
ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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• EASTER III • SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH •

¶**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.



A little while, and now you shall not see Me.

¶**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 15, 2011 • EASTER III • SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH • ST JOHN BAPTIST DE LA SALLE • ST DYMPHNA • The **Blessing of Expectant Mothers** follows all Masses. Come back for refreshments in Helfta Hall after Mass. After High Mass, stay with your children for Sunday **Classes** at **10:40 AM**. If you're **really** devout, come back this afternoon for Easter Vespers, May and St. Joseph Devotions. The **evening** service starts at **4:45 PM** and concludes with Benediction.

✠ THIS WEEK

The boys meet at the park, probably at **4:00 PM** tomorrow. Among **Monday's Saints** are Brendan's patron as well as of the Seal of the Confessional, **St. John Nepomucene**. Call all cooks! your main patron comes **Tuesday - St. Paschal Baylon**. Thank you! We close **St. Joseph's Octave Wednesday**, and will try to empty out Purgatory on **Thursday** at the monthly **Requiem**. The week ends quietly. **Sacred Heart** or **Blessed Virgin Mary** devotees would be welcome to finish the week **Friday** or **Saturday**.

✠ NEXT SUNDAY

Easter IV and St. Rita of Cascia.

Morning classes are as usual, but there are no afternoon Vespers.

Set your missal: Easter IV, St. Rita of Cascia and Our Lady in Paschaltide, Paschal Preface.

✠ CONGRATULATION

To Donna Patton, on her recent win in the Ohioana Book Festival. Donna's book **The Search for the Madonna** was featured at the festival on May 7th in Columbus as one of the top one hundred favorites in the state of Ohio. This book is now on display in the Ohio State Library and in the library at the Governor's Residence.

✠ MAY CROWNING

Congratulations to the St. Gertrude school children who did best on their First Communion test, and thus crowned Our Lady on Mother's Day. Catie Lynch, May Crowner, Hannah Lacy and Vanessa Soli, Court, Alex Soli, Crown Bearer.

✠ PRAY ALWAYS

Several of our families, and their children, need our prayers, including at least one out of town family.

Dear **Doris Jeanne Campbell** had a bad fall this winter, but is now home again and doing much better. Pat Omlor's father, the noted Catholic author **Patrick Omlor**, is hospitalized and needs our prayers. **Mary Lacy** from the office was hurt in a recent car accident. **Diane Powell** is scheduled for surgery May 26th. **Jeanne Harpen**, Pat Harpen's mother is ill as well as different **Rentschler** relatives and all are need of our prayers. **Les Palmerville**, who kindly played the organ for us at Easter, is poorly and faces many tests and Lexi Briggs' sister is sick. Please keep all of these as well as our shut in, in your prayers.

✠ BANNES OF MARRIAGE I

Andrew Beaver and Audrey Moeller.

Prescribed Travel

The drug store trip Assumes, with age, The aspect of A pill-grimage.

—Margaret Evelyn Singleton

Ushers

MAY 22, 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

Servers

MAY 20 - MAY 22, 2011

•FRI 5/20 5:45 PM Low: J. Gunsher, T. & J. Simpson
•SAT 5/21 7:30 AM Low: J. Simpson
•SUN 5/22 7:30 AM Low: A. & S. Brueggemann
9:00 AM High: MC: J. Lotarski
(Training B. Lotarski)
Tt: A. Lawrence
ACs: A. Richesson, S. Arlinghaus
TORCH: J. Lacy, P. Omlor, N. Kuebler, J. Simpson,
L. Arlinghaus, P. Lawrence
11:30 AM Low: F. & N. Puglielli
5:30 PM SIMPLE BENEDICTION: G. Miller,
5:45 PM Low: G. Miller

Collection Report

Sunday May 8th\$4,009.00

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

✠ POETRY CORNER

The Man of the House

Joseph, honoured from sea to sea,
This is your name that pleases me,
"Man of the House."

I see you rise at the dawn and light
The fire and blow till the flame is bright.

I see you take the pitcher and carry
The deep well-water for Jesus and Mary.

You knead the corn for the bread so fine,
Gather them grapes from the hanging
vine.

