

St. Gertrude

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Bulletin for September 29, 2019



**There is a magnet in a seeker's heart
whose true north is God.
It bends toward the Voice of God
with the ear of the heart
and, like sunflowers in the sun,
turns all of life toward
the living of the Word.**

**This listening heart is pure of pride
and free of arrogance.
It seeks wisdom—
everywhere, at all times—
and knows wisdom by the way it
echoes the call of the scriptures.**

**The compass for God implanted
in the seeker's heart
stretches toward truth
and signals the way to justice.
It is attuned to the cries
of the poor and oppressed
with a timbre that allows
no interruption,
no smothering
of the Voice of God
on their behalf.**

**These seekers hear the voice of God
in the cry of the poor and oppressed,
and they “immediately put aside
their own concerns”
and follow God's call
in their actions.**

*~ Excerpt from **A Listening Heart**
by Joan Chittister*

From Father Rich

One of the most important signs that we truly love someone is that we spend time with that person. Usually that will mean carving out time from other parts of life, which we gladly do because that person is so important to us. In “corporate-speak”, we re-prioritize our schedules to be sure what is most important to our lives doesn’t get second place. Some of the greatest tensions we face in life are when what we value most gets challenged by something of lesser value to us, yet that less-valued part of our life demands more and more of our attention. If we are not careful, something of primary value is slowly replaced by something of lesser value. Until one day we are shocked to discover our true, primary commitment has become fragile and may even be near breaking. Then we have to take steps to put things back into their proper order. Or accept that this is the new reality, even if we don’t like it -- which will then lead to other serious problems.



One of the values we have as people of faith is to spend some time with God. This usually falls into a variety of expressions. We offer prayers when we wake and before we go to sleep; we give thanks before we eat for the gifts we share; we read spiritual authors who become companions on our faith journey; we go to church on Sunday to worship God and be with our fellow believers; and we find ways to live out our faith by participating in activities that help others -- especially the poor and vulnerable in our community and world. Another way of speaking of all this is to say we realize that we have to put our faith into action. It isn’t enough to have nice thoughts and feelings about what we believe. We need to actually live that faith.

Each year at this time we try to focus our attention on being good stewards of all that God has entrusted into our care. Stewardship is about how we use our Time, our Talents and our Treasure. This weekend and next, we are focusing on the first two “T’s” -- Time and Talents. We often refer to these weekends as our Sign-up or Commitment Sundays. We ask every parishioner to consider participating in a ministry or volunteer activity that interests them and is helpful to the parish and the broader community. Part of this is a discernment process -- figuring out with the help of prayer and thoughtful consideration, what my talents are and how might they best be useful in the community; and what kind of time could I reasonably commit to this ministry or volunteer activity.

In today’s bulletin is the form listing all the possible ministries and service opportunities available here at St. Gertrude’s. In looking over the possibilities, some ask for a weekly, or regular commitment (e.g. being a Lector at a weekend Mass), while others ask of a larger block of time, but only for a day or two (e.g. helping out at the Christmas Bazaar) in the year. Also, many opportunities are right here on our parish campus, while others may be more neighborhood centered. Altogether, there are a wide variety of time opportunities, and an equally large variety of talents that are needed. Please spend some time this week considering if there are opportunities for you to use your time and talents for the vitality of the parish community.

~ Father Rich

Growing in Faith

Jesus, at his anointing with perfume by Martha's sister Mary, noted a key part of our human condition, "The poor you will have with you always." The persistent poor among us is readily apparent in our Edgewater community.

Walking for just two blocks on Broadway from Granville to Whole Foods, on many days one could pass at least three homeless people. Each of the three people I'm thinking about has had a regular handout location for at least a year.

Personal relationships are key to growing in our faith walk. Give the rich man some credit for taking the time and effort to know Lazarus by name.

Slow down a bit. When you go out, plan some extra time for a casual encounter. Spend some time with at least one poor or homeless person where you live or work. Get to know that person by name and over time, what some of their key concerns and/or hopes and dreams may be.

