

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. Thomas Ojeka • Rev. John Okerulu • Rev. Thomas Simpson • Rev. Anthony Brueggemann



June 26, 2022

**SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE SACRED HEART
PENTECOST III • Ss. JOHN & PAUL, MM**

¶ SACRED HEART SUNDAY



The Blessing of Expectant Mothers will be available at the Communion Rail following all Masses today. Vespers with Benediction are at 4:45 PM.

¶ THIS WEEK

Tomorrow is the feast of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Remember her Summer Novena on **Tuesday**. Pray for Bishop Dolan, Fr. Cekada, and Bishop Sanborn on their ordination anniversaries, the great feast of Ss. Peter and Paul, **Wednesday**. Please note our regular **First Friday** schedule, with All Night Adoration, on the feast of the Most Precious Blood. End the week with Mary's Immaculate Heart on **First Saturday**, feast of her Visitation.

¶ FIRST FRIDAY

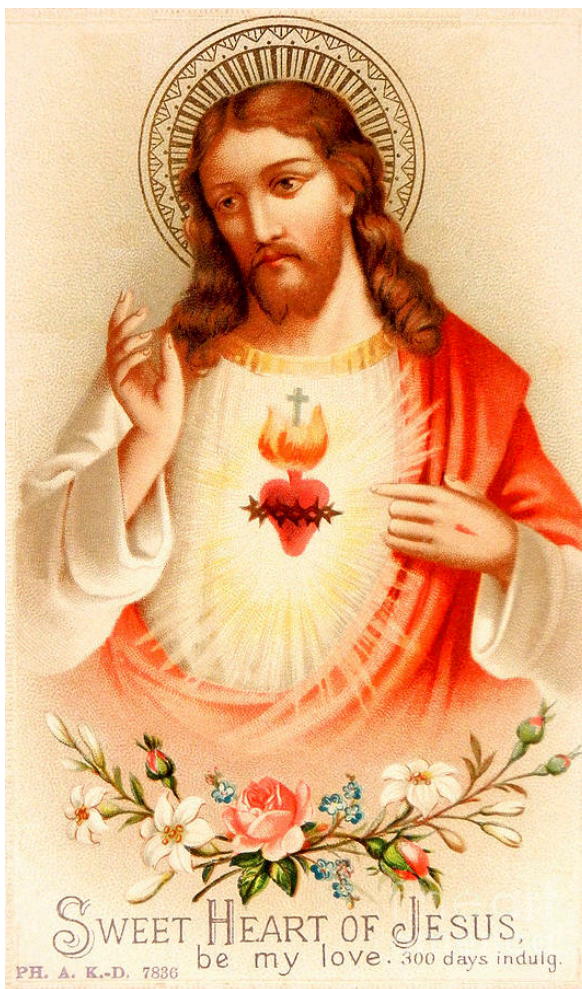
8:00 AM Low Mass
10:55 AM Confessions
11:25 AM Low Mass, Benediction
5:00 PM Exposition
5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary
5:45 PM High Mass, Novena

All Night Adoration

First Friday Intention: *In honor of the Sacred Heart for the conversion of our country.*

¶ OUR SICK

Please pray for Barbara O'Connor, Margaret Kinnett, Mary Burr, and Hunter Lumbatis.



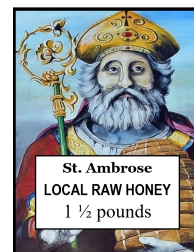
¶ FIRST SATURDAY

7:05 AM Rosary & Confessions
7:30 AM High Mass
8:15 AM Devotions, Benediction, Meditation
8:40 AM Low Mass

First Saturday Intention: *In honor of Mary Immaculate for our country.*

¶ SWEET HONEY IS BACK IN THE BOOKSTORE!

The bees have been busy in Ohio and provided plenty of sweetness to go around. A parishioner donated these pound and a half bears as a fundraiser. Stock your pantry with this raw honey that will keep forever for just \$15 a bottle. What a great way to help our church and get your basic food needs in one place. Look for these plump golden bears on the movable shelf outside or in the bookstore.



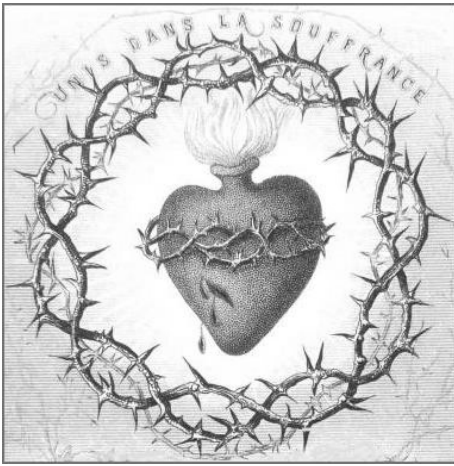
¶ NEXT SUNDAY: Ss. PETER & PAUL

Next Sunday is the Solemnity of Ss. Peter & Paul. The second collection will be taken up for the support of our priests. The "Little Church" will be in the vestibule to receive alms for Masses for priests. **The Blessing of Religious Articles** will be available at the Communion Rail following all Masses. Vespers with Benediction are at 4:45 PM.

