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# ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## May 1, 2011 • LOW SUNDAY •

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

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

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

¶**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 Churaching of New Mothers follows the baptismal ceremony. Please make arrangements through the church office.

¶**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.



*Bring hither thy hand and put it into My side, and be not faithless but believing..*

¶**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.

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

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

## ✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ✠ MAY 1, 2011 • LOW SUNDAY •

Today is the first Sunday of the month. The **Blessing of Religious Articles** takes place after all Masses. The **second collection** is for our seminary. **Catechism** and **Adult Education** classes are at **10:40 AM**.

**Vespers of St. Mark** with **May Devotions** and **Benediction** are at **4:45 PM**.

### ✠ THIS WEEK

The most splendid bouquet of devotions and saints opens our month of May this year. Due to the late Easter, our feast days are doubling up this week. You should, too – double up by coming to an extra Mass, and, of course, **First Friday**. The **Knights** meet again **Monday** at **4:00 PM**. The **Holy Cross** is honored in Triumph on **Tuesday**, and the powerful Palm Crosses are blessed. **St. Monica** shares her Wednesday with **Ss. Philip and James**. **St. Pius V** on First Thursday sternly reminds us to pray our Rosary – for priests! Make your **First Friday Communion** of Reparation and **adore the Blessed Sacrament** during the **day**, or **All Night**. May is Mary's Month, give her a **First Saturday** Communion of Reparation.

### ✠ FIRST THURSDAY

Masses are at **8:00 AM**, **11:20 AM** and **5:00 PM**. Remember to pray for priests today and everyday.

### ✠ FIRST FRIDAY

*The intention for the All Night Adoration is: In honor of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart for the needs of Holy Mother Church and our families.*

**10:45 AM** - Confessions

**11:20 AM** - **Low Mass** & Benediction

**5:00 PM** - **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**

**5:10 PM** - Rosary & Litany

**5:15 PM** - Confessions

**5:45 PM** - **Low Mass** and Sacred Heart Novena.

*ADORATION CONTINUES ALL NIGHT*

**6:45 PM** - Parish Potluck Supper

**7:45 PM** -First Friday Devotions

### ✠ FIRST SATURDAY

*Reparation Intention: For blasphemies against Mary's Immaculate Conception*

**7:10 AM Rosary**

**7:30 AM Low Mass**

**8:10 AM First Saturday Devotions, Benediction**

**8:30 AM Low Mass**

### ✠ NEXT SUNDAY-MOTHER'S DAY



Mother's Day cards are available and the Mass remembrance envelopes are in the pews. If you wish to have your mother remembered in a special way at Mass on Mother's Day, please fill out the remembrance envelope and place it in the collection basket.

Plan to join us for the **Procession** and **May Crowning** after the 9:00 AM Mass. (Approx **10:30 AM**) All First Communicants should attend and they may wear their First Communion outfits. Catechism classes are cancelled, but the children should come instead to the May Procession and Crowning. Come early for the 11:30 AM Mass and participate in this beautiful observance. Benediction follows the 11:30 AM Mass. There are no Vespers.

**Set your Missal:** Easter II, commemoration and Last Gospel of the Apparition of St. Michael, Paschal Preface.

### MAY DEVOTIONS

Each school day **May Devotions** are at **3:10 PM** - a short but sweet service to show our love for Our Lady. All are cordially invited to join us on school days.

### ✠ ALTER CHRISTUS



The "little church" is in the vestibule this morning. The ushers are collecting alms for the Alter Christus Confraternity to support priests who might not otherwise receive help. Please be generous.

## ✠ POETRY CORNER

### *Easter Lilies*

Well might the poet ask-Has frosted  
lea  
Preserved some virgin snow within  
her breast  
For Spring to blow upon her verdant  
crest  
In clustered chalices of purity?  
Or are they kisses of St. Anthony  
Which on the Holy Infant's lips he  
pressed?  
Or thoughts of babes not yet by  
language dressed  
Or words untainted by maturity?

**White-Tint of Heaven! What a  
Paradise  
Is one wide field of lilies. Enchanting  
sight  
The lovely mist that on the meadows  
lies,  
As if the angels lost their pure samite,  
And Easter stole the curtains of the  
skies  
To deck His Resurrection Day in  
white.**

—Fray Chavez, O.F.M.

