

## ✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

**¶ OCTOBER 14, 2007 - PENTECOST XX - ST. CALLISTUS I, PM**

**Second Sunday of the Month** - Catechism classes resume today at 10:30 AM.

The Fall bake sale to support our school will be held today in the social hall. Be sure to stop by and tickle your taste buds with delectable treats baked by fellow parishioners.

### ¶ THANK YOU

Six Alter Christus stipends were collected on Rosary Sunday from the "little church" donations. These Masses will be offered on behalf of our priests. Thank you very much for your generosity.

### ¶ SERVERS NEEDED

A serving volunteer or two is needed to serve the **5:45 PM Mass** on some Sundays when we have early vespers. Please speak with Bishop Dolan if you are able to commit to this endeavor. Remember that many graces are obtained by serving at Our Lord's altar during Holy Mass.

### ¶ ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES

Please remember to fill out your Our Souls Day envelopes and turn them in with your Sunday collection or to the office. Envelopes may be found in the pews. All Souls Day is November 2nd this year which also happens to be First Friday.

### ¶ THIS WEEK:

#### ¶ OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

The **October Devotions** (Rosary, Litany and Prayer to St. Joseph) are recited **every school day at 3:10 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!

#### ¶ NEXT SUNDAY

The Rosary is recited before the **7:30 AM** and **11:30 AM** Masses.

Next Sunday is **MISSION SUNDAY** and **Pentecost XXI**. It is also **Confession Sunday**. Confessions will be heard before and/or during all Masses. *Childrens' Confessions* are scheduled for **10:30 AM**.

*Set your missal— Pentecost XXI* with the commemoration of *ST. HILARION, AB, SS URSULA & COMB VV MM AND THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH. PREFACE* of the Trinity

### ¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

• **October 26th - Ladies Night of Recollection**

• **October 28th - Feast of Christ the King**, and afternoon adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

• **November 4th - All Saints Day** procession



### ¶ LADIES EVENING OF RECOLLECTION

Friday, October 26th following the 5:45 PM Mass. Confessions will be heard before and after Mass. Bishop Dolan will give a spiritual talk with a time for questions, answers and refreshments to follow. Please contact Anita Swinney at 513-779-9390 for further details.

### ¶ CHILDREN'S ALL SAINTS PROCESSION

The All Saints Day Procession and celebration will now take place on the Sunday within the Octave of All Saints. This year it is November 4th.

### ¶ Ushers

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 21 ST, 2007

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

### ¶ Servers

OCTOBER 15TH, - OCTOBER 21ST, 2007

• TUE 10/16 5:45 PM LOW: G. Keaveny  
• WED 10/17 6:30 AM LOW: C. & T. Simpson  
• FRI 10/19 5:45 PM LOW & BEN: Keaveny, Briggs, Ritze, Bayer  
• SAT 10/20 6:30 AM LOW: C. & T. Simpson  
8:00 AM HIGH:  
• SUN 10/21 7:30 AM LOW: D. & S. Brueggemann  
9:00 AM HIGH: MG: D. Poepelman ACs: G. Wnek, B. Lotarski TH: R. Hill TORCH: N. & F. Puegielli, T. Simpson, T. Kunkel  
11:30 AM LOW: C. Ritze, I. French  
4:30 PM VESPERS & BEN: G. Miller  
5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller

### ¶ Collection Report

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2007 ..... \$3,794.25  
SPECIAL SECOND COLLECTION.....\$1,325.00

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

## ✠ POETRY CORNER

### A DAILY HYMN TO MARY

BY FREDERICK W. FABER

Mary! Dearest Mother!  
From thy heavenly height  
Look on us thy children,  
Lost in earth's dark night.

Mary! purest creature!  
Keep us all from sin;  
Help us erring mortals  
Peace in heaven to win.

Mary! Queen and Mother!  
Get us still more grace,  
With still greater fervor  
Now to run our race.

Daughter of the Father!  
Lady kind and sweet!  
Lead us to our Father,  
Leave us at His Feet.

Mother of our Savior,  
Joy of God above!  
Jesus bade thee keep us  
In His fear and love.

Mary! Spouse and servant  
Of the Holy Ghost!  
Keep for Him His creatures  
Who would else be lost.

Holy Queen of angels!  
Bid thine angels come  
To escort us safely  
To our heavenly home.

Bid the saints in heaven  
Pray for us their prayers;  
They are thine, dear Mother!  
That thou mayst be theirs.

Oh, we love thee, Mary!  
Trusting all to thee,  
What is past, or present,  
What is yet to be.

Get us what thou pleasest,  
What we cannot know,  
What we most are needing  
Every day below.

Thou didst make for Jesus  
To this earth a road;  
Make us love our Saviour,  
Make us love our God.

