

*He is
Risen*



**ST. GERTRUDE
CHURCH**

EASTER SUNDAY | MARCH 31, 2024



MASSES AND CONFESSION

Monday, April 1, Monday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 7 a.m. Easter Novena
- 8 a.m. † Robert Reilly by Bill & Tish Shefcik
- 11:30 a.m. † Tim Petric by Mary Petric

Tuesday, April 2, Tuesday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 7 a.m. † Gloria Achten by Julie Anzer
- 8 a.m. Easter Novena
- 11:30 a.m. † Timothy Crotty by Dr. & Mrs. David Zipfel

Wednesday, April 3, Wednesday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 7 a.m. † Richard DeBrunner by Nancy DeBrunner
- 8 a.m. † Marianne Klekamp by Donald Klekamp
- 11:30 a.m. Easter Novena

Thursday, April 4, Thursday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 7 a.m. Easter Novena
- 8 a.m. † Mark Crouch by Jenny & John Ward
- 11:30 a.m. † The DeBrunner Family by Nancy DeBrunner

Friday, April 5, Friday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 7 a.m. † Joseph & Marjorie Schirmer by The Schirmer Family
- 8 a.m. Easter Novena
- 11:30 a.m. Octavio Flores Resendiz by Maria Resendiz

Saturday, April 6, Saturday within the Octave of Easter (S)

- 8 a.m. † John M. Oliver by Mike & Cindy Oliver
- 11:30 a.m. Easter Novena
- 4:30 p.m. † Tony Bang Tran by Thien Cao

Sunday, April 7, 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) (S)

- 8 a.m. † Robert J. McCarthy by Molly & Bruce Vollmer
- 10 a.m. † Gary Babcock by Knights of Columbus
- 12 p.m. Easter Novena
- 6 p.m. People of St. Gertrude

There are no confessions on Easter Monday. Confessions will be heard in the church Tuesday-Friday at 4 p.m., Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., and Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

Parish Information

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Parish Office Hours
Monday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
School Office Hours
Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Church Hours
Every day: 7 a.m.-9 p.m.

CALLED & GIFTED WORKSHOP

Discover God's Call for Your Life

God has a unique purpose for you (yes, you!), and he has given you special spiritual gifts to help you fulfill that purpose.

At the Called & Gifted Workshop, you will not only discover your spiritual gifts (charisms), but also learn how discerning your charisms can change your life, change the world, help spread the Gospel, and help transform and renew our parish.

Saturday, April 13

9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

St. Gertrude Parish Center (Gym)

6543 Miami Ave., Madeira

Cost: \$25*

**Includes workshop, participant book, and lunch.*

Visit bit.ly/cgworkshop-april or
scan the QR code to learn more
and register by April 3!



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EASTER: THE SEED AND THE PROMISE

*Christ is Risen, Alleluia!
Truly He is Risen, Alleluia!*

So goes the classic Easter acclamation and response. As we gather together to celebrate Easter, we stand bathed in the light of Christ's glory and the joy that his Resurrection brings to the world. The long weeks of Lenten discipline are behind us, spring is in the air (even if its coming has been marked by fits and starts), and all around us we are beginning to see the signs of new life. Flowers are poking up from the soil, the trees are blooming, and birds can be heard singing in the morning sunlight. And for those of us who are gardeners, it will soon be time for us to turn over the soil, grab our seeds, and plant whatever flowers or veggies we intend to grow during the upcoming growing season.

Every seed holds enormous potential. Even in the act of planting the seed, the gardener is already looking ahead to the end result and anticipating the full fruitfulness to come: the color explosion of a blooming patch of tulips, the delicious sweetness of homegrown tomatoes, and so forth. At the same time, the gardener knows that the journey from seed to full fruitfulness is one that requires *much* work along the way. Watering, fertilizing, weeding, and sometimes even pruning are required to help that seed grow into the fullness of what it is intended to be.

