

**St. Gertrude Chicago**  
E-Bulletin for Sunday, November 14  
*Celebrating the Feast of St. Gertrude*

[Click here for our printed bulletin distributed in church this weekend](#)

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St. Gertrude Mass times are:

- Monday-Saturday: 7:30 am
- Saturdays at 5:00 pm

- Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:30 am in Church (The 10:30 am Mass is live-streamed on [our parish Facebook page](#).)
  - ***Please note, there will be a combined Mass in church at 10:30 am.***
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## From Father Rich

### **Parish Feast Day Weekend**

This weekend, we are celebrating our Parish Feast Day. The feast day of St. Gertrude is November 16th and each year we celebrate this feast on the weekend closest to her feast day. As part of the celebration, we are offering the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at all the Masses. Some of the events we usually have on this special weekend are not happening again this year because of the pandemic. (We hope they can return next year!)

### **Bulletin for the Celebration of the Feast of St. Gertrude**

*November 14, 2021*



In one of her mystical experiences, Gertrude found herself leaning against

the Lord and could hear his heart beating. This was before the development of the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. She was profoundly moved, understanding his love not only for her, but for all humankind. As we honor her this weekend, let us all be aware of the Lord's love for us, of his heart beating for each of us, and let us, in turn, care for each other.

### **2021 CCHD Collection - November 20-21**

The annual Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) collection will take place next weekend, November 20-21. For 50 years, CCHD has been working in partnership with community organizations to address the root causes of poverty in the United States.

CCHD promotes organizations that help people help themselves. Their mission to break the cycle of poverty is now more important than ever, as the COVID-19 pandemic has compounded the disparities in resources experienced by the poor and vulnerable. CCHD organizations are responding promptly in this time of extraordinary need.

CCHD grantees create jobs, improve neighborhoods, keep schools safe and enriching for children, and raise leaders of the future right here in the Archdiocese of Chicago.

We are so thankful for your support. [Click here](#) for more information and to donate. We are most fortunate that our own parishioner, Ed Jacob, will be presenting the needs of CCHD at Masses next weekend.

### **Mark Your Calendars!**

#### ***ECRA Interfaith Thanksgiving Service***

The annual ECRA Interfaith Thanksgiving Service will be held on Sunday, November 21 at 3:00 pm. This year, the service will be hosted by

Atonement Episcopal Church at 5749 N. Kenmore. This will be a hybrid service -- you can attend in person, or join the livestream on YouTube here: <https://youtu.be/OAEoF0HjbRI>. Those who attend in person are encouraged to be vaccinated. Everyone attending in person is required to wear a face mask.

There will be a special offering for Care for Real, with donations of food encouraged, with a priority placed on fresh produce.

### ***St. Gertrude's Thanksgiving Day Mass***

Our parish Thanksgiving celebration will be at the 10:00 am Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 25. As part of our Thanksgiving celebration, the recipients of the Parish Service Awards will be recognized.

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## Anointing of the Sick

*At all the Masses this weekend, we will celebrate the Anointing of the Sick. To help everyone self-determine if they would like to be anointed, below is a brief article explaining the “rules” for this sacrament.*

According to the Roman ritual, anyone among the faithful “whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age” not only may, but should, receive

the sacrament. Some examples include:

- A person who is considered in danger of death.
- A person who has a serious disease or medical condition (e.g. cancer, heart disease, mental illness, diabetes). The sacrament may be repeated if the person's condition becomes more serious.
- A person preparing for surgery, if a serious illness is the reason for the surgery.
- An elderly person if they have become notably weakened by age, even if there is no particular serious illness present.
- A seriously sick child.

[Click here](#) to read an article discussing the meaning and history behind this sacrament.

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# Combined 10:30 am Mass This Sunday, November 14 for St. Gertrude Feast Day

This Sunday, November 14, there will be a combined Mass in church at 10:30 am.

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## Repair, Renew, Refresh Campaign

This is the final week of our *Repair, Renew, Refresh* campaign. Our goal was to raise \$100,000 to address some specific needs in our parish buildings and to establish an assistance fund for parishioners with children attending NCA. I am very happy to report that we have received over \$158,000!