Yes, that homeless person probably wants a little cash. Perhaps they might also appreciate a sandwich or a piece of fruit. But they also need to feel human – and a connection with others more than just as a handout.

Prayerfully consider that the corporal works of mercy aren't merely a list of good things we should know about. They cry out for our personal action on many fronts – food, drink, welcoming, clothes, visitation. Don't be complacent! Can you stretch yourself?

~ Allen Stryczek for *Growing in Faith*



Parish Calendar

Sunday, September 29

- Sign-up Sunday
- Second collection for Catholic Relief Services' Hurricane Dorian efforts at all Masses

Saturday, October 5

- 10:00 am – 12:00 pm NCA's Open House and Family Fun Day at 6216 N. Glenwood Ave.
- Sign-up Sunday in the back of Church

Sunday, October 6

- 12:00 pm ~ Blessing of Pets
- Sign-up Sunday in the back of Church

Monday, October 7

- 7:00 pm ~ Baptismal prep class in the Rectory (Registration required.)

Wednesday, October 9

- 7:00-9:00 pm ~ Knitters in the Ministry Center

Thursday, October 10

- 7:00 pm ~ Confirmation candidates (year one) and parents meeting in the Social Hall

Saturday, October 12

- 5:00 pm ~ State of the Parish annual report
- 5:00 pm ~ Blessing of Chicago marathon runners

Sunday, October 13

- Father Mike to run the Chicago Marathon for Heart to Heart
- State of the Parish annual report at all Masses

Monday, October 14

- 7:30 pm ~ Good Books in the Ministry Center

Saturday, October 19

- 10:00 am ~ PreCana (Registration required.)
- 7:30 pm ~ Heart to Heart Cabaret in the Gym

Sunday, October 20

- 10:30 am ~ Confirmation (year two) Rite of Acceptance

Monday, October 21

- 7:00 pm ~ First Reconciliation/First Communion parent meeting in the Social Hall
- 7:30 pm ~ Poetry Pilgrims in the Ministry Center

Sunday, October 27

- 10:30 am ~ Rite of Acceptance for First Reconciliation/First Communion at Mass
- 12:00-3:00 pm ~ Donations for the Christmas Bazaar accepted at the Social Hall

Wednesday, October 30

- Deadline to submit Christmas Bazaar vendor application

It's Heart to Heart Month!

This October, we celebrate the work of Heart to Heart, a ministry grown at St. Gertrude that serves some of our most vulnerable residents in Edgewater—our senior citizens. The outreach program works both to connect those in need with programs they may be eligible for, and to provide practical help.



Volunteers drive them to doctors' appointments, run errands, pick up prescriptions, pop in for a friendly visit to see how they are doing, check in with a phone call, or even walk the dog of a sick parishioner. With the help of these dedicated volunteers, we've been able to help hundreds of older persons live quality, dignified, independent lives in their own home.

Equally as important as tending to basic needs is the human connection that Heart to Heart provides to the lonely, poor, or those in need. Social services at St. Gertrude is about showing love and care through a listening ear, a smile, a kind word, a visit to break up a long day, or a helping hand. It's about putting faith into action by loving our neighbors and tending to their needs.

Heart to Heart depends on the generosity of the parish community to continue its work. Fundraisers, like Father Mike's participation in the Chicago Marathon and the Heart to Heart Cabaret, are wonderful ways to raise funds for this ministry, but we do need additional financial help. Please consider supporting our work by making a donation to Heart to Heart in church, at the Rectory, or online at [givecentral.org/location/8](https://www.givecentral.org/location/8). Donations made with a check should be made payable to St. Gertrude Parish with Heart to Heart written in the memo line. Thank you for supporting our work!

~ Jane Callahan-Moore

Father Mike to Run the Chicago Marathon for Heart to Heart

On Sunday, October 13, over 45,000 runners will take part in the Bank of America Chicago Marathon. A number of parishioners and I will be among them. If you have a prayer intention that you would like me to remember as I run the 26.2 miles, please send your intention to me at mbradley@archchicago.org.

