



# ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

SUNDAY MASSES

7:30 AM LOW 9:00 AM HIGH

11:30 AM LOW 5:45 PM LOW

**ALL SAINTS DAY**  
**PENTECOST XXII**  
**NOVEMBER 1, 2009**



*Be glad and rejoice, for your reward is very great in Heaven!*

¶**Vespers, Benediction and Novena**  
Sunday Vespers and Benediction as announced. Perpetual Novena to the Sacred Heart and Benediction: Friday evening after Mass. Other Novenas and Devotions, as announced.

¶**Blessing of Religious Articles:** First Sunday of the month after the morning Masses, at communion rail.

¶**Children's Confessions:** One Sunday of the month at 10:40 AM, as announced.

¶**Blessing of Expectant Mothers:** Third Sunday of the month after all Masses.

¶**Prayer Chain:** To request prayers for your special intentions or needs, or to assist in the Prayer Chain, please call the office.

¶**Appointments & Sick Calls:** Please phone the church office.

¶**Catholic Books & Religious Articles:** A fine selection is available in the Gift Shop after the Masses on Sunday.

¶**Baptisms:** Saturday morning by appointment. At least one parent as well as the sponsor (only one sponsor is required) must be practicing Roman Catholics who

do not belong to the Novus Ordo Religion. Novus Ordo and non-practicing Catholics may not serve as sponsors. The Church will provide a sponsor in case of necessity. The Churching of New Mothers follows the baptismal ceremony. Please make arrangements through the church office.

¶**Confirmation:** Confirmation is solemnly administered at Pentecost of each year, and privately as requested. According to canon law, children should, if possible, be confirmed before First Holy Communion.

¶**First Holy Communion:** Children should make their First Holy Communion when they have reached the age of reason (usually between the ages of five and eight) and know the rudiments of the Faith (the First Communion Catechism.) First Holy Communion is administered each year on the Feast of Corpus Christi.

¶**Matrimony:** If you are contemplating marriage, please make an appointment to speak with a priest *before* setting a date.

¶**Extreme Unction:** Your priests serve a wide area and must often travel far to administer this sacrament. Please do not put off making arrangements until the last moment. Let us know if a church member

is sick, hospitalized or in danger of death.

¶**Mass Intentions:** Individual Mass intentions as well as Purgatorian Society enrollments are available in the vestibule, and may be given in with the collection or at the office.

¶**Registration:** Please complete a card at the Gift Shop or phone the church. Collection envelopes will be mailed.

¶**Dress Code:** *Ladies*—Please wear a modest dress and a head-covering. No tight fitting, low-cut, short, slit, or sleeveless dresses. No pants or shorts. *Men & Boys*—Please wear a shirt and tie, with either suit coat, jacket or sweater, and dress shoes. No T-shirts, sweat shirts, sweat pants, tennis shoes, sneakers, shorts, jeans or Sports logo jackets.

¶**New at St. Gertrude's?** Welcome! In the vestibule you'll find a pamphlet explaining the traditional rules observed here for the reception of Holy Communion. There is also a Visitor's Card to fill out if you want more information on St. Gertrude's or on the traditional Latin Mass. A free information packet on the traditional Latin Mass is available to newcomers. Stop by the Social Hall after Mass for refreshments.

## ✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

¶ **NOVEMBER 1, 2009 • ALL SAINTS DAY**  
**• PENTECOST XXII •**

Today is the first Sunday of the month. The *Blessing of Religious Articles* at the communion rail follows all the Masses. The special second collection is for *our seminary*, please be generous.

You are invited to our All Saints' party after the High Mass today. Please take a moment to fill out the Poor Souls envelopes, and place them in the basket. You may gain the Toties Quoties Indulgences for the Poor Souls from noon today, until tomorrow night. The Vespers of the Day and Vespers of the Dead open our All Souls Day observance at 7:00 PM.

