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# ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## OCTOBER 9, 2011

### • PENTECOST XVII •

### • FORTY HOURS •

#### ¶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 Churching 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.



¶**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.

*Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.*

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## ✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ✠ OCTOBER 9, 2011 • PENTECOST XVII • ST JOHN LEONARD • ST DENIS & COMP • CLOSING OF FORTY HOURS •

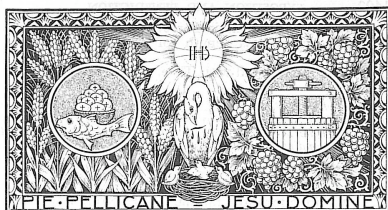
The Blessed Sacrament is exposed all day for adoration until the closing ceremonies this evening at 6:30 PM. You are invited for refreshments in Helfta Hall after the final Benediction.

There are no classes this morning. Our outdoor Rosary Blessed Sacrament follows the High Mass. Afterwards we have our Rosary Confraternity Communion Breakfast.

October Devotions will be recited at 4:00 PM, and Solemn Vespers will be sung at 4:45 PM.

### ✠ THIS WEEK

We're taking a little rest on Monday after our beautiful Forty Hours weekend. There is **no school Monday**. Enjoy the **Columbus Day** holiday. On **Tuesday** we resume our regular schedule, with the great feast of **Our Lady's Maternity**. Masses are at 8, 11:20 AM and 5:00 PM, with October Devotions at 3:10 PM. Remember: **Rosary and Benediction every Wednesday at 3:00 PM**. Our monthly **Requiem** is sung on **Wednesday at 11:20 AM**. On **Thursday** we have our final **Fatima Rosary Procession at 7:15 PM**. Come and carry a candle to honor the Light of the World. **Early Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** is at **5:00 PM on Friday** with October Devotions. Saturday's Rosary service **follows** the 7:30 AM Mass.



### Collection Report

Sunday October 2nd .....\$4,143.50  
Second Collection .....\$887.00

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

### ✠ NEXT SUNDAY

Our Autumn Bake sale follows all Masses. Morning classes resume, as usual, at 10:40 AM. Vespers, with October Devotions and Benediction, are at 4:30 PM. Please note the early time.

**Set Your Missal:** Pentecost XVIII, with commemoration of St. Hedwig and St. Gerard Majella, Trinity Preface.

### ✠ 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 **3:15 PM**. Come join our children in prayer! The Rosary is also recited, **before the Blessed Sacrament Exposed on Friday** afternoon at **5:15 PM**, followed by **Mass at 6:15 PM**. Saturday's Rosary is at 8:30 AM. Sunday the Rosary is prayed at 7:10 and 11:10 AM., and (approximately) 5:15 PM.

### ✠ UPCOMING EVENTS

All Saints Day Procession and Presentation: Before and After the 9 AM. Mass on Sunday, October 30th.

### ✠ CALLING ALL COOKS

If you are able to help out with preparing an occasional meal for our priests, please visit our meal planning website, **Cucina Clerical**, at [www.lotsahelpinghands.com/c/622747/](http://www.lotsahelpinghands.com/c/622747/) where you can view the monthly calendar and sign up for any available day; or call the office.

### ✠ PLEASE PRAY

For the repose of the soul of Sister Maria Mechtilde, CMRI of Mt. St. Michael. Sister had been a religious for many years, and leaves an edifying example.

Remember too all of our sick and shut ins.

## ✠ POETRY CORNER

### Christ's Institution of the Eucharist

To say, "You are here!"  
To say, "We adore...,"  
is to remember the way you stay and beg,  
every hour, every day  
behind the silent golden door,  
where white and full, you watch and wait—  
composed and patient Moon.  
My sunken soul, depleted all  
Recalls the shimmer of the tomb.

We remember the eve of broken bread;  
You called us "friends,"  
We called You "Lord."  
You poured us Life that never ends:  
The flesh You fed, we still adore.

As beggars place their palms to plead,  
As Your two palms took stake in hand,  
You wait for palms that will receive,  
O pierced, impoverished MAN!

The Word You give to the flesh that sins,  
is the Truth I bow before;  
It's the mystery  
Of Your Flesh in man,  
my hunger seeks  
and will adore.

—Rita A. Flansburg

*This is a lovely modern poem. In the first verse "The Moon" refers to the moon shaped locket, the luna, which holds the Host in the Monstrance, as well as to the "full moon" of the Sacred Host.*

### Ushers

#### OCTOBER 16, 2011


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





### Servers

#### OCTOBER 13 - OCTOBER 16, 2011

•TUE 10/11 11:20 AM HIGH: School servers, Simpsons  
•THUR 10/13 5:45 PM LOW: J. Gunsher  
•FRI 10/14 6:15 PM LOW: J. Gunsher, T., M. & J. Simpson  
•SAT 10/15 7:30 AM LOW: Simpsons  
8:45 AM LOW: M. Briggs  
•SUN 10/16 7:30 AM LOW: D. & A. Brueggemann  
9:00 AM HIGH: MC: R. VandeRyt  
CHAPLAINS: T. Simpson, B. Lotarski  
TH: R. Hill AC's: S. & L. Arlinghaus  
TORCH: J. Morgan, A. Soli, P. Omlor  
M. Simpson, J. Lacy, N. Kuebler  
11:30 AM LOW: F. & N. Puglielli  
4:30 PM VESPERS: G. Miller, Simpsons  
5:30 PM LOW: G. Miller