📖 **Set Your Missal:** **High Mass:** Solemnity of Ss. Peter & Paul, commemoration and Proper Last Gospel of Pentecost IV. Preface of the Apostles. **Low Masses:** Pentecost IV, second collect of St. Leo II, third of Ss. Peter & Paul. Trinity Preface.

Collection Report

Sunday, June 19th\$5,743.00
Thank you for your generosity. Remember St. Gertrude the Great in your will.



Can you picture finally getting to heaven, and the first person you meet is the one you liked least on earth? Imagine that! God loved that person and was calling him to perfection too.

What God wants for you is what He also wants for your aggravating neighbor, as well as history's worst tyrants—that they be *“perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect”* (Matthew 5:48).

Here's another surprise: Your enemy can help you move toward that impossible-sounding goal of perfection. Here's how. Our Lord's command to be perfect appears right after His explanation of how to treat those who hate us: *“Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, so that you may be children of your Father in heaven”* (Matthew 5: 44-45). In other words, if you want to be perfect, begin by loving your enemies.

Are you thinking, “This is too much?” Of course it is! Even when the call to perfection is reduced to this starting point, it is beyond human powers—or it would be, if Our Lord hadn't suffered and died for us. But with the grace He secured through His death and resurrection, we can follow His example of perfect love and forgiveness and start doing what He commands.

Try to cooperate with that grace today. Instead of harboring spiteful thoughts, say a short prayer for someone who provokes you. Think

about whether there are other people you should be loving more than you do—not “enemies” exactly, but people you tend to take for granted, look down on, or dismiss as underserving.

Start with those you live and work with. Pay attention to the thoughts that cross your mind as you read the newspaper or see a certain person. Ask God's forgiveness when you discover your failures. Open your heart to receive the grace for a more generous attitude. Take advantage of every big and small invitation to love, and the perfection of the Father and the Son will begin to shine out of you.

“Thank You, Father, for creating me for Thy love. I want to accept Thy transforming grace and take another step toward the perfection to which Thou art calling me.” “Sacred Heart of Jesus, make our hearts like unto Thine.”

THE ALTAR BOY



His cheeks grow red
from the candle heat
As the carpet under his
noiseless feet.

And no two stars could
be half so bright
As his deep brown eyes
in the candlelight.

An angel he seems with his surplice
wings,
Who knows when God is to come,—
and rings.

And the clouds from the censer
swinging there
A fragrance leave in his golden hair.

It fills us all with a wondrous dread,
His nearness unto the Holy Bread.

Now I wonder what path in life he'll
plan:

A doctor—a lawyer—a merchantman?

God keep him always there we pray,
Treading the altar's plush highway.

COR CORDIUM

Where burns the sanctuary star
In shadowy chancels, there the Heart
divine
How oft in lonely longing seems to
pine
For those who, wandering far
To stranger gods—ambition proud,
and fame,
And languid luxury—forget His
Name.
The voice all silvery sweet
That erst through Judah's vales like
music beat,
The wayward wooing, still doth it
entreat
These hearts of ours.
Why linger we to dally with life's
flowers
When scarce we've quaffed their
odorous breath
They withered lie in death.
Lo! in that Heart of hearts, the rose
of love
All other flowers above,
Its leaves of flame immortally un-
folds;
Undreamed delights, like perfume
rare, it holds
For him in whose pure breast
The dove of grace hath built her
snowy nest.

— Sister M. Blanche



¶ UPCOMING EVENTS

YAG: July 8-10, yagincincy.org for info

Girls Camp: July 12-14

Boys Camp: July 26-28

✠ NOTE FROM THE BISHOP ✠

As I write these lines to you on a sunny Thursday afternoon, I find myself contemplating the boundless goodness of the Sacred Heart to us, His followers. We call ourselves His followers, but still quite often find that we wander a bit. But isn't that what is so beautifully encouraging about His goodness—as soon as we begin to wander He comes chasing after us, bestowing His choicest gifts upon us. I can't help but think of the words of the Psalms: "Cast thy care upon the Lord and He will sustain thee." How often we wander, and then are brought back by our Good Shepherd; then, lest we wander again, we place our confidence in the Lord and He grants such immense graces to us to help us to stay on the right path.