### ¶ TOTIES QUOTIES

You may gain a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions *each time you make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament*, from noon November 1st until midnight November 2nd—praying six Paters, six Aves and six Glory Be's for the intentions of Holy Mother Church. This wonderful indulgence is applicable only to the Poor Souls. Avail yourselves of this supreme act of charity.

### ¶ THIS WEEK

All day long, morning, noon and night, Masses will be offered tomorrow, **All Souls Day**, nine altogether. Shouldn't you stir yourself to hear one or two, and gain an indulgence for **your** Poor Souls? The Knights of the Sacred Heart meet with Fr. Larrabee at 4:00 PM on Monday. All this week we honor All Saints, and all this month, All Souls. First Thursday and Friday and Saturday summon our charitable devotions as well. How much we could, we should help the Poor Souls these days.

¶ **CHILDRENS CEMETERY ROSARY PROCESSION** This year our school children will process through **St. Stephen's Cemetery** as they pray the Holy Rosary for all the faithful Departed whose bodies repose there awaiting the Last Day. You are welcome to join our students at **1:15 PM** this Thursday, **November 5th.**

### ¶ FIRST THURSDAY

Calls us to **Mass (11:20 and 5:00 PM)** to pray for those who pray for us, our priests.

### ¶ FIRST FRIDAY

**8:00 AM Low Mass**  
**10:45 AM** - Confessions  
**11:20 AM** - **Low Mass** & Benediction  
**5:15 PM** - Rosary & Confessions  
**5:45 PM** - **Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart**, Sacred Heart Novena and First Friday Devotions, Benediction and Confessions.

**DUE TO 40 HOURS, NO ALL NIGHT ADORATION THIS FRIDAY.**

### ¶ FIRST SATURDAY

*Reparation Intention: For all who spurn devotion to Mary, deny it or downplay it.*

**7:15 AM Confessions**  
**7:30 AM Low Mass**  
**8:00 AM Sermon** and **Low Mass** followed by Rosary and First Saturday Devotions, Confessions.

### ¶ NEXT SUNDAY

Catechism classes are at 10:30 AM. Simple Benediction follows the 11:30 AM Mass. our Annual Rosary Confraternity Cemetery Procession visit New St. Joseph Cemetery at 3:00 PM. The indulgenced devotion of the Twelve Sundays of the Mother of Good Counsel opens after all Masses.

*Set your missal:* Pentecost XXIII, commemoration of the Octave Day of All Saints, and the Holy Four Crowned Martyrs.

### ¶ IN YOUR CHARITY

Please remember Fr. Mardones, who is suffering tooth loss as a result of diabetes. If you would like to help with his medical expenses, or send him a card:  
 Reverend Roberto Mardones  
 3118 Rock Wall Lane  
 El Paso, Texas 79936

Please remember Stella Simpson, Tom and Connie Kamphaus, Vivian Bloemker, Kim LeBlanc, and all of our sick as well as the shut in and those who are suffering.

## ✠ POETRY CORNER

ON ALL SAINTS DAY

Oh come, great Morning Star,  
 And lead us to the mountain,  
 Where saints  
 Like fields of burning sweet grass  
 Sing His exultation.

Oh come, our Lady,  
 Gather us  
 As firewood for the King.

Oh come, sweet Lady,  
 Take us in your arms  
 And bear us to the Lord,  
 In whose consuming Fire  
 We'll blossom  
 Like orchards late in May.

Oh come, our Lady,  
 Gather us,  
 Before we die  
 In this captivity.



