

ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

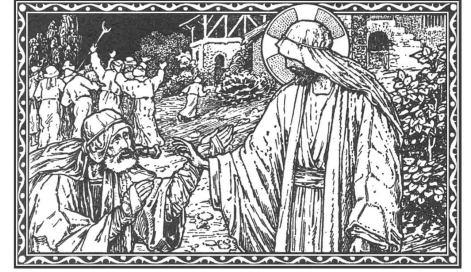
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Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM High, 11:30 AM, 5:45 PM



Most Reverend Daniel L. Dolan, Pastor
Rev. Anthony Cekada, Rev. Charles McGuire,
Rev. Vili Lehtoranta, Rev. Stephen McKenna

September 7, 2014 Pentecost XIII

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WERE NOT TEN MADE CLEAN?
AND WHERE ARE THE NINE?

¶ TODAY

The monthly second collection is taken up today at the Offertory, to support the training of future priests at our seminary. The blessing of religious articles will be given after all Masses, at the communion rail. Sunday Catechism classes begin today, following the High Mass.



¶ ALTER CHRISTUS

The "little church" is in the vestibule today for your monthly almsgiving for the support and sanctification of priests.

¶ BEGIN & END YOUR WEEK WITH MARY!

Tomorrow, **Monday**, we celebrate the Birth of our Blessed Mother with a Solemn High Mass at **11:20 AM**, and the traditional blessing of seeds and seedlings in her honor. A little party follows with a birthday cake. Bring your children to wish happy birthday to their Heavenly Mother! Another great Marian feast comes **Friday**, that of her Holy Name, with three opportunities to hear Mass. Finally, don't forget Our Lady's **Saturday** with a special Mass time of **9:00 AM**, and the *Fatima Rosary Procession for Peace* at **11:00 AM**.

¶ THE SUMMER NOVENA

Our annual 13-week Summer Novena, in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help and St. Anthony, closes this **Tuesday**, after the 8 AM and 5 PM Masses.

Lumen Christi

The Sanctuary Lamp will burn before the Blessed Sacrament for the next fortnight for the following intention:

**Safe surgery & quick recovery
for my mother**
(Penny Ann Quintana)

¶ CALLING ALL CHORISTERS!

Thanks to all who sang out all summer for the Sunday High Masses. Our choir Masses resume next Sunday, with first **Choir Practice** this **Wednesday at 6:30 PM**. New members are welcome and encouraged! Remember, he who sings, prays twice. See you Wednesday!

"With the Holy Rosary, we will save ourselves, we will sanctify ourselves, we will console Our Lord and obtain the salvation of many souls."

— Sister Lucy of Fatima

¶ NEXT SUNDAY

Blessing with the relic of the True Cross will be given after all Masses. First Vespers of the Seven Sorrows with Benediction at 4:45 PM.

Set Your Missal: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross, with commemoration and proper Last Gospel of Pentecost XIV; Preface of the Cross.



Wedding Banns

First time:

Marie Boyd and Sean Murray.

¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

★ **Parish picnic:** Sunday, Sept. 21st at Sharon Woods Park, 1:00 PM till ??

★ **Angel Sunday:** Sunday, Sept. 28th.

Pray for us ever, holy Mother of God, pray for us, whatever be our cross, as we pass along on our way.

— John Henry Cardinal Newman

¶ PLEASE. . .

...if the person for whom you are submitting a Mass intention is Catholic (and this *includes* people who go to the Novus Ordo), **check the box** that asks, "Catholic?" on your Mass Request envelopes. If not checked, unless we absolutely recognize the name, we have to assume they are non-Catholic and the Mass will be listed as a Special Intention. Masses can and should be offered for non-Catholics, but only privately; that is, not announced publicly. So you see, we do need this information! Don't agonize over whether a particular Novus Ordo is a Catholic; public Masses may be offered for them. In doubt, ask a priest. We appreciate your cooperation!



In your charity, please remember the soul of †William Harris, who passed away on September 3rd; also Fr. Saavedra's father who died recently. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

✠ ANNOUNCEMENTS

YOUR GOOD PRAYERS

A number of prayer intentions have come in to us, both for the sick and other needs, especially for peace. Please do remember all of our sick and shut-in, especially Viola Ripperger, who can't make it to Mass anymore.

