

# 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

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**October 6, 2019**  
**ROSARY SUNDAY**  
**PENTECOST XVII**  
**ST. BRUNO, C**



## ¶ ROSARY SUNDAY

Today is **Rosary Sunday**. Please bring your roses to the Communion Rail to be blessed after the High Mass. The Rosary Confraternity will then lead the outdoor procession.

Then follows the **Annual Rosary Confraternity Breakfast**. Don't forget your tickets! Join us for a delightful breakfast, as well as to hear the talk prepared for us by **Fr. Caleb Sons**.

The **Blessing of Religious Articles** will be available at the Communion Rail after the *Low Masses*. The second collection will be taken up for the support of our seminary.

There are **no Sunday Classes**, due to the Procession and Rosary Confraternity Breakfast. Rosary Vespers will be at 4:45 PM, followed by Benediction.

## ¶ DRESS CODE

**For men:** Jacket and tie on **Sundays and holydays of obligation**. No earrings or piercings. No shorts. **For ladies:** A modest dress or skirt is required; no pants or shorts. The skirt must cover at least the knee, and should not be tight or otherwise revealing in any way. Immodest slits are forbidden.



## ¶ ALTER CHRISTUS

The "Little Church" is in the vestibule today to receive your alms for priests. Please be generous!

### Collection Report

Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>.....\$4,119.00  
Thank you for your generosity. Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will.



## ¶ NEXT SUNDAY: PENTECOST XVIII

Sunday Classes will be at 10:40 AM. Vespers and Benediction will be at 4:45 PM. Our final Fatima Rosary Procession for Peace will be at 7:15 PM in West Chester.

📖 **Set Your Missal:** Pentecost XVIII. Second collect of St. Edward, King; third of All the Saints. Trinity Preface.

## ¶ CATECHISM CORNER

*The principal mysteries of our faith are:*

1. *The mystery of the most holy Trinity, that is, the mystery of one God in three Divine Persons.*
2. *The mystery of the Incarnation, Death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.*

## ¶ ORDINATION CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations to seminarians Anthony Brueggemann, John Okerulu, Thomas Ojeka, and Thomas Simpson, who received the Minor Orders of Porter and Lector at Most Holy Trinity Seminary on Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>.

## ¶ OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

Most school days at 3:10 PM, Wednesday with Benediction and Holy Communion at 3:00 PM. Friday at 5:15 with Novena and Benediction (Mass at 6:00) and Saturday at 8:05 with Benediction.

## ¶ MEALS NEEDED!

The cupboard is nearly bare for the priests this month. They especially need meals on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays—two of the three would be grand! If you are able to bring a meal, please contact the office.

## ¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

**Forty Hours, October 25-27.**

Opening services begin on Friday evening and will be followed by the Chili Supper. Adoration continues on Saturday, and the Devotion closes on Sunday evening with the Procession and Benediction.

**All Saints Sunday, November 3.**

Prepare a costume and presentation about a saint with your child for the All Saints' Party after the High Mass!

**Congratulations to**  
*Charles & Beverly*  
*Simpson on their 25th*  
*Wedding Anniversary.*

**HOW THE ROSARY LEADS US TO  
ETERNAL LIFE**

After holy Mass the Rosary is one of the most beautiful and efficacious forms of prayer.... The mysteries recall the whole life of Jesus and Mary and their glory in heaven. The mysteries of the Rosary thus divided into groups are but different aspects of the great mysteries of our salvation: the Incarnation, the Redemption, Eternal Life....

Thus, the Rosary is a *Credo*: not an abstract one, but one concretized in the life of Jesus who came down to us from the Father and who ascended to bring us back with Himself to the Father. It is the whole of Christian dogma in all its splendor and elevation, brought to us that we may fill our minds with it, that we may relish it and nourish our souls with it.

This makes the Rosary a true school of contemplation. It raises us gradually above vocal prayer and even above reasoned out or discursive meditation. Early theologians have compared the movement of the soul in contemplation to the spiral in which certain birds—the swallow, for example—move when they wish to attain to a great height. The joyful mysteries lead to the Passion, and the Passion to the door of heaven. The Rosary well understood is, therefore, a very elevated form of prayer which makes the whole dogma accessible to all.

– Fr. Reginald Garrigou-Lagrange, O.P.



