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Church Hours

Daily, 7 a.m.–9 p.m.

Parish Office Hours

M-F, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

School Office Hours

M-F, 7:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.



ENCOUNTER JESUS. TRANSFORM THE WORLD.

WELCOME

Welcome to St. Gertrude Parish—it is good that you are here!

Whether this is your first time worshiping with us, you have been here many times and want to become a parishioner, or you have questions about the Catholic faith and want to learn more, the information on this page is a great place to start.

We look forward to getting to know you and accompanying you on your faith journey.

MISSION

Who We Are

We are a Roman Catholic parish of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati that is shaped and enlivened by the charism of the Order of Preachers (the Dominicans). We teach and preach the Truth, reverently celebrate the liturgy and sacraments, and gather as a community so that all may encounter Jesus here.

VISION

Who We Aspire to Be

To be a community of disciples united in our Eucharistic Lord and sent to transform the world in the light of the Gospel.

CORE VALUES

What We Cultivate

Reverence, Humility, Magnanimity, Generosity, Intentionality

BECOME A PARISHIONER

Ready to join our vibrant parish of missionary disciples?

Register as a parishioner at stgertrude.org/register. Paper copies of the registration form are also available in the parish office.



Been away for a while or curious about Catholicism?

WE WOULD LOVE TO WALK WITH YOU.

To connect with us, get your questions answered, and learn more about returning to the Church or becoming Catholic, contact Tyler Castrucci at tcastrucci@stgertrude.org or scan the QR code.





FRUITFULNESS—PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL

One of the blessings we have here at St. Gertrude Parish is our large number of families with young children. An intrinsic part of marriage is an openness to God's gift of new life. We see evidence

of that openness every single day at our parish. (Quick note: Sometimes couples are very open to the gift of life and, for whatever reason, that gift has not been given, or not as often as it has been hoped for. Such couples are equally witnesses to marriage—and indeed powerful ones, as the cross of infertility or of struggles with fertility is a painful one to carry and points the rest of us to the cross of Jesus. Similarly, couples who have lost a baby, or more than one, during pregnancy give a powerful witness. The love for and grief you have over your little one is a testimony of your love for the gift of life.)

One reality of having a parish with so many small children is that, from time to time, a parent will decide he or she needs to take his or her little one out of the church for a period of time. I know from my own experience that when I'm walking around outside the church while another priest is celebrating Mass, I'll see moms and dads outside sitting on a bench with wailing children or trying to corral sprinting toddlers across the parish lawn. Recently, it struck us that, while sitting or chasing little ones outside may be okay when the weather is nice, that is probably not a pleasant option during the colder winter months. So, we've decided to experiment with something new. **We will be live streaming the 8 a.m., 10 a.m., and 12 p.m. Sunday Masses to the main Parish Center lobby.** That way, parents who need to take their children out of the church and wish not to use the church vestibule have an alternative location where they can still see and hear what is happening at Mass.

The physical fruitfulness of married love, while a good in itself, is also meant to point to the even greater good of spiritual fruitfulness and the new life we have in Christ as a result of our Baptism, when we first receive the gift of the Holy Spirit dwelling within us. When we are open and docile to the movement of the Holy Spirit, wonderful things manifest in our lives. St. Paul speaks about this in his letter to the Galatians: "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control" (Galatians 5:22-23). May all of us work each day to follow the promptings of the Holy Spirit within us, so as to manifest those fruits more fully in our lives.

God bless,

Rev. John Paul Walden, O.S.B.

Save the Date

GIVING TUESDAY

December 2, 2025

More details to come!



FROM THE DIARY OF ST. MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA



"I have chosen Saint Claude de la Colombiere and Saint Gertrude as my patron saints for this retreat, that they may intercede for me before the Mother of God and the Merciful Savior."