These funds will enable us to continue the mission of St. Gertrude by

maintaining our buildings and supporting Catholic education. The much-needed repairs include: Exterior repairs to the church and rectory roofs, and internal repairs from water damage, installation of two handrails between the main floor of church to the sanctuary, and two handrails from the lower sanctuary level to the altar level to increase accessibility, re-carpeting the church, rebuilding the deteriorated entrance stairs to the parish hall/gym/classroom building and the stairs at the south (accessible) entrance to the church.

Additionally, we will establish a Fund for Catholic Education for parish families with children attending NCA in need of financial help to enroll, as well as to have funds available for families in crisis due to health, employment, or other unexpected situations.

Thank you to all those who contributed to the campaign!! Your gift makes this possible!

*~ Father Rich*

[Click here to donate to our Repair, Renew, Refresh campaign](#)

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## This Saturday: Youth Group Visit to the Chicago Cultural Center's Exhibits Planned; Mission Trip Happening This Summer

This Saturday, November 13 from 9:30 am-12:30 pm, Confirmation students and teens in the youth group will head to Chicago's Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington. The students will enjoy a wide range of diverse and engaging exhibitions devoted to the visual arts and contemporary culture. They include *Art and Race Matters*, *The Great Chicago Fire in Focus*, as well as the *Learning Lab*, an interactive studio that offers sights, sounds, and experiences for visitors of all ages and a wide range of abilities. The group will travel via the CTA.

The youth group is planning a mission trip this summer! More details will be shared in the future. Attendance at youth group meetings is required to participate in the mission trip.

For more information about the youth group or our Religious Ed program, contact Eloy Escamilla, Pastoral Associate for Religious Education and Youth Ministry, at [eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org).

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## Essay Contest for Students in 7th & 8th Grade

Students in 7th and 8th grade are invited to submit essays based on this prompt: *We have been experiencing a lot of different catastrophes all over: the pandemic, fires, earthquakes, hurricanes, tornados, war, etc. What we also see on the news are “bad news” stories that tell of people expressing hatred, violence, discrimination, and other evils demonstrating the worst of humanity. But there are many people who are making the world a better place...you!*

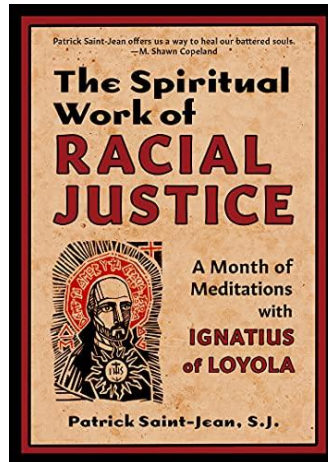
The essay should focus on where the good news can be found within the bad news and explain how the good news you are sharing in your essay reflects the message of Jesus.

Entries should be 500–650 words. Spelling and grammar count. Students may send their essay entry to Eloy Escamilla at [eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org) or mail/drop it off at the Rectory at 1420 W. Granville Ave., Chicago, IL 60660.

Entries must be submitted online or postmarked by Monday, December 13,

2021. The three best essays will receive a gift card and will appear on our website.

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## Peace and Justice Committee Meeting Planned for Monday, November 15

The Peace and Justice Committee held its inaugural meeting on Monday, October 25. Newcomers are welcome to join us at our next meeting which will be on Monday, November 15 at 6:30 pm in the Ministry Center.

We will be spending the next several meetings reflecting on *"The Spiritual Work of Racial Justice: A Month of Meditations with Ignatius of Loyola"* by Patrick Saint-Jean, S.J. The book can be ordered via [anamcharabooks.com](http://anamcharabooks.com) -- look under "Featured Works."

Email Fr. Mike Gabriel at [mgabriel@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:mgabriel@stgertrudechicago.org) or call him at 773-764-3621 if you plan to attend on November 15, or if you have any questions!



## Growing in Faith

*“My heart is glad, and my soul rejoices.”* That’s the message in Psalm 16, this weekend’s responsorial, and, over the years, that’s often been the spirit at this time of year when St. Gertrude parish has celebrated the feast of its saint on November 16.

This, though, is one of those years when the pain of life is more likely to prompt mourning rather than celebration. For new members of the parish who have come from St. Ignatius, there is sorrow at the loss of a spiritual home that nurtured neighborhood Catholics for more than a century.

