

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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Rev. Charles McGuire • Rev. Vili Lehtoranta • Rev. Stephen McKenna



October 20, 2019

PENTECOST XIX

MISSION SUNDAY

ST. JOHN CANTIUS, C • MATER ADMIRABILIS



¶ MISSION SUNDAY

Sunday Classes are at 10:40 AM today. The Blessing of Expectant Mothers is available at the Communion Rail following all Masses. The **Autumn Bake Sale** will be held after the morning Masses in Helfta Hall. There are no Vespers.

∞ FORTY HOURS DEVOTION ∞

The Forty Hours Devotion takes place on **Friday, Saturday, and Sunday** of this week (**October 25-27**). The Devotion honors the time Our Lord's Adorable Body passed in the Holy Sepulcher, and obtains for the Church, as well as for each soul, all of the pressing needs of the day by this most efficacious prayer. Please plan to attend one or more of the special Masses, as well as to take an hour of Adoration where it is most needed: **Saturday afternoon from 3-5:00 PM, and Sunday from 1-5:00 PM.**

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed after the **5:30 PM Mass** on Friday. Don't worry about coming late for this Mass—traffic, and work... But do come. The moving and very touching Procession and Litany of the Saints conclude the opening ceremonies. **All Night Adoration.**

Our **Harvest Chili Supper** follows the opening ceremonies. *Those who attend the opening Mass* may consider themselves dispensed from the abstinence. Bring a meat or meatless chili to share.

All members of the Rosary

Confraternity are invited to attend the Opening and Closing ceremonies of Forty Hours in a body, and walk in the Processions wearing their Confraternity medals.

Saturday's Adoration continues all day, with **Mass at 7:30** and Solemn Mass at **9 AM**. Rosary is at 12:00 noon, First Vespers of Christ the King at 1:30, and Closing Devotions of the Day with **Benediction at 4:30.** ∞



¶ **NEXT SUNDAY: CHRIST THE KING**
Sunday we resume the Forty Hours **Adoration at 6:30 AM**. Sunday classes will be at 10:50 AM. October Devotions with Rosary will be at 4:00 PM. Vespers of Christ the King will be at 4:45 PM. **Note that the evening Mass is at 5:30, not 5:45. Closing ceremonies are at 6:45, followed by refreshments.**

📖 **Set Your Missal:** Christ the King, with a commemoration and Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost XX. Preface of Christ the King.

Collection Report

Sunday, October 13th.....\$5,712.00
Thank you for your generosity.



¶ CATECHISM CORNER

The true Church has four marks: she is,

1. One; 2. Holy; 3. Catholic; 4. Apostolic.

These marks belong to the Roman Catholic Church only, that is, to the Church which recognizes the Roman Pontiff as her head.

¶ POOR SOULS

Poor Souls Remembrance envelopes are in the pews. Please fill one out and return it to the bookstore, collection, or office.

¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

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!

¶ OUR SICK

Please pray for Mary Burr, Rick Woods, Henry Seiverding, Pauline Rubin, Brian and Laura Kimpel, and Jennifer Madison.

¶ OCTOBER DEVOTIONS

Most school days at 3:10 PM. Wednesday with Benediction and Holy Communion at 3:00 PM.

MISSIONARY SAINTS

The missionary saints this month left every comfort in order to *go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature* (Mk 16:15). Many bear a martyr's crown. Most bracing, perhaps, are the stories of those who preached in the very moment of their deaths. St. Andrew Bobola, S.J, endured a savage mutilation while inviting his tormentors to embrace Christ. And Bishop Melchor García Sampedro, a beatified Spanish Dominican, as he was being slowly martyred, cried out over and over, "Thanks be to God!" as they chopped him up. Such courage speaks of a power greater than sword and fire.

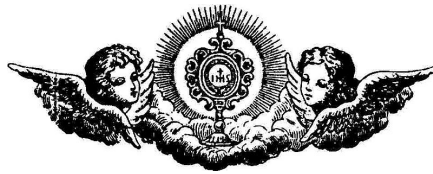
St. Thérèse of Lisieux, whose feast we celebrate this month, is another missionary witness. She begged to go to the Carmelite convent in Vietnam, but was prevented by the first signs of the tuberculosis that would take her life at the age of twenty-four. But she was not thwarted. Confident that God would fulfill her ardent longing, Thérèse offered all her sufferings for souls and promised to "spend my heaven doing good on earth." And it came to pass. Her slim memoir, *Story of a Soul*, became a best-selling spiritual manual, a missionary gesture beyond Thérèse's wildest dreams. This is only one of the reasons for which the Little Flower is Patroness of the Missions.

The missionaries, both the extraordinary and the ordinary, show us that God will fulfill our longing to make Him known; that is His work. What we need to do is place all our trust in Him. That's ours.