This is a wonderful analogy to our own spiritual lives. The grace of "newness of life" that is ours in the Easter mystery is a beautiful gift given to each of us. ***But that gift comes in the form of a "seed."*** The grace of Christ's Resurrection in our lives is just waiting to unfold—waiting to grow and blossom and transform us in ways we can scarcely imagine right now. The Lord wants us to grow and become so much more than we are today.

To go back to the gardening analogy, if we can imagine a seed with consciousness (yes, this is a stretch . . . and sounds like something out of a bad sci-fi movie!), it would not be crazy to think that the seed might be pretty happy with its own seed-ness. "I'm a pretty good seed," it might say to itself. Or perhaps even, "I am a **great** and a beautiful seed!" But the Master Gardener, looking down at that seed, sees that even being the best and most beautiful seed in the world *pales* in comparison to the beauty of a full-grown tulip, or a tomato plant laden with big, delicious tomatoes.

Today is Easter. Christ has passed through death to rise to a new and unending life. He has done so for us, not only so that our sins might be washed away, but also so that we might "have life and have it to the full" (John 10:10). There are ways in each of us in which having "life to the full" is not yet a reality in our lives. This Easter, each of us has received from the Lord a certain grace that, at this moment, still exists within us only as a seed. What might that seed be in your life?



Even more importantly, what are the ways the Lord is calling you to water, weed, and otherwise care for that seed so that it will grow and blossom in your own life?

Easter is not over, it is only just beginning. The seed of Easter grace lies within each one of us as a promise. Let us strive together to till the soil of our souls so that we might experience the full fruitfulness of what the Lord desires for us.

Easter blessings to one and all,

Rev. John Paul Walker, O.P.

Father John Paul Walker, O.P.

FROM THE DIARY OF ST. MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA



"Today, during the Mass of the Resurrection, I saw the Lord Jesus in the midst of a great light. He approached me and said, **Peace be to you, My children**, and He lifted up His hand and gave His blessing. The wounds in His hands, feet and side were indelible and shining. When He looked at me with such kindness and love, my whole soul drowned itself in Him. And He said to me, **You have taken a great part in My Passion; therefore I now give you a great share in My joy and glory...** A wondrous recollection filled my soul and lasted throughout the whole festal season. The kindness of Jesus is so great that I cannot express it." (*Diary*, #205)

SUPPORT OUR ANNUAL FUND THIS EASTER!

This year, our parish school is raising funds to support growth of our Outdoor Curriculum, launch an alumni relations initiative, and add safety upgrades and enhancements for our playground. Please consider giving to help provide our students with the best in teaching and learning! Give now at stgertrude.onlinegiving.org/donate/form/1671#!.

ANNUAL K-3 PRIMARY PROGRAM

K-3 students performed their annual Primary Program for their parents and grandparents!



6TH GRADE ARCHITECTURAL FIELD TRIP

Last week, the SGS sixth graders went on a field trip to examine architecture in two cathedrals and a synagogue.



KINDERGARTEN “Q & U WEDDING”

Kindergarten celebrated the wedding of Q and U to learn that the letter “Q” should always be followed by the letter “U.” The students attended a ceremony, followed by a reception with cake!



We Are **HIRING!**

Are you passionate about educating children and forming them in the Catholic faith? Do you have experience teaching primary grades or junior high math? Would you like to be part of a dynamic and faith-filled team?

APPLY FOR OUR OPEN POSITIONS!

Visit stgertrudesch.org/employment to view our job postings and apply.

As we celebrate Easter, I invite you to consider this past year. How has Jesus invited you to follow him to the cross? How has he given you new life? How is he calling you today? To help us each consider these questions, I offer you the words of our Holy Father Pope Francis on last year's Easter Vigil. With him, let us "return to Galilee" bearing the good news.

May your Easter be blessed,

Walter Plummer, Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation

The night is drawing to a close and the first light of dawn is appearing upon the horizon as the women set out toward Jesus' tomb. They make their way forward, bewildered and dismayed, their hearts overwhelmed with grief at the death that took away their Beloved. Yet upon arriving and seeing the empty tomb, they turn around and retrace their steps. They leave the tomb behind and run to the disciples to proclaim a change of course: Jesus is risen and *awaits them in Galilee*. In their lives, those women experienced Easter as a Pasch, a *passage*. They pass from walking sorrowfully towards the tomb to running back with joy to the disciples to tell them not only that the Lord is risen, but also that they are to set out immediately to reach a destination, Galilee. There they will meet the Risen Lord. The rebirth of the disciples, the resurrection of their hearts, passes through Galilee. Let us enter into this journey of the disciples from the tomb to Galilee.