And it’s been a struggle for all members of the St. Gertrude parish, old and new, to find ways to get to know each other — ways to blend together in a new faith family — at a time when the COVID-19 pandemic keeps pushing us apart. Midway through this year, it was a joy to be able to come to Mass without wearing a mask. And then we had to mask-up once again.

The writers of the psalms were familiar with difficult times. So was our

patron, St. Gertrude the Great, a mystic and great theologian. She taught that the powerlessness we feel when events are out of our control is a source of joy rather than fear — joy because it helps us recognize that all we can do is to love. To love God and love each other. The rest will take care of itself.

~ *Patrick T. Reardon*

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## Biography of our Patroness, St. Gertrude

St. Gertrude the Great, or St. Gertrude of Helfta, was born on January 6, 1256 in Germany. She eventually chose to follow the Lord by pursuing a vocation as a Benedictine Nun. Her deep relationship with the Lord in prayer led to her being hailed as a mystic. She was also regarded as a

great theologian.

Although little is known about Gertrude's childhood, it is widely accepted that at just four-years-old, she was enrolled in the Cistercian monastery school of Helfta in Saxony, under the governance of Abbess Gertrude of Hackerborn.

The Cistercian movement was an effort to bring the Benedictine religious community back to a stricter and more faithful adherence to the original "Rule" or way of life encouraged by St Benedict. Some sources speculate that Gertrude's parents offered their child as an oblate, a lay person especially dedicated to God or to God's service, while others believe she may have entered the monastery school as an orphan.

St. Mechtilde, the younger sister of the Abbess Gertrude, took care of young Gertrude. Gertrude and Mechtilde had a strong bond that only grew deeper with time, allowing Mechtilde to have a great influence over Gertrude.

Gertrude, known for being charming and able to win people over, entered the Benedictine Order at Helfta and became a nun. She devoted herself to her studies, and received an education in many different subjects. Gertrude was both fluent in Latin and very familiar with scripture and works from the Fathers of the Church, including Augustine.

In 1281, 25-year-old Gertrude experienced her first series of visions that would continue until the day she passed away. Her visions altered her life and she saw this moment as her new birth. Her priorities turned away from secular teachings and focuses more on studying Scripture and theology. Her life became full with this awakening and she was an enthusiastic student, writing for the spiritual benefit of others.

Gertrude once had a vision on the feast of John the Evangelist, described in Gertrude's writings. As she rested her head near Jesus' wound on his side, she could hear the beating of his heart. She asked St. John if he, too, felt the beating of Jesus' Divine Heart on the night of the Last Supper. He told her he was saving this revelation for a time when the world needed it to rekindle its love.

She went on to become one of the great mystics of the 13th century. Along with St. Mechtilde, she practiced what is known as "nuptial mysticism," seeing herself as the bride of Christ. She embraced charity for both rich and poor, she was a simple woman with a deep solidarity with those not yet ready for the beatific vision, who are still being purified in the state of repose known as purgatory.

Gertrude assisted at the deathbeds and mourned for the loss of both Abbess Gertrude of Hackeborn in 1291 and her dearly loved St. Mechtilde in 1298. Gertrude's health began to deteriorate, but she continued to only show her love for the Lord.

"Until the age of 25, I was a blind and insane woman... but you, Jesus, deigned to grant me the priceless familiarity of your friendship by opening to me in every way that most noble casket of your divinity, which is your divine Heart, and offering me in great abundance all your treasures contained in it".

On November 17, 1301, Gertrude passed away a virgin and joined her Bridegroom forever.

Throughout her life, Gertrude produced numerous writings, although only a

few still exists today. One of her longest surviving works is *Legatus Memorialis Abundantiae Divinae Pietatis* (*The Herald of Divine Love*). Her other standing works include, her collection of *Spiritual Exercises and Preces Gertrudianae* (*Gertrudian Prayers*). *The Herald of Divine Love* is composed of five different books. Book two is the core of the work, and was written solely by Gertrude. It is a notable piece of writing, because it includes detailed descriptions of Gertrude's visions and a veneration of Christ's heart. The other four books are believed to have been composed by other nuns.

Although Gertrude was never formally canonized, Rome approved a liturgical office of prayer and readings in her honor. To separate her from Abbess Gertrude of Hackeborn, Pope Benedict XIV gave her the title, "the Great," making her the only woman saint to be called, "the Great."