**THE MESSAGE OF THE ROSARY**

In each of the apparitions at Fatima, six in all, Our Lady was insistent upon the daily recitation of the Rosary. She made her appearance with a Rosary hanging from her hand. On the occasion of the Solar Prodigy, she was pleased to designate herself as: “I am the Lady of the Rosary.” Over and over again she insisted on the daily recitation of the Rosary, saying: “You must recite the Rosary every day.”

In the days of yore, the Rosary was used to advantage in times of peril that threatened civilization. Again, Mary has come to Fatima to warn mankind of impending evil—and to help us to avoid this evil she recommends the daily Rosary. She has asked us to add an ejaculation at the end of each decade of the Rosary. It is sometimes referred to as the “Post-decade prayer.” This ejaculation is: “O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.”

The Family Rosary is a very effective means of uniting the family. “Where there are two or three gathered together for My sake, there am I in the midst of them.” The Family Rosary raises the family unit to a supernatural level. It unites the parents and children in devout prayer. It is the practical way to unite and strengthen the family life, weakened by the modern way of living. It is an antidote to the godless ideology that is sweeping the world.

**PRAYER BEFORE THE CRUCIFIX**

Jesus, by this saving sign,  
Bless this listless soul of mine.  
Jesus, by Your feet nailed fast,  
Mend the missteps of my past.  
Jesus, with Your riv- en hands,  
Bend my will to love’s demands.



Jesus, in Your Heart laid bare,  
Warm my inner coldness there.  
Jesus, by Your thorn-crowned head,  
Still my pride till it is dead.  
Jesus, by Your muted tongue,  
Stay my words that hurt someone.  
Jesus, by Your tired eyes,  
Open mine to faith’s surprise.  
Jesus, by Your fading breath,  
Keep me faithful until death.  
Yes, Lord, by this saving sign,  
Save this wayward soul of mine. Amen.

– St. Vincent Strambi CP  
(1745-1824)

**A MONTH OF FAVORS**

Another new month—grave October’s  
here,  
With its flaming leaves that will soon  
grow sere  
As they flutter to earth, all stricken with  
fear  
Of the sharp white frost in the morning.  
The blue of the heavens oft fades away,  
In its stead we have skies of sober gray;  
And the winds get bleaker from day to  
day,  
The warmth of the summer breeze scorn-  
ing.

Not the loveliest month, yet to you and  
me  
Full as welcome as May or as June can be:  
’Tis the month of the Holy Rosary,  
With favors as rich as aught other;  
For oft as with fervor we say our beads,  
The Queen who all potently intercedes  
With her Son Divine will supply our  
needs,  
And prove our most tender Mother.

– Arthur Barry

The Vespers of St. Francis brought us welcome cool weather on Thursday evening. It may be that today's Rosary Feast will relieve the baking, month long drought, with refreshing rain. Still, we *are* hoping for a nice outdoor procession... I'm hoping you will join us for the beloved Rosary festivities. We are grateful to newly ordained **Fr. Caleb Sons**, busy teaching many web classes, for his presence today. Otherwise Fr. Sons is with **Fr. Palma** at their new and still small chapel in Phoenix. Phoenix looks to be another Cincinnati, with its now three fully Catholic churches, as well as the different versions of Novus Ordo "Latin Mass Traditionalism" under Apostate Francis. We wish the Fathers Godspeed in their apostolic work. How many souls need them. What seems like competition among the Catholic groups is actually growth, and the saving of souls who would otherwise never be reached. Thanks be to God.



Fr. Sons returns to the Southwest this afternoon. **Fr. Cekada** leaves tomorrow morning for his first teaching week at the Seminary. We are proud of our four seminarians who have received the first two Minor Orders, and support them, and Most Holy Trinity Seminary with our alms and prayers.

Spare a prayer for me on Wednesday, if you would. I leave for Manila in the far off Philippines, to visit an isolated Catholic priest and his flock, and to administer Confirmation. **Fr. Joven Soliman** is a former Pius X priest as are many of us, one way or another. As a bishop, I'm happy to do him this service. Next month I return to Brazil to visit our Seminary and faithful there. Mission Sunday is coming up October 20, but at St. Gertrude we live it all year round.

Thanks to everyone who came and helped these First Friday/Rosary Sunday days. *Love* your church, appreciate it, help whenever possible. As you may be aware, our country and our Church are pretty much gone today, and the rest is heading down the drain in a hurry. Help us to build up these little "monasteries," like St. Gertrude the Great, centers of Catholic life and learning and worship. One day, churches such as these may be all you will have. It may be so even now, although we don't see it, not yet.