—Vincent Williams



*The humble Mary will communicate to you a portion of her profound humility.*

—Saint Louis de Montfort

### Collection Report

Sunday October 25 .....\$4,536.00

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

### Ushers

NOVEMBER 8, 2009

7:30 AM Joe Androtra, Kent Maki, Scott Pepiot, Volunteer  
 9:00 AM Gerry Keaveney, Mark Lotarski, Volunteer, Volunteer  
 11:30 AM Bob Uhlenbrock, Dennis Hille, Kirby Bischel, Volunteer  
 5:45 PM John Seyfried

### Serbers

NOVEMBER 8 - NOVEMBER 15, 2009

•MON 11/2 4:30 PM LOW: G. Keaveney  
 5:00 PM LOW: C. Ritze  
 5:45 PM LOW: G. Keaveney  
 5:00 PM LOW: J. Bayer  
 •TUE 11/3 5:00 PM LOW: G. Keaveney, Wneks  
 •WED 11/4 5:00 PM LOW: C. Ritze  
 •THU 11/5 6:00 PM VOTIVE LOW: G. Keaveney, J. Bayer, C. Ritze,  
 T. Kunkel  
 •SAT 11/7 7:30 AM LOW: C. Simpson, T. Simpson  
 8:00 AM LOW: M. & A. Ribar  
 •SUN 11/8 7:30 AM LOW: A. & S. Brueggemann  
 9:00 AM HIGH: MC: John Lotarski  
 TH: F. Puglielli, T. Simpson  
 AC's: T. Simpson, B. Lotarski TORCH: N. Puglielli,  
 J. Simpson, N. Puglielli, J. Lacy  
 11:30 AM LOW & SIMPLE BENEDICTION:  
 M. & J. Brugger, N. Brugger  
 5:45 PM LOW: C. Ritze

## ✠ THE CALENDAR

<b>MON</b>	<b>11/2/09</b>	<b>ALL SOULS' DAY</b>
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> The Members of our purgatorial society
	<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> The mind of the Church
	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> All the faithful departed
	<b>11:20 AM</b>	<b>Sermon, Requiem High Mass, - Absolution</b> All those whose names are on the altar
	<b>12:45 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> The mind of the Church
	<b>1:15 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> All the faithful departed
	<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>Knights of the Sacred Heart</b>
	<b>4:30 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> The mind of the Church
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> All the faithful departed <b>and Sermon</b>
	<b>5:45 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> All those whose names are on the altar
<b>TUE</b>	<b>11/3/09</b>	<b>RESUMED MASS OF SUNDAY ST. MARTIN DE PORRES</b>
	<b>11:20 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass Special</b> Intention for A.G. ( <i>Michiline Family</i> )
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> In honor of St. Martin for MAW
<b>WED</b>	<b>11/4/09</b>	<b>ST CHARLES BORROME0, BpC</b>
	<b>6:30 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Private Intention
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Frank Cekada ( <i>Puglielli Family</i> )
	<b>11:20 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Bischak & Hoelzle ( <i>Katie Bischak</i> )
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Anthony Quinter ( <i>Bishop Dolan</i> )
	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>THUR</b>	<b>11/5/09</b>	<b>FIRST THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE</b>
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Frank & Eleanor Cekada ( <i>Jim &amp; Margie Soli</i> )
	<b>11:20 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Mass of the Holy Relics
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Millie Praschak ( <i>M/M Joseph Praschak</i> )
<b>FRI</b>	<b>11/6/09</b>	<b>FIRST FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE</b>
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Frank Cekada ( <i>Mike Briggs Family</i> )
	<b>10:45 AM</b>	<b>Confessions</b>
	<b>11:20 AM</b>	<b>Votive Low Mass of the Sacred Heart</b> In honor of St. Joseph ( <i>Tom &amp; Stella Simpson</i> ) and <b>Benediction</b>
	<b>5:15 PM</b>	<b>Rosary &amp; Confessions</b>
	<b>5:45 PM</b>	<b>Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart</b> Thanksgiving for answered prayers ( <i>Michelle Cramer</i> ) <b>Sacred Heart Novena and First Friday Devotions, Benediction, Confessions</b>
		<b>NO ALL NIGHT ADORATION</b>
<b>SAT</b>	<b>11/7/09</b>	<b>FIRST SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE</b>
	<b>7:15 AM</b>	<b>Confessions</b>
	<b>7:30 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> In honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary ( <i>Tom &amp; Stella Simpson</i> )
	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>Sermon, Low Mass</b> My Godchildren - Dominic, Raissa, Gregory ( <i>Mario Derksen</i> ) <b>Rosary and First Saturday Devotions</b>
<b>SUN</b>	<b>11/8/09</b>	<b>PENTECOST XXIII OCTAVE DAY OF ALL SAINTS</b>
		<b>HOLY FOUR CROWNED MARTYRS</b>
	<b>7:30 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> †Robert DeChristoforo Jr. ( <i>The Brockman Family</i> )
	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>High Mass</b> The intentions of Tom & Connie Kamphaus ( <i>Bernie B.</i> )
	<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Catechism Classes</b>
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> Anna Kurtz ( <i>August W. Kurtz</i> ), <b>Benediction</b>
	<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Cemetery and Rosary Procession</b>
	<b>5:45 PM</b>	<b>Low Mass</b> For the people of St. Gertrude

