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### Bulletin for Sunday, July 7 & Sunday, July 14

*14th & 15th Sundays in Ordinary Time)*

### From Fr. Mike Gabriel

Often, I am challenged in what to write in the bulletin. Usually, I try to offer some news about the parish, and to thank people who deserve praise for the things they are doing for our parish or community.

I use this space in the bulletin to be forthright about problematic situations that I feel are appropriate to make public. I've tried to continually show my belief that this is your parish.

But there are times when I have to make decisions not always popular with everyone but which are my responsibility as pastor. I do not take these duties lightly.

I am sorry that some of these decisions have alienated some of you recently and have caused some of you to walk away. I pray that this summer can bring some healing and closure for all of us. *St. Gertrude, Pray for Us.*

As we enter this month of July, I have tried to take advantage of a slower pace, and to recognize everything around me, from nature to the busy streets around town. I read a question posed by a great poet, Mary Oliver, "Tell me, what it is you plan to do with your wild and precious life?" Summer days offer us time to be outside, gather more easily with friends and family, walk, run, swim etc. What are you doing with your wild and precious life?

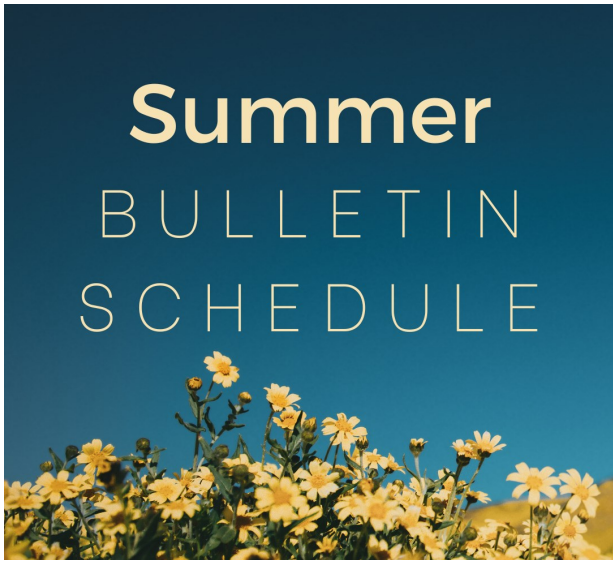
*I Surrender: A Memoir of Chile's Dictatorship, 1975*, written by parishioner Kathy Osberger, recently received an Honorable Mention Award from the Catholic Media Associate.

Congratulations, Kathy! I still have a few books left if anyone is interested in reading it; just let me know if you would like a copy.

### **Blood Drive Next Weekend**

On July 14th we will be having another Blood Drive from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. You can sign-up and schedule a time at 877.258.4825 or scan the QR code on page 3 in the bulletin or on the posters in the back of the church.

Enjoy summer!



# Summer BULLETIN SCHEDULE

## Summer Bulletin Schedule

Beginning this weekend, bulletins will be available every two weeks.

If you like to have anything submitted, please information to [news@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:news@stgertrudechicago.org) 10 days before the print date.

The schedule is:

- July 7 & 14
- July 21 & 28
- August 4 & 11
- August 18 & 25

## Thank You for Your Generosity!

Thank you to the many parishioners who dropped off donations for Care for Real this weekend for asylum seekers and two weekends ago for our other neighbors in need!

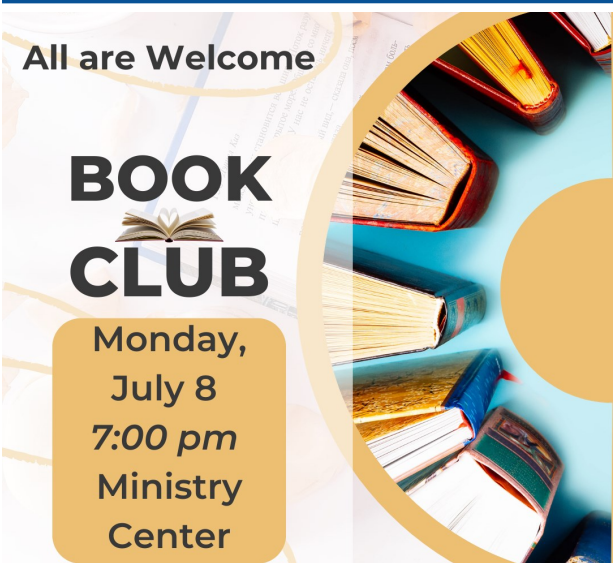
We are so grateful for your help supporting them as they work to provide food and much-needed supplies to our neighbors who are struggling.

