

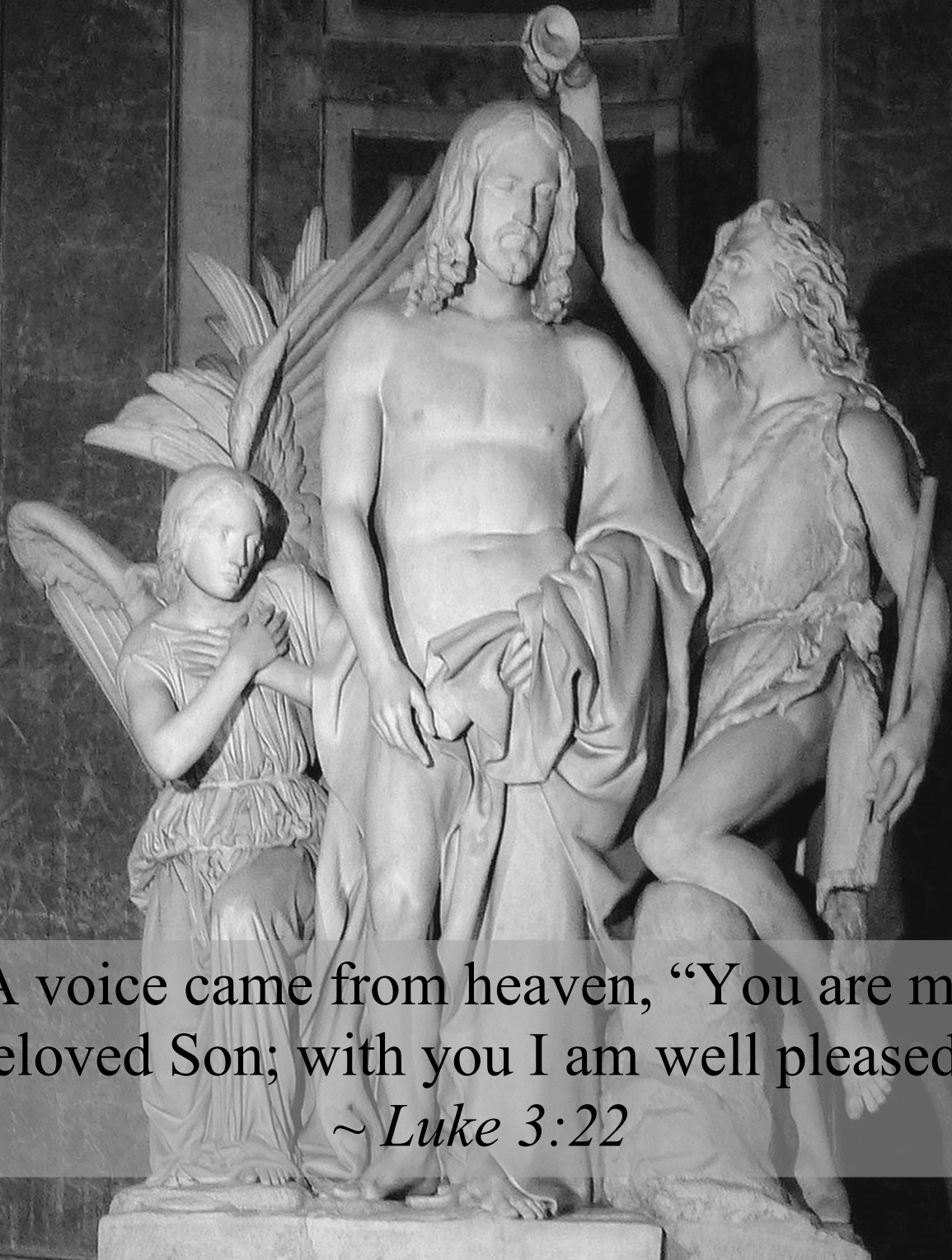
# *St. Gertrude*

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**The Baptism of the Lord • January 13, 2019**



A voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

~ *Luke 3:22*

## *From Father Rich*

Today's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord brings the Christmas season to a close and ushers us back into Ordinary Time. With his baptism in the Jordan, the Lord begins his public ministry, declaring the good news which is present in the world. How do you consider your own baptism? Is it a liberating gift from God which forgives sin and welcomes you into the family of the Lord? As we celebrate the Lord's baptism, let us be grateful for the gift of faith we enjoy and the gift of our own baptism.