## ✠ BISHOP'S CORNER

We are so grateful to God for the graces and glories of our Forty Hours Devotion, and to so many of you for your hard work, prayers, and extra church attendance. These were days of great and powerful prayer, and more faithful than ever attended our opening Mass and closing service. Deo Gratias! May God reward those who came and watched with us and prayed and those who helped us party, too.

And wasn't Fr. Cekada's organ playing a treat? We are grateful to him for taking time from his busy schedule to practice and play for these special days. "It's hard work," Fr. Cekada commented to me, especially if one is not used to it anymore. But Fr. Ramolla said the same thing about all of the altar and sacristy work for last weekend. I'm sure Marlys, who drove so far to make such vibrant and beautiful altar flowers could second the theme, as would Tim Duff and his tuneful choir, and many others "behind the scenes."

At St. Gertrude, imperfect human beings though we be, we ask only to work our hardest and give our best to God, to His worship, to souls, and to His children. This is our secret, and our strength, and I thank St. Gertrude that she has inspired so many to give of themselves so freely, all for love. May the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Mary be the only fuel we finally need to keep on going and giving.

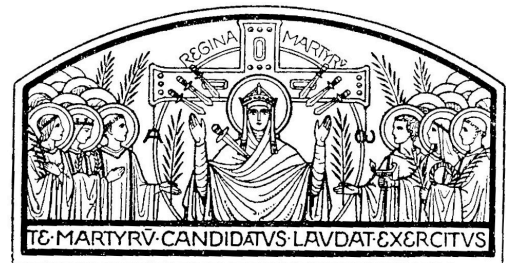
Well, today, we have a splendid Sunday All Saints Day, a double Holy Day. We are grateful to parents who have worked on costumes for the little saints who inspire and charm us today. Tomorrow is All Souls Day, and all of us will want to pray and hear Masses for them, and to continue this generous devotion all November.

Remember First Friday and Saturday. The All Night Adoration is suspended so we can rest a little after Forty Hours, but next Sunday afternoon we meet at New St. Joseph's Cemetery for our Rosary Procession. The school children are going to St. Stephen's on Thursday.

And so it is at St. Gertrude the Great. We keep on going, praying that we may keep on growing in the love of our dear Lord and Lady.

May they bless you with a true devotion!

—Bishop Dolan



*But perhaps we fear that Mary does not see, or does not feel for, our necessities? O no, she sees and feels them far better than we do ourselves.*

—Saint Alphonsus Liguori

## ✠ A FORTY HOURS FOLLOW UP

### HEAVENLY WISDOM

Dear Reverend Father:

Recently a daily communicant died in our town and it seemed that one couldn't mourn too much her passing. There was a kind of feeling of exultation at the thought of her and one could picture her as she attended daily Mass, two on Sundays, and was so often making the Stations. No one would hesitate to believe that God was pleased with such zeal. The thought passed through my mind: Wasn't she wise? Now she's just gone home for an everlasting reward. One almost feels a devout soul's triumph in gaining the eternal reward, not that we are judges but we are bound to draw conclusions.

