

St. Gertrude the Great Roman Catholic Church

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Pentecost V

June 23, 2013

*The Lord is my
light, and
my salvation,
whom shall I fear?*



The Most Reverend
Daniel L. Dolan, Pastor

The Rev. Anthony Cekada
The Rev. Charles McGuire
The Rev. Vili Lehtoranta
The Rev. Stephen McKenna

Traditional Latin Mass

Sunday Masses
7:30 AM Low Mass
9:00 AM High Mass
11:30 AM Low Mass
5:45 PM Low Mass

Weekday Masses
See THE CALENDAR inside

New at St. Gertrude's? Welcome! In the vestibule you'll find a pamphlet explaining the traditional rules 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 Catholic Faith and the Latin Mass. A free information packet is available to newcomers; ask an Usher or inquire in the Gift Shop. Stop by Helfta Hall, our social hall, after Mass for refreshments.

Dress Code: *Ladies & Girls*—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 for Sundays and Holy Days. No T-shirts, sweat shirts, sweat pants, tennis shoes, sneakers, shorts, jeans or sports logo jackets at any time.

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

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

Votive Candles: You may light candles before the numerous shrines located throughout the church and in the baptistery. The suggested donation for a seven-day votive candle is \$5.00. The suggested donation for a six-hour votive candle is 50 cents.

Confessions: Fridays during the school year, at 10:55 AM, Friday evenings and Saturday mornings (*please consult THE CALENDAR inside for times*); most Sundays before the morning Masses.

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.

Blessing of Religious Articles: First Sunday of the month after all Masses.

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

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

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

¶ JUNE 23, 2013 • PENTECOST V •

The great First Vespers of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist are sung at 4:45 PM today, followed by Benediction.



¶ ST. JOHN'S NIGHT

Join us **tomorrow, Monday, June 24th**, for Mass, followed by a barbecue & potluck supper, good company and the blessing of the St. John's Fire. The church will provide brats and hotdogs, and marshmallows for roasting. We ask that you bring a salad, dessert, or beverages to share. If you have folding lawn chairs please feel free to bring those along too! The schedule for the evening is as follows:

5:45 PM Solemn High Mass

7:15 PM Barbecue & Potluck Supper

8:30 PM Lighting and Blessing of St. John's Bonfire, followed by songs and stories, some very special entertainment, and a marshmallow roast. After dark, the Rosary concludes the evening's festivities.

¶ THE SUMMER NOVENA

We continue our Summer Novena, consisting of the traditional *Thirteen Tuesdays of St. Anthony* with a Novena prayer to *Our Lady of Perpetual Help*, on **Tuesday** after the 11:20 AM (*note special time*) and 5:00 PM Masses. Come to participate in these powerful devotions every Tuesday this Summer!

¶ OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Our beloved Mother of Perpetual Help is honored especially on her actual feastday, **Thursday**, June 27th. Masses will be offered *all day long* so everybody gets a chance: 7:00, 8:00 and 11:20 AM and 5:00 PM. This feast is the third ordination anniversary of Fr. Hecquard. Please note that a **Triduum** to Our Lady of Perpetual Help is recited Wednesday through Friday.

¶ SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

The great feast of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul falls on **Saturday** (Masses at 7:30 & 8:20 AM) and is solemnized

on Sunday. This feast marks the ordination anniversary of Bishop Sanborn, Bishop Dolan, and Fr. Cekada.

*O Mother of Perpetual Help,
permit me not to lose my God.*

¶ NEXT SUNDAY – Solemnity of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul

Vespers and Benediction are at 4:45 PM.

Set Your Missal: Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul (June 29th), with commemoration and Last Gospel of Pentecost VI. Preface of the Apostles.

¶ OUR SICK

Please pray for Ron Boehm, who's in the hospital, Bea Lutkehaus, who is ailing, and Tim Hopkins, recovering from surgery, and for all our sick and shut-in.

