their suffering, and who hast delivered by this means a multitude of these poor souls, obtain for us the grace to fulfill in a holy manner this pious request of a "short tour through purgatory," accompanied by the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Amen.

**OFFERING OF OUR DAY**—O divine Heart of Jesus, as we accompany Thee on this "short tour through purgatory," we offer Thee everything good we have done and will do today. We ask that all Thy merits be applied to these holy suffering souls. And you, holy souls in purgatory, at the same time, please use all your influence to obtain for us the grace to live and die in the love for and dedication to the Sacred Heart of Our Lord Jesus Christ, and to respond without resistance to His desires on us. Amen.

**OFFERING**—Eternal Father, we offer Thee the blood, the passion and the death of Jesus Christ, the sorrows of the Most

Blessed Virgin and those of Saint Joseph, for the remission of our sins, for the deliverance of the souls in purgatory, and for the conversion of sinners. Amen.

## PETITION

—May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be loved everywhere!

—O Mary, Mother of God and Mother of mercy, pray for us and the departed.

—O Saint Joseph, model and patron of the friends of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. Amen.



**PRELUDE**—With our love for the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and with the abundance of His graces, let us go down in thought, for a moment, into the devouring flames of purgatory!

1) So many souls are now arriving to start their painful captivity. Happy are they to have avoided hell forever...They are saved...But they are also sadly burdened with many imperfections...Exiled for a time from their celestial heritage, in a fire of atonement.

2) What a holy legion, almost entirely purified, just about ready to fly to heaven...! Let us provide for these souls that final atonement which will hasten their joyful departure by a few moments, and let us ask them to remember us when they are in the eternal kingdom.

3) What a multitude is found there! They have been imprisoned for a long time now, and are still to remain there for a longer time...!

In purgatory are found the souls of lay people, religious, deacons, priests and the souls of our dear ones.

Let us gaze upon them, let us listen to their groans, let us offer them a word of friendship and compassion, let us pray for them so that they may be admitted as soon as possible into the glory of God. Amen.

## THE MISERERE

Psalm 51

## Prayer for cleansing and forgiveness.

It was written after Nathan the prophet had come to inform David of God's judgment against him because of his adultery with Bath-sheba, and his murder of Uriah, her husband.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Thy steadfast love; according to Thy abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against Thee, Thee alone, have I sinned, and done what is evil in Thy sight, so that Thou art justified in Thy sentence and blameless when Thou passeth judgment. Indeed, I was born guilty, a sinner when my mother conceived me.

Thou desirest truth in the inward being, therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Let me hear joy and gladness; let the bones that Thou hast crushed rejoice. Hide Thy face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Thy presence, and do not take Thy holy spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Thy salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Then I will teach transgressors Thy ways, and sinners will return to Thee. Deliver me from bloodshed, O God, O God of my salvation, and my tongue will sing aloud of Thy deliverance.

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall declare Thy praise. For Thou hast no delight in sacrifice; if I were to give a burnt offering, Thou wouldst not be pleased. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit, a broken and contrite heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise.

Do good to Zion in Thy good pleasure; rebuild the walls of Jerusalem, then Thou wilt delight in right sacrifices, in burnt offerings and whole burnt offerings: then young bulls will be offered on Thy altar. Amen.

(To be continued.)