Missed it? Donations can be dropped off between 12:00-3:00 pm every Monday-Saturday at the back entrance of 5339 N. Sheridan.

Our collection drive for Care for Real is always the fourth calendar weekend every month, and our asylum seekers' collection is the first weekend of the month.



**THANK YOU**  
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## Book Club Planned for Monday, July 8

On Monday, July 8, the book club will discuss *The Secrets We Kept* by Lara Prescott. The gathering is at 7:00 pm in the Ministry Center, located at 6214 North Glenwood Avenue.

We would love new voices and opinions!

Contact Lea Cloninger at 773.973.2465 or Sue Benjamin at 773.551.8401 with questions.

## Friday Morning Men's Prayer and Scripture Discussion Group

The Friday Morning Men's Prayer and Scripture Discussion group will have an in-person gathering for all the remaining Fridays in July and August.

It will be at the St. Gertrude Ministry Center, 6214 N. Glenwood. We meet for social conversation at 7:45 am and begin in prayer at 8:00 am.

We read and share our insights into the Scripture readings for the coming Sunday. We want to better live the Gospel in our daily lives and we share what the readings mean to us, from our personal perspectives rather than a scholarly point of view. We finish with an "Our Father" at about 9:00 am. Some opt to linger longer as their schedule permits. We also will be connected via Zoom for these summer gatherings.

Here is the Zoom information for our weekly gathering.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82324487220?pwd=otM815Mj0GGCKgLdIAm3wcXEEdcSHEF.1>

Meeting ID: 823 2448 7220

Passcode: pray

There are currently about 6-8 guys participating in a typical Friday morning gathering. We hope several who are reading this will also find this to be appealing and give the group a try. If you are interested and plan to come, it would be helpful – but not required – if you let Allen Stryczek know you are coming by sending him an email to

[astryczek@sbcglobal.net](mailto:astryczek@sbcglobal.net).



## A Community of Love and Acceptance

Every weeknight, Calvin G. travels over 10 miles to Catholic Charities for supper and community. "Here," he says, "we all are humans with a story."

Visit [catholiccharities.net](http://catholiccharities.net) to read more about why our community matters to Calvin, and why he matters to us.

We are grateful to the individuals, families and businesses that help fund and volunteer at our weekly community suppers.

To learn more, please email [volunteer@catholiccharities.net](mailto:volunteer@catholiccharities.net). Make a gift to support our programs at [catholiccharities.net/donate](http://catholiccharities.net/donate).

## Parish Blood Drive Planned for Sunday, July 14

The next blood drive at St. Gertrude Church is Sunday, July 14 from 8:00 am–1:00 pm. The Vitalant Bloodmobile will be located on Glenwood Avenue in front of the entrance to St. Gert's.

Blood donors are greatly needed in our area to help local patients. Every blood donation can save up to 3 lives in our community!

Please prepare for your donation by eating well and hydrating before your appointment. Additionally, bring ID.

To schedule your donation, scan the QR code in the image, call Vitalant at 877.258.4825 or register online at [vitalant.org](https://vitalant.org) and use code ORD00591. Walk-ins are welcome!

For more information, contact Pat Knowles at [pknowles2@gmail.com](mailto:pknowles2@gmail.com).

# BLOOD DRIVE



## St. Gertrude Parish Blood Drive

Sunday, July 14  
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.  
Vitalant Bloodmobile



Appointments Recommended. Walk-ins Welcome.

- Eat well
- Hydrate
- Bring ID

To schedule your donation call Vitalant at 877.258.4825 or visit [vitalant.org](https://vitalant.org) and use group code: ORD00591. Or, **SCAN QR CODE**.