St. Gertrude the Great is the Patroness of the West Indies and she is often invoked for souls in purgatory. Her feast day is celebrated on November 16.

Source: <http://www.catholic.org>

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## Friday, November 12 is Vaccination Awareness Day

As Pope Francis has said, getting vaccinated is an act of love, but not just of self-love: “Love for oneself, love for our families and friends, and love for all peoples. Love is also social and political.” Health is also a social and a political issue; our personal health decisions affect our friends, our families and our larger society—especially its most vulnerable members.

His comments make clear that vaccines are an integral part of our lived Christian faith. More than that, it is an obligation that we care not only for ourselves, but also for our sisters and brothers with whom we may come into contact at any time.

There are two groups, in particular, this week, upon whom we focus in the ongoing battle against the COVID virus and the need for vaccinations.

The first group is the children from ages five to 11 for whom there is now a

vaccine available. Last week, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) took the important step of approving the COVID-19 vaccine for children ages five to 11.

On Friday, November 12, all CPS schools will be closed to provide an opportunity for parents and guardians to take their children five years of age and older to get vaccinated at their pediatrician's office, at a healthcare provider, at a CPS school-based site, or community vaccination event

Vaccines are safe for children five years and older. Getting vaccinated against COVID-19 is the safest and most effective way to protect children and adults from the virus. The CDC has approved the vaccine for children five years of age and older based on clinical-trial data showing that the Pfizer shot is safe and effective at preventing symptomatic infection.

Children ages five to 11 years old will receive child-sized doses of the Pfizer vaccine, which is just a third of the amount of the adult vaccine. This will reduce the likelihood of side effects—such as sore arms, fever, or aches. The needle used to administer the vaccine to children is also much smaller.

The second group is our senior population. The Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) announced a number of initiatives aimed at encouraging even more Chicago seniors to get vaccinated against COVID-19. While vaccination rates in Chicago are steadily increasing, rates among seniors, especially those 70 and older, continue to lag.

The City is reaching out to individuals who received in-home vaccinations throughout the duration of the *Protect Chicago At Home* program to begin scheduling in-home appointments for booster doses, starting with homebound Chicagoans and seniors who received in-home vaccinations

earliest. To make an appointment for in-home vaccination, call (312) 746-4835 or register at [Chicago.gov/AtHome](https://chicago.gov/AtHome).

Here are a number of ways to get vaccinated on November 12 or anytime!

- Visit [vaccines.gov/search](https://vaccines.gov/search), text your ZIP code to 438829, or call 1-800-232-0233 to find an appointment near you.
- Walgreens: [Register online](#) or call your local Walgreens or 1-800-WALGREENS (1-800-925-4733).
- CVS: [Register online](#) or call your local CVS or 1-800-679-9691.
- Mariano's: [Register online](#).
- Walmart: [Register online](#) or call 833-886-0023, option 1.
- Chicago Costco Pharmacies: [Register online](#) for an appointment or call a pharmacy directly.
- Make an appointment at [a clinic run by the Chicago Department of Public Health](#).
- Make an appointment to get a vaccine [in your home](#).
- Call the City's COVID-19 helpline at 312.746.4835.

Chicago Public Schools is offering clinics. They include:

- Make an appointment at [a CPS Regional COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic](#).
- Make an appointment at [a CPS Mobile Event](#).
- Make an appointment at [a CPS School-Based Health Center](#).

Select children's hospitals will host pediatric vaccine events—check hospital websites for dates and more information.

The COVID-19 vaccine is free for all, and no proof of insurance or citizenship is required.

In addition to first doses, CDPH is also encouraging seniors to receive a

COVID-19 booster dose. **All COVID-19 vaccinations, including booster doses are free, no insurance or government ID required.**

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## Refugee & Immigrant Ministry Online Event Planned for Thursday, November 18

The Refugee and Immigrant Ministry is hosting an online event on Thursday, November 18 at 7:00 pm featuring Kathy Kelly. Reflecting on an Afghan phrase, her talk is entitled, "*Blood does not wash away: finding new ways forward as we seek to abolish war.*" The Zoom link is below.