Father of all, let a fire be set upon the earth, the fire of Thy love.

Musica Sacra

Sunday, October 20, 2019, 3:00 PM
Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption
Haydn – Missa Sancti Bernardi,
Bach and Mendelssohn



WHAT IS THE FORTY HOURS DEVOTION?

Forty Hours' Devotion, in Italian called *Quarant'ore* or *Quarantore*, is an exercise of devotion in which continuous prayer is made for forty hours before the Blessed Sacrament in solemn exposition and to which indulgences are attached. A celebration of such a devotion is begun by a Solemn Mass or "Mass of Exposition" and ended by a "Mass of Deposition." Each of these Masses includes a procession and the litany of the saints being chanted.

Cardinal Nicholas Wiseman (1802-1856), first Archbishop of Westminster, England, observed of the Forty Hours:

"In no other time or place, is the sublimity of our religion so touchingly felt. No ceremony is going forward in the sanctuary, no sound of song is issuing from the choir, no voice of exhortation proceeds from the pulpit, no prayer is uttered aloud at the altar. There are hundreds there and yet they are engaged in no congregational act of worship. Each heart and soul is alone in the midst of a multitude; each uttering its own thoughts, each feeling its own grace. Yet you are overpowered, subdued, quelled, into a reverential mood, softened into a devotional spirit, forced to meditate, to feel, to pray. The little children who come in, led by a mother's hand, kneel down by her in silence, as she simply points toward the altar, overawed by the still splendor before them—the very babe seems hushed to quiet reverence in her bosom." (From "The Sacramentals of the Holy Catholic Church" by Andrew A. Lambing.)

AT THE ALTAR'S FOOT

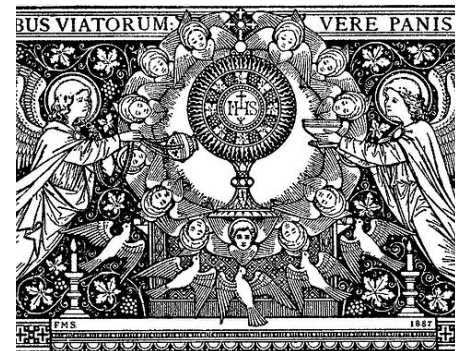
In the twilight, as I kneel,
Heavenly thoughts around me steal;
In the silence, all alone
Save for Jesus on His throne
And the worries of the day
All dissolve and fade away.

At the altar's foot I lay
Every burthen of the day,
With its failures and its fears,
With its trials and its tears—
Deeds repented, deeds undone
From the rise to set of sun.

Enmity and bitter thought
Into kindly patience wrought;
Doubt, temptation, anguish, care,
Vacillation and despair,
To the altar's foot I bring,
To the mercy of the King.

Even sorrow may grow sweet,
Meekly borne at Jesus' feet;
Stings of tribulation cease
In the shadow of His peace;
So my burthen every day
At the altar's foot I lay.

—Hope Willis



PRAYER FOR THE SUFFERING CHURCH IN CHINA

Almighty and eternal God, Comforter of the afflicted, and Strength of the suffering, grant that our brothers of China who share our faith, may obtain, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of our holy Martyrs, peace in Thy service, strength in time of trial, and the grace to glorify Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

✠ THE BISHOP'S CORNER ✠

Mission Sunday is a good occasion to report on my faraway mission work this month. On October 9th I left for Manila in the Philippines. It was one of those “days without an end,” probably a 28 hour trip or so which took me to a little chapel in a very large city in the Orient. The pastor, **Fr. Joven Soliman** invited me to visit and to administer Confirmation. Almost half of the congregation received the “Sacrament of soldiers” in the small but very handsomely appointed sanctuary on Sunday, some twenty souls.

The faithful came in from the surrounding provinces for the occasion, and we made of it a kind of Marian Triduum: The Divine Maternity, Our Lady of the Pillar, and Our Lady of Fatima. The Filipino people are most hospitable, and devoted to sharing meals together in the charitable spirit of the early Christians. They also like taking photographs and collecting autographs. They kept me busy!

The schola and congregation of this Sacred Heart Chapel sang a perfect Gregorian High Mass on Sunday, which was followed by a buffet luncheon, a charming casual entertainment provided by the children, and an informal conference with a Q & A session for good measure. A busy day!

I must say I was impressed by the piety of the people, and their evident devotion to their priest, and he to them. It takes them hours to navigate the heavy Manila traffic, sometimes just for a short distance, yet they come. A very warm and charitable family spirit prevails at the chapel. In fact, *warm* is the operative word. The weather starts with 80° and humid at dawn, and only builds in warmth beneath the tropical sun.

It was an excellent missionary visit. I would be happy to return despite the long, long hours on the plane. Yet, we modern day missionaries surely have it easy in comparison with the real missionaries of old.