I am happy to announce that the position of the Director of the Heart to Heart Ministry has been filled with one of our own parishioners. We welcome Jane



Callahan-Moore to our parish staff! Jane has written an introduction on page 3 of the bulletin. Welcome Jane! We're glad you are here and we look forward to your ministry in this vital part of our parish outreach.

There are two time-sensitive opportunities for donating to Catholic schools in the coming weeks. First, as we have been publicizing for the past few weeks, is an extraordinary opportunity for anyone who would like to help support Catholic education right here at Northside Catholic Academy (NCA), or at any Catholic school. Until February 28<sup>th</sup>, every gift given to any Catholic school run by the Archdiocese of Chicago will receive a two-for-one match through some generous donors. For example, if you donated \$500, it would be matched by an additional \$1,000, resulting in a total gift of \$1,500! For more information, please visit [www.archchicago.org/tcs](http://www.archchicago.org/tcs) or call 312.534.2617.

The second opportunity is in supporting the NCA Soirée on Saturday, February 23. There are still opportunities for support through sponsorships of the Soirée, as well as purchasing tickets and attending this wonderful event! Sponsorships can be had beginning at \$150, up to \$2,500. Information about donating items and purchasing tickets to attend the event can be found at [ncasoiree.com](http://ncasoiree.com).

Please consider how you can help support Catholic education right here in our own community by donating to the Tax Credit Scholarships or supporting NCA's Soirée!

*~ Father Rich*

# NCA SOIRÉE 2019

**RAVENSWOOD EVENT CENTER  
SATURDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2019  
[WWW.NCASOIREE.COM](http://WWW.NCASOIREE.COM)**



## Growing in Faith

### *From the desk of a scripture scholar: "The Gospel of Luke and Jesus' Baptism by the Holy Spirit"*

We might be surprised that unlike the gospel of Mark, on whom Luke relied, his own account of Jesus' water baptism is given no real attention at all (when all the people were baptized and Jesus also was baptized.) Luke wants to keep the focus on the real climax here: the heavens opening and the Holy Spirit descending on Jesus, while the voice of God is heard, "You are my beloved Son. In you I am well pleased." John explains the sublime difference of Jesus' baptism, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire!"

In Luke especially, Jesus is the man of the Holy Spirit. All through this coming year, Luke will show

us the power of that Holy Spirit through Jesus' life of love, his prayer, his constant outreach to others, his teaching, healings, his bringing peace and joy, and his standing up to religious/political leaders who regarded the poor as inferior and unworthy of God's love.

In the same way, our baptism by the Holy Spirit, thanks to Jesus, leads us to prayer, to works of peace, healing, compassion, and care for the needy however we can. We come to our world, guided by that Holy Spirit of God's love.

~ Sister Wendy Cotter, csj, Ph.D.  
for *Growing in Faith*



## Please Welcome Jane Callahan-Moore!

*Jane Callahan-Moore, our new Director of Heart to Heart ministry introduces herself:*

I found Saint Gertrude parish on the first Sunday after I moved into Edgewater. My first impression of St. Gertrude, solidified by weekly attendance at Mass, was of a welcoming community

with an exceptional music ministry housed in a beautiful sanctuary.

I bring a very diverse background to our faith community. I have been caring for challenged or underserved people for the past fifty years by helping them navigate the many complexities of our current social services bureaucracy and providing comprehensive community-based outreach services to individuals on a one-on-one basis. My most recent experience was providing these services to severely

and chronically mentally ill adults in Lincoln Park, Rogers Park, Evanston, and Skokie. My passion is to link those in need with community-based resources which can greatly enrich their lives.

I have affiliations with the Village Chicago, the Alzheimer's Association, the Center on Addison, and the Center for Disability and Elder Law. I also serve as Secretary on the Gerber/Hart Library and Archives Board of Directors.

In my personal life, I have two daughters who are also active in the social services and teaching arenas. Jennifer, my older daughter, is an LCSW whose expertise is counseling parents experiencing perinatal, neonatal, and post-natal problems concerning their babies. Katie, my younger daughter, has a Ph.D. in Women's and Gender Studies and is a tenured professor at the University of Kansas.