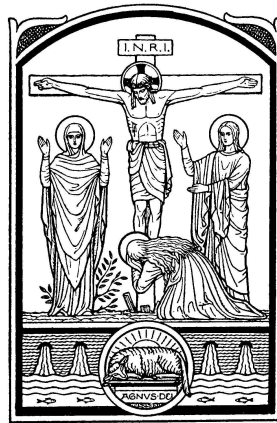
Such a death sets a mediocre soul like myself pondering and wondering at the coldness of so many Catholics. I was taught not to miss Mass whenever an opportunity presented itself and, please God, I shall attend daily as long as possible. Why should we hesitate to make an extra effort to attend the greatest of all sacrifices, the graces of which are so numberless, the reward for attending so great? Father, are people ignorant or cold? Why are Catholics so lax in attending Mass during the week? If they couldn't go every day they could go at least occasionally. Why let Christ come down from Heaven in the presence of just a handful of eager souls, when so many could be there?

Jesus gave us the Mass at the price of His own Blood and yet how few long for this sacrifice being renewed on our altars. Perhaps if we were in one of the wartorn countries bereft of houses of worship and priests we would appreciate what we now neglect. Saint Teresa tells us that Jesus answered her "Go to Mass," when she asked what she could do to please Him most. Now looking to my own weak self I marvel that we poor humans have such a kind and generous God and yet dare to ignore Him.

Sincerely, K.T.C.

If so many Catholics fail to appreciate the greatest gift of God to us it is because they have little faith and little love. When St. Francis de Sales on one occasion was reposing in his sanctuary and had long knelt in prayer, his chaplain approached him with the word: "Right Reverend Bishop, it is time." The Saint looked up at him with a smile and said: "Please excuse me for just one little hour more." Some Catholics begrudge the Lord even "one little hour" on Sundays. Let's take the letter of K.T.C. to heart.

—St. Anthony Messenger  
November 1946



*FORTY HOURS OF LOVE (2009)*

***Candles a' plenty, brilliantly aglow.***

***Announcing His presence, in a monstrance of gold.***

***On the throne of the Altar He sits in full view***

***As the love radiating from Him is directed at me and you.***

***'Tis our King whom we honor with procession and song***

***Out of duty, love, and supplication for those needs of which our hearts do long***

***And He answers us with His presence, which we're so very privileged to share***

***As He silently whispers to our hearts that He hears us and that He cares.***

—John Seyfried  
10-22-09

***Thank You Sweet Jesus for loving us so!***

### Heavenly Silence

***Silently Practice ev'ry good,  
Silently love your God,  
Silently do the work you should,  
While life's path is humbly trod.***

***Silently strive to do God's will,  
Silently grasp His Cross,  
Silently pray for courage still,  
To cleanse the heart from dross.***

***Silently faults from others bear,  
Humbly confess your own,  
Silently others' sorrows share,  
While glancing at yonder Throne.***



○ ***Mary, Gate of Heaven, pray for us.***

*Victus*

*Let nothing disturb me,  
To suffer is gain;  
Nor cowardice curb me  
From shouldering pain.*

*In patient endurance  
True bravery lies,  
The safest assurance  
Of joy to the wise.*

*And so let the worst be  
Devised by my foes;  
I'll bear it, but cursed be  
This fly on my nose.*

—Fray Angelico Chavez



It is a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead. This fact causes the Church to set aside the whole month of November and in a particular way the second day of November as Poor Souls' month and day. After paying respect and veneration to the saints on the first day of the month she directs us to pray for the dead on the second and on every day of November.