- Diary, #728

LADIES OF CHARITY THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE

It is time for the Ladies of Charity annual Thanksgiving Food Drive, benefiting Hope Emergency Shelter. **Donations may be dropped off in the Parish Center this weekend, November 15–16.** The following non-perishable items are especially needed during this time:

- Stuffing mix
- Gravy packets
- Canned sweet potatoes
- Cornbread mix
- Canned Pumpkin
- Canned pineapple chunks, rings, etc.
- Boxed brownie, cake, or dessert mixes
- Peanut butter
- Cranberry Sauce

Hope Emergency has requested that items be no larger than 16 oz. cans/containers.

Please consider donating these items to help someone in need have a wonderful Thanksgiving. **Cash and check (made payable to Ladies of Charity) donations are also appreciated and may be dropped off at or mailed to the parish office.** Please call Jean Wilkinson at (513) 498-5085 with questions. Thank you for your support!

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN THANK-YOU MESSAGE

Dear 40 Days for Life Leaders and Participants:

We are very grateful to all who took part in the 2025 Fall 40 Days for Life campaign, either by sacrificing time and convenience to stand in public prayer witness in front of Planned Parenthood or by being united with them through prayers at home. If you stood on the sidewalk on a beautiful fall day or suffered through rain and cold, your sacrifice is noted in heaven. You helped keep the truth of the sanctity of human life before the public's eyes, and we pray it will lead to a change of heart for mothers, families, and abortion industry workers. We are especially in debt to your parish leadership for organizing this effort. Without their cooperation, there would be no campaign. Please thank them, if you can. The best thanks you can give them is to continue to take part in future campaigns (and our 365 initiative) when you are asked!

I don't know of any confirmed saves this campaign, but in the Week Six Update (available at cincinnati40daysforlife.org), there's a story of a possible save. I'm also confident that because of your presence, even though we may not have confirmation this side of eternity, there are women who saw you praying and took it as a sign not to go through with an abortion.

We had a beautiful candlelight procession to Planned Parenthood as part of our closing event and were blessed to hear Ramona Trevino's testimony of her journey from Planned Parenthood director to reclaiming her walk with Christ. She spoke of the impact our 40 Days for Life peaceful, prayerful presence on the sidewalk has on those who are contemplating abortion and how often, without saying a word, the love of Christ touches women who take that presence as a sign to not go through with an abortion. What a confirmation that what we sacrifice to come to pray in public at the very place of the destruction of innocent life is a very good thing to do.

God bless you, and keep praying for the Culture of Life.

Mary Clark and the Cincinnati 40 Days for Life Core Team



Let Us
PRAY

THE SICK

Joy Belperio, Johnny Burns, Vicki Calonge, Triset Defonseka, Diana Doll, Mark Doran, Lisa Ely, Octavio Flores Resendiz, Ron Freudenberg, Will Freudenberg, Dick Gelhaus, Goad Family, Elsa Hall, John Holden, Hummel Family, Steve Kaimer, Andrea Kattel, Aiko Kimura, Robert Lantz, Karen Larkin, Kevin Lewis, Gertrude Maxwell, Kim McClung, Charles McCown, Elaine O'Connell, Sue Paas, Gert Patterson, Romualdo & Maria Pelle, Jerry Pfeiffer Family, Paula Scalo, Pegge Schuermann, Nancy Silvers, Patricia Strauss, Judy Sullivan

THOSE IN THE MILITARY

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, Seth McGann, 2nd Lt. Miles Mayer, PFC Charles Mayer, John Murdock Jr., John Oscar, Dan Roseman, Andrew Shannon, Michael Stein, Ian Tester, Jack Thornton, and Gus Voto

THE RECENTLY DECEASED

† Anne Brooks
† Gerald Pfeiffer, husband of Maureen



NEXT FUN BUNCH GATHERING—TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 | 12:15 P.M.

Everyone age 55+ is invited to join us in the Parish Center for the third Fun Bunch gathering of the fall. Our theme is Thanksgiving, and lunch will be turkey and spiral ham. Mary Beth Calendine, financial center manager at Fifth Third Bank, will give a presentation on fraud prevention. All are invited to bring a side dish, dessert, or drink. Scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/funnovember25 or scan to let us know what you're bringing. If you plan to come, please RSVP to Diane Kennedy at (513) 791-6075 or mkenedy06@aol.com so we can get an estimated headcount for food. As usual, walk-ins are welcome.