For those who don't know of Kathy Kelly's work, she is a peace activist who has been nominated three times for the Nobel Peace Prize since 2000. In 1996, she helped to found Voices in the Wilderness, a group which bears

witness to the suffering which the U.S./U.N.-imposed sanctions have visited upon the people—especially the children—of Iraq. She has traveled to Afghanistan dozens of times and coordinates the Ban Killer Drones campaign, reminding us that it will be important to keep international focus on the people of Afghanistan.

Here are the details of the Zoom meeting:

[https://luc.zoom.us/j/7046806737?](https://luc.zoom.us/j/7046806737?pwd=Njc3NWVRSE50OEVLmJRRRTWJkQUhsUT09)

[pwd=Njc3NWVRSE50OEVLmJRRRTWJkQUhsUT09](https://luc.zoom.us/j/7046806737?pwd=Njc3NWVRSE50OEVLmJRRRTWJkQUhsUT09)

Meeting ID: 704 680 6737; Passcode: 523901

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This promises to be an inspiring and powerful evening. Hope to see you there!

Additionally, a member of the Ministry will speak at Masses on Saturday, November 21 and Sunday, November 22. The following weekend, November 27 and 28, there will be a second collection in support of the work of the Refugee & Immigrant Ministry.

*~ Denise Goodman*

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## You're Invited to the ECRA Interfaith Thanksgiving Service - Next Sunday, November 21

The Edgewater Community Religious Association (ECRA) is an interfaith association of religious organizations who work toward fostering friendships and understanding of other faiths, nurture a thriving and just neighborhood, and create solutions to local problems.

ECRA hosts an annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service benefiting Care for Real that brings together Catholics, Baptists, Lutherans, Methodists, Presbyterians, as well as our friends from the Jewish, Muslim, and Hindi faith.

All are invited to attend this service on Sunday, November 21 at 3:00 pm, hosted this year at the Atonement Episcopal Church, 5749 N. Kenmore. Those who attend in person are encouraged to be vaccinated and must wear a face mask. The event will also be live-streamed on YouTube here: <https://youtu.be/OAEoF0HjbRI>.

Attendees are encouraged to share their bounty with the food insecure in

our neighborhood and bring fresh produce to donate to Care for Real. A reception will follow the service.

### ECRA Thanksgiving Service Flyer

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## Catholic Campaign for Human Development: Working on the Margins

We all depend on workers in America's meat processing plants and animal-feeding operations, who are essential to the food supply chain. Many of them are immigrants facing language barriers that leave them at a disadvantage when they advocate for safe working conditions, just wages, and fair treatment from employers. The Rural Community Workers Alliance (RCWA) in Missouri helps these essential workers by advocating on their behalf for safe working conditions and by promoting gatherings to address racial divisions in the community as a way to help immigrants and nonimmigrants discover similarities and share their experiences.

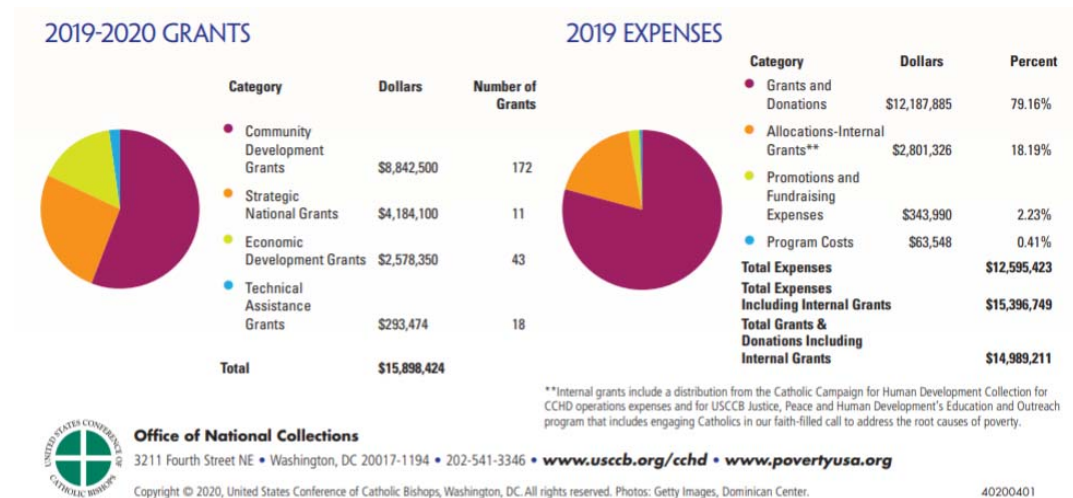
The COVID-19 pandemic revealed working conditions at a pork-processing plant that placed workers at risk of infection due to shoulder-to-shoulder work areas and a lack of protective gear. Workers brought their concerns to