This year, I am once again running to support the wonderful ministry of Heart to Heart, our parish's organization that reaches out to the elderly and shut-ins of the Edgewater community. Heart to Heart provides a helping hand to those who need a ride to the doctor, home visits, and wellness checks. There is also a medical equipment lending service that provides walkers, canes, and other assistance.

Because of your support for my run, last year over \$15,700 was raised. Once again, I ask that you please contribute to Heart to Heart. Envelopes for this cause are available in the back of church, or you could donate online at <https://www.givecentral.org/location/8/event/606>.

For those runners who are taking part in the Chicago Marathon (or any marathon), you will have the

prayers and encouragement of the St. Gertrude community. Please let me know that you are running, and I'll add your name to our prayer intentions. It's always good to realize that people are praying that God will guide our steps.

Thank you very much for your support for this run!

"Let us run with endurance the race God has set before us." ~ Hebrews 12:1

~ Father Mike Bradley



This is Father Mike's 20th Chicago Marathon and 46th marathon overall!

Parish News

TODAY—Upcoming Second Collection: We will have a special collection this weekend, September 28-29, for hurricane relief from Hurricane Dorian. Funds will go to Catholic Relief Services.

TODAY—Sign-Up Sunday: Have you been thinking of a way to give back or make connections at St. Gertrude? On Saturday, September 28 and Sunday, September 29 and again on Saturday, October 5 and Sunday, October 6, there will be sign up sheets in church to join the various parish ministries. These include parish advisory groups, assisting at Masses, teaching roles, groups that address human concerns, and more.

Blessing of Pets: All creatures, great and small, are welcome to the blessing for animals on Sunday, October 6 at 12:00 pm. Father Mike Bradley will officiate the 20-30 minute blessing on the front steps of the church, which is held in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all creatures.



Baptismal Preparation Class: The next class will be Monday, October 7 at 7:00 pm in the Rectory. Registration is required. Sign up to reserve a space by calling the Rectory at 773.764.3621.

Knitting Group: The Knitting Group invites all knitters and crocheters to join us for fun and blanket square-making on Wednesday, October 9 from 7:00-9:00 pm in the Ministry Center.

Blessing of Chicago Marathon Runners: At the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday, October 12, all marathon participants will be blessed.

State of the Parish: At all Masses the weekend of October 12 and 13, the state of the parish annual financial report will be reviewed.

Good Books & Poetry Pilgrims: The book club will meet on Monday, October 14 and Poetry Pilgrims will gather on Monday, October 21. Both meet at 7:30 pm in the Ministry Center. Contact Mary Grover at mary@marsgrover.com with any questions.

PreCana Class Offered: Our parish-based PreCana will be held on Saturday, October 19, beginning at 10:00 am through the 5:00 pm Mass. Call the Rectory at 773.764.3621 to register.

New Heart to Heart Fundraiser—A Cabaret! Save the date! The annual Heart to Heart fundraiser, usually a play, will now be a cabaret held on Saturday, October 19 from 7:30-10:30 pm in the Gym, 1402 W. Granville. Tickets are \$10 and \$7 for seniors.

Volunteers are needed for many tasks. Email Mike Tobin at Mtobin@vantageleadership.com for more information. We're looking for card tables to create a bistro environment. If you have any, please consider sharing and we'll make sure you get them back!

First Reconciliation/First Communion: Parents of children making their First Reconciliation and First Communion this year are asked to attend a parent meeting on Monday, October 21 at 7:00 pm in the Social Hall. The Rite of Acceptance for First Communion and First Reconciliation will be held on Sunday, October 27 at the 10:30 am Mass in Church.

Christmas Bazaar Donations/Volunteer Slots Now Open: Contributions for the White Elephant areas will be accepted on Sundays from 12:00-3:00 pm in the Gym, 1401 W. Granville Avenue, beginning Sunday, October 27 through Sunday, December 1. Please note, no clothing, linens, or stuffed animals will be accepted.