You can also search by blood drive date or for more information please contact Pat Knowles at [pknowles2@gmail.com](mailto:pknowles2@gmail.com).

Rev up the excitement with our Summer Car Giveaway! Donate blood and cruise your way into the chance to win a car, valued up to \$30,000.

**GIVE BLOOD TODAY | [vitalant.org](https://vitalant.org)**  
Eligibility questions? Call 877.258.4825





## The Edgewater Garden Walk is Sunday, July 14

The 2024 Edgewater Glen Garden Walk will be held on Sunday July 14, 2024 from noon to 5:00 pm. It features the gardens in the 1200 & 1300 blocks of Norwood, Glenlake, Hood, and the south side of Granville.

The registration table and maps will be located at 1354 W. Norwood. There is a donation of \$5 for adults and no charge for children.

This is your chance to view the outdoor spaces of the talented Edgewater Glen gardeners in a

compact, easily walkable route!

For more details, visit <http://www.edgeglen.com/gw>.

**Guadalupeans Rosary Group (Grupo del Rosario de Guadalupeans) on Friday Evenings:** All are welcome to attend the bilingual weekly Rosary group held on Friday evenings at 7:00 pm in the dining room of the Ministry Center, located at 6214 North Glenwood Avenue.

# NCA Info: What's Happening at 6216?

To the parish community of St Gertrude,

We are grateful for your hospitality, support, and guidance over the past thirty years of NCA. In light of this great history, we will be taking an important step this fall. For the first time ever, our entire school community will be at one campus! We are excited by this move and what it means for each of our stakeholders.

If you'd like to know more about the consolidation or how you can support us in this crucial moment, please reach out to our Director of Institutional Advancement, Patrick Lambert at 773.743.6277 or [PLambert@ncaschools.com](mailto:PLambert@ncaschools.com).

With great hope,

*Terese Black, Principal*



## More opportunities for....

### Students Families Teachers Parish

- Middle schoolers to mentor primary school students and grow as leaders
- School wide events and masses
- Staying in touch with impactful teachers

- Stress-free mornings of dropping off at only one campus
- Meeting other parents
- Scholarships made possible through maintenance savings

- Collaboration and peer feedback
- Vertical alignment between core subjects
- Real time response from in-building administrator

- Collaboration between St. Gertrude and NCA
- Shared sacramental life
- Families getting involved in parish life

## Our future?

We are certain that this move will not only show the immediate benefits outlined above but will ensure something greater in the future. Without the financial constraint of maintaining two campuses we can invest in developing our current campus, supporting scholarships to meet our community's needs, and developing our teachers. The future is looking brighter every day.

# Next Commonweal Dialogue Gathering is Friday, July 26

Our first gathering and conversation of the renewed Commonweal Dialogue occurred on June 14th. It was a wonderful and spirited discussion among about 20 parishioners of St. Gertrude and St. Nick's Parishes.

The next Commonweal Dialogue will take place on Friday, July 26 at 6:30 pm. John Williams has again graciously agreed to hold the meeting on his back porch at 1305 W. Glenlake Ave. We will enjoy wine and pizza with our conversation.

The topic is "*Faith and Politics in the 2024 Presidential Election.*" Questions we might consider include (but are not confined to) the following: What part does our Catholic (or other) faith play in our 2024 vote for President of the United States? Does our faith influence our political views or do our politics influence our religious beliefs? How do Catholics with opposing political views talk to one another with civility and understanding?

Suggested reading: TBA

Commonweal Dialogue provides opportunities for civil and cordial conversation about topics of contemporary concern at the intersection of faith and politics. We hope you will join us!

Best,

Verna Foster

Denise DeBelle

John Williams



## ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC WORKER

Uptown's House of Hospitality is turning 50 and welcomes all to its doors!  
Drop by for dinner on Mondays at 6pm.



4652 N Kenmore Ave, Chicago, IL 60640  
[www.francishousechicago.org](http://www.francishousechicago.org) @francishousechicago

## St. Francis Catholic Worker House of Hospitality

St. Francis House is a home offering hospitality in the tradition of the Catholic Worker movement, located in the Uptown neighborhood at 4652 N. Kenmore.