# ✠ THE CALENDAR

Weekday webcast Masses are marked with a 

- MON 10/10/11 ST FRANCIS BORGIA, C**  
**COLUMBUS DAY - NO SCHOOL**  
**8:00 AM Low Mass** For the consolation and deliverance into Heaven of the Souls in Purgatory (*Rose & Nick Manno*)
- TUE 10/11/11 MATERNITY OF OUR LADY**  
**8:00 AM Low Mass** Repose of souls in Purgatory (*Tom & Stella Simpson*)  
 **11:20 AM High Mass** †Suzanne Nies (*SGG School*)  
**3:10 PM October Devotions**  
**5:00 PM Low Mass** In honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help and for Poor Souls (*Patick Omlor*)
- WED 10/12/11 FERIAL DAY**  
**8:00 AM Low Mass** Poor Souls-Gratitude-Joyce Rentschler Birthday Remembrance (*DJR*)  
 **11:20 AM Requiem High Mass** *Purgatorial Society*  
**3:00 PM Exposition, Rosary and Benediction**  
**4:00 PM Low Mass** Fallen away priests (*ACC*)  
**6:30 PM Choir Practice**
- THUR 10/13/11 OUR LADY OF FATIMA**  
**ST EDWARD, KING C**  
 **11:20 AM High Mass** Our priests in France (*ACC*)  
**3:10 PM October Devotions**  
**5:45 PM Votive Low Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary** †Michael Hinton (*Bishop Dolan*)  
**7:15 PM Closing Candlelight Fatima Rosary Procession**
- FRI 10/14/11 ST CALLISTUS I, PM**  
**10:45 AM Confessions**  
 **11:20 AM Low Mass** All bad priests (*ACC*)  
**3:10 PM October Devotions**  
**5:00 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
**5:15 PM October Devotions**  
**5:45 PM Sacred Heart Novena and Benediction, Sermon**  
**6:15 PM Low Mass** In honor of St. Lucy for my mother and my brother (*Gloria Zbilicki*)
- SAT 10/15/11 ST TERESA OF AVILA, V**  
**7:15 AM Confessions**  
**7:30 AM Low Mass** Repose of souls in Purgatory (*Tom & Stella Simpson*) **Simple Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, October Devotions, Simple Benediction**  
**8:45 AM Low Mass** In honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help and for Poor Souls (*Patick Omlor*)

- SUN 10/16/11 PENTECOST XVII**  
**7:30 AM Low Mass** †Bruce Maki (*Kent Maki*)  
**9:00 AM High Mass** For the People of St. Gertrude  
**10:40 AM Sunday Classes**  
**11:30 AM Low Mass** Ron Siemer (*Mr. & Mrs. Henry Sieverding*)  
**4:30 PM Vespers, October Devotions and Benediction**  
**5:45 PM Low Mass** Poor Souls - Gratitude - Richard Rentschler (*DJR*)

O holy Mother, keep and guard our hearts, which Jesus has this day chosen for His dwelling. Defend us by thy ceaseless prayer, that we may seek in all things the glory of God and the interests of His Sacred Heart. Amen.



**Mother of God**

The billowed foam that marks the wave's  
white crest  
Less pure than thou, O Queen of womankind!  
The eye omniscient of thy God could find  
No trace of sin within thy virgin breast;  
Wherein His Son found place of earthly rest,—  
A living Host in living monstrance shrined;  
Thy flesh and blood the holy hands to bind  
His nature to our own in union blest!

The golden splendor of the setting sun  
Less brilliant far than those effulgent rays  
That form thy nimbus Angels' Queen and  
mine,—  
A crown of glory by thy virtues won,  
A guerdon for the griefs of earthly days  
For sorrows shared with Christ, thy Son  
Divine.

—Marie



OUR LADY OF FATIMA  
CANDLELIGHT ROSARY PROCESSION



JOIN US THURSDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 13TH, 2011 FOR THE CLOSING PROCESSION IN HONOR OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA, AS WE PRAY THE ROSARY FOR PEACE!

This will be the culmination of the series of Fatima Rosary Processions that began on May 13th. Process and pray with us by candlelight as we honor Our Lady's request to **PRAY THE ROSARY**.

Votive Low Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary is at 5:45 PM, followed by the Candlelight Rosary Procession at 7:15 PM.

The Procession will begin in the First Watch parking lot, Union Centre Blvd. and Floer Drive in West Chester.  
(Need directions or a ride? Call the church office!)



