



St. Gertrude Chicago

Sunday, July 11, 2021

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Click [here](#) to see a print-friendly PDF of our new, abbreviated bulletin that will be distributed in church this weekend.

St. Gertrude Mass times are:

- Monday-Saturday: 7:30 am
- Saturdays at 5:00 pm
- Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:30 am (The 10:30 am Mass is live-streamed on [our parish Facebook page](#).)

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From Father Rich

*Bulletin for the
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There is no time like the present to do nothing!

Somehow, we have arrived at the near mid-point of summer! In many ways, students who are still on a school schedule are the luckiest because they know they get a vacation! But the importance of slowing down, relaxing, taking in the beauty of the season is vital for all of us.

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I think I have mentioned before that the word, “recreation” is actually re-creation -- just without the hyphen. But it is such a good reminder that, like the fundamental notion of sabbath, we all need to rest! There is a reason the Creation story in the Book of Genesis tells us that on the seventh day, having admired the work of Creation, God rested from all the work God had done. If God takes a break -- why do we think that we don’t need a break? Be sure to find some time -- preferably some extended time -- this summer to rest and be re-created!

St. Ignatius

On July 1, St. Ignatius parish ended its long history. While the parish itself no longer exists, weekend masses will continue until the final Mass on Saturday, July 31 - the Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Bishop Bartosic will preside at the final liturgy. Please continue to keep the parishioners of St. Ignatius in your prayers and welcome all those who are seeking a new parish home in the coming weeks.

As I mentioned in some previous columns, with the closing of St. Ignatius parish, the boundaries of both St. Jerome and St. Gertrude have been extended to include the geographic boundaries of the former St. Ignatius. And the campus of St. Ignatius Parish is now part of St. Gertrude parish. There may be some special Masses/services at St. Ignatius in the coming

months - especially services such as funerals. In the next twelve months, discussions will continue about the possibility of a Mission Center hosted jointly by St. Jerome and St. Gertrude parishes. Last week, in a meeting with Bishop Bartosic, representatives of St. Ignatius Parish, and Loyola University clarified that, at this time, the University will not be able to be partnering in this possible venture. What will happen to the campus of the former parish has yet to be determined.

Evangelization

Although the word evangelization is not new, it does seem to be popping up more and more in parishes and dioceses around the world. We will soon be hearing it more often as we enter into the next phase of the *Renew My Church* initiative.

In today's gospel passage, we get the first definition of what it means when we hear, "Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over unclean spirits." Evangelization is simply going out and sharing the good news of the gospel. For many Catholics, this seems like a very non-Catholic way of doing things! Yet at every Mass, we celebrate we receive the exact same instruction when the presider dismisses the congregation immediately after the final blessing. In words such as these, "Our Mass is ended. Now go out to bring Christ's peace to the world," or any of the other variety of dismissals that are used. The important thing is that we do not get misled into thinking our faith is all about getting the treasure, holding it close and never letting go. Just the opposite! If we have truly received the Good News of Jesus Christ and are in a relationship with him, keeping it to ourselves would make no more sense than a couple in love never sharing their joy with others. Everything we have received from God and from His Son, Jesus Christ, is a gift. Once we have that gift, its value is only realized when we share it with others!



Growing in Faith

In my 20s, during a more intense "period of discernment", I was trying to figure out what to do with my life. I wrestled with Jesus' question of, "what do you desire?" and the notion of God having a *will for me*. I struggled: "What the heck does that mean?" What I desired/wanted was a CLEAR SIGN, a burning bush perhaps, because I had the notion that the divine was like a military commander giving clear orders.

Today's readings speak of God who has a will for us; and according to Ephesians, that is a favor, a mystery, and intention. Sometimes that "will for us", as with Amos, takes us from following the crowd, norm, or where we are most comfortable, and leads us on a different path.

I think about the many unaccompanied Latin American youth who have crossed our border after leaving their families. They have taken great risks,

many arriving quite traumatized: all seek safety and a new life. I recently met some of them as they wait to be placed with relatives in the US. I imagine they too questioned what they were doing. I wonder if, along the way and since arriving, they feel *blessed, chosen, destined, redeemed, lavished, sealed, summoned, instructed*. Do they feel *sent* by divine purpose, grace, favor, wisdom, and spirit? If so, does that awareness give them what they need to keep going? By the light in some of those eyes and their gratitude, I would say: Yes!