To volunteer to help on Sundays with the White Elephant donations or at the Bazaar, visit signupgenius.com. Click the search icon, then under *Search for a Sign Up*, type in events@stgertrudechicago.org and you can choose how you would like to help.

Applications to Become a Vendor at St. Gertrude Christmas Bazaar Available: This year, our annual Bazaar will be held on Saturday, December 7 and Sunday, December 8. Tables for vendors can be reserved for \$50 per day per table. Applications can be found on the home page of the parish website, www.stgertrudechicago.org, in the back of church, or at the Rectory.

Applications are due by Wednesday, October 30. Email Victoria Healy at stgertsbazaar@gmail.com for more info.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

During the month of October, St. Gertrude will partner with the Archdiocese of Chicago Domestic Violence Outreach and collect items needed by victims of domestic violence and their children living in local shelters.

We will collect:

- diapers and pull-ups
- children's new pajamas and socks
- full-sized toiletries
 - ◆ shampoo & conditioner
 - ◆ deodorant
 - ◆ toothpaste & toothbrushes
 - ◆ feminine hygiene products

The collection drive donations will benefit:

- A Safe Place
- Crisis Center for South Suburbia
- Connections for Abused Women and their Children
- Family Rescue
- House of Good Shepherd
- Pillars Constance Morris House
- South Suburban Family Shelter
- WINGS Program, Inc.

Starting next week, a bin for donations will be located in the back of Church.

Domestic Violence Survivors Mass: All domestic violence survivors and those concerned about the issue are invited to a Domestic Violence Survivors Mass on Saturday, October 5 at 5:15 pm at Holy Name Cathedral, 730 N. Wabash Ave. Join us to pray for an end to domestic violence.

Domestic Violence Impacts:



What are Signs of Abuse?: There are many types of violence and abuse. Some are physical abuse or domestic violence, others are signs of emotional and verbal abuse or sexual abuse. Signs of abuse include:

Keeping track of everything you do

- Monitoring what you're doing all the time or asking where you are and who you're with every second of the day
- Demanding your passwords to social media sites and email accounts
- Demanding that you reply right away to texts, emails, or calls
- Preventing or discouraging you from seeing friends or family
- Preventing or discouraging you from going to work or school

Being jealous, controlling, or angry

- Acting very jealous, including constantly accusing you of cheating
- Having a quick temper, so you never know what you will do or say that may cause a problem
- Controlling how you spend your money
- Controlling your use of medicines/birth control
- Making everyday decisions for you that you normally decide for yourself (what to wear/eat)

Demeaning you

- Putting you down, such as insulting your appearance, intelligence, or activities
- Humiliating you in front of others
- Destroying your property/things that you care about
- Blaming you for his or her violent outbursts

Physically hurting or threatening to hurt you or loved ones

- Threatening to hurt you, the children, or other people or pets in your household
- Hurting you physically (such as hitting, pushing, shoving, punching, slapping, kicking, or biting)
- Using/threatening to use a weapon against you
- Threatening to harm himself or herself when upset with you
- Threatening to turn you in to authorities for illegal activity if you report physical abuse
- Forcing you to have sex or other intimate activity
- Assuming that consent for a sex act in the past means that you must participate in the same acts in the future
- Assuming that consent for one activity means consent for future activity or increased levels of intimacy

United Power for Action & Justice

Last Sunday, September 22, United Power for Action and Justice met with Mayor Lori Lightfoot to discuss our shared goals of mental health and addiction services, gun safety, and housing development on the city's South and West Sides

Thank you to the 24 parishioners from St. Gertrude that joined the nearly 100 religious and civic groups gathered at DRW College Prep in Homan Square! The hope is that Mayor Lightfoot acts on the concerns expressed and works to work with residents address them.



Parish Stewardship Report

“Pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience and gentleness. Compete well for the faith.”
~ 1 Timothy 6:11-12

Paul is writing to Timothy, urging him to pursue virtue. Paul’s exhortation applies to us all. Think how much we can achieve when we run the race well.