UPCOMING LECTOR TRAININGS

All current lectors and anyone wishing to join the lector ministry should plan to attend one of our two upcoming lector trainings on Saturday, November 22, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. or Thursday, December 4, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the church. You will learn how to use the new sound system, acquire some lectoring tips, and receive feedback on your reading style. Father Luke and Dr. Christopher Holman, our director of music, will conduct the training. If you have any questions, contact the parish office at (513) 561-5954 or parishoffice@stgertrude.org.



BULLDOGS WRESTLING—LATE REGISTRATION

All boys of St. Gertrude Parish in grades K-8 are invited to join the Bulldogs wrestling team for the 2025-2026 season, which runs now through February 13, 2026. The state qualifying season runs February 16, 2026, through April 1, 2026. Late registration is open through December 1 and is \$175. For details and to sign up, visit bit.ly/stgbulldogs or scan the QR code. Email Alex Linz at linzal1982@gmail.com with questions.



PREGNANCY LOSS ADVOCATE TRAINING

Heaven's Gain Ministries, a national pregnancy loss nonprofit headquartered in Cincinnati, is hosting a virtual pregnancy loss advocate training January 12-13, 2026. The Advocates for Parents of Perinatal Loss (APPL) Certification Program is a 12-hour course designed to instruct advocates in non-medical methods of supporting parents experiencing the loss of a baby in any trimester. If you are interested in this training and serving as an APPL for St. Gertrude Parish, please contact Lisa Campbell at lisaredig61@gmail.com or visit heavensgain.org/appl. Scholarships may be available, and there is a discount for serving as an APPL for St. Gertrude Parish. **Registration ends December 1.**



OLIVE WOOD CARVINGS FROM THE HOLY LAND

Bethlehem Christian Families from the Holy Land will be in the Parish Center **after all Masses the weekend of November 29-30**, selling olive wood carvings to support Christians in the Holy Land. These beautiful hand-carved items make great Christmas gifts. Cash, credit card, and check accepted. Learn more and view items at theholylaneshop.com or call (810) 394-5291.

This WEEK

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17

7 p.m. | Become Catholic (St. Dominic Lobby)
7 p.m. | Healing Rosary (Church)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

12:15 p.m. | Fun Bunch (St. Dominic Lobby)
7 p.m. | Boy Scouts (Lower Fish Lobby)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

10:15 a.m. | St. Gertrude School Preschool Pups (School Library)
6:30 p.m. | Cub Scouts Den Meeting (School Cafeteria & Classrooms)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

7 p.m. | Young Adults Group (Church)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7:30 a.m. | Catholic Men's Fellowship (School Cafeteria)
12:30 p.m. | Lector Training (Church)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7 p.m. | L'alto: High School Youth Ministry Night (Parish Center)

WELCOME

NEW PARISHIONERS

Asa Franckewitz
Sarah Kennedy
David & Carolyn Novak
Leah Phillips
Cameron & Abigail Rasmus
Laura Rees
David & Courtney Sebastian
Hector Soto & Claudia Sanchez
Spencer Spaulding
David & Melinda Stanley

UPCOMING CAMPUS CLOSURES

- **School Office:** Closed Wednesday, November 26–Friday, November 28
- **Mother of Mercy Adoration Chapel:** Closed Wednesday, November 26–Sunday, November 30.
- **Parish Office:** Closed Thursday, November 27–Friday, November 28

BECOME A EUCHARISTIC GUARDIAN

Eucharistic guardians are people who sign up for and commit to a weekly Holy Hour in our Mother of Mercy Adoration Chapel. The chapel is open daily from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. and overnight on Wednesday. **We need at least two people signed up for every hour; many spots are available.** To learn more or sign up, scan the QR code, or visit stgertrude.org/adoration.