RCWA and ultimately filed a lawsuit demanding that the company follow health and safety guidelines established by the federal government. Even before the court ruled on the lawsuit, the company took action to protect workers by installing protective barriers, sanitizing stations, providing masks, and conducting temperature checks. When you support CCHD's mission of working on the margins, you help groups such as RCWA advocate for the health and safety of the essential workers that we all depend upon.

To learn more about the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, visit [www.usccb.org/cchd/collection](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/collection).

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) allocates funds to community projects that promote the mission and vision of CCHD while adhering to the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church. Click here to view funding criteria and see a detailed list of our most recent grants and annual report.



Click here for a PDF of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development Working on the Margins



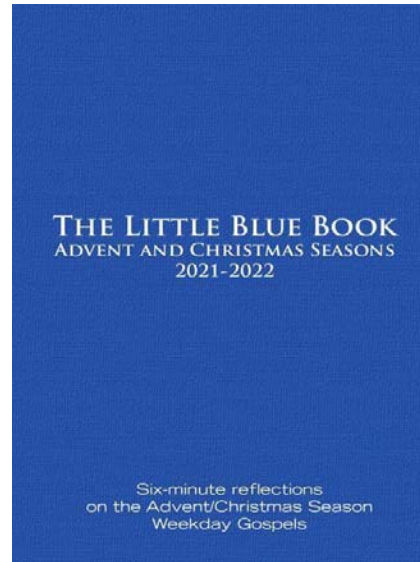


## Care for Real Needs Volunteers

Care for Real is experiencing a surge in the need for food assistance, with more than 35,000 pantry visits so far in 2021, compared to 24,000 during the same period in 2020. The organization distributes food to approximately 140-200 families in need every week.

You can help Care for Real provide this fresh and nutritious food by signing up to volunteer! With time slots for volunteering available Monday-Saturday between 8:30 am-4:00 pm and until 7:00 pm on Thursdays, there's something for every member of our community. Sign up for a shift today by visiting [careforreal.org/get-involved/volunteer](https://careforreal.org/get-involved/volunteer) or sending an email to [volunteer@careforreal.org](mailto:volunteer@careforreal.org). Thank you!

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## This Weekend: Little Blue Books Available

The Little Blue Book - Advent and Christmas Season are available at the church doors. These booklets provide a six-minute reflection a day, and their readings are a great way to slow down, focus, and dedicate some time to God during this holy season.

There is a suggested donation of \$1.

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## Poetry Pilgrims Gatherings

*"It could be verse."* Poetry Pilgrims, our parish's poetry-reading group, discusses poems of all kinds from recognized authors. If you've ever been curious about poetry and how it can enrich your life, why not sign up to receive poems, and maybe even join us occasionally? No background is needed-- we learn by sharing each other's questions, guesses, and insights.

We meet on the third Monday of each month via Zoom, so we're undeterred by distance and weather.

For more info, contact Roy Lipscomb at 773.338.3564 or [lipscomb@margrover.com](mailto:lipscomb@margrover.com).

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**Primary  
Campus  
Open House**

Thursday, December 2nd, 9:00am  
6216 N. Glenwood Ave. Chicago 60660

*Milk and Cookies  
with Santa!*

Northside Catholic Academy provides students in grades PK-8 with a challenging, well-rounded curriculum that inspires curiosity, creativity and a love of learning. NCA's curriculum aligns with the Common Core Standards and includes Spanish, Technology, Art, Music and Physical Education. We also implement a STEAM philosophy into our technology curriculum across all grade levels in science, math and art.

Come and check us out, and enjoy milk and cookies with Santa!

R.S.V.P. to [lholzman@ncaweb.org](mailto:lholzman@ncaweb.org)

## NCA Event: Primary Campus Open Hours/Milk & Cookies with Santa

NCA will host an open house on Thursday, December 2 at 9:00 am. The event will be at the primary campus, 6216 N. Glenwood Ave. Come hear about NCA's curriculum and enjoy a visit with Santa, milk, and cookies!