### Ushers

MAY 2 - MAY 8, 2011

•FRI 5/6 5:45 PM Low: T. & J. Simpson  
•SAT 5/7 7:30 AM Low: T. & J. Simpson  
BENEDICTION: Simpsons, M. Briggs  
8:30 AM Low: M. Briggs  
•SUN 5/8 7:30 AM Low: A. & S. Brueggemanns  
9:00 AM High: CHAPLAINS R. VandeRyt,  
J. Lotarski TH: F. Puglielli BANNER: S. Lawrence  
ACs: A. Richesson, N. McClorey  
CROSS: B. Lotarski  
TORCH: J. Lacy, P. Omlor, S. Arlinghaus,  
J. Simpson, N. Puglielli, P. Lawrence  
11:30 AM Low AND BENEDICTION: A.D. Kinnett,  
P. Lotarski  
5:45 PM Low: G. Miller

### Ushers

MAY 8, 2011

7:30 AM Scott Pepiot, Kent Maki, Volunteer  
9:00 AM Mike Briggs, Mark Lotarski, Steve Weigand, Paul Puglielli  
11:30 AM Bob Uhlenbrock, Dennis Hille, Kirby Bischel, Volunteer  
5:45 PM John Seyfried

### Collection Report

Sunday April 24th .....\$7,130.00

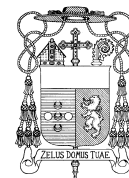
*Thank you for your generosity!  
Remember St. Gertrude's in your will!*

## ✠ THE CALENDAR

MON	5/2/11	ST MARK, EV ST ATHANASIUS, BPCD
	8:00 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> In Honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help and For Poor Souls ( <i>Patrick Omlor</i> )
	11:20 AM	<b>High Mass</b> Easter Novena IX <b>Bishop Dolan's Private Mass</b> Happy 30th Anniversary to Regina and Ken Gilliam
	3:10 PM	<b>May Devotions</b>
	4:00 PM	<b>Knights of the Sacred Heart</b>
TUE	5/3/11	THE FINDING OF THE HOLY CROSS
	8:00 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> Cecilia Omlor - for your intentions - Happy Easter ( <i>Becky Uhlenbrock</i> )
	11:20 AM	<b>High Mass</b> †Sarah Nell Baggett ( <i>H.O. &amp; Becky Hinton</i> ) <b>Blessing of Palm Crosses, Blessing and Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross</b>
	3:10 PM	<b>May Devotions</b>
	5:00 PM	<b>Low Mass</b> In Honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help and For Poor Souls ( <i>Patrick Omlor</i> ) <b>Blessing with the Relic of the True Cross</b>
WED	5/4/11	SS PHILIP & JAMES, APP ST MONICA, W
	8:00 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> In Thanksgiving for prayers answered ( <i>JMS</i> )
	11:20 AM	<b>High Mass</b> Poor Souls -Special Intention
	3:10 PM	<b>May Devotions</b>
	4:00 PM	<b>Low Mass</b> In Honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help and For Poor Souls ( <i>Patrick Omlor</i> )
	6:30 PM	<b>Choir Practice</b>
THUR	5/5/11	FIRST THURSDAY ST PIUS V, PC
	8:00 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> Poor Souls - Gratitude to God for His mercy
	11:20 AM	<b>High Mass</b> For the Sanctification of Priests ( <i>Alter Christus</i> )
	3:10 PM	<b>May Devotions</b>
	5:00 PM	<b>Low Mass</b> †Amy Jobe Baggett ( <i>H.O. &amp; Becky Hinton</i> )
FRI	5/6/11	FIRST FRIDAY ST JOHN BEFORE THE LATIN GATE
	8:00 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> †Bernie Brueggemann ( <i>M/M Maki</i> )
	10:45 AM	<b>Confessions</b>
	11:20 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> James Cooley ( <i>M/M Victor Ritze</i> ) <b>Benediction</b>
	5:00 PM	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
	5:10 PM	<b>Rosary and Litany</b>
	5:15 PM	<b>Confessions</b>
	5:45 PM	<b>Low Mass</b> Holy Souls ( <i>Regina Gilliam</i> ) and Sacred Heart Novena
	6:45 PM	<b>Parish Pot Luck</b>
	7:45 PM	<b>First Friday Devotions</b> <i>All Night Adoration</i>

## ✠ BISHOP'S CORNER

All outdoors seemed a great Easter basket this past Thursday, filled with tall green grass under sunny skies, and an Easter Bunny as well. These were my thoughts that morning as I spied a rabbit from my window. I hope you too enjoyed the sunny skies which returned at last, after so much rain.