Cause of all our gladness!  
Make us glad in Him;  
Fill our hearts with fervor,  
Fill them to the brim.

Sweeter still and sweeter  
Dost thou grow to us,—  
Will it, dearest Mother,  
Evermore be thus?

## ✠ THE CALENDAR

|             |                 |  |
|-------------|-----------------|--|
| <b>MON</b>  | <b>10/15/07</b> | <b>ST. TERESA OF AVILA, V</b><br><b>11:25 AM High Mass</b> - †Charles & Elinor Richardson (MIM Mark Lotarski)<br><b>3:10 PM October Devotions</b><br><b>4:15-6:00 PM</b> Knights of the Sacred Heart (Sharonville Park)<br>St. Angela Merici Girls' Group (Sharonville Park)   |
| <b>TUES</b> | <b>10/16/07</b> | <b>ST. HEDWIG, W - PURITY OF MARY - ST. GERARD MAJELLA</b><br><b>11:25 AM High Mass</b> - †Sr. Gerard (Patsy McConnell Family)<br><b>3:10 PM October Devotions</b><br><b>5:45 PM Low Mass</b> - †John Seyfried Sr. (Gerry Keaveney)  |
| <b>WED</b>  | <b>10/17/07</b> | <b>ST. MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE, V</b><br><b>6:30 AM Low Mass</b> - †Marie Isadore (MIM Victor Ritze)<br><b>11:25 AM High Mass</b> - Michael DiSalvo-Thank you (Mario Derksen)<br><b>3:00 PM October Devotions, Exposition, Rosary, Benediction &amp; Holy Communion</b><br><b>7:00 PM</b> Choir Rehearsal   |
| <b>THUR</b> | <b>10/18/07</b> | <b>ST. LUKE, EV</b><br><b>11:25 AM High Mass</b> - †Edith Weber (MIM Victor Ritze)<br><b>3:10 PM October Devotions</b>   |
| <b>FRI</b>  | <b>10/19/07</b> | <b>ST. PETER OF ALCANTARA, C</b><br><b>11:00 AM</b> Confessions<br><b>11:25 AM High Mass</b> - †George & Nora Appleyard (Ellen M. Hall)<br><b>3:10 PM October Devotions</b><br><b>5:15 PM</b> Rosary & Confessions<br><b>5:45 PM Low Mass</b> - Novena & Benediction & Confessions †Stella Bayer (Kenneth Baretta)   |
| <b>SAT</b>  | <b>10/20/07</b> | <b>ST. JOHN CANTIUS, C - MATER ADMIRABILIS</b><br><b>6:30 AM Low Mass</b> - Confessions - <i>In Honor of the Mater Admirabilis</i><br><b>7:35 AM</b> Rosary<br><b>7:45AM</b> Confessions<br><b>8:00 AM High Mass</b> - †Carl E. Miller (Robert Wnek)   |
| <b>SUN</b>  | <b>10/21/07</b> | <b>PENTECOST XXI- MISSION SUNDAY - ST. HILARION, AB - Ss URSULA &amp; COMP, VMM</b><br><i>(Confessions heard before and/or during all Masses)</i><br><b>7:30 AM Low Mass</b> - <i>Poor Souls in Purgatory (Dale Anthony Cardamone)</i><br><b>9:00 AM High Mass</b> - <i>For the People of St. Gertrude</i><br><b>10:30 AM</b> Childrens' Confessions<br><b>11:30 AM Low Mass</b> - <i>For the intentions of Jean &amp; Kirby Bischel (Mondro Family)</i> |

### POPE PIUS IX ON THE ROSARY

"Among all the devotions approved by the Church none has been favored by so many miracles as the devotion of the Most Holy Rosary."

## ✠ BISHOP'S CORNER

This past Rosary Sunday was doubtless our warmest ever, but the warmth of our love for Our Lady and Her Rosary was even greater. I think this was our most beautiful Rosary Sunday ever. As well I count the choir, the ceremonies, the beautifully decorated church, the breakfast, our speaker and many other excellent elements, for which I am grateful.



I am grateful, too, for the peaceful atmosphere in our parish of late, and the purposeful, prayerful contribution of so many to make St. Gertrude what it is. Do be faithful to the Mass and Rosary above all, and Our Lord will not suffer Himself to be outdone in generosity.

Our faithful workers planted the special "hydro-grass" recently, and when Heaven answers our prayers for rain, we are told it will sprout. Good deal!

I apologize to parents and devout babies who have been deprived of the audio for Mass and sermon in the vestibule. Something burned out, and we're still casting about for a replacement.

We're also trying to remember to have the church doors well lit on dark evenings and mornings now, and have come up with a permanent solution we hope soon to implement.