DRIVERS WANTED

Gentlemen – *and ladies* – of the parish, can you spare a couple of hours once in a while, to drop off and/or pick up our priests from the local airports? We'll provide the gas (and if need be, the vehicle too). We'll send you an e-mail when we know a ride will be needed, and ***you tell us*** if you are able to help. Please contact the church office if you might be able to help out, or with any questions. Thanks and God bless you!

William Harris

Feb. 2, 1930 – Sept. 3, 2014

Services at St. Gertrude the Great:

Tuesday, September 9, 2014

10:00 AM: Wake:
11:00 AM: Rosary
11:20 AM: Requiem High Mass

SERVICES: SEPTEMBER 8 - 14, 2014

MON 9/8	11:20 AM HIGH: MC: T. Simpson ACs: J. Lacy, Nick McClorey TH: J. Simpson CROSS: B. Lotarski TORCH: A. Soli, C. Richesson, Nath. & P. McClorey
TUE 9/9	11:20 AM REQUIEM: MC: B. Lotarski ACs: J. Lacy, A. Soli TH: Nick McClorey CROSS: Nath. McClorey TORCH: C. Richesson, P. McClorey
FRI 9/12	5:45 PM LOW: Friday Night Servers
SAT 9/13	7:30 AM LOW: Simpsons 9:00 AM LOW: M. Briggs
SUN 9/14	7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros. 9:00 AM HIGH: CHAPLAINS: B. Lotarski, J. Simpson ACs: A. & C. Richesson TH: J. Lacy TORCH: T. Lawrence, A. Soli, L. & C. Arlinghaus CROSS: S. Arlinghaus 11:30 AM LOW: N. & N. McClorey 4:45 PM VESPERS & BENEDICTION: G. Miller 5:45 PM LOW: G. Miller

Collection Report

Sunday, August 31st\$3,307.00

✠ SUNDAY SEVEN

Seven reasons why the present moment is sacred

1. Because it is given us as a gift from God.
2. Because it is given that we might use it for His glory.
3. Because in using it, we may increase in merit.
4. Because we may use it to help the souls in Purgatory.
5. Because we may use it to help poor sinners.
6. Because we may use it in calling upon the angels and saints for protection.
7. Because we may use it to conquer the devil.



Wonderfully great is the mercy of Jesus Christ to us; but for our greater good, He desires that we should hope in His mercy with a lively confidence, trusting in His merits and His promises. Therefore St. Paul recommends to us this confidence, saying: "Do not lose your confidence, which hath a great reward." (Heb. X. 35.) And therefore, when fear of the divine judgements seems to diminish this confidence in us, we ought to drive it away, and say to ourselves with the Psalmist: "Why art thou sad, O my soul, and why dost thou trouble me? Hope in God, for I will still give praise to Him, the salvation of my countenance, and my God."

– St. Alphonsus Liguori



Hail,
O Cross,
our only hope.

O Crux, ave, spes unica.

(An indulgence of 500 days. –
Raccolta No. 187)

SEPTEMBER is the month of the Holy Cross and of the Seven Sorrows.

✠ THE POETRY CORNER

TO OUR BLESSED MOTHER ON HER BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday, dearest Mother!
Sing our youthful hearts today,
And the birds and flowers seem
joining

In a merry roundelay.
How the angels must be singing
Round thy white, resplendent
throne,
While the saints in holy rapture
Claim thee as their very own!

But, dear Mother, deign to listen
As thy children here on earth
Offer unto thee their greetings,
Though they be of little worth,
Save that love is pulsing through
them

From thy little ones sincere,
Who are hoping they may meet thee
On some birthday, Mother dear!

– S. Marr



COARSENING

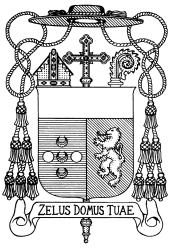
Once we had time for innocent
passion;
today it is replaced by raw reality.
Cinematic art consists of explicit
expression;
we have lost a sense of transcendental
fealty.
Why is expression too much raw
perfidy?
Where is the quiet beauty of romance;
what happened to imagination and
mystery?