All are welcome to come by for dinner any Monday at 6:00 pm! Curious about this tradition? Read about in the Chicago Catholic at <https://rb.gy/10e7pw>.

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## Growing in Faith: Jesus Rejected in His Home Town Synagogue of Nazareth

The simple phrase “I know”, or in today’s Gospel, “We know”, is an expression of power, self-assurance and pride. Sometimes a healthy pride as the student who raises her hand in response to the teacher’s question because she knows the answer and sometimes an arrogant pride as when I say it curtly in response to my spouse thoughtfully reminding me of something she considers important.

For Jesus’ hometown neighbors, their “knowing” is a dismissive, defensive, probably jealous, and proud, rejection that prevented them from humbly admitting and receiving a deeper and potentially transformative knowledge, or truth. Perhaps this is why, of all the capital sins, John of the Cross dedicates more words in his Dark Night of the Soul to the sin of pride. It can be insidious and keep me from hearing what is important for me to hear.

Jesus is compelled by what he knows is true, by whom he knows himself to be, by whom he is called to be, and by the truth, or knowledge, he is called to speak. His homies were scandalized by, or literally “stumbled on”, his “I know who I am” fulfillment of Isaiah’s words, and, I think, they also were disturbed by his reminder that the Messiah was for the poor, the captive, the blind, and the oppressed because, as Peter Maurin said, the Gospel afflicts the comfortable and comforts the afflicted.

Oh, that I may pay attention to those truths that disturb my comfort no matter the source.

~Jim Manzardo



## Rollators Needed for the Lending Closet!

The Lending Closet is in dire need of rollator walkers (walkers with a seat.)

Please e-mail or call Laurie Hasbrook at [lhasbrook@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:lhasbrook@stgertrudechicago.org) or 773.973.5464 ext. 115 if you are able to donate one of these items.

## Parish Calendar of Events

### Saturday, July 6

- Care for Real Food & Supply Drive for Asylum Seekers

### Sunday, July 7

- Care for Real Food & Supply Drive for Asylum Seekers

### Monday, July 8

- 7:00 pm ~ Book club in the Ministry Center

### Friday, July 12

- 8:00 am ~ Friday Morning Men's Prayer and Scripture Discussion Group in the Ministry Center
- 7:00 pm - Guadalupanos Rosary Group (Grupo del Rosario de Guadalupanos) in the Ministry Center

### Sunday, July 14

- 8:00 am-1:00 pm ~ Blood Drive
- 12:00-5:00 pm ~ Edgewater Garden Walk

### Friday, July 19

- 8:00 am ~ Friday Morning Men's Prayer and Scripture Discussion Group in the Ministry Center
- 7:00 pm - Guadalupanos Rosary Group (Grupo del Rosario de Guadalupanos) in the Ministry Center

### Friday, July 26

- 6:30 pm ~ Commonweal Dialogue (see article for location)
- 7:00 pm - Guadalupanos Rosary Group (Grupo del Rosario de Guadalupanos) in the Ministry Center

## Financial Report for June 29-30

Sunday Collection Envelopes: \$2,190.00  
Loose Checks: \$440.00  
Loose Cash/Coins: \$486.25  
Online Donations: \$2,703.83

**Total Collected: \$5,820.08**

Budgeted: \$10,000.00

**Difference: -\$4,179.92**

Year-to-date Collected FY 2024: \$558,749.65  
Year-to-date Budgeted FY 2024: \$386,400.00  
**Difference: \$172,349.65**

**Peter Pence's Collection: \$1,299.50**

*We would like to inform all parishioners at St. Gertrude that we will be using some funds from the To Teach Who Christ Is to repair plumbing in the Ministry Center. The cost of the project will be \$2,360.00.*

## 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/allevants](http://www.givecentral.org/location/8/allevants)

## Sign Up for Emails from St. Gertrude Parish!

If you would like to receive parish bulletins/emails from our parish or your email address has changed, please let us know! Send an email to [news@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:news@stgertrudechicago.org) and specify if you would prefer just the weekly bulletin, distributed on Thursday afternoons, or our daily prayer/reflection with notices about upcoming parish events.