Our house inches closer to completion, and Father Cekada has been out getting door knobs and floor tile, etc. Your regular contributions, and prayers, are a big help in this big project.

Father Cekada is offering all the morning Masses in my absence, but Father Saavedra will be down next Sunday to help for confession Sunday. Father Cekada will be leaving himself next week for his first seminary teaching session.

I left for Germany last Wednesday evening, and today should be in France, offering Mass and confirming at a chapel in Chambéry, not too far from Geneva or Lyons. After Mass, I'll be giving a little conference on our life and work over here in the new world, and the traditional movement in general.

On Monday, I fly to Poland for a few days. I will visit Father Trytek's tiny congregation in Crakow, and give confirmation. I am looking forward to visiting the celebrated Black Madonna shrine, as well as some of the beautiful Catholic churches of the city.

Thank you for your fidelity to our beautiful Catholic Church, and all of the work you do, directly or indirectly, to maintain our own church building, and grounds, in great beauty, for the glory of God and St. Gertrude the Great.

I send a blessing from France,

—Bishop Dolan

### ON THE ROSARY...

The ROSARY is what sustains the little flame of Faith that has not yet been extinguished in many consciences. Even for those souls who pray without meditating, the very act of taking up the Rosary to pray is already a remembrance of God, of the Supernatural. A simple recollection of the Mystery of each DECADE is one more ray of light to sustain in souls the smoldering wick.

This is why the devil has made such war against the Rosary. And, what is worse is that he has succeeded in deluding and deceiving souls who have great responsibility because of the positions they occupy... **THEY ARE THE BLIND LEADING THE BLIND!**

...SISTER LUCIA OF FATIMA

**SEWING INSTRUCTOR(S) NEEDED**

The St. Angela Merici girls' group is looking for a handy seamstress or two to provide weekly sewing lessons. Meeting times are Mondays from 4:15 PM - 6:00 PM at the Sharonville library. Please contact Amy Wnek at 513-360-3100 or Anita Swinney at 513-779-9390 for further information.

**END OF CONFESSION FORMULA**

From time to time it becomes necessary to print a reminder about the proper formula for the end of a confession. To let the priest know that you have completed your confession, the following words must be said, *"For these and all of the sins of my past life, especially...(mention a sin of your past life for which you are particularly sorry), I am truly sorry."* Conclude your confession with a proper Act of Contrition prayer per the instructions of the priest. Parents, please teach this formula to your children in addition to the following Act of Contrition prayer.

*"Oh my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended thee. I detest all my sins because I dread the loss of heaven and the pains of hell. But most of all because they offend thee my God, who art all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of Thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life. Amen."*



**HOLY HELPERS NEEDED**

We are once again sending out the call for volunteers to assist with church cleaning, decorating and light maintenance. This is especially important as we are now into our busy fall season of feasts. Please contact Katie Bischak at 513-251-3895 if you can spare even just one hour. Something is better than nothing at all. Volunteer time may be arranged according to your schedule during the week or on Saturdays. Men, you are especially needed to help carry and/or clean the heavier items. Thank you in advance for your charity.

**THE SATANIST PRIEST WHO BECAME A SAINT**

FROM *THE CHURCH'S MOST POWERFUL NOVENAS*

Bartolo Longo was born on February 10, 1841 in Latiano, Italy. His father was a doctor and instilled in him a love of justice and poetry while his mother taught him to visit the poor and to pray the rosary. When he was ten years old he suffered the death of his mother. He seems to have lost his faith as a result of the grief that ensued.

While studying Law at the University of Naples, Bartolo came under the influence of a group who practiced the occult. At some point during his studies he was ordained a satanic priest and was heavily involved in satanic worship over the next few years until one night he heard the voice of his deceased father begging him to return to the true faith.

Bartolo searched out a priest and came under the instruction of a Dominican Friar who trained him in the Catholic Faith and after a period admitted him to the Sacraments once again. Soon afterwards on the Feast of the Annunciation Bartolo became a Third Order Dominican and was given the religious name Brother Rosary.

While working for a wealthy widow Countess Marianna De Fusco who was owed money by some tenants near Pompeii, Bartolo had another life changing experience. Memories of his satanic past flooded his mind and filled him with suicidal thoughts. Yet the words of the Dominican Friar who had instructed him in the faith suddenly came to him, "One who propogates the rosary shall be saved." He vowed on the spot to the Blessed Virgin Mary that he would devote his life to spreading her devotion to the rosary and at that moment as if to confirm his vow the Angelus bells rang out from a nearby church.