It would seem they have no relevance.
Innocence is looked upon with
derision;
I would go back to a time of innocent
expression.

Much of what is wrong today derives
from what the politically correct say.
All this should make one care
how on the day of judgment he will
fare.

– John A. Powell, M.D

✠ THE BISHOP'S CORNER ✠



Wednesday school bells rang out through the fog, and a new school year, with a record enrollment, opened at St. Gertrude the Great. As we often do, we began under the patronage of great St. Pius X. He knew the value of things. He willingly walked for miles to go to school.

He knew the value of things. He walked barefoot so as to save the shoes his father, a poor postal worker, had purchased for him at great price, only stopping to put them on shortly before he arrived at school. What a great first lesson for our young scholars, new and returning. If only they learn the *value* of things, human and divine, they will have the key to a good life, nor waste it, as do most.

The life of St. Pius X ended 100 years ago on August 20th. This most pastoral pope brought *little children* to their first Sacraments, and fought against the Modernist heresy which had infiltrated the Church, and which would return, alas, after his death. But he died of grief because of the Great War, the first World War which opened a century of wars that would wreak such bloody havoc, suppress Catholic kingdoms, reconfigure the map of Europe and set the scene for naturalism triumphant, national and international socialism. He must also have seen that the enemy would use these means, along with creeping Modernism, to destroy the Catholic Church. This vigilant and good pastor won the Church perhaps 50 years of external peace and glory, but with the death of the last Pius, everything collapsed almost overnight.

But bit by bit, “brick by brick” as some neocons like to say, we will realize the motto of St. Pius X: “to restore all things in Christ.” There were five Confirmations in Albuquerque last Sunday, and **Bishop Sanborn** probably had as many or more in Krakow, Poland, as well as a fruitful meeting with several former Pius X priests in Germany. *These are the ones* who are carrying out this great pope’s program, not those who return to modernist Rome this month, seeking a deal. His Excellency is giving a conference, confirming, and celebrating Mass in Budapest, Hungary, today. There is talk again of organizing another mission for the English, so diffident they almost have to be forced the strong bread of doctrine.

Along the same lines, St. Pius X was a great pontiff for good church music. Would you like to sing in the choir (first practice Wednesday evening) or in the men’s chant schola (regular practice every Saturday morning)? Today we have our first Sunday Catechism classes. Welcome back! Thank you for making classes and choirs possible.

Tomorrow a Solemn Mass marks Mary’s birthday, and *all of our dear children* are invited to the celebration, which includes the blessing of seeds and little flowers for the children to take home and plant, as well as a birthday cake for the Blessed Mother. Use the envelopes in the pews to give us your intentions for a Triduum of Marian High Masses this month, as well as to pray for protection against the Mohammedan foe.

Thank you for your “reparation participation” in the First Friday / First Saturday Holy Communion, adoration and devotions. Don’t forget our September Fatima Rosary Procession for Peace this Saturday morning at 11:00 AM. The unusual day and time may make it easy to omit, but I hope you’ll do your bit to holding back the beheading Mohammedan hordes and the secret manipulators of wars, by praying publicly this powerful and heaven-sent devotion. Please note that the second Mass this Saturday will be celebrated at **9:00 AM** rather 8:10 as usual, in case you want to begin your prayer with the perfect prayer of the Mass. Breakfast is on offer as well. Such a deal!

Good Dr. John Powell, so faithful for so long at such a distance (Brown County, Ohio) and a much-esteemed former teacher at our school, died on St. Augustine’s day. His dear wife, Diane, died on St. Monica’s day two years before. Thanks to those who gave up their “last day of vacation” for his Solemn Requiem, his burial, and even to feed the mourners. May God reward you, and the dear deceased, whose steady if suffering presence all these years at the 11:30 will surely be missed. He was a poet as well, and we’ll be publishing some of his work.

Fr. Lehtoranta did a good job taking care of the cats during my absence, and I am grateful. I have the impression they missed me, but it may have been only the preferred cat food and general cossetting. In any case, they made a point to spend some extra quality time indoors when I returned, before departing early this morning into the fog, a dreaded bunny having been sighted in the distance. Duty calls. They will spend hours hunting the foe before stopping a bit for rest and refreshment. Would we all could learn the lesson.