Please RSVP to Leigh Holzman at [lholzman@ncaweb.org](mailto:lholzman@ncaweb.org).

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# Rest in Peace

- Harold Mann, husband of Pat Mann
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## Readings and Music for Sunday, November 14

- [Link to readings for Sunday, November 14](#)
- [Lyrics for Sunday, November 14](#)
- Music planned and hymn numbers from Breaking Bread Hymnal:
  - Entrance: *All are Welcome*, #415
  - Gloria: Mass of Renewal, #873
  - Psalm 16: You Will Show Me the Path of Life (GIA setting)
  - Gospel Acclamation: Mass of Renewal, verse 5
  - Offertory: *Seek Ye First*, #436
  - Mass Parts: Mass of Renewal
  - Communion: The Supper of the Lord, #348
  - Recessional: *Love Divine All Loves Excelling*, #485 (same melody as *Alleluia Sing to Jesus*)



## Cantors, Musicians, Eucharistic Ministers, and Lectors Planned for This Weekend

Please note, there is a Combined Mass at 10:30 am in church this Sunday.

Our cantors and musicians are:

- Saturday, November 13 at 5:00 pm - Carol Ann Munro
- Sunday, November 14 at 8:00 am - Jon Blake
- Sunday, November 14 at 10:30 am in church - Mike Callahan; Dana Sullivan-flute, Denise Goodman-clarinet; Small Vocal Ensemble: Monina Cruz, soprano; Therese Schreiner, alto; Joe Pindelski, tenor; and Fran Guenette, bass

Our Eucharistic ministers are:

- Saturday, November 13 at 5:00 pm - Kathy Wall
- Sunday, November 14 at 8:00 am - Brian DeVarenne
- Sunday, November 14 at 10:30 am in church - Debra Novak, Troy McMillian, Sarah Millar

Our Ministers of the Word are:

- Saturday, November 13 at 5:00 pm - Kathleen Dawson
- Sunday, November 14 at 8:00 am - David Sullivan
- Sunday, November 14 at 10:30 am in church - Sarah Millar



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

Visit [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and select St. Gertrude Parish as your charity of choice. From then on, connect to Amazon through [smile.amazon.com](https://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](mailto:esoto@stgertrudechicago.org).

[Click here to go to GiveCentral](#)

[Click here for PayPal \(via our website\)](#)

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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, November 15:** 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Lk 18:35-43

**Tuesday, November 16:** 2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10

**Wednesday, November 17:** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Lk 19:11-28

**Thursday, November 18:** 1 Mc 2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44



**Friday, November 19:** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/Lk 19:45-48

**Saturday, November 20:** 1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40

**Sunday, November 21** Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

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## Mass Intentions

Next week's intentions are:

**Monday, November 15:** 7:30 am - Lillian McCall +

**Tuesday, November 16:** 7:30 am - Martin Fadanoughbo +

**Wednesday, November 17:** 7:30 am - Kathleen Keable +

**Thursday, November 18:** 7:30 am - Communion service

**Friday, November 19:** 7:30 am - Purgatorial Society; 8:00am NCA School

Mass -

Fr. Bill Kenneally +

**Saturday, November 20:** 7:30 am - Nancy Quinn Jaskowiak +; 5:00 pm -

George Senar, Sr. +

**Sunday, November 21:** 8:00 am - Nathan +, Libby + and Noreen + Waters;

10:30 am - Katarzyna Oleszczak +; Kathleen Naughton +

*(+ indicates the person is deceased)*

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## 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
  - Connie Cool
  - Caloy Desembrana
  - Ann Collins Dole
  - Christine Frisoni
  - Shirley Marie Gonzales
  - Felipe Hall and Family
  - Lucia Hall
  - Gina Heidkamp
  - Maria Hertl
  - Daniel Hidalgo
  - Bernice Kiedysz
  - Dean Mattoni
  - Sr. Terri McKenzie
  - Molly Morris
  - Karey Myers
  - Massielle Ojeda
  - Tina Piemonte
  - Charley Scantlebury
  - Richard Seitz
  - Peggy Stoffel
  - The Sullivan family
  - Elinora E. Tolentino
  - Manuel & Norma Viray
  - Valerie Williams
  - Ken & Vyes Yoza
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