Back home, you domestic missionaries were doing your work as well, especially by means of the Rosary Procession. Some 63 of you turned out, candle in hand, for the public witness and prayer of the Holy Rosary. God bless you! May I count on you (I make bold to ask) to take candle in hand again this Friday evening to accompany the Blessed Sacrament for the Forty Hours? Oh, and a quiet visit, a devout *extra* Communion, too? Yes? I knew you would. God reward you.

Meanwhile, **Fr. Cekada** completed his first seminary teaching week, and **Fr. McKenna** his regular runs. He just missed the big North Dakota snowstorm. **Fr. McGuire**, too, has been a missionary visiting his faithful and being again extraordinary confessor at the seminary.

Our school children and you faithful, quietly praying all week long, have generously fueled these many missionary endeavors. Remember that St. Therese, who never left her convent, is the Patroness of the Missions.



Winter knocked on our door this past Wednesday, softening the blow by much needed rain, and the promise of a beautiful Autumn.

God bless you, and don't forget to buy some goodies for the Bake Sale today. Bring yourself back to church for Friday's opening of Forty Hours, and a pot of chili to share, if you'd like. But come!

– Bishop Dolan

MEALS FOR PRIESTS

If you are bringing a meal for the priests, ***please sign up on the website, Lotsa Helping Hands.*** (If you have not joined the website and would like to, please contact the office.) If you are not able to use the site, **email Bishop Dolan** (bpdolan@sgg.org) or **Fr. Lehtoranta** (fr.lehtoranta@yandex.com) before bringing a meal, as someone may have already delivered one for that day. There are **many empty days** on the priests' meal calendar. Let's work together so they do not receive **all their meals on the same day!** They are most grateful for your generous offerings of food. Thank you!



All Night Adoration Guard of Honor Forty Hours Devotion 2019

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM: Joe Andreotta, Doby Curran
8:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Ken Gilliam, Kirby Bischel
9:00 PM - 10:00 PM: Peter Gebel, Justin Soeder
10:00 PM - 11:00 PM: Andrew Prell, Dean McClorey
11:00 PM - 12:00 AM: James Kolenich, Paul Puglielli
12:00 AM - 1:00 AM: Levi Giese, *Volunteer needed*
1:00 AM - 2:00 AM: David Marko, *Volunteer needed*
2:00 AM - 3:00 AM: Dan & Danny Brueggemann
3:00 AM - 4:00 AM: Steve Weigand, *Volunteer needed*
4:00 AM - 5:00 AM: Bob Uhlenbrock, Matthew Giese
5:00 AM - 6:00 AM: Paddy Omlor, Joseph Simpson
6:00 AM - 7:00 AM: Jim Soli, Sisters of Our Lady of Reparation

Sub: Brendan Lotarski (513-889-9449)

If you cannot make your hour, please contact the church office immediately: (513) 645-4212

MON	10/21/19	ST. HILARION, AB • SS. URSULA & COMP., VVMM 8:00 AM Low Mass †Ruth Sieverding Kieffer (<i>Mike Sieverding</i>) 11:25 AM High Mass Henry Sieverding (<i>Mike Sieverding</i>) 3:10 PM October Devotions
TUE	10/22/19	FERIAL DAY 7:00 AM Low Mass Poor Souls (<i>Kuebler/Volz</i>) 8:00 AM Low Mass Bill Oleyar (Happy Birthday to our son & conversion) (<i>Mom & Dad</i>) 11:25 AM Votive High Mass of the Propagation of the Faith For the Propagation of the Faith 3:10 PM October Devotions 5:00 PM Low Mass †William & †Marcella Hable (<i>Kirby & Jean Bischel</i>)
WED	10/23/19	FERIAL DAY • THE MOST HOLY REDEEMER 7:00 AM Low Mass Isaac Smith (<i>Collin Smith</i>) 8:00 AM Low Mass Fr. Jeremy Cyr (<i>Theresa Simpson</i>) 11:25 AM Requiem High Mass Purgatorial Society 3:00 PM Exposition, Rosary, Benediction, Communion ☞ 5:10 PM Low Mass The Terranas (<i>Arlinghaus</i>)
THU	10/24/19	ST. RAPHAEL, ARCHANGEL CLOSING OF THE MONTH OF THE ANGELS 7:00 AM Low Mass Happy birthday, Levi! (<i>Jacinta</i>) 8:00 AM Low Mass Mary Theobald (<i>Audrey Dunaway</i>) 11:25 AM High Mass Bishop Dolan (<i>Collin Smith</i>) 3:10 PM October Devotions
FRI	10/25/19	OPENING OF FORTY HOURS – NO SCHOOL SS. CHRYSANTHUS & DARIA, MM 8:00 AM Low Mass Becky – Birthday (<i>Bob</i>) 5:15 PM Confessions & Sacred Heart Novena 5:30 PM Opening of Forty Hours: Solemn High Mass of the Blessed Sacrament Seminarians of Most Holy Trinity (<i>Collin Smith</i>) Procession, followed by Harvest Chili Supper 8:15 PM (approx.) October Devotions <i>All Night Adoration</i>
SAT	10/26/19	VIGIL OF SS. SIMON & JUDE (ANTICIPATED) ST. EVARISTUS 7:10 AM Confessions 7:30 AM Low Mass Children & Grandchildren (<i>Audrey Dunaway</i>) 8:30 AM Confessions 9:00 AM Solemn High Votive Mass for Peace For Peace <i>Adoration continues all day</i> 12:00 PM October Devotions 1:30 PM First Vespers of Christ the King 4:30 PM Visit to the Blessed Sacrament, Compline, Benediction & Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament until Sunday morning
SUN	10/27/19	CHRIST THE KING • PENTECOST XX 6:30 AM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7:05 AM Rosary 7:30 AM Low Mass †Jane & †John Donadio (<i>Rob & Jane Brockman</i>) 9:00 AM Solemn High Mass of Reposition For the people of St. Gertrude the Great