There are little feet that are soft and
slow,
Follow you whithersoever you go.

There's a little face at your workshop
door,
A little one sits down on your floor:

Holds His hands for the shavings curled,
The soft little hands that have made the
world.

Mary calls you: the meal is ready:
You swing the Child to your shoulder
steady.

I see your quiet smile as you sit
And watch the little Son thrive and eat.

The vine curls by the window space,
The wings of angels cover the face.

Up in the rafters, polished and olden,
There's a Dove that broods and his
wings are golden.

You who kept Them through shine and
storm,
A staff, a shelter kindly and warm,

Father of Jesus, husband of Mary,
Hold us your lilies for sanctuary!

Joseph, honoured from sea to sea,
Guard me mine and my own roof-tree,
"Man of the House"!

—Katherine Tynan

✠ THE CALENDAR

MON	5/16/11	ST UBALDUS, BPC
	11:20 AM	Low Mass Health of Patrick Omlor, Sr.
	3:10 PM	May Devotions
	4:00 PM	Knights of the Sacred Heart
TUE	5/17/11	ST PASCHAL BAYLON, C
	11:20 AM	High Mass Lynda Walton (Britton & Caleb Foshee)
	3:10 PM	May Devotions
	4:00 PM	Low Mass In Honor of St. Paschal, For all of our Cooks
WED	5/18/11	OCTAVE DAY OF ST JOSEPH ST VENATIUS, M
	8:00 AM	Low Mass Poor Souls St. Joseph
	11:20 AM	High Mass Fr. Martin Stephanich O.F.M. 70th Anniversary of Ordination (<i>Kirby & Jean Bischel</i>)
	3:10 PM	May Devotions
	6:30 PM	Choir Practice
THUR	5/19/11	ST PETER CELESTINE, PC ST PRUDENTIANA, VM
	11:20 AM	Requiem High Mass (<i>Purgatorial Society</i>)
	3:10 PM	May Devotions
	5:00 PM	Low Mass †Ruth Ann Treft (<i>Brendan Blase</i>)
FRI	5/20/11	ST BERNARDINE OF SIENA, C
	10:55 AM	Confessions
	11:20 AM	Low Mass Fr. Cekada (<i>ACC</i>) May Devotions
	5:15 PM	Confessions and Rosary
	5:45 PM	Low Mass Fr. McGuire (<i>ACC</i>) Novena and Benediction Opening of St. Rita of Cascia Triduum
SAT	5/21/11	OUR LADY'S SATURDAY OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION
	7:15 AM	Confessions
	7:30 AM	Low Mass In Honor of our Mother of Perpetual Help and for poor souls (<i>Patrick Omlor</i>) May Devotions and St. Rita Cascia Triduum
SUN	5/22/11	EASTER IV ST RITA OF CASCIA, W
	7:30 AM	Low Mass †Mr. Bernie Brueggemann (<i>Dan, Mary & Family</i>)
	9:00 AM	High Mass Our Children, Godchildren, Godparents (<i>M/M P. Arlinghaus</i>)
	10:40 AM	Sunday Classes
	11:30 AM	Low Mass Special Intention (<i>Becky Uhlenbrock</i>)
	5:30 PM	N.B. Special Service - May Devotions and Simple Benediction
	5:45 PM	Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude's

MOMENT OF TRUTH

I thought his fellow-tradesman,
Joseph, reached a hand
To guide his weary progress
Into that promised land.

And at the gate all sorrow,
Worry and sickness fell
From those beloved shoulders—
And strong again, and well,

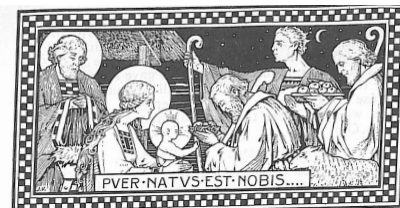
He marched beside his champion,
Joseph, at the head
Of that august procession
Whom foolish men call “dead.”

St. Jude was there, and Mary,
And Anthony and John,
St. Theresa strewing roses,
And Ann to lean upon.

Then came his own earth-mother
To walk beside her son,
Whispering in old accents:
“Well done, *mon fils*, well done.”