Let us pray for the many souls who suffered from the spring storms last month. May they all know the Easter peace of these blessed days, and help and healing from God's tender care.

I thank God for such a beautiful, calm and spiritual Holy Week. The cool weather cooperated, and made the singing and serving go well. I wish again to thank you for your help and cooperation for these beautiful and memorable days. I shall remember in particular all of the young people and children who participated and so very well in Our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

Good Friday night was quite a scene. Many families came for Tenebrae's closing earthquake, and all of the little feet afterwards created another one, as the children eagerly fanned out over the church doing different tasks to prepare for Saturday's Easter Vigil.

Sometimes people worry about who will continue after us. We needn't. Not only does the Mother of Good Counsel always provide, but we can actually see our future in the many enthusiastic and pious children with which our church is blessed.

This is my precious Holy Week 2011 memory. Thanks be to God, the Mother of God, and St. Gertrude the Great!

With an Eastertide Blessing in Our Lady,

-Bishop Dolan

SAT	5/7/11	FIRST SATURDAY ST STANISLAUS, BPM
	7:10 AM	<b>Rosary</b>
	7:30 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> For all of our priests and bishops ( <i>JMS</i> )
	8:10 AM	<b>First Saturday Devotions and Benediction</b>
	8:30 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> Poor Souls in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
SUN	5/8/11	EASTER II MOTHER'S DAY
	7:30 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> Happy Mother's Day Mom ( <i>Catherine, William, Margaret, Michael</i> )
	9:00 AM	<b>High Mass</b> For all of our Mothers, living and deceased
	10:30 AM	<b>Procession and May Crowning</b>
	11:30 AM	<b>Low Mass</b> In Honor of St. Michael, St. Gabriel & St. Raphael ( <i>Beckie Mattingly</i> ) <b>Benediction</b>
	5:45 PM	<b>Low Mass</b> For the people of St. Gertrude's

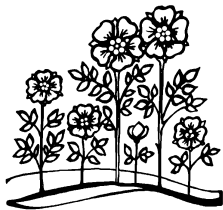
## ✠ EASTER THOUGHTS

### A Holy Man Ashamed of His Little Love for God

There was a certain holy man, St. Paul of the Cross, who was so ashamed of his little love for God, that whenever he saw the beauty of the things God had made, he used to say: "Be silent, ye flowers and beautiful works of God. Whenever I look on you, you always seem to say to me: 'What an ungrateful wretch you are! God made us for love of you, and yet you will not love Him.' Yes, I hear you, and I know you say the truth; but oh, be silent, and do not always reproach me!"

### St. Mary Magdalen and the Flowers

Every time St. Mary Magdalen of Pazzi saw a flower, or any other beautiful thing that God made, she would feel her soul all on fire with love of God. "O my God," she would say, "it was for love of me that Thou didst make that little flower, just to give me pleasure. Oh, how loving must Thou be, my dear Heavenly Father!"



### Easter Memorials

Anne Duff  
Robert Duff

### Our Faithful Departed Relatives

Patrick Omlor

Charles & Mary Blase  
Brendan Blase

Bernie Brueggemann  
Ernie Nellenbach  
Mike Briggs Family

Della  
Scott

### A PLUS FOR CHOIR MEMBERS: A DEVOUT HINT FROM OUR LORD

On Easter morning, St. Gertrude asked Jesus for advice on how to chant the Alleluia, and Jesus Himself gave this advice:

"You can praise Me by the *Alleluia*, by uniting it to the praises which the saints and angels constantly offer Me in Heaven. You will observe that all the vowels, except the *o*, which signifies grief, are found in this word; and that instead of this *o*, the *a* is repeated twice. At this first *a*, you will praise Me with the saints for the glorious immortality by which the sufferings of My Humanity and the bitterness of My Passion were rewarded; at the *e*, praise Me for the sweet and ineffable joys which gladden My eyes in the gazing upon the Most Holy Trinity; at the *u*, unite yourself with the delight which I find in hearing the concerts of praises in honor of the Blessed Trinity which are sung by the saints and angels; at the *i*, enjoy the sweet perfumes and odors which I find in the presence of the Most Holy Trinity; at the second *a*, which is put in place of the *o*, rejoice that My Humanity, which was formerly passible and mortal, is now filled with the Divine immortality."