Hot, humid days often accompany early September in the Ohio Valley and this year seems no exception. I hope, though, for crisp Autumn soon, for the cats are not the only ones around here who are busy. Our school year is well begun, and it is a delight to introduce so many to daily Mass.

God bless you. May Our Lady, born so sweetly for us these days, guard your children and faith and family.

– Bishop Dolan

✠ THIS WEEK IN CATHOLIC HISTORY ✠

SEPTEMBER 8TH –

We know with certainty very few of the details of the Blessed Virgin's early life. We can not tell where or when she was born. Still tradition and the Apocryphal Gospels have much about her; and it is from these sources we get the background of today's feast – the **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin**.

"There lived in Nazareth a man named Joachim, very just and devout, and charitable to all. His wife's name was Anna; she, too, lived in the fear and love of God. They were childless, however, and grieved much for this affliction. One day when Joachim presented himself in the temple he was thrust out by a certain Reuben for not having begotten issue in Israel. Thereupon both Joachim and Anna were grieved exceedingly and besought God to take away this affliction, promising to dedicate their child to the divine service. They were both comforted by angelic visitors, who announced that this prayer had been granted. *'Thou shalt conceive and bring forth,'* it was said to Anna; *'and thy progeny shall be spoken of in all the world.'* Anna, therefore, gave birth to a daughter, and they called her name Mary."

SEPTEMBER 9TH –

Slavery is almost as old as human history. It calls up before the mind deeds of greed and brutality and cruelty. It recalls also the name of noble men and women who stood up boldly either to denounce the system or to comfort the sad lot of its victims. Among these comforters may be mentioned **St. Peter Claver**, whose name we commemorate today. His vocation called him, early in the seventeenth century, from his Spanish home to Cartagena, in South America. There he found the slave market running – a thousand slaves a week being brought from Africa to dig the soil and work the mines for the capitalists newly come from Europe. When Peter Claver saw this misery and degradation, and the cruelty of the masters he felt that his mission was there, and he began his work. He met the incoming boats, and went down among the unfortunate human cattle, bringing not only comforting words but also baskets of fruit and bread, and medicines for the wounded and the sick.

Soon the slaves knew that their friend was a man of God, and yielded themselves to his care. And then the saintly visitor found a chance to instruct and baptize these victims of greed. He had, however, his enemies, many

even among the educated Catholics; for so brutalized and uncomely were the slaves that some people imagined it was wrong to baptize them, or let them receive the Sacraments! But Father Peter kept on, heeding not the criticism either of the slave merchants or the scrupulous; and before he died God had approved his work by many miracles. He passed away in 1654, and has since been made patron saint of Negro missions.

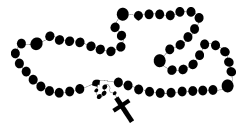
SEPTEMBER 10TH – The name of Oliver Cromwell among the Irish people stands for bloodthirstiness, hate and cruelty; and is one of the reasons why it is so hard to reconcile Ireland and England. He landed in Ireland August 15, 1649, and during his stay piled up a record of military infamies that *(Continued on back cover)*

Fatima Rosary Procession for Peace

Saturday, September 13, 2014 : 11:00 AM

Join the Rosary Confraternity for this month's Fatima Rosary Procession of Reparation, praying for peace, on **Saturday, September 13th at 11:00 AM**. *Please note the special time!*

You may wish to come first for Holy Mass at 9:00 AM, which will be followed by a bit of breakfast in Helfta Hall, before we head over to organize the procession.



We will meet for the procession at Union Centre Blvd. & Floer Drive in the parking lot of the First Watch / Jimmy John's restaurants (a five minute drive from St. Gertrude's). The Rosary Procession will commence **promptly at 11:00 AM**.

(In the event of rain, the Rosary will be recited in church.)

The Fatima Rosary processions are held each year on the 13th of the month from May through October, in honor of Our Lady of Fatima, and in accordance with Her requests. Show your love for Our Lady, your Queen and Mother, and join us!