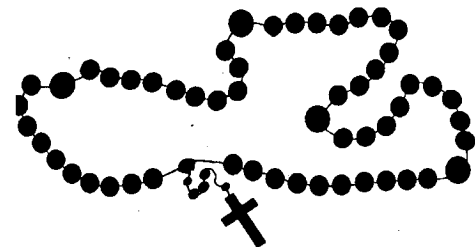
Bartolo set out to establish a shrine to Our Lady in Pompeii soon afterwards with the support of the local bishop. While searching for a suitable image for the Shrine, Father Alberto Radente mentioned an image that he had bought at a shop and

had given to a nun named Mother Concetta. The friar encouraged Bartolo to go to Mother Concetta and obtain the image for the Shrine.

Bartolo went to Mother Concetta who showed the badly damaged image to him. He did not feel that this was the right image and felt that it wasn't worthy of the shrine. But Mother Concetta insisted that he take it for the shrine saying, "Our Blessed Mother will work many miracles using this image."

Mother Concetta's prophetic words proved to be true and one miraculous recipient of the image's favors was a dying Fortuna Agrelli. For over a year Fortuna had suffered horribly and the many doctors who examined her were unable to help. Finally crying out to the Blessed Virgin under the title of Queen of the Holy Rosary she was blessed with an apparition of Mary seated with the infant Jesus and accompanied by St. Catherine of Sienna and St. Dominic—the image that Bartolo had enshrined at his shrine in Pompeii. The Blessed Virgin told Fortuna to make three novenas (nine days) of the rosary in petition and three novenas in thanksgiving. She was completely healed of her affliction and through Bartolo this devotion of making a rosary novena soon spread. The petitioner would pray the rosary for twenty-seven (3x9) days in petition to the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary and then continue to thank Our Lady for having heard the petition by praying in thanksgiving for another twenty seven days.

Bartolo married the widowed countess who had been a chief benefactor of his work to spread devotion to Our Lady in 1885. Bartolo continued to work to spread the devotion of the rosary until his death in 1926.



# All Saints Sunday

Parents, it's time to be thinking of our traditional All Saints party, and to choose a saint for your children, as you prepare a costume and a little resume for your child to learn.

## Contest Rules:

1. Choose a saint from the calendar or missal. Our goal is to increase the knowledge and love of the saints among our children (and adults too!).
2. Please avoid the saints who get done year after year: St. Bernadette, St. Rose of Lima, St. Elizabeth of Hungary, and go for a different saint from the daily missal whose life you and the children can prepare for and study. At the same time, stay away from saints who are too obscure. Let's learn our missal saints!
3. Be Creative! In the past few years, we have witnessed quite a number of elaborate costumes worthy of remembrance and memories. See you on November 4<sup>th</sup>!

# St. Gertrude the Great Rosary Confraternity

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Rosary Confraternity, please fill in an Enrollment Sheet prior to Oct.28th and read the following:

As Pope Leo XIII said in his encyclical on the Confraternity, "whenever a person fulfills his obligation of reciting the Rosary according to the rule of the Rosary Confraternity, he includes in his intentions all its members, and they in turn render him the same service many times over."

Each member includes deceased fellow members as well; and thus he knows that in turn he will be included in the prayers of hundreds of thousands both now and hereafter.

## **OBLIGATIONS**

Each member strives to pray the fifteen mysteries of the Rosary each week (this does not bind under sin), and must have his/her name inscribed in the register of the Confraternity.

## **THE ROSARY CONFRATERNITY'S BENEFITS**

1. The special protection of the mother of God.
2. A share in the prayer of countless thousands of members the world over, and this even after death.
3. A share in the prayers, Masses and apostolic works of the entire Dominican Order.
4. The intercession of the entire heavenly court.
5. Various plenary and partial indulgences...Over **400 years indulgences** for every Rosary using blessed beads.

## **ROSARY INDULGENCES**

For members of the Rosary Confraternity, a **plenary** indulgence, under the usual conditions, is granted:

- a. The day of enrollment in the Confraternity.
- b. Christmas (December 25)
- c. Feast of the Purification (Candlemas Day, February 2)
- d. Feast of the Annunciation (March 25)
- e. Easter Sunday
- f. Feast of the Assumption (August 15)
- g. Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary (October 7)
- h. Feast of the Immaculate Conception (December 8)
- i. Any day when prayed in a church, public oratory, **as a family**, or with a pious association.
- j. Otherwise a partial indulgence of **400 years** is granted.

## **NEXT ENROLLMENT INTO THE CONFRATERNITY**

Oct. 28, 2007, after the 7:30 AM Mass, Bishop Dolan will enroll new members who have filled in the enrollment sheet and have read this notice. Also, write your name on the signup sheet in the vestibule.

**St. Gertrude the Great  
ROSARY CONFRATERNITY  
Enrollment Sheet**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**As a member of the Rosary Confraternity, I will pray 15 decades of the Rosary every week.**

**Sign Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**(Annual Dues are \$10.00)**