¶ A CARD OF THANKS

Dear St. Gertrude Parishioners,
The family of Elizabeth Reis would like to thank all of you for the prayers and support you have shown to us. Elizabeth had a peaceful death due to all of your prayers. Elizabeth loved her church and all of you. When she would see in the bulletin or I would tell her that we prayed for her at Mass, she would say 'tell them thank you.' Thanks also to everyone who had a part in her wonderful funeral Mass. It was beautiful as are all the ceremonies here at St. Gertrude and I know she would have loved it.

Thank you again and know that I will be praying for all of you.

– Kathy Verity and the Reis family

*"Thy Heart which preserves my innocence
could not disappoint my confidence. In Thee,
O Lord, I place my hope that after this exile,
I shall see Thee in Heaven."*

– St. Thérèse of Lisieux

¶ UPCOMING: MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Girls' Camp – Wednesday, July 10th – Friday, July 12th.

Boys' Camp – Tuesday, July 23rd – Thursday, July 25th.

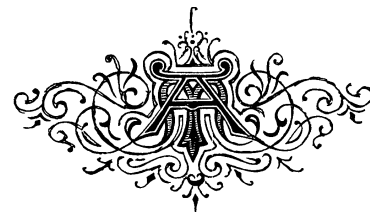
Fatima Rosary Procession – Saturday, July 13th.

¶ RADIO SHOWS

Things are hopping on Restoration Radio this Summer. To listen, hop over to **blogtalkradio.com/restorationradio**. You can see the schedule of upcoming live broadcasts, and also download and listen 'on-demand' to previously recorded shows!

Fr. Larrabee has begun a weekly series of Lessons in the Catholic Faith: the basics which are perfect for beginners, but also for every Catholic who may need a refresher on what they learned in catechism.

Bishop Dolan has a new Catholic Devotions program, and will also be speaking **LIVE this coming Tuesday, June 25th at 10:00 AM**, on the Catholic Church and America.



Servers: JUNE 24 - 30, 2013

MON 6/24	5:45 PM HIGH: MC: T. Simpson, Sr. ACs: N. McClorey, P. Omlor TH: J. Simpson CROSS: S. Arlinghaus TORCH: P. & N. McClorey, Volunteers
FRI 6/28	5:45 PM LOW: Friday Night Servers
SAT 6/29	7:30 AM HIGH: Simpsons 8:20 AM LOW: M. Briggs
SUN 6/30	7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros. 9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: J. Soli, R. Vande Ryt ACs: B. Lotarski, S. Arlinghaus TH: N. McClorey TORCH: M. Simpson, J. & J. Morgan, N. & P. McClorey, Volunteer CROSS: L. Arlinghaus MITRE: J. Lacy CROZIER: A. Soli 11:30 AM LOW: A.D. Kinnett, P. Omlor 4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller 5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller

Ushers: JUNE 30, 2013

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

Collection Report

Sunday, June 16th\$3, 421.00

Colors on the Altar

White is for love and gladness,
As when so poor was born
For love of us our Saviour
The first bright Christmas morn.

In violet the altar,
As Lenten shadows fall,
Is draped, when sorrow for our sins
Bids us for mercy call.

Red brings to mind the martyrs,
Who shed for Christ their blood;
And, since for Him they suffered,
Still to the end withstood.

Green is the color of our earth,
Of hope and life the sign;
Hope – out of suffering, sorrow,
love –
Leads on to life divine.

– E. Merryweather



Amor Dei

Oft have I thought when night unfurled
The wonders of the skies above,
With what infinity of love
God wrought the splendors of the world:

The fragrance of the petalled rose,
The odors that in violets lie,
The crimson glories of the sky
When noonday flames to evenclose.

For loveliness is born of pain,
Be it of babe or flower or thought;
And God's great heart is surely fraught
With hourly suffering for our gain.

