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be with  
you.



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**Bulletin for Sunday,  
April 14, 2024**  
*Third Sunday of Easter*

### From Fr. Mike Gabriel

Transitions has become a very familiar word in the Catholic Church; St. Gertrude's is well-versed in this word. St. Gertrude's will soon be in transition saying goodbye to a few.

- Fr. Paul Àdajà, who has been with us a little less than a year, will be leaving St. Gertrude to assist at another parish.
- Fr. Jim Flaherty S. J., who has been with us over two years, will leave May 19th to become the Director of the Jesuit retreat house in Oshkosh Wisconsin.
- Fr Pius, who has been a student these last three years, will be graduating mid-May and then moving on.
- Fr. Bill Creed S. J., an icon and beloved, will move sometime later this summer to the Bellarmine Retreat House in Barrington.
- Richard Joubert S.J., a Jesuit Scholastic who has been here the last two years, will be continuing his formation program.

Each of these men will be greatly missed. We are most grateful for all that they have done to help St. Gertrude's.

As we say goodbye to all of them, please keep them in your prayers.

~ Father Mike



## Workshop TODAY, Sunday, April 14: Informed, Engaged, and Committed: *Being a Catholic Multi-Issue Voter*

This afternoon, join trainers from NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice and justice-seekers from around Chicago for a workshop.

The workshop will take a deeper look at how Catholic social teaching and tradition provide us with a framework for living responsibly and building a just society. It will explore the many issues that we're invited to consider as we head into election season.

Workshop participants will then begin to explore and practice concrete tools to help have respectful conversations about hard topics and practice sharing about a vision of multi-racial inclusive society where all have what they need to thrive - no exceptions.

Lunch is provided between 12:00-12:30 pm, and the workshop will be held from 12:30-2:30 pm in the Social Hall.

There is a suggested donation of \$15. Please do not let cost prevent you from attending this workshop. Register at <https://www.mobilize.us/network/event/613472/>.



## TODAY, Sunday, April 14— Community Shredding Event

Need a safe way to get rid of old papers and documents? On Sunday, April 14 from 12:30-3:30 pm, 606 Real Estate is hosting a community shredding event in St. Gertrude's parking lot, located at 6236 N. Glenwood.

There is a limit of two file boxes/bags per person, per trip. Only paper items can be securely disposed of: no cardboard, staples, or paper clips are allowed.



### Financial Report for April 6-7

Sunday Collection Envelopes: 3,799.00  
Loose Checks: \$265.00  
Loose Cash/Coins: \$733.31  
Online Donations: \$8,022.63  
**Total Collected: \$12,819.94**

Budgeted: \$10,000.00  
**Difference: \$2,819.94**  
Year-to-date Collected FY 2024: \$451,144.41  
Year-to-date Budgeted FY 2024: \$386,400.00  
**Difference: \$64,744.41**





## Guadalupanos Rosary Group (Grupo del Rosario de Guadalupanos) on Friday Evenings

All are welcome to attend the weekly Rosary group held on Friday evenings at 7:00 pm.

The bilingual gathering is held in the dining room of the Ministry Center, located at 6214 North Glenwood Avenue.

## Save the Date! Our Parish Play is April 19-20!

Every year, parish members write an original play that is complemented by a mix of songs ranging from showtunes and oldies to more contemporary hits.

This year's production, titled *Lights, Camera, Action* is centered around a local theater trying to survive and hold onto its roots.

