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MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

## Bulletin for Sunday,

# October 27, 2024

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

***Grant them eternal rest, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.***

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| • John Kahoun               | • John Reilly       |                       |

### The Altar of Remembrance/Book of the Dead

We invite you to bring a photo or other small item for the Altar of Remembrance (or Ofrenda) which is in front of the Blessed Mother's shrine in the front of church. Items may be placed at any time, and can be picked up Thanksgiving weekend. Next to the Ofrenda is the Book of the Dead. Everyone is invited to inscribe the name of their loved ones into the book.

### Mass of Remembrance - Saturday, November 2 at 5:00 pm

Each year, during the Month of Remembrance, November, we remember in a special way all those who have died in our parish, as well as our parishioners' loved ones that have passed away.



## From Fr. Mike Gabriel

As we enter the heart of autumn and the leaves begin to change colors, the Church offers us a few beautiful and meaningful celebrations that remind of us of God's unity, healing, and merciful love. The first two are All Saints Day and All Souls Day. The third is the Feast of St. Gertrude, our parish's patronal feast, on November 16 and 17.

Friday, November 1st is the Solemnity of All Saints and a holy day of obligation. Our mass schedule is 7:30 am, 8:30 am (NCA school mass), and 6:30 pm.

The Feast of All Souls is Saturday, November 2nd. Mass will be at 7:30 am and we have a special Mass of Remembrance at 5:00 pm to honor all of our departed loved ones, especially those who passed

away this past year.

When we celebrate the Feast of St. Gertrude on November 16th and 17th, we will offer the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick at all of the masses. At this time, we are reminded of our responsibility to care for all who are suffering with health issues in mind, body, or spirit. Our prayerful support is so important as we witness our brothers and sisters who are sick and suffering, even if we are unaware of how or why they may be suffering. Knowing doesn't matter. Caring absolutely matters.

If you or any family member needs to experience God's healing strength in this sacrament, please make those who are suffering aware that this opportunity is coming up in three weeks, and assure them of your prayers and any assistance you may need to give them to experience God's healing power. I am also very grateful for our Heart to Heart ministry, who do so much for those in need.

If you know someone who is in need of the sacrament and cannot get out, please contact the rectory and I will schedule some time to come and celebrate the sacrament with them.

### **Other Upcoming Special Events**

This weekend at the 10:30 am mass in church, we welcome those who are getting ready for the Sacrament of Confirmation. As a community, we recognize these candidates are preparing for Confirmation and pledge to support and to pray for them.

Next Saturday, November 2nd, at 7:00 pm, we are invited to show our unity as the St. Gertrude players present, *Two Trillion At Least*, which tells the exciting tale of the Pope's trip to outer space. What a great way to prepare to celebrate our parish's feast day!

On Monday, November 4th, at 6:30 pm, we will gather together, on the eve of our national election, for a prayer service for unity and peace in our country.

Finally, another thing to get on your calendars is a blood drive planned for Sunday, November 17th. More details will be shared soon.

### **Help Needed for Live-Streaming our 10:30 am Mass in Church**

I received a telephone call from a parishioner wanting to thank those responsible for live-streaming the Sunday liturgy. He said that although he rather be here in person, he was not able to and appreciated being connected to our St. Gertrude's community online.

Presently, Michael Kowalsky is the only one managing our weekly live streaming. Thank you, Michael, for your hard work! Please let us know if you would be able to volunteer to help with this task.

## Parish Town Hall Planned for TODAY, Sunday, October 27

The Parish Pastoral Council is looking forward to seeing you at this Sunday's Town Hall Call to Action.

This meeting will be held in the Gym immediately following the 10:30 am masses and will discuss how to operationalize the strategic plan.

## TOWN HALL MEETING

**Join the Parish Pastoral Council for a Town Hall**

## TODAY

**after the 10:30 am masses**



  **ST. ANDREW'S**  
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH 

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE**  
**EDGEWATER TRUNK OR TREAT**  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH FROM 1-3PM**  
**— ST. ANDREW'S PARKING LOT —**

**Decorate your trunk & give candy, or do just one of the two. This is a free event!**



## It's Not Too Late to Donate to Fr. Mike's Run for Heart to Heart!

Fr. Fr. Mike Bradley ran the Chicago Marathon, raising funds specifically for our Heart to Heart ministry. Donations are still welcome!

Please consider supporting his efforts by donating online at <https://bit.ly/FrMikeRuns4Heart2Heart>, scanning the QR code, or via a check at church or dropped off at the Rectory.

Please add *Heart to Heart* in the memo line if you are writing a check.

## ***Listen With the Ear of Your Heart*** **Heart to Heart Listening Session** **on Tuesday, October 29**

That's the first piece of advice that St. Benedict gives in his Rule, and Heart to Heart is taking it to . . . heart.

Heart to Heart is the parish program that serves older adults in Edgewater with the goal of helping them remain independent in their homes.