**"Continue to say the Rosary
to obtain the end of the war."**

*– Our Lady of Fatima,
September 13, 1917*

✠ THE CALENDAR

All Sunday Masses, school day Masses, Friday evening and Saturday morning Masses are webcast at SGGResources.org

MON	9/8/14	NATIVITY OF OUR LADY ST ADRIAN, M 8:00 AM Low Mass Honor of the BVM, Mother of P.H., BVM, O.L. Lourdes, relief of all faithful departed & conv. of sinners (<i>P. Omlor</i>) 11:20 AM Solemn High Mass Triduum intentions Blessing of seeds & seedlings, Baby Mary's birthday party – all are invited!
TUE	9/9/14	ST PETER CLAVER, C ST GORGONIUS, M 7:00 AM Low Mass †George & Betty Reed (<i>Rob & Jane Brockman</i>) 8:00 AM Low Mass Honor of the BVM, Mother of P.H., BVM, O.L. Lourdes, relief of all faithful departed & conv. of sinners (<i>P. Omlor</i>) Closing of Summer Novena 10:00 AM Wake for †William Harris 11:00 AM Rosary, Novena and Devotions 11:20 AM Requiem High Mass †William Harris 5:00 PM Low Mass †H.O. Hinton-birthday remembrance (<i>Rebecca Hinton</i>) Closing of Summer Novena
WED	9/10/14	ST NICHOLAS OF TOLENTINO, C 7:00 AM Low Mass Holy Souls in Purgatory (<i>Patrick Omlor</i>) 8:00 AM Low Mass Poor Souls 11:20 AM High Mass †Dr. John Powell (<i>S.G.G. School</i>) 5:00 PM Low Mass †Emma Hall (<i>William Harris</i>)
THU	9/11/14	SS PROTUS & HTYACINTH, MM ☛ 6:00 AM Low Mass Matthew Current family (<i>Samantha</i>) (from 9/4) 8:00 AM Low Mass †Special int. deceased FS (<i>Rosary Confraternity</i>) 11:20 AM Requiem High Mass Purgatorian Society 5:00 PM Low Mass †Joan E. Harris (<i>William Harris</i>)
FRI	9/12/14	THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY 8:00 AM Low Mass Honor of the BVM, Mother of P.H., BVM, O.L. Lourdes, relief of all faithful departed & conv. of sinners (<i>P. Omlor</i>) 10:55 AM Confessions 11:20 AM High Mass Triduum intentions 5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary 5:45 PM Low Mass †Sr. Gerard Vincent (<i>S.G.G. School</i>) Sacred Heart Novena and Benediction
SAT	9/13/14	OUR LADY'S SATURDAY 7:10 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass Poor Souls IX-Thank you, O.L. of Good Counsel (<i>C. Simpson family</i>) ☛ 9:00 AM Low Mass Honor of the BVM, Mother of P.H., BVM, O.L. Lourdes, relief of all faithful departed & conv. of sinners (<i>P. Omlor</i>) followed by complimentary continental breakfast ☛ 11:00 AM Fatima Rosary Procession for peace (Union Centre Blvd. & Floer Drive)

Our Beloved Dead – September

Name	Date of Death
Earl Eugene Roth	9-02-1988
Dennis Kramer	9-04-1981
Josephine Boyce	9-05-1982
Bernard Reid	9-08-1983
Don Gilker	9-08-2012
Eliza B. Kohlbrand	9-09-1985
Sr. M. Gerard Vincent	9-12-2002
Jill Wright	9-15-2012
Frederick G. Herington	9-21-1990
Matilda Hauserman	9-29-2000
Ronald E. Kitchen	9-30-2002
Kenneth J. Ripperger	9-30-2005

Praise of the Holy Cross

O Venerable Cross, which has brought health to the sick, with what praises shall I praise you, since you have prepared for us life in heaven?

The Blessed Cross shines, on which hung the Lord in His flesh; and in His Blood He has bathed our wounds. There pierced in His hands, He has redeemed the world from disaster, and with His burial He has closed the way of death.

Most precious wood, by whom we are saved and set free, sign to be revered, by which we are sealed for God, glorious cross, we ought to glory only in thee.