~ Jim Manzardo for *Growing in Faith*



Thank You to Our Resurrection Compost Garden Creators!

We are so grateful to Paul and Grace Leon, for helping establish our Resurrection Compost Garden, a program they created at their home parish of St. Gregory the Great in 2020. The two not only guided us on how to get the program started, but they also built the St. Gertrude composting bins, wrote up the composting do's and don'ts, and gave us information about composting buckets, how people could participate, and more.

Thank you, Grace and Paul, for your time and your talents!



Care for Real Personal Care Items Drive Planned for Saturday, July 10 - Donations Needed

On Saturday, July 10, there will be a necessities drive for personal care items for [Care for Real](#) at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1500 W. Elmdale from 9:30 am-12:30 pm.

The following items are needed:

- toilet paper rolls
- individually packaged toothbrushes
- hand soap pumps
- diapers (sizes 3, 4, 5, and 6)
- baby wipes
- hand sanitizer
- deodorant
- body/hand lotion

To request a pickup, email churchonemdale@gmail.com or call 773.743.1820.



This Saturday, July 10: Free Classical Music Concert

On Saturday, July 10 at 2:00 pm, a free concert will take place on the south lawn of Congregation Emanuel, adjacent to Edgewater's Lane Beach at the end of Thorndale (5959 N. Sheridan Road). Presented with the support of Congregation Emanuel and the Chicago Federation of Musicians, the Yopez Players will perform as a part of their Skyline Salon Series.

Come for their music and enjoy Lane Beach and the playground. With no public parking in any of the adjacent high-rise buildings, there are excellent Red Line and CTA bus services to Thorndale and some street parking west of Sheridan Road. Please note that there is no public bathroom access at Lane Beach or Congregation Emanuel.

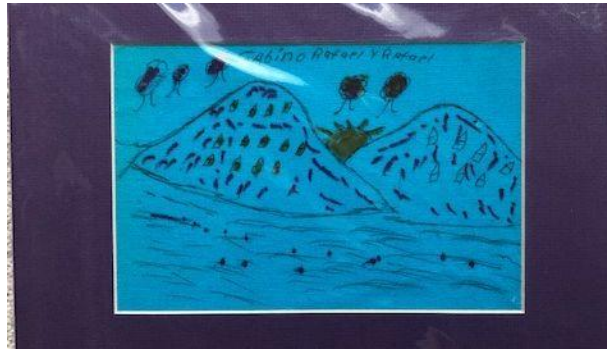
This event is hosted by Edgewater residents and St. Gertrude parishioners Jane Callahan-Moore and Stefanie Clark.



This Sunday, July 11: Edgewater Glen Garden Walk

The Edgewater Glen Garden Walk will be held Sunday, July 11 from 12:00-5:00 pm, starting at 1420 W. Glenlake. There is a suggested donation of \$5 per adult, with no charge for children. Appropriate COVID protocol is required for all participants.

This year, the gardens in the 1400 and 1500 blocks of West Norwood, West Glenlake, West Hood, and the south side of Granville will be featured in this easily walkable route. All of the gardens are beautiful, and many of them are grown without pesticides or herbicides. For more info, please visit edgeglen.com.



Parishioner-Organized Children's Art Exhibit at the Admiral Retirement Community

Children's drawings from Santa Cruz la Laguna, Solala, Guatemala, a village in the mountains surrounding Lake Atitlan, are on exhibit at the Admiral Retirement Community (929 W. Foster) through the end of July.

In 1995, parishioner Alice Czech built the school there at the request of Santiago Tautou Salog, the head teacher. Alice now lives at the Admiral and invites you to see this exhibit of sweet drawings, put together with Maggie Roche. Call Alice at 773.433.1800 to schedule your visit.