– A. Smart



THE SUMMER NOVENA

(Clip and save for future Tuesdays)

PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

O Most holy Virgin Mary, my Mother! how sweet it is to cast myself at thy feet to implore thy perpetual help! If mothers on earth do not forget their children, how couldst thou, the most tender of Mothers, forget me! Grant me, I beseech thee, thy perpetual help in my sorrows, in my sufferings and above all in my temptations. But since we are thy children, I beseech thee to also grant thy perpetual aid to all who suffer. Help the weak, cure the sick, convert sinners, comfort those poor mothers who weep over their children. Open the gates of Heaven to those who were dear to us and who suffer in Purgatory. *(Here mention your request)* Grant O Lady of Perpetual Help, that having implored thy assistance here below, we may see thee eternally in heaven. Amen.



V: Thou hast been made for us, O Lady, a refuge.

R: A helper in need and tribulation.

Let us pray: O Lord Jesus Christ, Who hast given us Thy Mother Mary, whose renowned image we venerate, to be a Mother ever ready to help us; grant, we beseech Thee, that we who constantly implore her aid may merit to enjoy perpetually the fruits of Thy Redemption, Who livest and reignest world without end. *R:* Amen.

from THE MIRACULOUS RESPONSORY OF ST. ANTHONY:

If miracles thou fain wouldst see: Lo! error, death, calamity,
The leprous stain, the demon flies, From beds of pain the sick arise.

The sea withdraws and fetters break, And withered limbs he doth restore,
While treasures lost are found again, When young or old his help implore.

And perils perish; plenty's hoard Is heaped on hunger's famished board.
Let those relate who know it well, Let Padua of her Patron tell...



V: Pray for us, O blessed Anthony,

R: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

V: O God! let the votive commemoration of Blessed Anthony, Thy confessor and Doctor, be a source of joy to Thy Church, that she may always be fortified with spiritual assistance and may deserve to possess eternal joy. Through Christ, our Lord. *R. Amen.*

(Here mention your petition)

St. Anthony, zealous preacher of the Gospel, fortify us against the errors of the enemies of God, and pray for the Church.

CLOSING PRAYER

Holy Child Jesus, who didst flee to the arms of thy Mother for refuge and appear in the arms of St. Anthony to reward him, grant us we beseech Thee, through the intercession of Our Mother of Perpetual Help and St. Anthony, a sure refuge in this life and the reward of life everlasting, who livest and reignest world without end. Amen.

✠ PRAY FOR PRIESTS & THEY PRAY FOR YOU ✠

ADOPT-A-PRIEST

Some European priests we know:

Fr. Phillippe Guepin
Fr. Hector Romero
Fr. Francesco Ricossa
Fr. Curzio Nitoglia
Fr. Giuseppe Murro
Fr. Rigoberto
Fr. Ugolino Giugni
Fr. Christian Lafitte
Fr. Thomas Cazalas (who was ordained a
subdeacon at St. Gertrude the Great)
Fr. Ugo Carandino
Fr. Florian Abrahamowicz (who visited us)

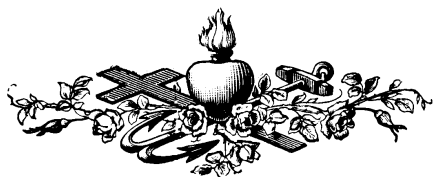
Daily Prayer for Priests.

O God, who didst love Thine only begotten Son from all eternity and didst will Him to become at once the Great High Priest and the Saving Victim for the sins of the whole world, pour forth Thy Holy Spirit, we beseech Thee, upon Thy servants, the priests of His Holy Church, and grant that in these days of tribulation there may be a great increase in the number and sanctity of vocations to the holy office of the Priesthood, and a growing fervor on the part of all those who offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and minister to the care of souls.

