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Bulletin for Sunday, June 30, 2024

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

From Fr. Mike Gabriel

This past week, we began another election year with the debate for the candidates for presidency. Truthfully, this is not something I am looking forward to.

I ask you to join with me from now until the 4th of July, Independence Day, to pray especially for our country, as well as for our leaders to do everything possible to stop the violence our country and city faces. Let us hope that they respect all life and call for justice for everyone, based on our inalienable rights "to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

In your personal prayers, at Mass, and in your reading and conversation, let us pray and talk with each other about what is happening in our world and ask for direction from the Holy Spirit to go forward together.

Pray for victims of terrorism and discrimination. And in our personal prayers, let us examine our own consciences about ways in which we may have diminished the respect for life that we owe to each other by the way we have talked about people. Let us look to Jesus for direction and beg for the Holy Spirit to empower us to work for justice and respect for all life.

June really flew by. It's hard to believe schools have been out already a month. Continue to enjoy the gifts of summer and the goodness of God. See in this week's bulletin some of the strong points highlighted about NCA.

May God renew your spirit, grant you your deepest needs, and with any storms in your lives, guide you on the path with the Spirit.

Be at peace and with God's love.

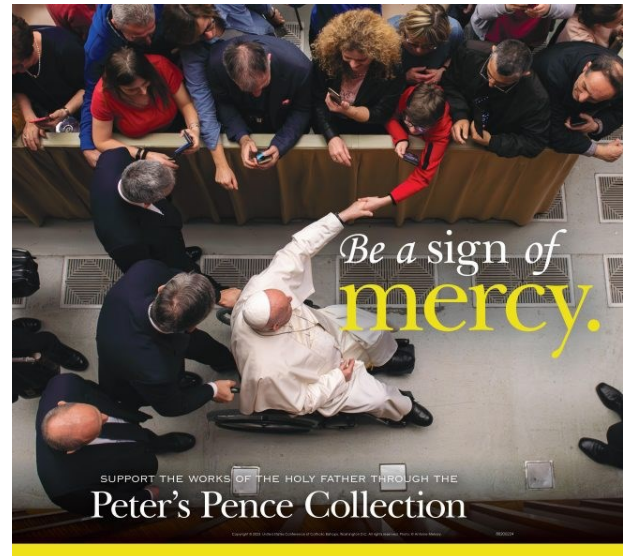


This Weekend: Peter's Pence Collection

The Peter's Pence collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church.

The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through this collection are for humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects.

For more information on Peter's Pence, please visit the Vatican's Peter's Pence website: www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.



Unity in Variety: Art in Saint Gregory the Great Church TODAY, Sunday, June 30

On Sunday, June 30, St. Gregory will host a special tour of the church's artwork from 10:30 am-12:00 pm at 5545 N. Paulina Ave.

There is a \$25 suggested donation (or pay what you will.) Visit <https://www.stgregoryhall.org/unityinvariety.html> to learn how to register and for more info.

Rectory Office Closed This Thursday, July 4 and Friday, July 5

The office will be closed on July 4 and Friday, July 5 in honor of Independence Day.

Mass will be held at 7:30 am.



Food & Supply Drive for Care for Real's Asylum Seekers is July 6 & July 7

Our monthly Food & Supply Drive for asylum seekers is next weekend, July 6 & 7. Please place nonperishable items in the bins at the back of church. They will be donated to Care for Real who is working hard to help these newly-arrived neighbors.

- Special needs this month include:
Sanitary napkins (NO tampons)
Diapers size 3T, 4T, 5T.

Visit www.careforreal.org/wishlist to shop Care for Real's Amazon or Target wish lists to shop-to-donate today.



Book Club Planned for Monday, July 8

On Monday, July 8, the book club will discuss *The Secrets We Kept* by Lara Prescott.

We would love new voices and opinions!

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

St. Gertrude Parish Garden News

We're delighted to share that the parish garden's first harvest of lettuce is on its way to Care for Real!

Our local food bank will then share it with a few lucky clients.



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. Gertrude'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 and use code ORD00591. Walk-ins are welcome!

For more information, contact Pat Knowles at pknowles2@gmail.com.

BLOOD DRIVE



St. Gertrude Parish Blood Drive

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



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- Eat well
- Hydrate
- Bring ID

To schedule your donation call Vitalant at 877.258.4825 or visit 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.

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
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.