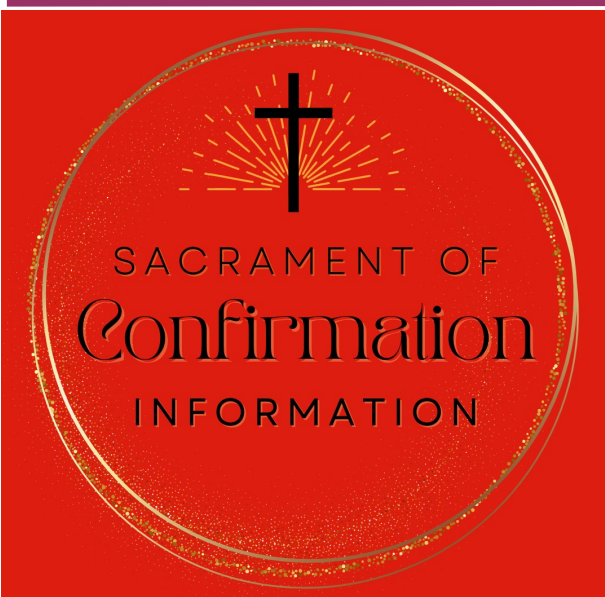
The event will be in the Social Hall, with the show beginning at 8:00 pm, with doors opening at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. Snacks and beverages (including beer and wine) will be available at our concession stand. This year, there will also be a 50/50 raffle, with \$1 per ticket or \$5 for six tickets.

St. Gertrude  
Parish Players  
proudly present

# LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

Friday, April 19 | Saturday, April 20  
St. Gertrude Social Center | 1401 W. Granville | Chicago

\$10 Adults | \$5 Children  
Doors Open 7:30 p.m.  
Show 8 p.m.



## Confirmation Information: Second Retreat is Thursday, April 25

There is a second Confirmation Retreat planned on Thursday, April 25 for students that made their Confirmation in March of 2024. It will be in the Ministry Center from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.

Questions? Contact Eloy Escamilla at [eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org).

## Our Monthly Care for Real Food and Supply Drive is April 27-28

Our next monthly Care for Real Food and Supply Drive is Saturday, April 27 and Sunday, April 28.

Care for Real relies on the generosity of neighbors and the efforts of dedicated volunteers to distribute food six days a week and offer other essential items to clients.

Here are some of their needs:

### Baby care:

- Diapers (any/all sizes, but especially 4, 5, and 6)
- Baby wipes

### Personal care:

- Menstrual pads
- Shampoo/conditioner
- Individually wrapped toilet paper rolls
- Body wipes
- Soap/deodorant/lotion/razors
- Toothbrushes/toothpaste/mouth wash

### Food items:

- Ramen or ready-to-eat noodles
- Peanut butter/jelly
- Protein bars

Care for Real also accepts donations of non-perishable foods, full-sized toiletries, unopened and unexpired dog and cat food, reusable bags, clean plastic and paper bags, Black hair care products, formula, paper towels, and more.

Thank you for helping our neighbors in need!



## Altar Server Training - Tuesday, April 30

Students in 5th grade and up are invited to become altar servers! There is a training session planned for Tuesday, April 30th at 6:00 pm in church. It should last about an hour.

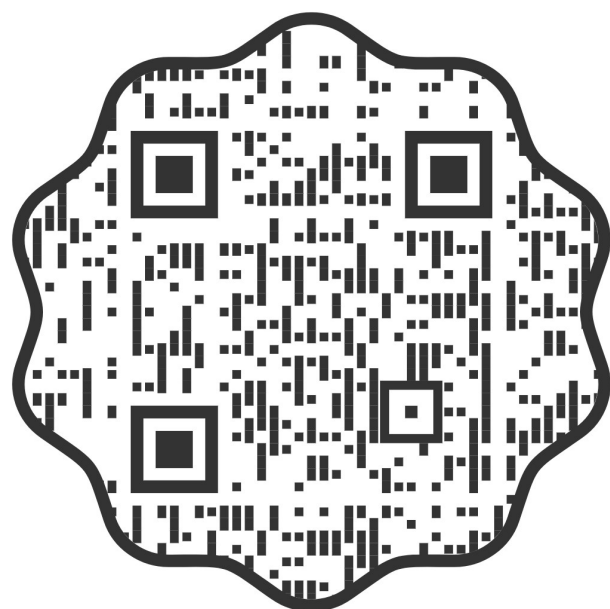
Please note, serving as an altar server does qualify for Confirmation service hours.