*O holy Mother, keep and guard our hearts, which Jesus has this day chosen for His dwelling. Defend us by thy ceaseless prayer, that we may seek in all things the glory of God and the interests of His Sacred Heart. Amen.*

*Turn, O Mary, your loving eyes upon me.*

*By the Rosary the darkness of heresy has been dispelled -St. Pius V*

*My Jesus, may all men ever know, adore, love, and praise Thee, every moment, in the most holy and most divine Sacrament!*



PRAYER TO OUR LADY AFTER HOLY COMMUNION

Mother of Jesus, entertain now thy divine Son for me! O my dear Mother Mary, raise up thy pure hands in my behalf. Through thee, O Mary, I consecrate to Jesus my soul with all its powers, my body with all its senses, my heart with all its affections. O Mary, obtain for me a true devotion to the most Sacred Heart of Jesus, a great devotion to His most sacred Passion, and a tender love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar; great confidence in thy holy intercession, and that I may ever serve and love thee as thy devoted child. O my dear Jesus, for the sake of Thy most precious blood, and through the merits of Thy most holy Mother, do not permit me to betray Thee. I pray Thee to grant me a holy death, give me grace to receive Thee worthily in my last illness, with a heart full of confidence in Thy great love and mercy, and a soul flooded with true and lively contrition for my many sins, that united with Thee and burning with an ardent desire of seeing Thee, I may depart from this life to behold Thee face to face for all eternity. Amen.

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## ✠ BISHOP'S CORNER

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*I wrote this corner last Thursday morning, after a turbulent, **jet lag** night, wondering amidst my tossings what time I needed to get up, what chapel I was going to, and in what language I was meant to preach. Ever have a night like that? (Well, not the preaching part, necessarily.) Still, all told I had an excellent apostolic trip, and I thank Our Lady and the Little Flower, and you for your prayers.*



It was hot, summer hot, in Brittany for my last Sunday in France. They call this late September heat wave “St. Michael’s Summer.” It was good then to return home to St. Gertrude’s early Autumn. The calm greens and golds here made for a sharp contrast with the grim greys of urban Rennes. St. Pius V church is in a rented building in an area mostly destroyed during WWII, and rebuilt with wall to wall apartment buildings afterwards. Its central location near “La Gare,” the train station, make it easy of access, and faithful flow into its humble chapel in amazing numbers all week long. I am always so edified at the daily Mass attendance, Fr. Roger’s growing school (near fifty now), many young people, and dedicated choir which sings all of the Gregorian propers each Sunday.

I don’t recall ever being gone for three consecutive Sundays, but I was happy to make this sacrifice so that our faithful in France would not have to do without the Holy Sacrifice on Sunday. Besides, I knew you here were in good hands.

Furthermore this was an excellent opportunity for me to get to know each chapel, its condition and needs, and to spend time with the priests, religious and faithful. Usually a bishop passes through town relatively quickly. There is an important ceremony (with all of its necessary preparations), a dinner, perhaps, and it’s time to pack and leave. I was glad to linger this time to preach more frequently, to give conferences to religious and young people, to visit the school, and to listen to all kinds of people. How different the situation is in France, and yet how similar to our own! How encouraged we should all be at the enthusiasm everywhere, and solid growth.

Thank you for your understanding at my absence, and your prayers. Thanks especially for all of the Rosary Confraternity work for last Sunday and this, and for your extra attendance at church these great days of the Forty Hours.

We’re happy to have our seminarians with us again this weekend, and promise the Reverend Mr. Lehtoranta our prayers in view of his priestly ordination here next month on St. Gertrude’s Day. Priests from different countries are planning to be with us that Wednesday morning, November 16th, and I hope you will be, too.

We have two Blessed Sacrament processions scheduled for today. The morning Rosary procession with the Blessed Sacrament is to “make up” for the missed Corpus Christi procession, due to last June’s rain. This evening’s little Procession around the church closes these Forty Hours of solemn eucharistic prayer. Let us forevermore adore the Most Blessed Sacrament!

Forty Hours will have **energized** our devotion, I know, so it shouldn’t be **too** difficult to assemble the troops for Thursday’s closing Rosary Fatima Procession for Peace. This beautiful candlelight prayer shares with the public our faithful witness to Jesus and Mary. Come swell our numbers with your presence, and take home enough peace to last you through next May 13th!

Mothers and little saints, be thinking now who you will be for our All Saints procession on Christ the King Sunday, October 30th. Fathers and mothers, remind each other and the little ones to say some decades at the table right after dessert. Nobody move, just pull out the rosaries and light a candle and start. How sweet it is to end the family dinner hour with prayer, the very best prayer possible.

You have been in my prayers all along these days. May your spiritual harvest be rich this October.

Yours in Our Lady of the Rosary,

-Bishop Dolan



*Make every effort, therefore, to assist every day at Holy Mass...The choirs of the Church triumphant and those of the Church militant are united to our Lord in this divine action, so that with Him, in Him, and through Him, they may ravish the Heart of God the Father and make His mercy our own.*

—Saint Francis de Sales

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