While I know filling Mary Ann Collins' footsteps is a daunting task, I am overjoyed by the prospect of serving fellow parishioners and neighbors throughout Edgewater. Please feel free to reach out to me at the Heart to Heart office.



## Parish Calendar

### Sunday, January 13 *The Baptism of the Lord*

- 10:00 am ~ Family Mass hosted by 6th graders and their families
- 12:30 pm ~ Parent/teen summer service trip info meeting in the Ministry Center

### Thursday, January 17

- 7:00 pm ~ Parent/teen summer service trip info meeting in the Ministry Center

### Friday, January 18-25

- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

### Saturday, January 19

- 5:00 pm ~ Second Collection at Mass for the Church in Latin America

### Sunday, January 20

- Second Collection at all Masses for the Church in Latin America
- No Religious Ed classes.
- MLK Postcard Writing Event after the 10:00 am, 10:30 am, and 11:30 am Masses in the Ministry Center Dining Room

- 11:00 am-1:00 pm ~ NCA Open House - PreK-4th Grade (Primary School Campus, 6216 N. Glenwood Ave.)
- 12:00-2:00 pm ~ NCA Open House - 5th-8th Grade (Middle School Campus, 7318 N. Oakley Ave.)

### Tuesday, January 22

- 7:00 pm ~ ECRA Week of Prayer for Christian Unity event at Sacred Heart, 6250 N. Sheridan Rd.

### Friday, January 25

- 7:00-9:00 pm ~ Women's Group to gather at 1456 W. Thome Ave.

### Saturday, January 26

- 1:00-4:00 pm ~ Confirmation candidates retreat in the Social Hall

### Sunday, January 27

- No Religious Ed classes.
- 11:30 am ~ Screening of *One Border, One Body* (location tbd)

## Parish News

**Family Mass:** Sixth grade parishioners and their families will host today's 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, January 13. Hospitality will be offered after Mass.

**Upcoming Second Collection:** On Saturday, January 19 and Sunday, January 20, there will be a second collection at all Masses for the Church in Latin America. Please be generous.

**MLK Postcard Writing Event:** Martin Luther King Jr. Day weekend is a weekend of service. Provide a service by fighting for those truly in need! Come write at a postcard action sponsored by the Refugee Committee on Sunday, January 20 after the 10:00 am, 10:30 am and 11:30 am Masses in the Ministry Center Dining Room.

Use your voice and tell the government that refugees seeking asylum deserve to be welcomed into our nation. All materials, examples of written postcards, and refreshments will be provided.

**Religious Education Schedule:** There will be no Religious Education classes on Sunday, January

20 because of the Martin Luther King, Jr. observance, nor classes on Sunday, January 27 due to NCA's open house. Kids Word at the 10:00 am Mass will still meet on those mornings.

**Women's Group to Meet:** All women in the parish are invited to attend a "beat the post-holiday blues" gathering on Friday, January 25 from 7:00-9:00 pm. We'll meet at Ann Wilson's house, located at 1456 W. Thome Ave. As usual, bring a snack or a drink to share.

Email Laurie Jacob with an questions or suggestions at [jacobfamily@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jacobfamily@sbcglobal.net).

**Retreat for Confirmation Candidates:** All Confirmation candidates from St. Gertrude's Religious Ed program and NCA must attend a retreat on Saturday, January 26. It will take place from 1:00-4:00 pm in the Social Hall. Parents are not required to attend.

## Parish Stewardship Report

*“He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil.” ~ Acts 10:38*

Simple words to describe Jesus. Simple words to describe his actions. None of us is Jesus. But each of us has our part. We can go around doing good. We can help those who are oppressed.

*~ Art Blumberg,  
Director of Parish Management and Facilities*

Collection December 29-30	\$5,381.76
Budgeted Collection	<u>\$7,725.00</u>
<b>Underage</b>	<b>(-) \$2,343.24</b>
Collection January 5-6	\$7,303.35
Budgeted Collection	<u>\$7,725.00</u>
<b>Underage</b>	<b>(-) \$421.65</b>
Christmas Collection Year-to-Date	\$42,948.65
Budgeted Collection Fiscal Year 2019	\$45,000.00
Online Sunday Collection December	\$21,152.00
Budgeted Collection	\$18,488.00
<b>Overage</b>	<b>(+) \$2,664.00</b>

## Week of Prayer for Christian Unity



Each year between the dates of January 18-25, Christians around the world are called to devote time to pray for unity among all Christians. We know that Jesus prayed for his disciples to remain one, as he and his Father are one, “that the world may believe” (John 17:21).