Say the Rosary. Save your children from the coming flood. Solve your problems, great and small. Keep your family united and focused. May Our Lady smile on you all.

– Bishop Dolan

REMEMBER THE MARVELS

God answered me, "You've asked, 'But why shouldn't I seek personal praise?' And I'll tell you. No one is good, except Me, God alone, and I am the good in you. So everyone who's good has gotten that goodness from Me. So if you (who are nothing) seek your own praise and not the praise of Me—to whom every good gift belongs—your praise is artificial. You do Me wrong then because I'm the Creator, remember?"

"Since everything good that you have comes from Me, you should give Me every praise. Since I, your God, give you everything worldly—strength, health, conscience, intelligence, time, and life—I should be honored. Praise Me, then, for each of these blessings.

"Manage them well. If you manage them poorly, the fault and the ingratitude are yours alone."

That's why You, my Lord, my King, and my God, deserve constant honor, permanent praise, blessing, glory, and infinite thanksgiving. You live and rule with God the Father in union with the Holy Spirit, one God through every age. Amen.

– St. Birgitta of Sweden, "Revelations: Prayers"  
 St. Birgitta (Bridget) of Sweden (1303-1373) was a wife and mother, later a nun and founder of the Brigittines, feast October 8.



OFFERING OF INTENTIONS, BEFORE RECITING THE ROSARY, IN UNION WITH THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

Eternal Father, we offer Thee this Rosary, through the most pure heart of Mary in union with the precious Blood of Jesus Christ, in thanksgiving for all Thy benefits, in atonement for our sins, for the wants of the holy Church, the interests of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, for all those graces and blessing that will keep us close to that loving Heart in life, in death, in time, and for eternity. For the sick, the dying, conversion of sinners, and souls in purgatory; for those who have asked for our prayers and for whom we are bound to pray; for Superiors, Congregation, and family intentions, that God may direct all to His greater honor and glory, and for a happy death for each member.



Death and Taxes

I became a little more libertarian after reading this statistic: Americans spent more on taxes last year than on food, clothing, and health care combined.

# ✠ CALENDAR

**MON 10/7/19 THE MOST HOLY ROSARY**  
 SS. MARK, PC & COMPANIONS, MM  
**8:00 AM Low Mass** William Oleyar (Happy Birthday) *(Janine Oleyar)*  
**11:25 AM High Mass** Mary Rake  
**3:10 PM Rosary**

**TUE 10/8/19 ST. BRIDGET, W**  
**7:00 AM Low Mass** Michele Helferich *(Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Prell)*  
**8:00 AM Low Mass** †Jake & †Elsie Kloberdanz, †Angela Appelhang, †John & †Gloria Boggie *(Mary Christensen)*  
**11:25 AM High Mass** Nathalie Andreotta Birthday (July) *(Mr. & Mrs. Victor Ritze)*  
**3:10 PM Rosary**  
**5:00 PM Low Mass** Special Intention *(Mr. & Mrs. Maki)*

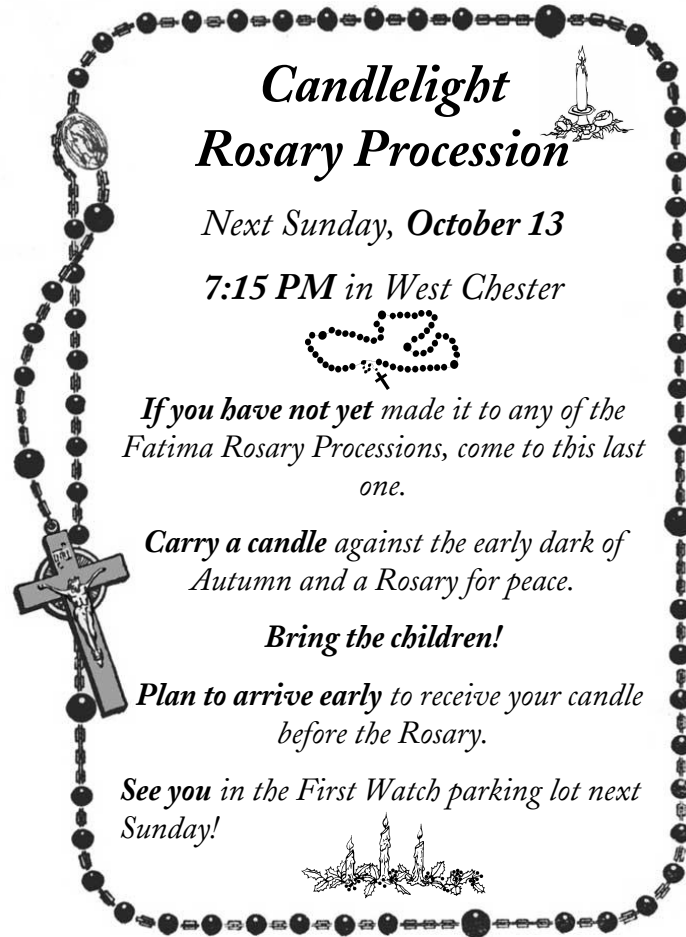
**WED 10/9/19 ST. JOHN LEONARD, C**  
 SS. DENIS, BP & COMPANIONS, MM  
**7:00 AM Low Mass** Special Intention *(Theresa Simpson)*  
*Please note – NO 8:00 AM Mass*  
**11:25 AM High Mass** For priestly & religious vocations *(Fr. Lehtoranta)*  
**3:00 PM Exposition, Rosary, Benediction, Holy Communion**  
**5:10 PM Low Mass** Thanksgiving to Holy Souls *(Arlinghaus Family)*