Sacred Scriptures tell us that nothing defiled shall enter heaven and it follows that those who die with even a venial sin on their souls must be cleansed as if by fire before being admitted to the beatific vision. Furthermore it is the teaching of the Church that these unfortunate souls who have been called from this earth in venial sin or with the punishment due to forgiven serious sins unrequited are unable to aid themselves during the time of their cleansing in purgatory.

We love our relatives and friends and never tire proclaiming our love and affection for them while they live. While they are alive they can help themselves by prayer and penance. After the angel of death has called them they depend on us and how often do we not fail them.

Job in his distress cried out: 'Have pity on me, have pity on me; at least you my friends, have pity on me.' How easily, after we have been remiss in our duty toward our deceased relatives and friends, it is not to picture them suffering in purgatory awaiting only a prayer, a Mass, a Communion, or an act of penance to set them free repeating the words of Job: "Have pity on me—at least you my friends, have pity on me."

This year on November second when the Church is so generous be sure that you make a visit for each of your beloved departed but do not be satisfied with remembering them on that day. As you visit the Eucharistic King to beg Him to lift up your friends on Poor Souls' Day promise Him that from now on you will be constant in your prayers each day of November and each day of the year for the faithful departed.

Those pessimistically inclined sometimes say that everyone is selfish and go so far as to maintain that the favors and smiles we bestow on others are given with some idea of the good we ourselves will obtain as a result of the giving. We cannot agree with such sentiments but even if they were true it would still behoove us to be ever mindful of our dead. We, too, will probably know the day when we will be poor souls and wish to cry from our place of punishment and cleansing: "Have pity on me, have pity on me; at least you my friends, have pity on me!"

Pray for the poor souls on November second, every day of November and every day you live. Remember the poor souls while you can. Those you help by your prayers and penance will not forget you when they are in their Father's house. When your day is past, their eternity in the glory of God will have arrived and they will remember those who remembered them. Pray for the dead!



**THE GATES OF LIFE  
Death! Shall I fear it, Jesus?  
Tremble Thy face to see?  
Fear Whom each golden daybreak  
Bringeth from Heaven to me?  
Nay, I have met Thee, Jesus,  
Often—and loved Thee long,  
Why should I fear to cast me  
Into Thine arms so strong?  
Now in my poor heart's shelter  
Thou tarriest awhile my Guest,  
Then in Thy Heart in Heaven  
I shall find eternal rest.  
Death will but chase the shadow  
Veiling Thy Face away,  
Death will but seal eternal  
Joy in unending day.**

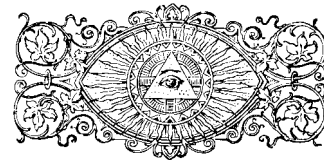
*ALL THE SAINTS OF IRELAND*

*Thank God for loyal friends of ours  
Who guard us every day,  
When joys depart, when sorrows come,  
When hope seems far away.  
When close to every path we walk  
Are clouds of black despair,  
Sure all the saints of Ireland,  
A shining band, are there.  
They march with every faithful soul  
In gladness and in woe,  
They watch above our exiled ones  
Where'er on earth they go;  
O, when we tread the road of death  
At ending of the day,  
may all the Saints of Ireland  
Be with us on our way!*

*(Feast Day - November 6th)*



<b>Our Beloved Dead</b>	
<b>November</b>	
<i>Deardorff, Robert M.</i>	11-07-2003
<i>LeBlanc, Judith E.</i>	11-08-1996
<i>Fradl, Edward P.</i>	11-13-1989
<i>Meredith, Patrick S.</i>	11-14-1987
<i>Blase, Charles S.</i>	11-15-1999
<i>Gilker, Geraldine</i>	11-18-1993
<i>Bollbauer, Gertrude</i>	11-19-1982
<i>Buckley, Patricia A.</i>	11-23-1987
<i>Diberardino, Nick</i>	11-26-1999
<i>Alban, Frank Sr.</i>	11-27-1987



*The means of obtaining new graces is to thank Our Lord and the Most Holy Virgin for those that we have already been granted.*

*—Saint Bernadette*