This past weekend I was in the Seattle area with **Fr. Ercoli**. I have known him since my early seminary years (about twenty-two years now); he was even one of my seminary professors. For a time, he and I worked together at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church in Fraser, Michigan. I now regard him as a very good friend, most especially after the support he has given us since the death of our beloved Bishop Dolan. Father, with the help of **Fr. Hector Romero**, takes care of two chapels: Holy Redeemer just outside Seattle, and St. Joseph's—an old church in Mount Vernon, Washington. As I mentioned last week, I administered fifty-five Confirmations and three First Holy Communions. I think it was a good "shot in the arm" for all of us—such a happy and grace-filled time.

Meanwhile, in Canada, our zealous **Bishop da Silva** gave First Holy Communion to a little girl, gave Minor Orders to two men, and confirmed one hundred new Soldiers of Christ. One confirmand tweeted: "Deo Grati-as! I received conditional Confirmation tonight from Bishop da Silva, who travelled from Brazil to Canada for us. Knowing he was consecrated by Bishop Dolan is a great joy." Truly, these are joyous occasions. The Army of Christ is growing! Sacred Heart of Jesus, Thy Kingdom come!

Fr. McKenna has been busy in his missionary work as well. In his last two trips he baptized two babies. He is also getting things ready for my July visit to St. Hugh of Lincoln to do Confirmations; and later in the summer for his other mission in North Dakota and perhaps Dallas. This weekend, however, he is in Boston at his old Sacred Heart Church on a two-fold mission: offering Mass for those in need; then he will visit his grandfather who is very ill and nearing death. Please pray that Mr. McKenna receive the sacraments before death and that he be given the great grace of final perseverance.

Fr. Lehtoranta is now finishing his vocations retreat for young ladies wishing to be oblates. The goal of

the oblate is to assist the priests in their work. Some will be involved in catechizing, others in teaching in school, sacristy work, basically whatever is needed to assist the priests in saving souls. It isn't the same as most religious congregations which have their own separate way of life or are cloistered in the convent walls. The oblate works among the clergy and the people—it is an active apostolate, given over to acts of charity and of religion. Of course, they will have their own prayer life, so important for those who give themselves to active works. Pray for the success of this much-needed apostolate.

I hope you all enjoyed the parish bonfire and cook-out. It is a big production, but one which is so good for all of us in so many ways. We could do without the chiggers though. This year we sprayed not once, but twice to keep them away. I hope it worked.

Once again, I send you a blessing and my promise to pray for each of you and your intentions.

– **Bishop McGuire**



All Night Adoration Guard of Honor: July 2022

7:00 PM - 8:00 PM: David Swinney, *Volunteer needed*
8:00 PM - 9:00 PM: Kirby Bischel, Quentin Gorton
9:00 PM - 10:00 PM: Justin Soeder, Paddy Omlor
10:00 PM - 11:00 PM: Andrew Prell, Nick McClorey
11:00 PM - 12:00 AM: James Kolenich, Paul Puglielli
12:00 AM - 1:00 AM: Levi Giese, Collin Smith
1:00 AM - 2:00 AM: David Marko, Keith Elflein
2:00 AM - 3:00 AM: Dan & John Brueggemann
3:00 AM - 4:00 AM: Steve Weigand, *Volunteer needed*
4:00 AM - 5:00 AM: Matthew Giese, Zachary Doyle
5:00 AM - 6:00 AM: Joseph Simpson, Bill Herman
6:00 AM - 7:00 AM: John Riggs, Robert Rosendale

☞ *If you cannot make your hour, please contact the church of-
fice immediately: (513) 645-4212.*

☞ *If you have finished your hour but no one has arrived to re-
lieve you, please call Fr. Brueggemann (513-378-2705) or Fr.
Simpson (513-378-2870) to substitute.*

☞ *Please make your hour in the sanctuary if possible. You may
sit for your hour if necessary.*

MOST DAILY MASSES ARE WEBCAST AT SGG.ORG.

PRAYER TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP



O Mother of Perpetual Help, thou art the dispenser of all the gifts which God grants to us miserable sinners; and for this end He has made thee so powerful, so rich, and so bountiful, in order that thou mayest help us in our misery. Thou art the advocate of the most wretched and abandoned sinners who have recourse to thee; come to my aid; I commend myself to thee. In thy hands I place my eternal salvation, and to thee I entrust

my soul. Count me among thy most devoted servants; take me under thy protection, and it is enough for me. For, if thou protect me, I fear nothing; not from my sins, because thou wilt obtain for me the pardon of them; nor from the devils, because thou art more powerful than all hell together; nor even from Jesus, my Judge, because by one prayer from thee He will be appeased. But one thing I fear: that in the hour of temptation, I may through negligence fail to have recourse to thee, and thus perish miserably. Obtain for me, therefore, the pardon of my sins, love for Jesus, final perseverance, and the grace ever to have recourse to thee, O Mother of Perpetual Help. Amen.