**THU 10/10/19 ST. FRANCIS BORGIA, C**  
**7:00 AM Low Mass** My Intentions *(Patsy Holmes)*  
**8:00 AM Low Mass** Deborah Navaroli (for healing) *(Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Oleyar)*  
**11:25 AM High Mass** †Shannon Zuccaro *(Dave & MaryAnn Marko)*  
**3:10 PM Rosary**

**FRI 10/11/19 MATERNITY OF OUR LADY**  
*Please note – NO 8:00 AM Mass*  
**11:10 AM Confessions**  
**11:25 AM High Mass** Mr. & Mrs. Matt Gaskin – Congratulations! *(Colleen Eldracher)*  
**5:15 PM Exposition, October Devotions, Confessions**  
**5:45 PM Novena & Benediction**  
**6:00 PM Sermon, Low Mass** 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for Mr. & Mrs. Charles Simpson *(Judy Metz)*

**SAT 10/12/19 OUR LADY'S SATURDAY**  
*OUR LADY OF EL PILAR*  
**7:15 AM Confessions**  
**7:30 AM Low Mass** †Jacob Vogel *(Mike Sieverding)*  
**8:05 AM Exposition, October Devotions, Benediction, Salve**  
**8:40 AM High Mass** The Poor Souls for the conversion of souls especially family *(Linda Faith)*

**SUN 10/13/19 PENTECOST XVIII**  
 ST. EDWARD, KING, C  
*OUR LADY OF FATIMA*



## Candlelight Rosary Procession

*Next Sunday, October 13*

*7:15 PM in West Chester*



*If you have not yet made it to any of the Fatima Rosary Processions, come to this last one.*

*Carry a candle against the early dark of Autumn and a Rosary for peace.*

*Bring the children!*

*Plan to arrive early to receive your candle before the Rosary.*

*See you in the First Watch parking lot next Sunday!*



### PRAYER AFTER THE ROSARY

O Mary! Virgin and Mother! grant that while reciting thy Rosary, even in the midst of my daily duties, and meditating on the mysteries, I may be encouraged to walk cheerfully along the path of my duty. May my tribute of filial piety obtain for myself and those for whom I pray, many blessings and thine own loving protection! Amen.

### SERVERS

**SUN 10/13** 7:30 AM **Low:** Brueggemann Bros.  
 9:00 AM **High:** MC: C. Richesson (P. Omlor) **TH:** P. McClorey **ACs:** N. McClorey, C. Arlinghaus **TORCH:** A. McClorey, S. Richesson, J. Stewart, D. Simpson  
 11:30 AM **Low:** A.D. Kinnett, J. Kolenich  
 4:45 PM **VESPERS & BENEDICTION:** G. Miller  
 5:45 PM **Low:** G. Miller

**7:05 AM Rosary**  
**7:30 AM Low Mass** Rob & Jane 46<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary *(Rob & Jane Brockman)*  
**9:00 AM High Mass** For the people of St. Gertrude the Great  
**10:40 AM Sunday Classes**  
**11:05 AM Rosary**  
**11:30 AM Low Mass** Andrew Prell *(Mom & Dad)*  
**4:45 PM Vespers & Benediction**  
**5:45 PM Low Mass** Special Intention *(Sue Kurtz)*  
**7:15 PM Candlelight Rosary Procession in West Chester**