MISCARRIAGE KIT BOX

Are you or someone you know facing a first trimester miscarriage? You are not alone. Heaven's Gain Ministries has provided our parish with a box of free miscarriage kits to support your physical and emotional needs during your tragic loss. The box is located in the landscape bed to the left of the circle drive in front of the church. If you have questions about the kit, call Heaven's Gain at (513) 888-4200. Learn more about Heaven's Gain's services at heavensgain.org. We also encourage you to contact one of our parish priests so we can help you along your grieving journey.



CREATE YOUR WILL FOR FREE

As a Catholic, your faith is your most valuable asset. Thanks to St. Gertrude Parish's partnership with MyCatholicWill.com, you can pass on your Legacy of Faith and plant seeds for the next generation of Catholics in an incredible way. Scan the QR code or visit MyCatholicWill.com/StGertrude to start writing your will for free today! Use referral code **STGERTRUDE**.



ARE YOU IN NEED OF FORGIVENESS?

God is always ready to forgive. Experience his merciful love through the sacrament of Reconciliation. Priests are available to hear confessions Monday–Friday at 4 p.m., Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m., Saturdays at 3:30 p.m., or by appointment.

GET TO KNOW

St. Gertrude the Great



Early Life

Gertrude was **born in Germany on January 6, 1256**, the feast of the Epiphany, and was **orphaned at an early age**. A lovable and quick-witted child, Gertrude was **taken to the Benedictine Abbey at Helfta in Saxony at the age of five** to be educated by the nuns.

Upon completion of her studies in her mid-teenage years, Gertrude **entered the community of Helfta**. She was strong in character and personality and became a life-giving presence in the monastery.

Religious Life

On January 27, 1281, at the age of 25, Gertrude experienced her first vision—an **encounter with the risen Christ**, which she calls her "conversion." In the depths of her heart, she heard Christ say to her, "**Do not fear. I will save you and set you free.**"

Her visions altered her life, and she focused more on studying Scripture and theology and writing for the spiritual benefit of others. **Gertrude embraced charity and had a deep love for those being purified in purgatory.**

Prayer for Souls

St. Gertrude is invoked for souls in purgatory. Jesus told St. Gertrude that **every time the following prayer is said, 1,000 souls would be released from purgatory**. The prayer has been extended to include living sinners, too:

Eternal Father, I offer you the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my community, my home and within my family. Amen.

Legacy

In 1289, Gertrude heard Christ ask her to write an account of the many graces she had received. Reluctantly, she wrote a short spiritual autobiography, *The Herald of God's Loving-Kindness*.

Gertrude died on November 17 in 1301 or 1302. She is one of the great mystics of the 13th century, known for her **devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the souls in purgatory**. **She was never formally canonized**, but in 1606, Rome approved a liturgical office of prayer, readings, and hymns in her honor, equivalent of a canonization. Pope Benedict XIV gave her the title "the Great," making her the **only woman saint to be called "the Great."** Her **feast day is November 16**.

St. Gertrude the Great Feast Day Celebrations

MASS

Saturday, November 15

4:30 p.m. | Church

Join us for a special Mass in honor of our patroness, St. Gertrude the Great.

PARISH CELEBRATION

Saturday, November 15

5:30 p.m. | Gym

Join us for authentic German food, drinks, live music from our favorite German polka band, and plenty of fun!



TRIUMPH of the HEART

The inspiring feature film about St. Maximilian Kolbe



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20 | 5:30 P.M.

MARIEMONT THEATRE

6906 Wooster Pike, Cincinnati, OH 45227

Tickets are \$10 each and available in advance at mariemonttheatre.com/home.

ADVENT Book Study

This Advent, prepare your heart and mind for the coming of Christ with *Waiting For Christ: Meditations for Advent and Christmas* by St. John Henry Newman. Designed to work with your busy Advent and Christmas schedule, this study, led by Tyler Castrucci, our director of evangelization, is a low time commitment way to come together for dinner and discussion.