The Gospel tells us that the women went "to see the tomb" (Mt 28:1). They think that they will find Jesus in the place of death and that everything is over, forever. Sometimes we too may think that the joy of our encounter with Jesus is something belonging to the past, whereas the present consists mostly of sealed tombs: tombs of disappointment, bitterness and distrust, of the dismay of thinking that "nothing more can be done," "things will never change," "better to live for today," since "there is no certainty about tomorrow." If we are prey to sorrow, burdened by sadness, laid low by sin, embittered by failure or troubled by some problem, we also know the bitter taste of weariness and the absence of joy.

[...]

The women at Easter, however, do not stand frozen before the tomb; rather, the Gospel tells us, "they went away quickly from the tomb, fearful yet overjoyed, and ran to announce this to his disciples" (v. 8). They bring the news that will change life and history forever: Christ is risen! (v. 6). At the same time, they remember to convey the Lord's summons to the disciples to go to Galilee, for there they will see him (cf. v. 7). Let us ask ourselves today, brothers and sisters: what does it mean to go to Galilee? Two things: on the one hand, to leave the enclosure of the Upper Room and go to the land of the Gentiles (cf. Mt 4:15), to come forth from hiding and to open themselves up to mission, to leave fear behind and to *set out for the future*. On the other hand, and this is very beautiful, to *return to the origins*, for it was precisely in Galilee that *everything began*. There the Lord had met and first called the disciples. So, to go to Galilee means to return to the grace of the beginnings, to regain the memory that regenerates hope,

the "memory of the future" bestowed on us by the Risen One. [...]

Remember your own Galilee and walk towards it, for it is the "place" where you came to know Jesus personally, where he stopped being just another personage from a distant past, but a *living person*: not some distant God but the God who is at your side, who more than anyone else knows you and loves you. Brother, sister, remember Galilee, your Galilee, and your call. Remember the Word of God who at a precise moment spoke directly to you. Remember that powerful experience of the Spirit; that great joy of forgiveness experienced after that one confession; that intense and unforgettable moment of prayer; that light that was kindled within you and changed your life; that encounter, that pilgrimage... Each of us knows where our Galilee is located. Each of us knows the place of his or her interior resurrection, that beginning and foundation, the place where things changed. We cannot leave this in the past; the Risen Lord invites us to return there to celebrate Easter. Remember your Galilee. Remind yourself. Today, relive that memory. Return to that first encounter. Think back on what it was like, reconstruct the context, time and place. Remember the emotions and sensations; see the colours and savour the taste of it. For it is when you forgot that first love, when you failed to remember that first encounter, that the dust began to settle on your heart. That is when you experienced sorrow and, like the disciples, you saw the future as empty, like a tomb with a stone sealing off all hope. Yet today, brother, sister, the power of Easter summons you to roll away every stone of disappointment and mistrust. The Lord is an expert in rolling back the stones of sin and fear. He wants to illuminate your sacred memory, your most beautiful memory, and to make you relive that first encounter with him. Remember and keep moving forward. Return to him and rediscover the grace of God's resurrection within you! Return to Galilee. Return to *your* Galilee.

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BAPTISM

March 16/17, 2024



Child: Andrew McDonough Dannemiller, Jr.
Parents: Andrew & Erin Dannemiller



Child: Henry Paul Lemen
Parents: Angel & Edward Lemen



Child: Frances Elizabeth Peck
Parents: Matthew & Alyssa Peck



Child: Andrew Joseph Peters
Parents: Rachel & Wesley Peters



Child: Christopher Earl Purple
Parents: Andrew & Meghan Purple



Child: Ignatius Edwin Young
Parents: Matthew & Emily Young

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Join us in the church next Sunday, April 7, to celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. Confessions will begin at 2 p.m. We will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3 p.m., followed by the Consecration to Divine Mercy and the Litany of Trust.