Sunday Collection Sept. 21-22	\$6,127.25
Budgeted Collection	\$7,725.00
Underage	(-) \$1,597.75

NCA’s Open House

All are invited to attend NCA’s Open House and Family Fun Day on Saturday, October 5 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. Held at the primary campus, 6216 N. Glenwood Ave., the event will feature a petting zoo, face painting, balloon twisting, song hour with Merry Music Makers, tours of school with student ambassadors, refreshments, and an opportunity to talk with the principal.

For more information, please go to NorthsideCatholic.org or call 773.743.6277 ext. 207 and schedule a private admissions tour! We hope to see you there!

Hurricane Dorian Help

Hurricane Dorian has devastated the Bahamas and parts of the southeastern United States. Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Charities USA—along with local partners—are mobilizing resources to communities affected by the storm.

Photos and videos, especially from the northern islands of Abaco and Grand Bahama, reveal massive flooding and destruction. Join us in prayer for our brothers and sisters who have been affected by Hurricane Dorian, and consider donating to provide emergency food, water and shelter to people who need it most.

How you can help:

- Pray for those affected by Hurricane Dorian
- Give online to hurricane relief in the Bahamas – to Catholic Relief Services at <https://support.crs.org/donate/hurricane-dorian>.
 - Checks payable to Catholic Relief Services can be sent to:
 - ◆ Catholic Relief Services
Hurricane Dorian Response
P.O. Box 17090
Baltimore, MD 21297
- Give to hurricane relief in the U.S. – donate to Catholic Charities USA online at <https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/>.

St. Gertrude will have a second collection for CRS on Saturday, September 28 and Sunday, September 29 at all Masses.

**Our Parish at Prayer for
September 23-29**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

7:30 am Purgatorial Society

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1

7:30 am Mary Lou Nicolay †

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2

7:30 am Roberto Perez †

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

7:30 am Communion Service

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4

7:30 am Jack Newhall †

8:30 am NCA Mass

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

7:30 am Living & deceased mothers & fathers of
St. Gertrude parishioners

5:00 pm Nancy Crandell †

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:00 am Michael & Joseph Laczkowski †

9:30 am Parishioners of St. Gertrude

10:30 am Bill O'Toole †

The deceased of the Strubbe-Galoney
family †

10:30 am Irene Schmitz † (Gym Mass)

† Indicates
person listed
is deceased.

**Readings for
September 23-29**

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23;
Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6, 10-11;
Mt 18:1-5, 10

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11;
Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9;
Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37;
Lk 10:17-24

Sunday: Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;
2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

**Eucharistic Ministers
for October 5-6**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

5:00 pm Mary Cook, Brad Koch, Candace Koch,
Roman Reyes, Kathy Wall

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:00 am Hallie Burhoe, Barb Daly, Peter Morin,
Rob Sierzega, William Mitchell

9:30 am Pat Riley, Barbara Rossi and Leon Ward

10:30 am Rose Marie Anichini, Mary Donlan,
Kathy Dunne, Nancy Merrill, Sarah
Millar, Gail Smith, Patrick Robinson

10:30 am TBD (Gym Mass)

**Ministers of the Word
for October 5-6**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

5:00 pm Kathleen Dawson, Bob Backis

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

8:00 am Rob Sierzega, Jacklyn Meier

9:30 am Pat Riley, Barbara Rossi and Leon Ward

10:30 am Christine Curran, Troy McMillan

10:30 am TBD (Gym Mass)

**Altar Servers
for October 5-6**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

5:00 pm Fiona Reynolds, Bridget Fulkerson, Nate
Fulkerson

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 6

10:30 am Luke Sharba, Dominic Millar, Nadia
Millar

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Elected Officials?**

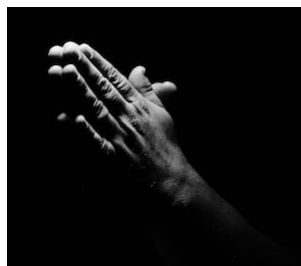
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**Medical Items Needed for Heart to Heart
Lending Closet**

Due to this summer's high demand for the Heart to Heart Lending Closet's durable medical equipment, we are looking for wheelchairs, tub transfer benches, and rollator walkers to be donated.