Only 15 spots available! Scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/waitingforchrist to sign up.



November 24 & December 15

5:30-7 p.m.

St. Gertrude Parish Center – St. Joseph Room

Cost is \$15 (includes book and dinner)



Join Us Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, November 27

10 a.m. Mass

Followed by coffee & doughnuts in the gym.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul will be collecting nonperishable food items and financial donations at the doors of the church. These items will be used to stock our SVdP food closet, and excess donations will be given to the Food Pantry at St. William Parish, which serves the St. John Bosco Family of Parishes.



ADVENT WREATH MAKING

Join us for fellowship, fun, refreshments, and activities for the children as we kick off the new liturgical season by making Advent wreaths! We provide all the materials; you bring your pruners and a tray to transport your wreath home.

Sunday, November 30 | 12-2 p.m.
St. Gertrude Parish Gym
\$25 per Wreath Kit

To register, scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/adventwreath2025.



ST. GERTRUDE PARISH PRESENTS:
THE VIGIL PROJECT



WAY OF THE STAR

A one-night Advent mission experience of Scripture, music, art, and Eucharistic encounter



WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 3, 2025 // 7:00 PM

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**2025 MEN'S
ADVENT RETREAT**

All men ages 18+ are invited to the annual Catholic Men's Advent Retreat, sponsored by the St. Gertrude Parish Catholic Men's Fellowship. Father Louis Bethea, O.P., will be our retreat master. This year's theme, "I Thirst: A Message of Hope from the Cross," will guide you to greater intimacy with Jesus and the Holy Eucharist as the 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope draws to a close.

WHEN & WHERE
December 5-6, 2025
Begins 6 p.m. Friday and concludes 4 p.m. Saturday
Jesuit Spiritual Center
Arrupe Building
5361 S. Milford Road | Milford, OH 45140

COST
\$160 - Overnight option
\$115 - Days only option (includes three meals)

CONTACT
If you have questions, email info@catholicmensretreat.org or call (513) 289-5268.

REGISTER TODAY!
Scan the QR code or visit catholicmensretreat.org. Ends November 29 or until the retreat is sold out. Space is limited!



L'alto: High School

2025 ADVENT RETREAT



Find your reason for the season

All 9th-12th graders are invited to step away from the busyness of life to reflect and prepare their hearts to journey with Christ this Advent season. Let us make room in our lives for Christ to enter, transform us, and give us the reason for the season. Registration is \$26 through November 23, and \$30 from November 24-December 1.

Saturday | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
12.06.25

Jesuit Spiritual Center
Schott Pavilion
5361 S. Milford Rd. Milford

Scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/LaltoRetreat to sign up!





LAUNCH OF THE 2025–2026 ANNUAL FUND

Mr. Travis Johnson
St. Gertrude School Principal

On Monday, November 10, we joyfully announced the launch of the 2025–2026 SGS Annual Fund.

This essential campaign, which runs through the end of February 2026, sustains the heart of our mission: to form young minds and hearts in truth, faith, and charity according to the Dominican tradition.

Each year, the Annual Fund bridges the gap between tuition, parish subsidy, and the full cost of education. For this school year, our goal is to raise \$100,000 to underwrite the true cost of educating every student and to support important projects such as campus safety enhancements and continued beautification of our beloved school grounds.

We are deeply grateful that most of our students receive this education at little or no cost through the generosity of Ohio's EdChoice Scholarship and the Archdiocese of Cincinnati's Catholic Education Foundation. Yet there remain essential aspects of the St. Gertrude School experience that are not covered by tuition or scholarship funding. The Annual Fund

is the sole initiative dedicated to bridging this gap, allowing us to sustain excellence in academics, formation in faith, and a safe, beautiful environment where our children can flourish.

Your participation in the Annual Fund, whether through your prayers or a financial contribution, strengthens the foundation upon which our mission stands. Together, we make it possible for the next generation to encounter Jesus Christ and to grow in wisdom and virtue.