The Edgewater Community Religious Association (ECRA) will host their annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity event on Tuesday, January 22 at 7:00 pm. This year’s gathering will be a Taize prayer service and will be held in the chapel at Sacred Heart School, 6250 North Sheridan Road. We hope that you will set aside time on your calendar and participate. If needed, there is a handicap-accessible elevator entrance fifty feet south of the main staircase entrance at 6250 North Sheridan Road. Free parking is available in the Sacred Heart Parking lot at the southeast corner of Granville and Kenmore.

The 2019 theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is *Justice, Only Justice, You shall Pursue.* (Deuteronomy 16:20)

The twenty-two Christian Churches in our Edgewater Community that we will be praying for include:

- Bethany Lutheran
- Chicago Chin Baptist
- Ebenezer Lutheran
- Edgewater Baptist
- Edgewater Presbyterian
- Episcopal Church of the Atonement
- Epworth United Methodist Church
- Eritrean Orthodox Church of St. Mary in Chicago
- Family Empowerment Center of Chicago
- First Evangelical Free Church
- Grace Baptist Church
- Granville Avenue United Methodist Church
- Iglesia Del Pacto Evangelico Belen
- Immanuel Lutheran Church
- New Story Church
- North Shore Baptist
- Philadelphia Church
- St. Andrew Greek Orthodox
- St. Gertrude Catholic Church
- St. Gregory the Great Parish
- St. Ita Parish
- Unity Lutheran Church

*~ Allen Stryczek*

*2019 Summer Service Trip*

2019 Summer  
Service Trip  
*Pine Ridge  
Reservation, SD*  
July 26 - August 4,  
2019



Join us for a jam-packed week of service, friendship, fun, and so much more!  
Teens currently in 8th grade to high school seniors are eligible to participate!

**Parent/Teen Info Meeting in the Ministry Center**

*Sunday, January 13 at 12:30 pm*

or

*Thursday, January 17 at 7:00 pm*

Contact Jim Potthast for more information at [jpotthast@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:jpotthast@stgertrudechicago.org).



## Immigration Ministry Film Festival

St. Gertrude's Refugee Committee has teamed up with the Archdiocese of Chicago's Human Dignity and Solidarity Ministry to be part of the Immigration Ministry Film Festival this January. Below is the listing of remaining films in the series being screened:

- Sunday, January 13 at 4:00 pm  
*Dying to Live*  
**St. Teresa of Avila**  
1033 W. Armitage Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60614
- Monday, January 14 at 7:00 pm  
*Harvest of Empire*  
**St. Michael**  
14327 Highland Ave.  
Orland Park, IL60462
- Saturday, January 19 at 5:30 pm  
*Beyond Borders*  
**St. Christopher**  
4130 W. 147<sup>th</sup> Street  
Midlothian, IL 60445
- Sunday, January 20 at 1:00 pm & 6:00 pm  
*Beyond Borders*  
**Old St. Patrick's**  
625 W. Adams St.  
Chicago, IL 60661
- Sunday, January 27 at 11:30 am  
*One Border, One Body*  
**St. Gertrude**  
(location TBD)

## Northside Catholic Academy

Northside Catholic Academy will be hosting Open Houses at both campuses on Sunday, January 27. Our Primary School Campus (PreK-4) at 6216 N. Glenwood Ave. will be open from 11:00am-1:00pm, and our Middle School Campus (5-8) at 7318 N. Oakley Ave. will be open from 12:00-2:00pm.

For more information, please call 773.743.6277 or visit [www.NorthsideCatholic.org](http://www.NorthsideCatholic.org).

## Matching Grant Program for NCA & Archdiocesan Catholic Schools

A group of generous donors has agreed to pool their resources and offer a two-for-one matching gift program to schools run by the Archdiocese of Chicago. For \$1 designated to a qualifying school through *Empower Illinois* between December 1, 2018 and February 28, 2019, the school will receive \$2 in matching funds. The donations are capped at \$100,000 per school.

After April 1, 2019, any matching gift program funds that are not awarded at a designated school will be reallocated to low-income students at schools with unmet demand.

For more information please call 312.534.2617 or visit [www.archchicago.org/tcs](http://www.archchicago.org/tcs).