Summer Bulletin Schedule

Starting next week, we will have bulletins every two weeks.

If you like to have anything submitted, please information to news@stgertrudechicago.org 10 days before the print date.

The schedule is:

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



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 or 773.973.5464 ext. 115 if you are able to donate one of these items.

Apply now to be a part of something greater.



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Growing in Faith

St. John the Baptist cut quite the path in the Bible. He healed with water and proclaimed someone even greater to come.

"I am not fit to loosen his sandal strap," John said in Luke 3:16. "He will baptize you in the Holy Spirit and fire."

What a holy story filled with drama and tension and hope.

And what a perfect saint for our mother, Jean Sweeney, who died April 25 at age 92.

Jean was born about a week before St. John's Day, which is June 24, and was given the French version of his name.

Our family celebrates the saints we are named for, and the party for St. John was held on the eve, which, because it falls so close to the summer solstice, has been aligned with mid-summer celebrations of bonfires and feasting.

Our mother embraced this in true John style, rolling a wheel of (real) fire off the backyard storm door, as friends cheered from the deck, to honor him and to call down a long hot summer. It was a holy celebration, filled with drama and tension and hope.

Last summer, our mom wrote here about her saint and what he offers us: "the power to change our lives, our prejudices, our belief, our actions."

"We are all called to love one another," she wrote. "Remember what John said: Prepare the Way of the Lord!"

As we celebrate this saint, may we, this community of believers, seize that kind of power to heal the world.

~ The Sweeney Family



Financial Report for June 22-23

Sunday Collection Envelopes: \$2,149.99

Loose Checks: \$470.00

Loose Cash/Coins: \$811.75

Online Donations: \$4,224.82

Total Collected: \$7,656.56

Budgeted: \$10,000.00

Difference: -\$2,343.44

Year-to-date Collected FY 2024:
\$552,929.57

Year-to-date Budgeted FY 2024:
\$386,400.00

Difference: \$166,529.57

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. Cost of the project will be \$2,360.00.

Parish Information

Recent Baptisms

- Lily Joanne Campbell
- Kyllian Sage Dzubanek
- Lucas Javier Franco
- Channah-Victoria Houndebasso
- Rory James Malmquist
- Emma Maureen Mencarini
- Eva Celine Villar

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

Ministers of the Word

- Saturday, June 22 at 5:00 pm - Joseph McMahon, Millie Slane
- Sunday, June 23 at 8:00 am - Jennifer Kiedaisch, Jay Cook
- Sunday, June 23 at 10:30 am - Patrick Robinson, Eric Ameyaw

Eucharistic Ministers

- Saturday, June 22 at 5:00 pm - Kathleen Dawson
- Sunday, June 23 at 8:00 am - Steven Monti
- Sunday, June 23 at 10:30 am - Troy McMillan, Annie Hasselbeck, Steven Hasselbeck

Altar Servers

- Saturday, June 22 at 5:00 pm - Carter Cartwright, cross bearer; Angel Garcia and Wyatt Dant, acolytes
- Sunday, June 23 at 10:30 am - Mary Kate Cashman, cross bearer; Jayson Ameyaw and Sammy Kloster, acolytes

Please Pray for our Parishioners and Friends

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

Contact the Rectory office at 773.764.3621 or email stgertrude1420@stgertrudechicago.org if you would like to add a name to the prayer list.

Mass Intentions

- **Monday, July 1:** 7:30 am - Kim Cantrell+
- **Tuesday, July 2:** 7:30 am - People of God
- **Wednesday, July 3:** 7:30 am - Patricia Meade+
- **Thursday, July 4:** 7:30 am - Communion Service - Paciencia & Roberto Cabrera+
- **Friday, July 5:** 7:30 am - Sheila McGuire+
- **Saturday, July 6:** 7:30 am - People of God; 5:00 pm - Joe Shields+
- **Sunday, July 7:** 8:00 am - Purgatorial Society; 10:30 am - Jean Sweeney+

**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.*

Donate to our Parish

- Text the word *Donate* to 1.773.741.9505.
- PayPal link - visit our parish website at www.stgertrudechicago.org
- GiveCentral: www.givecentral.org/location/8/allevnts
- Questions? Reach out to Eduardo Soto, St. Gertrude's business manager, via email at 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 is closed on weekends. **The office is closed on July 4 and 5.** For the most up-to-date information, visit stgertrudechicago.org.

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