We thank you for your faithful support of our school and the future of our parish children. Please know that you and your families remain in our prayers.

In Christ,



Make a gift to the Annual Fund today to support these important initiatives and the continued academic excellence at SGS. Many employers offer corporate matching gift programs. Check with yours to potentially double your impact!

PRESCHOOL PUPS ALL SAINTS STORYTIME – NOVEMBER 19

Families with children ages 18 months–5 years old are invited to join us for Preschool Pups on **Wednesday, November 19, at 10:15 a.m.** in the St. Gertrude School library. Preschool Pups offers a faith-filled alternative to secular storytimes, welcoming families into the heart of parish life. Each session introduces young children to the rhythms of prayer, virtue, and early learning alongside special guest readers, including our Dominican sisters and friars. Come join other families in this tender season of toddlerhood, and discover the quiet joy of growing in faith together.



WEIHNACHTS KONZERT

The Catholic Kolping Saengerchor presents its Weihnachts Konzert (Christmas Concert) on **Sunday, November 30**, at the Kolping Center (10235 Mill Road, Cincinnati, OH). The concert will feature carols and traditional songs in German and English and the Kinderchor (children's choir). Dessert, coffee, and tea will be served. There will be a cash bar, homemade cookies for sale, a basket raffle, and split-the-pot. Doors open at 2:30 p.m.; concert begins at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$15. Please RSVP to Bonnie Campbell at (513) 675-0571 by November 24 to reserve your tickets.

MONTHLY HEALING SERVICE

Attend a healing service at Our Lady of the Holy Spirit Center in Norwood on Wednesday, November 19. The evening begins at 5:45 p.m. with the rosary, followed by Mass at 6:15 p.m. and the healing service. For more information, please call (513) 351-9800.

TIDINGS OF COMFORT AND JOY

You're invited to Gate of Heaven Cemetery on Friday, December 5, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. for a special Advent evening of fellowship and sacred music, featuring performances by several local parish choirs, including St. Margaret of York and Our Lady of Hope parish families. Enjoy complimentary appetizers and refreshments as we gather in the spirit of the season. During the evening, Gate of Heaven will be accepting donations to help provide car seats for Pregnancy Center Plus. In the spirit of giving, Gate of Heaven will joyfully match your contributions, doubling the blessing for young families in need. Your generosity will make a lasting impact. No RSVP is required.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

This weekend, November 15-16, is the annual collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), the U.S. bishops' national anti-poverty campaign. CCHD has been an immeasurable blessing for thousands in our archdiocese over the years and is a unique opportunity to honor the dignity of the poor and create space for them to more fully participate in society. To learn more, visit usccb.org/cchd and resources.catholicaoc.org/offices/catholic-social-action/task-forcescommittees/cchd.

DISCERNMENT DAY WITH THE DOMINICAN SISTERS

The Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia will host a discernment retreat day on Saturday, December 6, at St. Gertrude Parish from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Open to single Catholic women ages 17 to 30, the event includes Mass, prayer with the sisters, adoration, spiritual talks, and lunch. Please email vocation@op-tn.org for more information or to RSVP. Come spend time with the Lord, and get a glimpse of the beauty of religious life!

TASTE OF LEBANON MEDITERRANEAN FOOD FESTIVAL

Next Sunday, November 23, the St. Anthony of Padua Maronite Catholic Church community invites you to its 10:30 a.m. liturgy, followed by its renowned Taste of Lebanon Mediterranean Food Festival from 12 to 7 p.m. Festival highlights include Mediterranean cuisine (carryout and dine-in options), traditional dancing, religious items and souvenirs, and more. Admittance and parking is free. A detailed menu is available at TheTasteOfLebanon.com, where you can easily place pre-orders. St. Anthony of Padua is located at 2530 Victory Parkway, Cincinnati, OH 45206.