– St. Anselm

SUN	9/14/14	EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS PENTECOST XIV BLESSING WITH THE RELIC OF THE TRUE CROSS AFTER ALL MASSES 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass †Special int. deceased (<i>Dale Wilker family</i>) 9:00 AM High Mass Honor of St. Joseph for prayers answered (<i>Richesson family</i>) 10:40 AM Sunday Catechism Classes 11:05 AM Rosary 11:30 AM Low Mass †“Uncle Dan” McClorey (<i>Dean & Carolyn McClorey</i>) 4:45 PM Vespers and Benediction 5:45 PM Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great
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CATHOLIC HISTORY

(Continued from page 3) might be envied by Attila or Peter the Cruel. Drogheda was the first place that felt his power and his passion: The town made a heroic resistance; but the heroes were Irish and Catholics, and that sealed their fate. **The taking and massacre of Drogheda** (on September 10, 1649) are thus described by Dr. Dalton, in his "History of Ireland":

"...Quarter was offered, and the defenders laid down their arms, which they would certainly not have done if such a promise had not been made; but quarter was not given. Cromwell gave orders that none were to be spared. They were first disarmed and then ruthlessly cut down. Aston, who had a wooden leg, had it wrenched off, and with it a soldier beat out his brains. For five days the slaughter continued, and in churches and private houses, people were sought out and done to death. In St. Peter's Church, a thousand who fled there for shelter were killed. Some fled to the tower which, being of wood, was set on fire, those who sought shelter there perishing in the flames. In the tower of the Magdalen Church others sought refuge, but were pursued by the Puritans, each of whom took a child, which he held before him as a buckler of defense to save himself from being shot or brained; and in the vaults the women who were hidden were sought and killed. Two priests were captured and taken to the market-place, and, being tied to stakes, had their bodies riddled with bullets....

"How many of the inhabitants were spared it is impossible to say; but Clarendon emphatically declares that all those who were Irish, man, woman, and child, were put to the sword. Down the street from St. Peter's to the Boyne ran rivers of blood; and even within recent times the place was called Bloody Street."

— *The Ave Maria* (1918)



ORIGINAL SIN AND OUR TAINTED SOULS

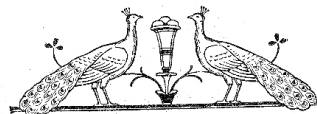
The sin that we inherit from Adam is called original sin. Original sin injured the soul of man in the following ways: His understanding was darkened, his will weakened and made prone to evil; he lost supernatural grace and thus became displeasing to God, and could no more enter into the kingdom of Heaven.

We are already tainted with sin before we draw our first breath, or see the light of day. We are conceived in sin (Ps. 1, 7). Even the children of Christians are born in sin. Not only the seed of the wild olive, but also of the cultivated olive comes up as a wild plant. So is it with the children of Christian as well as of heathen parents.

Only Jesus Christ and His holy Mother were free from original sin.

All Mankind save Christ and our blessed Lady were conceived in sin. St. John the Baptist and probably the prophet Jeremias were born without sin, having been cleansed from sin in their mothers' womb, but they were not conceived without sin. Many believe that St. Joseph was also born free from sin. All other men were cleansed from sin in baptism. This history of man is unintelligible to those who do not believe in the doctrine of original sin. Oh, how great is the misery that original sin has brought into the world! Yet how few there are who are conscious of their misery! Men are like children born in slavery, who laugh and play and enjoy themselves, as if they were free. It is only the saints, who know the emptiness of the joys of earth, who lament over the misery of sin.

— *"The Catechism Explained,"* 1921



YOU KNOW LATIN!

More ordinary English words that Longinus and Cornelius spoke

1. **Dictator**, at first, simply meant one who speaks. The same root evolved into dictate, dictation, dicta. Then the Romans used dictator to refer to a magistrate with special emergency powers. Thereafter, bossy leaders were said to act like dictators.

2. **Exit** must be one of the most common words in all of American life. It's a law, you have to designate exits. Exit, in Latin, means "it goes out" (actually, he, she, or it). In many Shakespearean plays, when characters leave the stage, you see the word *exeunt* — "They go out."

3. **Investigator** is someone who looks for clues, evidence, footprints. The root is *vestigum*, Latin for footprint or track, and the source of another, more poetic word, *vestige*.

(to be continued)