Contact pastoral associate Eloy Escamilla at [eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org) with questions.

## Teens are Invited to our Parish Youth Mission Experience

If you are sixth grade through high school, you are invited to take part in St. Gertrude's Youth Mission Experience! Planned for the week of July 22-26, the group will volunteer with a different Chicagoland organization each day.

There is a \$100 fee for the week. A \$50 deposit is required at the time of registration. Please note that there are scholarships available! All participants will receive a t-shirt, water bottle, and a sports drawstring backpack. To reserve a spot, contact [eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org).



## News from the PPC—May 5 Town Hall; Join the PPC

The Parish Pastoral Council will be hosting a Town Hall on Sunday, May 5 after the 10:30 am mass in the gym. To enrich our gathering, please review the [Strategic Plan](https://stgertrudechicago.org/our-mission-%26-vision) found on our website at <https://stgertrudechicago.org/our-mission-%26-vision>.

Are you called to leadership? The Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is looking for new members. If you are interested in joining please complete the [Interest Form](#) at the above link or scan the QR code. There are also paper copies in the back of church. The deadline for submission is May 10. If you would like to nominate someone for the PPC, please email

[stgertrudeparishcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:stgertrudeparishcouncil@gmail.com).

## Lending Closet Needs

The Lending Closet is in great need of shower chairs, shower transfer benches, and rollator walkers.

If you have any to donate, please reach out to Laurie Hasbrook, Lending Closet manager, at [lhasbrook@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:lhasbrook@stgertrudechicago.org).





## Growing in Faith

One I always feel Jesus is chuckling in these early Resurrection stories, messing with the apostles just a bit - by not merely appearing to the apostles and disciples, but eating with them.

No Marley's Ghost – here is Jesus, a flesh and blood living being, breaking bread, having some baked fish. I imagine a bemused expression on his face as he sees the startled reactions of his friends. And pass the salt please.

While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, "Have you anything here to eat?" Like a good Jewish mother.

But really now...if you were newly risen from the dead, would eating be the first thing you'd want to do? Why is the detail of food mentioned in so many of these stories? Yet...that IS consistent with all of Jesus' prior ministry, which centers so often around table fellowship, leading up to that last sacred meal with his beloved.

What is the lesson he is still trying to teach us, thru his example, breaking bread? Now my mind goes to "things that have happened here in these days" — our days — our current conversation as the world witnesses food being used as a weapon of war, people being brought to the brink of famine by the intentional withholding of humanitarian aid. "He took it and ate it in front of them...Then he opened their minds" scripture tells us today. With the disciples, we might ask, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked?"

- Madeleine Philbin



## Easter Flower Offering Envelopes

We are offering an opportunity to celebrate someone in your life, living or deceased, during the Easter season. Please consider making an Easter Flower offering in their name.

Envelopes are available in the back of the Church and may be placed in the collection basket or sent to Rectory. The names of those honored will be published in the bulletin during the Easter season.

### Flower Offering Remembrances

*In Memory of/Individual who Honored Them*

- **Caskie Family**
- **Peter Steenveld** by Joanne Steenveld
- **John and Elizabeth** by Pat O'Neal
- **Groleau Karasti** by Rose Karasti
- **Slane and Quinn families** by Millie Slane

# Parish Information

## New Parishioners

- Josephine Delgado
- Mark & Rosemarie Isaily

## Cantors, Ministers of the Word, Eucharistic Ministers, & Altar Servers for This Weekend

### Ministers of the Word

- Saturday, April 13 at 5:00 pm - Millie Slane, Joseph McMahan
- Sunday, April 14 at 8:00 am - David Sullivan, Patrick Reardon
- Sunday, April 14 at 10:30 am - Rose Karasti, Anthony Myers

### Eucharistic Ministers

- Saturday, April 6 at 5:00 pm - Roman Reyes
- Sunday, April 7 at 8:00 am - Kathryn Stimac
- Sunday, April 7 at 10:30 am - Maria Ugarte, Steve Monti, Lisa Schneider