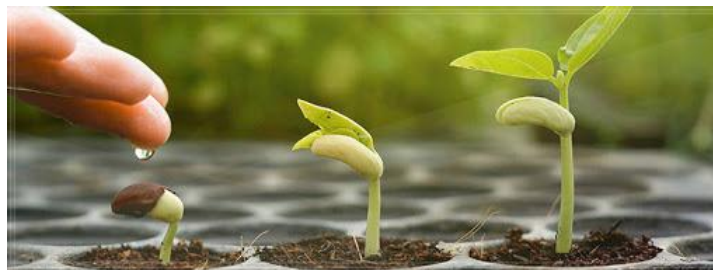


Ignatian Volunteer Corps: Morning of Reflection Planned for Thursday, July 29

In celebration of the Feast Day of St. Ignatius Loyola, the Ignatian Volunteer Corps will host a morning of reflections on Thursday, July 29 from 9:30 am-1:00 pm. The event will be held at St. Ignatius College Prep, 1076 Roosevelt Rd. with Mass said at the Church of the Holy Family.

The keynote speaker is Father Richard Baumann, SJ, who will discuss *The Desire to Serve*. **Pre-registration is required.** Go to www.ivcusa.org/chicago and click the *Morning of Reflection* registration button.

Fr. Richard Baumann entered the Society of Jesus in 1964 and was ordained in 1975. He has served as vocation director, novice director, pastor, and provincial superior. More recently he worked in Africa for fourteen years: six years as director of Ignatian programming and faculty member at the Jesuit First Studies Philosophy/Humanities program in Harare, Zimbabwe, and eight years as co-director of a Tertianship program (a renewal program for Jesuits before they pronounce final vows) located in Ghana and now in Nairobi, Kenya. He is currently based in Ann Arbor and works as a regional vocation director for the Midwest Province.



Spiritual Opportunities This Summer

St. Clement Summer Theology on Tap Series Tuesdays in July: Have you been wondering what St. Joseph can teach us about adulthood? Interested in learning more about theology? Join the St. Clement Young Adult Community on Tuesday evenings in July at Saint Clement. During this **four-week series**, they will explore topics such as discernment and purpose in life from their line-up of speakers. More information can be found [here](#).

Evanston Theology on Tap Thursdays in July: Join young adults in Evanston for a hybrid version of Theology on Tap every Thursday in July. [See the website](#) for times, locations, and topics.

Online Bible Study with Father John Kartje: As the world slowly begins to recover from the turmoil of the past year, join Mundelein Seminary rector Father John Kartje for an in-depth tour through biblical accounts of restoration from chaotic times. Allow the scriptures to be your guide to spiritual healing and renewal. Register at www.usml.edu/bible-study.

IPS Scripture School: Fruits of the Holy Spirit – The Institute of Pastoral Studies (IPS) Scripture School fosters a transformational encounter with God through online instruction and formation in Sacred Scripture within a live interactive framework. Please join us this summer as we “picnic” with the Holy Spirit! This learning experience will explore the “fruits” of the Holy Spirit, according to both biblical testimony and Church tradition, and how every fruit grows, develops, and blossoms in our own lives.

In this series, attendees will enjoy lectures and conversations around the fruits of the Holy Spirit, meet and dialogue with every instructor of IPS

Scripture School, and have FUN learning more about ourselves, each other, and the Holy Spirit! [Register online](#) here!



Readings and Music for Sunday, July 11

- [Link to readings for Sunday, July 11](#)
 - [PDF of lyrics and copyright info for Sunday, July 11](#)
 - Music planned and hymn numbers from *Breaking Bread Hymnal*:
 - Entrance: *God Has Chosen Me*, #384
 - Psalm: 85: *Lord, Let us See Your Kindness*, Marty Haugen (GIA)
 - *Gospel Acclamation*: Barker
 - Offertory: *The Summons*, #382
 - Mass Parts: *Mass of Creation*, #883
 - Communion: *Take and Eat*, #357
 - Recessional: *Take the Word of God*, #377
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New Parishioners

- Diane Barnhart
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Rest in Peace

- Bonnie McWayne, sister of Roberta Washburn
 - John Sullivan, husband of Charlotte and father of Debbie
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Cantors, Musicians, Eucharistic Ministers, and Lectors Planned for This Weekend

Our cantors and musicians are:

- Saturday, July 10 at 5:00 pm - Paula Dempsey
- Sunday, July 11 at 8:00 am - Jon Blake
- Sunday, July 12 at 10:30 am - Kate Hibbs Davis