Sr. Susan Quaintance, O.S.B. will be holding a listening session with volunteers about their experiences and reflections on the place of the program in the parish. While the Lending Closet is also part of Heart to Heart, that is not what will be discussed. We will focus on the outreach to seniors who need transportation and other services. If you would be interested in being a part of that conversation, please join us on Tuesday, October 29, at 11:30 am We will meet in the Ministry Center Dining Room.



## **Info for All Saints Day** **(November 1) and All Souls** **Day (November 2)**

All Saints Day, Friday, November 1, is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses for the Holy Day will be at 7:30 am, 8:30 am (NCA school Mass), and 6:30 pm.

All Souls Day, is Saturday, November 2. Mass is at 7:30 am and we will have our parish's Mass of Remembrance at the 5:00 pm mass. We will light a candle especially for those who died this past year.

## **Guadalupanos Rosary Group (Grupo del Rosario de** **Guadalupanos) 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.

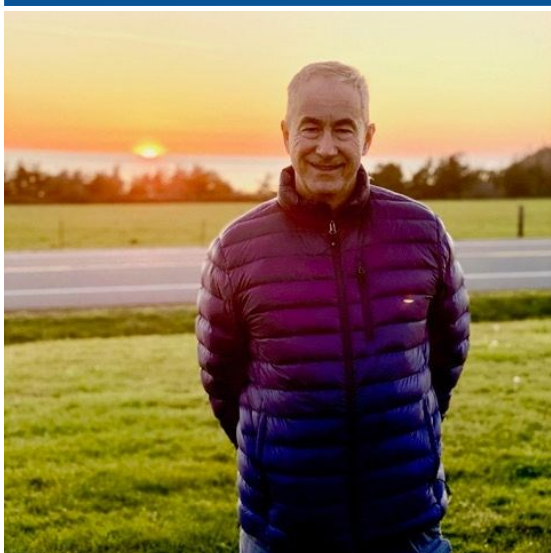


## Youth Group Visit to the National Museum of Mexican Art on Saturday, November 2

Attention students in 7th graders and up! On Saturday, November 2, you are invited to join the youth group as they visit the National Museum of Mexican Art.

On this field trip, you will be able to visit exhibitions capturing the wide range of Mexican cultural expressions and art forms, from ancient to modern and on both sides of the U.S. - Mexican border. This is a very exciting cultural experience amidst of the Day of the Dead Celebration!

Email [eecamilla@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:eecamilla@stgertrudechicago.org) for more information.



## Fr. Mike Bradley and Laurie Hasbrook to be Recognized as 2024 Edgewater Treasures

On Saturday, November 2, Fr. Mike Bradley and Laurie Hasbrook, along Dr. Jamal Husain, will be recognized as 2024 Living Treasures of Edgewater! The event will be at 1:00 pm at the Edgewater Public Library.

Edgewater Living Treasures are residents of Edgewater who have made a difference, some in a profound, fundamental way, and others in a small but significant action that has affected the well being of the Edgewater community. Their deeds were not driven by personal gain, but to help the people of the community – whether generating beauty, fostering harmony, helping the less fortunate, or encouraging grass roots activity.

In addition to his work at the Archdiocese and St. Gertrude parish, especially the Heart to Heart ministry, Fr. Mike has raised funds for an AIDs clinic in Uganda, Catholic Charities, Leukemia Society, and NCA.

Laurie has worked diligently to improve the lives of others in Edgewater for more than 20 years. She has served as a support person for Iraqi refugee families, assisted migrants, worked with various mutual aid networks and groups to distribute goods and services to help these



new neighbors. And her work at St. Gertrude, especially with the Lending Closet, has been a blessing to so many!

We hope you can join us to celebrate these amazing people!

# Top Needs



CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

**Care for real**  
FOOD • CLOTHING • SUPPORT

- **Diapers sizes 2 - 6**
- **Baby wipes**
- **New underwear**
- **Shampoo**
- **Menstrual pads**
- **Lotion**
- **Sneakers and kid's shoes**
- **Dry cat food**
- **Reusable bags**

Drop off between 12-3pm Monday-Saturday at the rear entrance of 5339 N Sheridan Rd or shop to donate via our Amazon, Target, and Chewy Wish Lists!

## Collection for Asylum Seekers is November 2-3

Thank you to those you brought items for Care for Real this weekend! Next weekend, November 2-3, is our monthly collection drive for Care for Real benefitting asylum seekers.

Please place nonperishable items in the bins at the back of church before and after mass times.