### Cantors

- Saturday, April 13 at 5:00 pm - Kathryn Flynn
- Sunday, April 14 at 8:00 am - Martin Downs
- Sunday, April 14 at 10:30 am - Matt Heimer

### Altar Servers

- Saturday, April 13 at 5:00 pm - Wyatt Dant, cross bearer; Carter Dant, and Carter Cartwright, acolytes
- Sunday, April 14 at 10:30 am - Mary Kate Cashman, cross bearer; Henry Villareal and Abby Thompson, acolytes

## Please Pray for our Parishioners and Friends

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|---------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| • Carlos Barragan         | • Luke Fitzgerald  | • Daniel Moore         |
| • Patrick Barton          | • Tim Giles        | • Andy Mueller         |
| • Zara Bradley            | • Estelle Guardino | • Donald Nydereck      |
| • Lilly Buie              | • Gina Heidkamp    | • Dealina Peon         |
| • Hallie Burhoe           | • Tricia Hernandez | • Claude Poulsen       |
| • The Buttitta family     | • Maria Hertl      | • Charley Scantlebury  |
| • Maggie Callaway         | • Marilyn Klein    | • Willy Spalla         |
| • Aida Calvopina          | • Ignacio Lopez    | • Elinora E. Tolentino |
| • Claire Conley           | • Carleen Lorys    | • Manuel & Norma Viray |
| • Denise DeBelle          | • River Malik      | • Leon Ward            |
| • David Denegas           | • Matilde Manzardo | • Ron Whitfield        |
| • Ann Collins Dole        | • Janet McCulley   | • Yyes Yoza            |
| • Mr. and Mrs. Emin Euman | • Nancy Michael    | • Joel Pozzi Zio       |

Contact the Rectory office at 773.764.3621 or email [stgertrude1420@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:stgertrude1420@stgertrudechicago.org) if you would like to add a name to the prayer list.

## Mass Intentions

- **Sunday, April 14:** 8:00 am - Michelle Cagney+; 10:30 am in church - Peter Hertl+; 10:30 am Gym Mass - Eileen Sheahan+
- **Monday, April 15:** 7:30 am - Nancy Quinn Jaskowiak+
- **Tuesday, April 16:** 7:30 am - Anita Dickey+
- **Wednesday, April 17:** 7:30 am - Joe McMahan+
- **Thursday, April 18:** 7:30 am - Communion Service
- **Friday, April 19:** 7:30 am - Jose Vino+
- **Saturday, April 20:** 7:30 am - Purgatorial Society; 5:00 pm - Joanna Joyce+

*\*The 2025 Mass Intentions book is now open. If you would like a Mass Intention said for a person that needs prayers or in memory of someone who has died, please call the Rectory or stop by the Rectory office. We'll help you find an available Mass and prepare a card for you to give to the person or family of the intention. A \$20 donation is suggested.*

## Donate to our Parish

- Text the word *Donate* to 1.773.741.9505.
- PayPal link - visit our parish website at [www.stgertrudechicago.org](http://www.stgertrudechicago.org)
- GiveCentral: [www.givecentral.org/location/8/allevnts](http://www.givecentral.org/location/8/allevnts)
- Questions? Reach out to Eduardo Soto, St. Gertrude's business manager, via email at [esoto@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:esoto@stgertrudechicago.org) for additional information.

## Mass Times/Reconciliation/Rectory Office Hours

- Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:30 am in Church, 10:30 am Gym Mass; Monday-Friday: 7:30 am (Thursday is a Communion Service.); Saturday: 7:30 am & 5:00 pm Reconciliation is offered on Saturday from 4:15-4:45 pm in Church or by appointment by calling the Rectory at 773.764.3621.
- The Rectory office is open Monday-Friday from 8:30 am-4:30 pm and Saturday from 9:00 am - 2:30 pm. For the most up-to-date information, visit [stgertrudechicago.org](http://stgertrudechicago.org).

## Parish Staff and Contact Info

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