O Jesus, our great High Priest, may all the love and help and merciful compassion of Thy Sacred Heart be with Thy priests in their life and work, especially in the sacred ministry of the Altar. Graciously accept our prayers and Communion in union therewith, and grant to Thy priests who have departed this life, everlasting rest and the reward of their labors for the salvation of souls.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for the sake of Jesus Christ Thy Son, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

*O Jesus, Eternal Priest,
keep these Thy servants within the shelter
of Thy Sacred Heart!*



Go first to be reconciled to thy brother



If our faith were ardent, with what reverence we should assist at the Holy Sacrifice! With what care we should seek to cleanse ourselves from every stain so as to be less unworthy to enter, in the train of our Divine Chief, into the Holy of Holies, there to be, with Christ, a living victim!

— Columba Marmion



Mission Accomplished? Who really won the Iraqi War?

From the NY Times, June 2013:

Since the American-led invasion of 2003, Iraq has become one of the world's top oil producers, and China is now its biggest customer.

"We lost out," said Michael Makovsky, a former Bush administration Defense Department official who worked on Iraq oil policy. "The Chinese had nothing to do with the war, but from an economic standpoint they are benefiting from it, and our Fifth Fleet and air forces are helping to assure their supply."

Your tax dollars at work...billions of them, and how many American lives. They said the war was really about oil, but who would have thought oil for Communist China? "Brownie, you're doing a heck of a job!"

✠ A SPIRITUAL SOLSTICE ✠

MIDSUMMER'S EVE, THE BIRTHDAY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

This feast was strategically placed on this day to be six months from the birth of Jesus Christ. Speaking of Our Lord, John said, "I must decrease and he must increase." From now on the hours of sunlight begin to decrease until the winter solstice, which has the fewest hours of daylight. Because of calendar changes, these feasts are not precisely on the dates of the solstices, but they do capture the spirit of the seasons. Tradition and customs have fittingly held this as Summer Christmas, as an occasion for celebrations, feasting, dancing, bonfires and the giving of gifts.

Why give gifts to those you love only on Christmas, birthdays or anniversaries? Today can be a surprise gift-giving day, the resurrection of the ancient Summer Christmas and an occasion to celebrate. In the modern world of work-work-work, such surprise celebrations of gifting and feasting can help insure that we will not become clones of the machines that fill our lives. Machines *never* have holidays.

Machines also work without taking a break to relax, visit or rest. Nor do machines have fiestas or ancient celebrations like the feast of St. John the Baptist. Although efficient and dependable, machines do not pray or play. While these mechanical servants, who serve even the poorest persons, are hardworking and faithful to their daily tasks, they should not be imitated. Even a casual glance at the behavior of contemporary people in industrial countries shows an ever-increasing similarity to the patterns of machines. Leisure time is shrinking for humans, it seems, in proportion to the advances in technology and the number of machines taking over human functions!

The Communist Chinese, who are taking over Iraq, were praised by an Iraqi Oil Ministry official:

"The Chinese are very simple people."

"They are practical people. They don't have anything to do with politics or religion. They just work and eat and sleep."

Scary...sounds like a slave, almost a machine.

— Bishop Dolan



The Birth of St. John the Baptist
Bartolomé Esteban Murillo, ca. 1655

Sun of My Soul



One of the brilliant minds of our century teaches that the sun, not the earth, is the center of our world. He says that the sun is essentially motionless and that the earth revolves around the sun. This is hard for us to understand. It seems contrary to everything our senses tell us, for we see the

sun in continual movement around the earth all day long. This is a new opinion; not well-known among astronomers.

When it is understood, it can be applied very usefully in the science of salvation. Jesus is the sun. In His greatness He remains motionless, but moves all things. Seated at the right hand of God He is immovable, but he puts all else in motion. Because He is the true center of the world, the world needs to be in continual motion toward Him.

Jesus is the sun of our souls. We receive light from Him. We are influenced by Him. The earth of our hearts should always be moving toward Him. Then we may receive the grace and gifts of this great luminary.