ST. SENOCH

Senoch, or Senou, was born of pagan parents in Poitou, in Gaul. After converting to Christianity, he became a hermit in Touraine, a region of France where the present day Saint-Senoch is located. Here Senoch made a home and chapel for himself from the stones of old ruins. His reputation for holiness grew, and three disciples came to live in community with him, even though Senoch preferred the solitude of his own cell.

In 573, Senoch went to Tours for the funeral of Bishop Euphronious. He met Euphronious' successor, Gregory, and the two became fast friends. Shortly thereafter Senoch visited his relatives in Poitou, where he received much attention for his holy life. Upon Senoch's return to the hermitage, his companions noticed that he now took great pride in his austerities. When word of this reached Gregory, he sent Senoch a stern rebuke, quoting St. Paul: *I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me* (2 Cor 12:9). Senoch received this public chastisement with humility, admitting that he had spent too much time in his own company. He resolved henceforth to spend more time with his brethren, that he might receive their corrections.

In 576, Senoch died with Gregory at his side. His cult spread throughout France. Today his relics are kept at Sassenay, near Chalon-sur-Saône.

(This saint's hermitage is a short distance from our Fr. Hecquard's chapel, just south of Tours in France. An interesting saint!)

Servers

FRI 10/25 5:30 PM SOL. HIGH: MCs: R, VandeRyt, P. Omlor **THs:** D. & A. McConnell **ACs:** C. Richesson, T. Lawrence **CROSS:** C. Arlinghaus **BANNER:** D. Simpson **UMBRELLA:** P. McClorey **TORCH:** N. McClorey, M. Simpson, A. McClorey, S. Richesson, J. & N. Kolenich

SAT 10/26 9:00 AM SOL. HIGH: MC: J. Simpson **TH:** P. McClorey **ACs:** M. Simpson, D. McConnell **CROSS:** D. Simpson **TORCH:** A. McClorey, S. Richesson, A. McConnell, D. Simpson

SUN 10/27 7:30 AM LOW: Brueggemann Bros.
9:00 AM SOL. HIGH: MC: R. VandeRyt, J. Lacy **TH:** P. Omlor **CROSS:** C. Arlinghaus **ACs:** T. Lawrence, S. Richesson **TORCH:** J. & N. Kolenich, J. Stewart, M. & D. Simpson, S. Richesson
11:30 AM LOW: P. & N. McClorey
4:45 PM VESPERS: G. Miller
5:30 PM LOW: G. Miller
6:45 PM CLOSING: MC: R. VandeRyt, P. Omlor **THs:** T. Lawrence, C. Richesson **CROSS:** C. Arlinghaus **ACs:** M. & D. Simpson **MITRE:** N. McClorey **CROZIER:** P. McClorey **BANNER:** A. McConnell **TRAIN:** S. Richesson **TORCH:** A. McClorey, J. Kolenich **BELLS:** N. Kolenich **UMBRELLA:** J. Lacy

- 10:50 AM Sunday Classes**
- 11:05 AM Rosary**
- 11:30 AM Low Mass** Mr. & Mrs. Gino VanderPutten (*McMahon*)
- 4:00 PM Visit to the Blessed Sacrament, Oct. Devotions**
- 4:45 PM Second Vespers of Christ the King**
- ☞ **5:30 PM Low Mass** Special Intention (*Sue Kurtz*)
- 6:45 PM Closing Ceremonies with Procession & Benediction**
- 7:45 PM Light refreshments in Helfta Hall**