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6:00pm

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CEMETERY**
Archdiocese of Cincinnati

RSVP to 513-489-0300



Liturgical **SCHEDULE &** Mass **INTENTIONS**

Monday, November 17 | St. Elizabeth of Hungary (M)

7 a.m. | Mass – † Kim Caswell by The Caswell Family

8 a.m. | Mass – † Janet Webster by The Finnegan Family

11:30 a.m. | Mass – † Deceased Members of the Dominican Order

4 p.m. | Confessions

Tuesday, November 18 | Weekday

7 a.m. | Mass – Thanksgiving for my Family by Thien Cao

8 a.m. | Mass – † Deceased Members of the Kehoe Family by Pat Kehoe

10 a.m. | Moms & Littles Holy Hour

11:30 a.m. | Mass – † Aida Gort by The Nieto Family

4 p.m. | Confessions

Wednesday, November 19 | Weekday

7 a.m. | Mass – † Thomas Valerius by Charlene & Jim Swingle

8 a.m. | Mass – † William J. Eisenhower Jr. by The Lohr Family

11:30 a.m. | Mass – † Dino Pelle by Tom & Debbie Verkamp

4 p.m. | Confessions

7:30 p.m. | Holy Hour & Confessions

Thursday, November 20 | Weekday

7 a.m. | Mass – Jean Shannon by The Shannon Family

8 a.m. | Mass – † Anne & Bob Siebert by The Siebert Family

11:30 a.m. | Mass – † Al Castrucci by Pete & Donna Marcello

4 p.m. | Confessions

Friday, November 21 | The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (M)

7 a.m. | † Dale Kowalkowski by Monica Walker

8 a.m. | Mass – † Tim Asbrock by Bill & Penny Cunningham

11:30 a.m. | Mass – † Mary Grace Bartel by Sal & Teri Forlini

4 p.m. | Confessions

Saturday, November 22 | St. Cecilia (M)

8 a.m. | Mass – † Jennifer Clanton by The Clanton Family

11:30 a.m. | Musicians of the Parish

3:30 p.m. | Confessions

4:30 p.m. | Mass – † Elizabeth Blume-Thamann
by Tim & Cathy Brinkman

**Sunday, November 23 | Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of
the Universe (S)**

8 a.m. | Mass – † Ted Leugers by Knights of Columbus Elder Council

10 a.m. | Mass – † Joseph & Josephine Nordloh by Jo Anne Nordloh

12 p.m. | Mass – The People of St. Gertrude Parish

6 p.m. | Mass – Octavio Flores Resendiz by Maria Resendiz



PASTORAL CARE

Are you or a loved one unable to attend Mass due to illness or being homebound? As a sign of Christ's love, our parish community earnestly desires to bring comfort and healing to these individuals. **Please call the parish office at (513) 561-5954, and we will direct you to the most appropriate ministry.**

Here are ways we can help you:

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

This healing sacrament is given to those facing serious physical or mental illness, advanced age, or surgery due to one of these. When one is near death, anointing is offered as part of the Last Rites, along with the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist.

Communion to the Sick or Homebound

Our priests and lay ministers are available to bring Holy Communion to individuals who are unable to attend Sunday Mass due to illness or being homebound. This important ministry is a vital sign of the parish community's love and support for all of our members.

Prayers for the Sick or Deceased

Each week, our bulletin lists the names of individuals who are sick or recently deceased so that our entire parish community may pray for them. Simply contact the parish office to add yourself or a family member to this list.

PRAYER MINISTRY FOR THE DYING

Is your loved one actively dying? Contact our Prayer Ministry for the Dying. Members of this ministry pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for those approaching death. To request prayers for your loved one, please call Pat Collins at (513) 265-1897. If you would like to join this ministry, visit stgertrude.org/prayersforthedying to learn more.

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Sunday, November 2, 2025

Collection	\$70,935
Weekly Budget	\$47,059
Weekly Surplus	\$23,876

Fiscal Year-to-Date

Year Ending June 30, 2026	
Fiscal YTD Actual	\$805,074
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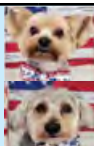
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