— Pierre de Bérulle (1575-1629): Graceries de Jesus

A Personal Response

I am sure this is the secret, Lord. Christ needs to be at the center of my being. I need to be able to say with St. Paul, "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me" (Galatians 2:20). It won't be easy. My world still revolves around me.

This meditation from the celebrated founder of the French Oratory is not really meant to tweak our geocentrists. It should remind all of us that, as Fr. Cekada likes to say, "the definition of crazy is to think the world revolves around you."

— Bishop Dolan

O Jesus, Lord of my heart,
mighty and strong,
reign absolutely
over this heart of mine.

✠ THE BISHOP'S CORNER ✠

We had a wonderful Fathers Day, didn't we? The weather without was wretched all morning long, but within all was light and joy and song on our first Green Sunday. We honored the Eternal Father and His love for us even as we prayed for our own fathers, living and deceased.

The High Mass was especially beautiful and well sung. Each Mass had an excellent attendance, with a number of visitors. Perhaps some were accompanying their father to church, as three of Vic Ritze's adult children did. It was good to see them again.

The only things **Caravaggio** is accompanying this year are the baby bunnies. Neither he nor **Puccini** showed up for the St. Anthony Animal Blessing the other night, though he may have been interested in the large black bunny John and Tanya Urriquia brought to be blessed. We also had two very well behaved dogs, as well as †Shirle Downing's former cat, Angel, now rechristened as **Angelo**, in Gloria and Richard Zbilicki's care.

When Caravaggio brings in a live bunny for the feline version of the gladiatorial games, we just put on gloves anymore, rescue the poor frightened thing and deposit him in the tall grass. He's on his own after that. Caravaggio somehow misses his prey's exit, and continues to search my room for the rabbit even days later.

Bea Lutkehaus had a bad fall last weekend, and spent her 94th birthday (she's upping her official age to 49 from 39) in the hospital. **Fr. McGuire** and I went to visit her, and I must say that though her flesh is weak, her spirit is willing and her mind as sharp as ever. Janet Clementi's mind isn't too good, and her hearing is gone, but she enjoyed a visit recently from Fr. McGuire, and a blessing. Margaret Sutton has her mother back at home with her. Keep all of these dear souls in your prayers.

Last week's nice weather enabled me to finish up on a little gardening I've been wanting to do. (Better late than never, I thought to myself.) Dale and Brendan were a big help. Everything is now in, and the challenge for the rest of the summer will be to keep the weeds out.

Last Tuesday we opened our Summer Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Anthony with a nice little group for both Masses, and the fervent singing of the traditional and very moving hymns. Some of the members of our school choir came that rainy morning to sing the monthly Requiem for the Poor Souls. Come some Summer Tuesday.

Our summer Thirteen Tuesdays of St. Anthony devotion started at St. Gertrude about 30 years ago, at the inspiration of Ron Boehm. He is very devoted to the Saint of Padua, and willingly typed up the prayers we first used. Keep him in your prayers. He is in the hospital now in Dayton, where he has lived for many years. He's been attending the "indult" services in Dayton sponsored by the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. How much confusion is abroad today. These poor souls do the best they can, but we should never forget them in our prayers.

In your charity, please remember my older brother, David, in your prayers. He died suddenly last Tuesday night, while at home recovering from surgery; the same surgery I had last November. He died of a pulmonary embolism, a complication of surgery.

I beseech your charitable prayers for his soul's salvation, for he died with no faith, as far as I know. I think he must have lost his Catholic Faith at Notre Dame during the turbulent sixties, a victim to that religious revolution unleashed at Vatican II. So many souls fell that way. In your charity, please remember them all, and spare a prayer for my brother and his immortal soul. In High School he was a daily communicant at Catholic Central in Detroit. May he find God's mercy at the last.

Have you marked Monday on your calendar? Join us for our St. John's Night celebrations, and spend some of "the longest night of the year" with us. Mass, a barbeque, the blessing of the bonfire, songs, and special entertainment from the Fathers are scheduled. So, schedule yourself and your family for a fine Summer's evening.