## Care for our Common Home



The Christmas Season ends with the assurance that we, like Jesus, are beloved. Our own baptism empowers us to do what is good. In *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis reminds us that perceptions of good change over time, “Cultural limitations in

different eras often affected the perception of these ethical and spiritual treasures, yet by constantly returning to their sources, religions will be better equipped to respond to today's needs ... to dialog among religions for the sake of protecting nature, defending the poor, and building networks of respect and fraternity.” (par. 200 - 201) With whom do we dialog to better understand and respond to today's needs?

For information about the NCA Green Team, contact [georgetully82@gmail.com](mailto:georgetully82@gmail.com).

## Our Parish at Prayer

### MONDAY, JANUARY 14

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

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 15

7:30 am Joe Shields †

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16

7:30 am Ethan Seitzer †

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 17

7:30 am Communion Service

7:00 pm Quinn Bringas †

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 18

7:30 am Wally Koegler †

8:30 am NCA Mass

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

7:30 am Purgatorial Society

5:00 pm In thanksgiving to St. Jude

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 20

8:00 am Agnes Rose Gorlich †

9:30 am Parishioners of St. Gertrude

10:00 am Andy Devine †

10:30 am Mary Anne Barry †

11:30 am Harry Glotkowski †

† Indicates  
person listed  
is deceased.

## Ministers of the Word

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

5:00 pm Kathleen Dawson, Norm Bowers

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 20

8:00 am Hallie Burhoe, David Sullivan

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

10:00 am Ruth Ott, Rose Karasti

10:30 am TBA

11:30 am Amanda Robertson, Victoria Healy

## Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9;  
Mk 1:14-20

**Tuesday:** Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9;  
Mk 1:21-28

**Wednesday:** Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9;  
Mk 1:29-39

**Thursday:** Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45

**Friday:** Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8;  
Mk 2:1-12

**Saturday:** Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15;  
Mk 2:13-17

**Sunday:** Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10;  
1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

## Eucharistic Ministers

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

5:00 pm Mary Cook, Kathleen Dawson, John  
Sullivan, Patricia Norcik, Michelle  
Kuehlhorn

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 20

8:00 am Barb Daly, Peter Morin, Sr. Kathryn  
Stimac, William Mitchell, Hallie Burhoe

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

10:00 am Kathy Dunne, Carlos Barragan, Gail  
Smith, Rafael Melendez, Patrick  
Robinson, Ruth Ott, Debra Novak

10:30 am TBA

11:30 am Steven Monti, Chris Lincoln, Karen  
Griebel, Sharon Brown

## Altar Servers

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

5:00 pm Brendan Moran, Norah Moran, Jayden  
Reyes

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 20

10:00 am Alexandra Healy, Ariella Gehl, Zoe Asnis

11:30 am Nordon Bhutia, Isabella Brobbey, Claire  
McCarthy

## Support the Archdiocese of Chicago Domestic Violence Outreach

Your online donation is secure and flexible. You  
can choose the amount you wish to give and how  
you wish to have the funds designated. Donations  
may be made at

[https://www.givecentral.org/location/132/  
event/12645](https://www.givecentral.org/location/132/event/12645).



## Milestones



### Weddings

Interested in getting married at St. Gertrude? Call the Rectory at 773.764.3621 to ask for more info.



### Rest in Peace

Mary Hickey



### Baptisms

Please call the Rectory at 773.764.3621 to make arrangements to have a child baptized.



### New Parishioners

If you have been thinking of becoming a member of our parish community, please consider registering.

Applications to register as a parishioner are available in the back of Church, at the Rectory, or online at [www.stgertrudechicago.org](http://www.stgertrudechicago.org).

#### PARISH STAFF

Rev. Richard J. Prendergast, Pastor  
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  
Amanda Kvasnica, Office Staff  
Jim Potthast, 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, 10:00 am, 11:30 am  
9:30am St. Gertrude East (Sacred Heart School/Sheridan and Granville)  
10:30 am Mass in the Gym (except summer months)  
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.org](http://www.stgertrudechicago.org)  
E-mail: [stgertrude1420@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto: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 - Friday: 8:30 am to 7:30 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

#### PARISH SCHOOL

Northside Catholic Academy: 773.743.6277  
[www.northsidecatholic.org](http://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. 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](http://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 Ministry Center