# Parish Information

## Ministers of the Word, Eucharistic Ministers, & Altar Servers

### Ministers of the Word

- Saturday, July 6 at 5:00 pm - Roman Reyes
- Sunday, July 7 at 8:00 am - Barb Daly
- Sunday, July 8 at 10:30 am - Troy McMillan, Annie Hasselbeck, Steven Hasselbeck
- Saturday, July 13 at 5:00 pm - Kathy Wall
- Sunday, July 14 at 8:00 am - Hallie Burhoe
- Sunday, July 14 at 10:30 am - Maria Ugarte, Carlos Barragan, Troy McMillan

### Eucharistic Ministers

- Saturday, July 6 at 5:00 pm - Roman Reyes
- Sunday, July 7 at 8:00 am - Barb Daly
- Sunday, July 8 at 10:30 am - Troy McMillan, Annie Hasselbeck, Steven Hasselbeck
- Saturday, July 13 at 5:00 pm - Kathy Wall
- Sunday, July 14 at 8:00 am - Hallie Burhoe
- Sunday, July 14 at 10:30 am - Maria Ugarte, Carlos Barragan, Troy McMillan

### Altar Servers

- Saturday, July 6 at 5:00 pm - Esteban Campuzano, cross bearer; Carter Cartwright and Henry Villareal, acolytes
- Sunday, July 7 at 10:30 am - Mary Kate Cashman, cross bearer; Diarmuid McKeon, acolyte
- Saturday, July 13 at 5:00 pm - Carter Dant, cross bearer; Xavier Lassus and Wyatt Dant, acolytes
- Sunday, July 14 at 10:30 am - Owen Craft, cross bearer; Ethan Craft and Viviana Love, acolytes

## Please Pray for our Parishioners and Friends

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|---------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| • Carlos Barragan         | • Luke Fitzgerald  | • Andy Mueller         |
| • Patrick Barton          | • Tim Giles        | • Donald Nyderek       |
| • Zara Bradley            | • Estelle Guardino | • Dealina Peon         |
| • Lilly Buie              | • Gina Heidkamp    | • Claude Poulsen       |
| • Hallie Burhoe           | • Tricia Hernandez | • Charley Scantlebury  |
| • The Buttitta family     | • Maria Hertl      | • Willy Spalla         |
| • Maggie Callaway         | • John Kahoun      | • Floret Spalle        |
| • Aida Calvopina          | • Marilyn Klein    | • 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            |
| • Renee Elhoumaide        | • Nancy Michael    | • Joel Pozzi Zio       |
| • Mr. and Mrs. Emin Euman | • Daniel Moore     |                        |
|                           | • Hilda Mora       |                        |

## Mass Intentions

- **Monday, July 8:** 7:30 am - People of God
- **Tuesday, July 9:** 7:30 am - Joe Shields+
- **Wednesday, July 10:** 7:30 am - Glenn Martin+
- **Thursday, July 11:** 7:30 am - Communion Service
- **Friday, July 12:** 7:30 am - Sheila McGuire+
- **Saturday, July 13:** 7:30 am - People of God; 5:00 pm - JoAnne Marie
- **Sunday, July 14:** 8:00 am - Kim Cantrell+; 10:30 am - Jean Sweeney+
- **Monday, July 15:** 7:30 am - People of God
- **Tuesday, July 16:** 7:30 am - People of God
- **Wednesday, July 17:** 7:30 am - People of God
- **Thursday, July 18:** 7:30 am - Communion Service
- **Friday, July 19:** 7:30 am - People of God
- **Saturday, July 20:** 7:30 am - People of God; 5:00 pm - People of God
- **Sunday, July 21:** 8:00 am - People of God; 10:30 am - Johanna Trummer

*\*If you would like a Mass Intention said for a person that needs prayers or in memory of someone who has died, please 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.*

## 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 is closed on weekends. **The office is closed on July 4 and 5.** For the most up-to-date information, visit [stgertrudechicago.org](http://stgertrudechicago.org).

## Parish Staff and Contact Info

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