Please contact Heart to Heart at 773.973.5464 to arrange a drop-off time.

Milestones



Please Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends

Bernice Kiedysz

Karey Myers

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Kyle Rutherford

Charley Scantlebury

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Seitz

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Walter Bradford

Ed & Ester Bugler

Maggie Callaway

Aida Calvopina

Geraldine Clark

Mary Ferguson

Mary Fitzgerald

Joan Harrington

Maria Hertl



Baptisms

Elise Louise,
daughter of Charles & Joelle RadtkeFinley Daniel Yee,
son of Matthew & Jessica
McCreary

New Parishioners

The Hardy-Molenda Family

The Domingues Family

Parish Information

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Richard J. Prendergast, Pastor

Rev. Michael Gabriel, Associate Pastor (part-time)

Mary Clare Barker, Minister of Music

Art Blumberg, Director of Parish Management and Facilities

Jane Callahan-Moore, Director of Parish Social Services

Kevin Cheers, Pastoral Associate

Laurie Hasbrook, Office Staff

Jim Potthast, Youth and Family Minister

Tracy Shields, Minister of First Impressions/Communications

Sr. Judith Zonsius, Office Manager

OTHER PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Michael Bradley, Resident

Rev. Dominic Grassi, Retired Pastor

Rev. William Kenneally, Pastor Emeritus

Carol Beatty, St. Gertrude East Music Director

WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am (The Gym Mass resumes on Sunday, September 8.)

9:30 am St. Gertrude East (Sacred Heart School/Sheridan and Granville)

Monday through Friday: 7:30 am (Thursday is a Communion Service.)

Saturday: 7:30 am and 5:00 pm (Sunday Vigil)

LOCATIONS:

Rectory: 1420 W. Granville Ave., Chicago, IL 60660 Phone: 773.764.3621

Website: www.stgertrudechicago.orgE-mail: stgertrude1420@stgertrudechicago.org

Ministry Center: 6214 N. Glenwood Ave., Chicago, IL 60660

Social Services Phone: 773.973.5464

Social Hall: 1401 W. Granville Ave., Chicago, IL 60660

RECTORY BUSINESS HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am to 7:30 pm

Friday: 8:30 am to 4:45 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am to 1:00 pm

HEART TO HEART

Senior outreach and social services connection: 773.973.5464

Email: heart2heart@stgertrudechicago.org

PARISH SCHOOL

Northside Catholic Academy: 773.743.6277

www.northsidecatholic.org

BAPTISM

Baptisms take place on the second and fourth Sundays of each month. Additionally, baptisms will be incorporated into one of the weekend Masses each month, with a different Mass having a baptism each month. This schedule will change in the summer months. Call the Rectory to make arrangements to have a child baptized, and to RSVP to attend a parent preparation meeting, held the first Monday of each month at 7:00 pm.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

We have an enriching program called the R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). Contact the Rectory for details.

MARRIAGE

Arrangements begin by setting up an appointment with the Pastor. Preparations are to begin at least four months prior to the desired date.

MINISTRY OF CARE AND COMMUNION

Trained ministers will gladly visit and bring communion to those who are sick or homebound. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

NEW PARISHIONERS

You are most welcome and are invited to stop in at the Rectory to introduce yourself and register, or register with one of the greeters before or after any Mass. Registration is also available online at www.stgertrudechicago.org.

RECONCILIATION

Individual: Saturday from 4:15-4:45 pm and by request.

COMMUNITY MEETINGS HELD AT ST. GERTRUDE

Al-Anon: Sundays at 7:00 pm in the Ministry Center

Open AA: Tuesdays at 7:30 pm in the Ministry Center, and
Thursdays at 7:00 pm in the school cafeteria.Caris Pregnancy Center, pregnancy support, free pregnancy
tests, and post-abortion help: 312.229.5700.Makko ho (Japanese yoga): Saturdays at 10:00 am in the
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