“My daughter, tell the whole world about My Inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. **The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.*** On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity . . . Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy.” (Diary of St. Faustina, #699)

**Confession is not required on the feast itself. St. Faustina went the day before. (Diary, #1072)*



DATE WITH FATHER NATE: A CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

You and your spouse are invited to join us and other couples on Saturday, April 27, from 5:30 to 10 p.m. at the St. Gertrude Parish Center for an evening to relax and focus on your marriage. Using humor and inspiration, Father Nathan Cromly helps to make sense of the ordinary struggles couples face and gives you tools to renew and re-energize your marriage. This Date with Father Nate is a celebration of marriage and allows couples to take time out of their busy lives to reflect on what is truly important. The event is presented by the Saint John Leadership Network and includes live music by Easter Rising Band! Tickets are \$95/couple and include heavy hors d'oeuvres, wine, beer and soft drinks throughout the evening. Young parents needing support to offset the costs of a babysitter can receive a \$20-off discount on their couple's ticket. Please email Margaret Pluta at margaret.pluta@saintjohninstitute.org to obtain the discount code. For more information and to register, please visit brushfire.com/eagleeyeministries/saint-john-leadership-network/569727.

LET US PRAY

PLEASE PRAY FOR . . .

THE SICK:

Linda Burke, Vicki Calonge, Carol Connors, Dan DeBow, Triset Defonseka, Beth Egbers, Lisa Ely, Octavio Flores-Resendiz, Ron Freudenberg, Dick Gelhaus, Bob Gerwin, Goad Family, Elsa Hall, Mark Holland, Hummel Family, Andrea Kattel, Aiko Kimura, Diane Kosobud, Robert Lantz, Ed and Karen Larkin, Ted Leugers, Mimi Leverone, Kevin Lewis, Gertrude Maxwell, Kim McClung, Elaine O'Connell, Sue Paas, Gerry Patterson, Gert Patterson, Pegge Schuermann, Richard Seifert, Judy Sullivan, Jim Tappel, Brigitte Vielhauer, Kerry Walden, and Viktor & Mary Wilhelmy

THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES:

Patrick Burke, Gabe Dorsey, Jacob Dorsey, Curtis Flores, Luis Flores, Jr., Cole Foster, Kyle Foster, Dominic Geraci, Daniel Holian, Mike Huber, Aaron Jacobson, Jacob Kramb, John Kramb, Kelly Leugers, Dominic Lloyd, Seth McGann, John Murdock, Jr., John Oscar, Sarah Ries, Dan Roseman, Andrew Shannon, Ian Tester, and Gus Voto

THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

† Peggy Hagerty, daughter of Mary

† Dominic Hester, son of Ryan and Darcie

HOPE EMERGENCY COLLECTION

The Ladies of Charity will be at the white van in the parking lot before and after all Masses (except 6 p.m.) the weekend of April 6 and 7 collecting items for Hope Emergency Center, an agency serving about 250 families in Adams, Brown, Clinton, Highland, and surrounding counties.

The center's greatest needs this year are sheets, blankets, hand/bath towels, Crock-Pots, and handheld can openers. Items needed on a regular basis include personal hygiene items (bar soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, and men's and women's deodorant) and practical household items (paper towels, toilet paper, Tide Pod laundry detergent, and dish soap). Additionally, they need Tupperware bowls with lids for leftovers and air mattresses with built-in air pumps for their clients.

Cash and check donations are also appreciated. Please call Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085 with any questions.

CONNECTED THROUGH CHRIST

Connected Through Christ is a group for parents of children who suffer from gender dysphoria. Parents meet to share and discuss experiences regarding their children who identify as transgender. The group is intended for parents to support each other through challenging times and to pray together.

The core values of *Connected Through Christ* are based on a Christian understanding of male and female as articulated in sacred Scripture and the teachings of the Catholic Church. Meetings are held twice a month at a Cincinnati east side parish. Please email cincyctc@yahoo.com if you are interested in joining the group.

4TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC BEARCAT BANQUET

Catholic Bearcat, the Newman Center for University of Cincinnati, invites you to its 4th Annual Banquet on May 2 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Graduate Hotel. This wonderful evening benefiting campus ministry includes dinner, fellowship, and keynote speaker Dr. John Bergsma (vice president for Biblical Theology and Mission Effectiveness at the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology and professor of theology at the Franciscan University of Steubenville). You will also hear mission milestones and ministry updates from Catholic Bearcat's new chaplain, Father Jeff Stephens; meet our new pastor, Father David Doseck; and hear a Catholic Bearcat student testimony. There will also be a silent auction of donated gift items and experiences. Reserve your table or individual seats at catholicbearcat.com/banquet or scan the QR code.



PRO-LIFE JOB OPENINGS

Elizabeth's New Life Center has been saving babies and changing lives for 35 years. We have an immediate need for employees in the Cincinnati area. For more information, please visit our website at ENLC.LIFE and select Employment Opportunities.

- RDMS/RN – Performs limited obstetrical ultrasounds and pregnancy consultations.
- Consultant – Provides one-on-one support to women facing crisis pregnancies.
- Fiscal Director
- Sales Assistant and Marriage Enrichment
- Community Relations Officer

PREGNANCY CENTER WEST – WE'RE HIRING!

Do you have a heart for saving the innocent unborn and are a licensed (RDMS) sonographer? PCW seeks a part-time ultrasound tech to staff a mobile unit with other personnel. For details and to apply, please visit catholicjobs.com/job/5042162969. Those interested may also contact Linda Trenn, PCW executive director, at (513) 244-5700.



**ELIZABETH'S
NEW LIFE CENTER**

MILES FOR MARY

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TO
register



**\$20
per person
\$100
MAX per family**

WHO

Anyone! PC West supporters, volunteers, staff, board members, and their friends & family.

WHEN

the ENTIRE month of MAY!
May 1st-31st

WHAT

Split the Pot challenge!!

WHY

To honor the Blessed Mother during the Month of May!

Each participant must **WALK, RUN, CYCLE, SWIM, dog walk, elliptical ONE MILE** Every single day in May (totaling 31 miles). Everyone who successfully completes this challenge will be entered in the **SPLIT THE POT** to be completed on JUNE 10th. We encourage honoring Mary during our Miles for Mary challenge by reciting a decade of the Rosary, the entire Rosary, or any other Marian devotional. The **SPLIT THE POT** proceeds go toward the needs of PC West's operational needs. For further questions email: jame@pc-west.org or call 513-244-5700.

IF YOU'RE PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO RUN, WALK, OR EXERCISE WE STILL ENCOURAGE YOU TO PARTICIPATE, SAYING THE ROSARY DAILY

TO REGISTER:

SCAN THE QR CODE, TEXT MILES4MARY TO 513-957-GIVE, REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE UNDER EVENTS, SUPPORTPCW.ORG



ASK AN EXPERT— WHY DOES THE DATE OF EASTER CHANGE FROM YEAR TO YEAR?

Q: How is Easter Sunday determined?

A: Jesus rose from the dead on the first Sunday following the feast of Passover. (Technically, he may have risen Saturday night, but that still counts as Sunday on the Jewish reckoning, which begins each day at sunset instead of at midnight.)

The date of Passover is a complicated thing. Theoretically, the date should be the 14th of the Jewish month of Nisan, and it should correspond to a full moon (the Jewish calendar being partly lunar). In practice, it didn't always work out that way. The month-moon cycles got out of synch, and sometimes feasts would be held on a "liturgical" full moon even when it was not an astronomical full moon. As a result, rabbis periodically had to announce when Passover would be celebrated.

Christians didn't like being dependent on the pronouncements of rabbis for how to celebrate Christian feasts, so they came up with another way of determining the date. They decided that Easter would be celebrated on the first Sunday after (never on) the Paschal full moon.