Fr. Cekada is offering Mass at St. Hugh in Milwaukee, his old parish, today, but will be back for the party tomorrow. See you there.

God bless you and Mary keep you safe in the Heart of her Son.

— Bishop Dolan



✠ THE CALENDAR

*All Sunday Masses and most weekday Masses are webcast
Please check our website!*

MON	6/24/13	NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST 5:45 PM Solemn High Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the great 7:15 PM Parish Barbecue & Potluck Supper 8:30 PM Lighting and Blessing of St. John's Bonfire, songs, entertainment, etc., Rosary
TUE	6/25/13	ST WILLIAM, AB <i>Special time</i> 11:20 AM Low Mass Thanksgiving to the Infant of Prague for prayers answered (<i>Soli family</i>) Summer Novena 5:00 PM Low Mass Mike Cassidy-93rd Birthday (<i>Samantha</i>) Summer Novena
WED	6/26/13	SS JOHN & PAUL, MM <i>Opening of the Triduum to Our Lady of Perpetual Help</i> 8:00 AM Low Mass †Joseph Vincent Mattingly (<i>F.R. Mattingly</i>) 5:00 PM Low Mass Our Lady of La Salette-Poor Souls of Priests (<i>JCS</i>)
THU	6/27/13	WITHIN THE OCTAVE OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP 7:00 AM Low Mass In honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help for Patrick's intentions (<i>A.M. Omlor</i>) 8:00 AM Low Mass Denise Taylor, her recovery and intentions (<i>Patsy O'Brien</i>) 11:20 AM Low Mass †Patrick Henry Omlor (<i>Patton family</i>) 5:00 PM Low Mass My mother (<i>Patrick Omlor</i>)
FRI	6/28/13	ST IRENAEUS, BPM VIGIL OF SS PETER & PAUL <i>Closing of the Triduum to Our Lady of Perpetual Help</i> 8:00 AM Low Mass †Victor Meyer (<i>G. Keaveney</i>) 5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary 5:45 PM Low Mass †Roberta Duff (<i>G. Keaveney</i>) 6:30 PM Sacred Heart Novena & Benediction
SAT	6/29/13	SS PETER & PAUL, APP 7:15 AM Confessions 7:30 AM High Mass Fr. Cekada's own intentions 8:20 AM Sermon, Low Mass †Sr. Olive Rowley (<i>Samantha</i>)
SUN	6/30/13	SOLEMNITY OF SS PETER & PAUL PENTECOST V 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass Our teachers (<i>Brueggemann Boys</i>) 9:00 AM High Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great 11:05 AM Rosary 11:30 AM Low Mass †Patrick Henry Omlor (<i>Mark, Lori & Nevie Smith</i>)

JUNE

Dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus **Commencement ...**

Stately, serene, the graduates come,
Achievement's laurel victoriously won.
Capped and gowned, in a higher field,
What will the future for them yield?

A call to service of our country,
Or the professions
Or agriculture,
Some may heed.
Others, the life of Religious lead.
The world has a place in its busy mart –
Guidance comes from the Sacred Heart!

The Bride ...

Spring daintily steps aside
That Summer may claim his lovely bride,
June twenty-first.
The orchards weave by soft moonlight
A gossamer veil, misty white,
A billowy gown of wondrous sheen,
Caught with a constellation's gleam.
Blossomed boughs, apricot, apple,
Peach, pear, plum, bend low,
Expectant of the ripened fruit to grow.
A Master's palette, this work of art,
In the lovely month of the Sacred Heart.

– Rose Margaret Coughlin



THE FOLLOWING MASS WILL BE SAID IN THE MISSIONS:
All the fathers, living & deceased, whose intentions were
received after Fathers Day 2013

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- 4:45 PM **First Vespers of the Precious Blood, Benediction**
 - 5:45 PM **Low Mass** Thanksgiving to St. Joseph (S. & C. Niehaus)