How can I cling to grieving,
Or murmur at my loss,
Who saw one blessed moment
The crown above his cross?

—Alma Roberts Giordian



ST. JOSEPH

As Mary sat at Jesus' feet
And spake no word,
So Joseph heavenly messengers
In silence heard.

His life was just one listening,
Steadfast and still,
In faith to learn, in love to do
One Blessed Will.

—Elizabeth Merryweather

✠ ST JOSEPH

And what is worthy of Joseph? The best answer to this question is found in the encyclical of Leo XIII, published in 1889 and still unsurpassed as the clearest statement of the Church's attitude toward Joseph. "He was the husband of Mary and the father, as was thought, of Jesus Christ. From this arise all his dignity, grace, holiness, and glory. The dignity of the Mother of God is certainly so sublime that nothing can surpass it; but none the less, since the bond of marriage existed between Joseph and the Blessed Virgin, there can be no doubt that more than any other person he approached that supereminent dignity by which the Mother of God is raised far above all created natures." Since Joseph is second *only* to Mary in dignity and holiness among human beings, he can correctly be called the man closest to Jesus.

O Joseph, virgin-father of Jesus, most pure Spouse of the Virgin Mary, pray every day for us to the same Jesus, the Son of God, that we, being defended by the power of His grace and striving dutifully in life, may be crowned by Him at the hour of death.

Supported by the patronage of the Spouse of Thy most holy Mother, we pray Thee, O Lord, for Thy mercy; that Thou wouldst make our hearts despise all things earthly and love Thee, the true God, with perfect charity: Who livest and reingest world without end. Amen.



Grant us, dear Joseph, to run life's pathway in innocent fashion: May we for ever be safe under thy blest patronage.

PRAYER OF ST. CLEMENT MARY HOFBAUER

O St. Joseph, my loving father, I place myself forever under thy protection. Look upon me as thy child, and keep me from all sin. I take refuge in thine arms, so that thou mayest lead me on the path of virtue and assist me at the hour of my death. Amen.



PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

O Illustrious Patriarch St. Joseph, who carried the Infant Jesus in thy blessed arms and who, during the space of thirty years, lived in the most intimate familiarity with Him, take under thy powerful protection those whom He has clothed with His authority and honored with the dignity of His priesthood, whom He has charged to continue His mission, to preach His Gospel, and to dispense everywhere His graces and blessings. Sustain them in their fatigues and labors; console them in their pains; fortify them in their combats; but above all, keep far from them the evils of sin.

Obtain for them the humility of St. John the Baptist, the faith of St. Peter, the zeal and charity of St. Paul, the purity of St. John and the spirit of prayer and recollection of which thou, my dear Saint, art the model, so that, after having been on earth the faithful dispensers of the Mysteries of thy foster Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, they may in Heaven receive the recompense promised to pastors according to the heart of God. Amen.

Speaking of Faith *A Reminder from the Pope:*

"It is again necessary to mention and censure a very grave error entrapping some Catholics who believe that it is possible to arrive at eternal salvation although living in error and alienated from the true faith and Catholic unity. Such belief is certainly opposed to Catholic teaching. There are, of course, those who are struggling with invincible ignorance about our most holy religion. Sincerely observing the natural law and its precepts inscribed by God on all hearts and ready to obey God, they live honest lives and are able to attain eternal life by the efficacious virtue of divine light and grace. Because **God know**, searches, and clearly understands the minds, hearts, thoughts, and nature of all, **His supreme kindness and clemency do not permit anyone at all who is not guilty of deliberate sin to suffer eternal punishments.**

"Also well known is the Catholic teaching that no one can be saved outside the Catholic Church. **Eternal salvation cannot be obtained by those who oppose the authority and statements of the same Church and are stubbornly separated from the unity of the Church and also from the Successor of Peter, the Roman Pontiff, to whom 'the custody of the vineyard has been committed by the Savior.'**...

God forbid that the children of the Catholic Church should ever in any way be unfriendly to those who are not at all united to us by the same bonds of faith and love. On the contrary, let them be eager always to attend to their needs with all the kind services of Christian charity, whether they are poor or sick or suffering any other kind of visitation."