Our Eucharistic ministers are:

- Saturday, July 10 at 5:00 pm - Tim Harrington, Kathy Wall
- Sunday, July 11 at 8:00 am - Peter Morin, Hallie Burhoe, Brian Devarne
- Sunday, July 11 at 10:30 am - Rafael Melendez, Debra Novak, Steve Monti

Our Ministers of the Word are:

- Saturday, July 10 at 5:00 pm - Katherine Dawson
- Sunday, July 11 at 8:00 am - Kathryn Stimac
- Sunday, July 11 at 10:30 am - Troy McMillian



Legacy Planning

Your generosity during your lifetime has enabled St. Gertrude to serve the people of God in this community. Continue to be a part of the strength of this community by making a qualified charitable distribution (a.k.a. IRA charitable rollover gift) from your retirement account to St. Gertrude parish.

Prepare or update your will or trust today by contacting an attorney. For sample bequest language, please contact Eduardo Soto at esoto@stgertrudechicago.org or Krystina M. Campbell, Planned Giving Officer, Archdiocese of Chicago, at 312.534.5404 or kcampbell@archchicago.org.



Ways to Help Our Parish: Amazon Smile, Text to Give, GiveCentral, PayPal, and Amazon Smile

Visit smile.amazon.com and select St. Gertrude Parish as your charity of choice. From then on, connect to Amazon through smile.amazon.com and St. Gertrude will automatically benefit as your charity of choice.

We have set up a "Text to Give" option through GiveCentral. Parishioners are welcome to text the word **Donate** to 1.773.741.9505 to make a donation via phone.

To access our PayPal link, please visit [our parish website](#) and donate from there. [GiveCentral](#) offers parishioners the option of one-time gifts or weekly contributions.

For more information on text to give or to sign up for online giving, please email esoto@stgertrudechicago.org.

[Click here to go to GiveCentral](#)

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Daily Scripture Readings

Click [HERE](#) for the daily readings for Masses. Here is the list of readings for this for parishioners that prefer to look them up:

Monday, July 12: Ex 1:8-14, 22/Mt 10:34-11:1

Tuesday, July 13: Ex 2:1-15a/Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 14: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Mt 11:25-27

Thursday, July 15: Ex 3:13-20/Mt 11:28-30

Friday, July 16: Ex 11:10-12:14/Mt 12:1-8

Saturday, July 17: Ex 12:37-42/Mt 12:14-21

Sunday, July 18: Jer 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34 (107)



Mass Intentions

Next week's intentions are:

Monday, July 12: 7:30 am - Jason Borst+

Tuesday, July 13: 7:30 am - For all who have lost family or friends to the COVID virus

Wednesday, July 14: 7:30 am - John Sullivan+

Thursday, July 15: 7:30 am - Communion Service

Friday, July 16: 7:30 am - Purgatorial Society

Saturday, July 17: 7:30 am - Parishioners of St. Gertrude parish; 5:00 pm
~ Peter Hertl+

Sunday, July 18: 8:00 am ~ For all living and deceased parents of St. Gertrude parishioners+; 10:30 am - Quinn Bringas+

(+ indicates the person is deceased)



Please Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends

- Pamela Sherrod Anderson
 - Helen Banta
 - Jean Bautista
 - Walter Bradford
 - Sharon Brown
 - Connie Bueck
 - Lilly Buie
 - Maggie Callaway
 - Aida Calvopina
 - Geraldine Clark
 - Connie Cool
 - Ann Collins Dole
 - Jane Elwood
 - Mary Grover
 - Felipe Hall and Family
 - Lucia Hall
 - Gina Heidkamp
 - Maria Hertl
 - Bernice Kiedysz
 - Art Lyons
 - Molly Morris
 - Karey Myers
 - Bernie O'Connor
 - Tina Piemonte
 - Lu Radzicki
 - Braedon Rimpson
 - Charley Scantlebury
 - Richard Seitz
 - Peggy Stoffel
 - The Sullivan family
 - Elinora E. Tolentino
 - Manuel Viray
 - Norma E. Viray
 - Ken & Vyes Yoza
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