*With Easter greetings and thanks to our dedicated singers.*

# Alleluia

### ✠WE GET LETTERS..KIND LETTERS

"St. Gertrude the Great Church and School is the kind of parish that all Roman Catholic families should be privileged to be a part of. Wouldn't that be a beautiful thing - We will all continue to pray for this to happen. The Children's Day of Recollection was so precious - little saints in the making - a delight for us to observe. Thank you for allowing that."

## ✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS CONT:

### ✠THE PASCHAL SACRAMENTS

**First Testing & First Confessions:** Saturday, May 14th. (Baptismal Certificate must be presented before testing, and form filled out.)

•**Obligatory Day of Recollection for all First Communion Children:** Thursday, June 9th.

•**Confirmation:** Saturday, June 11th

•**First Holy Communion:** Sunday, June 12th.

Parents, please remember to submit to the Office by **May 2nd** the Baptismal certificates of children not baptized at St. Gertrude the Great. If your child is not enrolled in the school or Sunday School, please let us know if you are planning on bringing him to be tested in May. Unless we have the Baptismal certificate, we will be unable to do the necessary testing. Sometimes it is difficult to tell if a child is ready for the Sacraments. Please consult the priest. The usual age is from 5-7 years. If your child has the use of reason, knows the basics of the faith and can tell the Eucharist from ordinary bread, he should be prepared to receive by learning the St. Joseph First Communion Catechism. In general, the more children are exposed to our faith, and especially the Mass, the earlier they are prepared to receive First Holy Communion. Do not deprive your children of needed graces.

**HUMILITY.** It was pride that changed angels into devils; it is humility that makes men as angels. -St. Augustine

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### ✠KNIGHTS OF THE SACRED HEART

Meet on Monday, May 2nd at 4:00 PM.

#### ✠MAIDENS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART

Meet on Monday, May 9th at 3:30 PM in Helfta Hall. Girls of all ages are welcome.

✠**FIRST FATIMA ROSARY PROCESSION** - Friday evening May 13th 7:00 PM.

✠**CORPUS CHRISTI EVENING MASS, BARBECUE AND ST. JOHN'S BONFIRE** - Thursday - June 23rd.

## ⌘ ALL NIGHT ADORATION SCHEDULE ⌘

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM: Doby Curran  
8:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Ken Gilliam, Matt Schneider  
9:00 PM - 10:00 PM: Peter Gebel, Mike Briggs  
10:00 PM - 11:00 PM: James Kolenich, Marty Alter  
11:00 PM - Midnight: Paul Puglielli, A.D. Kinnett  
12:00 AM - 1:00 AM: H.O. Hinton, Joe Soli, Tom Simpson  
1:00 AM - 2:00 AM: Dominic O'Donnell, Kevin O'Donnell  
2:00 AM - 3:00 AM: Joshua Gunsher, Dean McClorey  
3:00 AM - 4:00 AM: Steve Weigand  
4:00 AM - 5:00 AM: Bobby Uhlenbrock, Robert Uhlenbrock  
5:00 AM - 6:00 AM: John Weisman, John Lynch  
6:00 AM - 7:00 AM: Jim Soli, Scott Richesson



### *Eastertide Adoration*

*Soon we will kneel in Thy presence. And we rejoice, O Master of life, in the thought of Thy resurrection. O let us never for one single instant waver in our faith, and allegiance to Thee. "For Thou alone art holy; Thou alone art the Lord; Thou alone, O Jesus Christ, together with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father." And Thou hast come forth glorious and immortal from the tomb to die no more. O dear risen Lord, Thou art all-powerful. Help us to rise from all that keeps us fettered to earth, and detached from Thee. Thou who lookest into our hearts, and seest our needs, inspire and strengthen us to die to ourselves; for this is hard. Then will we be able to rise in joy and gladness in Thy holy love.*

*But how many there are who come into Thy sacred Presence, dear Lord, and know it not. How many are sad and troubled when Thy designs do not coincide with theirs. Things must be wrong because they are not as human wisdom and forethought and expectation would have had them. And so they pass many weary hours because they have not yet learned that we must cast aside all confidence in our own powers and rely solely on the wisdom and guidance of Thy divine Providence. "Be not solicitous," Thou hast said. Yet how much sadness there is because we are solicitous and count not on Thy everlasting love.*

*Dear Lord, Thou hast said: "Behold I stand at the gate and knock. If anyone will open to Me the door, I will come in to him, and abide with him, and he with Me."*

*O Master, here in Thy holy presence inspire us so that we will remove the barriers. Then, dear Saviour of the world, Thou wilt come to us and we will know Thee in the breaking of the bread, in this Blessed Sacrament.*