– Pius IX

(A most venerable pope, to be sure, but not a "Venerable") Quanto Conficiamur Moerore, August 10, 1863.

Joseph follows his virginal spouse this Sunday, charged as he is by the Supreme Pontiff to watch over the whole Catholic Church. By exception, we were able to **solemnize** St. Joseph on his very Wednesday feast, as our three priests joined with the school choir and servers to sing Solemn High Mass in his honor. Every day in his Octave we commemorate the Patron and Protector of the Catholic Church, both at the Divine Office and Mass. Today's Mass then, **Jubilate** or Easter III, is sung as we heed the Church's call to rejoice that Christ is risen, and will soon rise to the Heavens (St. Joseph with Him) on His admirable Ascension Day.



So much sun shone in our hearts Sunday, Mother's Day, that the sun itself tarried and was not missed all morning as we crowned her who is "elect as the sun," our Mother and Queen. The timing was perfect, the music was grand, and it was wonderful to see such a representation of the Rosary Confraternity, as well as the First Communion Class, their families, and the faithful.

The May Crowning Mass started off a bit shaky, due to some technical difficulties (perhaps Old Scratch, anticipating his smashing, was acting up) but soon things were in order, and more. Anymore we always count it a successful crowning when the children avoid falling in to the pond (delicately colored blue for the occasion; the grotto as well beautifully turned out with candles and flowers). But with Mr. VandeRyt as MC all proceeded smoothly.

One father reports that he heard a four or five year old boy ask his dad: "Will there be a donkey for the procession?" No, but I did think some sheep would have been a nice touch. Maybe next year.

Our school year is in its final weeks, all too soon for Corpus Christi comes late in June. Yesterday Our Sunday Catechism children were tested for First Communion by Fr. Cekada, and made their First Confession. They are scheduled to be made Soldiers of Christ on the Vigil of Pentecost, and receive Our Lord for the first time on Easter's fiftieth day.

First Friday in May we had the pleasure of a visit from a fairly new "sede vacantist" priest, booted out of the Pius X Society a couple of years ago. **Don Floriano Abrahamowicz** is Austrian by birth, and has a small chapel in Treviso, near the birthplace of St. Pius X. His tour is giving him an idea of the strength of the Church in our land. Father was most complimentary of our warm church, and the wonderful singing of the Bonaventura Quintet Friday evening.

Meanwhile, the dean of our sede vacantist clergy, **Fr. Martin Stepanich**, OFM celebrates the **Seventieth Anniversary** of his sacerdotal ordination this Wednesday May 18th. (Father would say every Catholic is a sede vacantist, for all hold that at times the seat is, well, *empty!*) Fr. Martin is still active doing good in his garden and in the garden of the Church, planting seeds and pulling weeds. May God grant him a long life, and every blessing of his long fruitful priestly apostolate.

Finally, word has reached us of the death of a classmate of ours from Econe, Fr. Yves Maury, a holy hermit and sede vacantist priest whose edifying death closes a priestly life full of sickness, suffering, and satanic attack. Pray for him to enter now into rest.

Fr. Maury goes down in the annals of the Pius X Society as the only priest who left on his ordination day! He was in Fr. Cekada's class, and always felt called to the eremitical life. So, having received the holy priesthood, he thanked the good archbishop and retired to the desert, there to fight his demons with prayer and fasting and remain faithful until called for his crown.

Pray for them all, our priests, won't you? Fr. Cekada goes today to Florida for a bit more work in preparing the next generation of "other Christs." Send the seminary your monthly offering. They will be sending another other Christ your way one of these days.

St. Joseph, protect our priests and faithful, and bind them together in the holy chain of faith filled chastity.

–Bishop Dolan



St. Joseph, Protector of Holy Church

In her official litany composed in honor of St. Joseph, Holy Mother Church salutes and invokes him as "Protector of Holy Church." This title is rightly his in the light of the doctrine of the Mystical Body. The record of St. Joseph's fidelity during his life on earth in protecting Christ guarantees that now, in heaven, he continues to protect and cherish Christ's Church on earth.