Daily Renewal of Family Consecration to the Sacred Heart

Sacred Heart of Jesus, remember that we are consecrated and belong to Thee. Bless and protect us all. Make our home a shrine of Thy love and Thy grace. Strengthen the bond of affection that unites us together. Help us to bear one another's burdens in peace and harmony and unselfishness. Keep us always near to Thee and to Thy Blessed Mother. Amen.

- MON 6/27/22 WITHIN THE OCTAVE**
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
8:00 AM Low Mass Souls charged to my care (*Collin Smith*)
11:25 AM Low Mass †Bishop Daniel Dolan (*Michael McBee*)
5:00 PM Low Mass †Maurice Galarneau – 8th anniversary 2/27 (*Tom & Karen Simpson*)
- TUE 6/28/22 ST. IRENAEUS, BPM**
 VIGIL OF SS. PETER & PAUL
 SUMMER NOVENA AFTER ALL MASSES
7:00 AM Low Mass †Mr. Mike Briggs (*Clare Lotarski*)
8:00 AM Low Mass Purgatorial Society
11:25 AM Low Mass Mary Beth Grumblatt (*M.E.G.*)
5:00 PM Low Mass Special Intention (*Anne Marie Omlor*)
- WED 6/29/22 SS. PETER & PAUL, APP**
7:00 AM Low Mass Fr. Anthony Brueggemann – Congratulations (*Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Prell*)
8:00 AM Low Mass †Mr. Kyle McGuire & the McGuire family (*Mary Black*)
11:25 AM High Mass †Bishop Dolan, Bishop Sanborn, †Fr. Cekada (*The Fathers*)
5:00 PM Low Mass †Bishop Daniel Dolan – priest & friend (*Margaret Sutton*)
- THU 6/30/22 COMMEMORATION OF ST. PAUL, AP**
 WITHIN THE OCTAVE
EUCCHARISTIC HEART OF JESUS
7:00 AM Low Mass †Ralph Otis & †Sean Murray (*AMB*)
8:00 AM Holy Hour: Low Mass Our Clergy (*K/V*)
11:25 AM Low Mass SGG Choir – Thank you! (*Collin Smith*) (rescheduled)
5:00 PM Low Mass Our new priests (*Levi Giese Family*)
- FRI 7/1/22 THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD • FIRST FRIDAY**
7:00 AM Low Mass Fr. Thomas Ojeka – Congratulations (*Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Prell*)
8:00 AM Low Mass Fr. John Okerulu – Congratulations (*Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Prell*)
10:55 AM Confessions
11:25 AM Low Mass, Benediction Fr. Thomas Simpson – Congratulations (*Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Prell*)
5:00 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
5:15 PM Confessions & Rosary
5:45 PM Low Mass Bishop McGuire (*Levi Giese Family*)
6:30 PM Sacred Heart Novena & First Friday Devotions
All Night Adoration
- SAT 7/2/22 FIRST SATURDAY • VISITATION OF OUR LADY**
 OCTAVE DAY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
 SS. PROCESSUS & MARTINIAN, MM
7:05 AM Rosary
7:10 AM Confessions
7:30 AM High Mass God's mercy for our country and the world (*K/V*)
8:15 AM First Saturday Devotions, Benediction
8:40 AM (approx.) Sermon, Low Mass "Thou knowest, O Lord!" (*Arlinghaus Family*)

Servers

- FRI 7/1** 5:45 PM **LOW:** P. Omlor
SAT 7/2 7:30 AM **HIGH:** Simpson Bros.
 8:40 AM **LOW:** Kolenichs
SUN 7/3 7:30 AM **LOW:** Brueggemann Bros.
 9:00 AM **HIGH:** MCS: C. Richesson, D. Simpson **TH:** N. McClorey
ACS: N. Kolenich, A. McClorey **TORCH:** N. Kolenich, T. England, J. & A. Hudson, B. McGinnis
 11:30 AM **LOW:** Capetillo Bros.
 4:45 PM **VESPERS & BENEDICTION:** G. Miller
 5:45 PM **LOW:** Capetillo

- SUN 7/3/22 SOLEMNITY OF SS. PETER & PAUL, APP**
 PENTECOST IV • ST. LEO II, PC
7:05 AM Rosary
7:30 AM Low Mass Our Four New Priests (*L. Maki*)
9:00 AM High Mass Gratitude for answered prayers & peace of mind (*Rebecca Hinton*)
11:05 AM Rosary
11:30 AM Low Mass Alexander Deporto (*Susan M.*)
4:45 PM Vespers & Benediction
5:45 PM Low Mass For the people of St. Gertrude the Great