Theoretically, the Paschal full moon is the first full moon occurring on or after the spring equinox. However, this day can be reckoned in different ways. One way is by looking at the sky, which yields the astronomical spring equinox. But since this shifts from year to year, most people follow the calendrical spring equinox, which is reckoned as March 21.

On the Gregorian calendar (the one that we use), Easter is the first Sunday after the Paschal full moon, which is the first full moon on or after March 21. Easter thus always falls between March 22 and April 25.

Now, to find Palm Sunday (the sixth Sunday of Lent) you start with the date of Easter and back up one week: It is the Sunday before Easter Sunday.

To find Ash Wednesday, you start with the date of Easter Sunday, back up six weeks (that gives you the first Sunday of Lent), and then back up four more days: Ash Wednesday is the Wednesday before the first Sunday of Lent.

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WEEK AHEAD

Monday, April 1	Tuesday, April 2	Wednesday, April 3	Thursday, April 4	Friday, April 5	Saturday, April 6	Sunday, April 7
Parish Office Closed	St. Gertrude School No School	St. Gertrude School No School	St. Gertrude School No School	St. Gertrude School No School	Las Guadalupanas 9 a.m. St. Joseph Room	L of C Hope Emergency Center Collection <i>After 8, 10 & 12 Masses</i> Sharing Van
St. Gertrude School No School	Evangelization Team meeting 7 p.m. SGS Classroom 15	CGS Level 1, 2 & 3 3:45 p.m. Atrium I & II, School Music Room	K of C Business Meeting 7 p.m. K of C Hall		Respect Life Meeting 9 a.m. St. Dominic Lobby	Rosary Sales <i>After 8, 10 & 12 Masses</i> Outside Church or St. Dominic Lobby
Become Catholic (RCIA) Gathering 5 p.m. St. Dominic Lobby		Holy Hour with Confessions 7:30 p.m. Church			L of C Hope Emergency Center Collection <i>After 4:30 p.m. Mass</i> Sharing Van	CGS Classes <i>8:30 a.m., 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.</i> Atrium I & II, School Music Room
Healing Rosary 7 p.m. Church						Divine Mercy Sunday Confessions & Devotions 2 p.m. Church
Seasons of Hope 7 p.m. St. Joseph Room						L'alto: HS Youth Night 7 p.m. Parish Center

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Contact Tyler Castrucci at tcastrucci@stgertrude.org or Father Luke VanBerkum at frluke@stgertrude.org to learn more about our Become Catholic (RCIA) program and get your questions answered.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

MATERIALS DUE
4/3/24

BULLETIN
4/14/24

Please submit your Mass announcements and bulletin articles to bulletin@stgertrude.org.

OFFERING

St. Gertrude Parish Weekly Collection and Budget Report Collection for March 24

Collection	\$	31,868
Weekly Budget	\$	37,000
Weekly Deficit	\$	(5,132)

Fifth Sunday: \$4,556

Fiscal Year-To-Date (for year ending June 30, 2024)

Fiscal YTD Actual	\$	1,611,293
Fiscal YTD Budget	\$	1,456,000
Fiscal YTD Surplus	\$	155,293

INTERESTED IN JOINING ST. GERTRUDE PARISH?

We would love to welcome you into our parish family! Visit stgertrude.org/register to fill out a new parishioner registration form. You can also find paper copies of the registration form in the church and the parish office. We look forward to meeting you!

STAY INFORMED ON PRO-LIFE ISSUES

Want to get more involved in pro-life ministry or simply want to be more *in the know*? Email stgertrudeprolife@gmail.com to be added to the St. Gertrude Respect Life Ministry email list.



SUPPORT FOR MISCARRIAGE

Have you experienced a miscarriage? You are not alone. Heaven's Gain Ministries is here to provide for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of families experiencing pregnancy loss. Call Heaven's Gain at (513) 607-6083 for support, or visit HeavensGain.org for more information.

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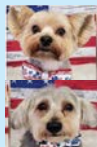
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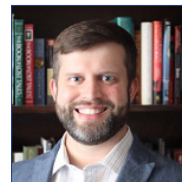


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