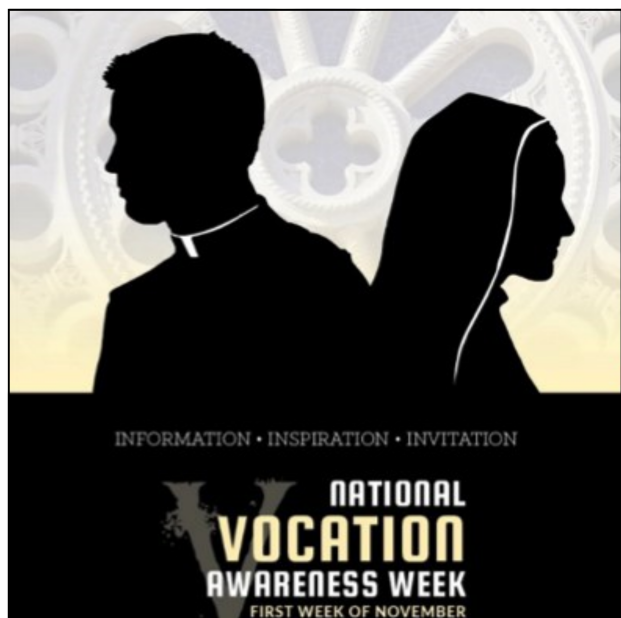
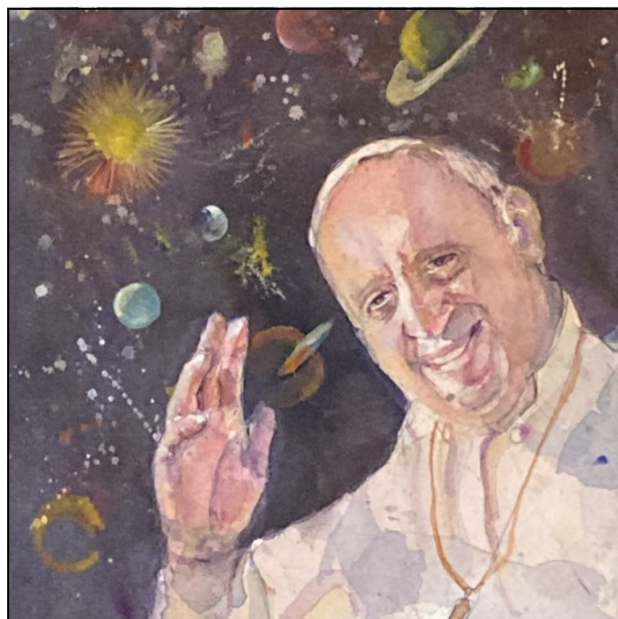
Visit [www.careforreal.org/wishlist](http://www.careforreal.org/wishlist) to shop Care for Real's Amazon or Target wish lists to shop-to-donate today.

## Parish Play Planned for Saturday, November 2 to Benefit Heart to Heart

The St. Gertrude Players are staging a new production on Saturday, November 2nd, at 7:00 pm in the Gym.

The play, *Two Trillion At Least*, tells the exciting tale of the Pope's trip to outer space! (The title refers to how many galaxies there are in the Universe.)

Please plan to be there!



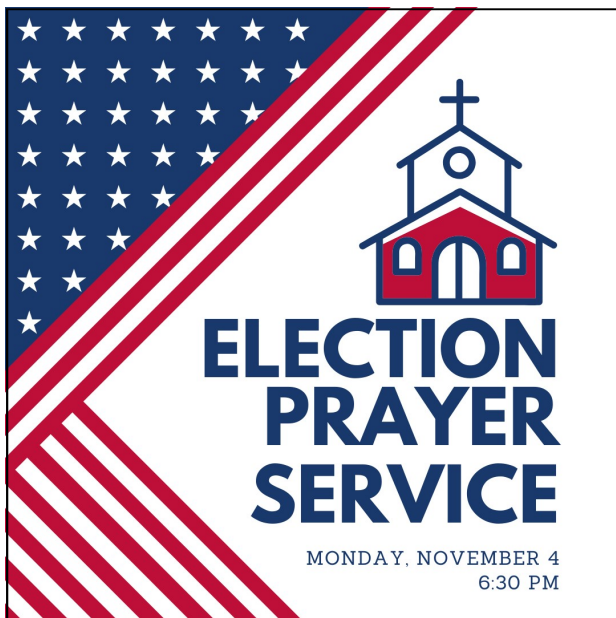
## National Vocation Awareness Week

National Vocation Awareness Week will be celebrated in our country November 3-9.

Please ask our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of vocation.

Find out about upcoming vocations events, ways to discover God's will, and more at [vocations.archchicago.org](http://vocations.archchicago.org).





## Pre-Election Prayer Service to be Held on November 4

All are welcome to attend a pre-election prayer service on Monday, November 4 at 6:30 pm.

Hosted the Parish Pastoral Council, the event will be held in church.

## Book Club Gathering is Tuesday, November 12 (New Meeting Day!)

The book club will discuss *The Girl with the Louding Voice* by Abi Dare on Tuesday, November 12. Please note, we now meet on the second Tuesday of the month! 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 her new number, 773.213.0509, or Sue Benjamin at 773.551.8401 with



# friend

[frɛnd] noun.

a person known well to another and regarded with liking, affection, and loyalty. a friend is a person who knows all about you and still loves you

## Women's Friendship Club Gathering on November 14

St. Gertrude Women's Friendship Club meets monthly on the second Thursday of every month in the Ministry Center. The gathering begins at 11:30 am, attendees should bring their own (brown bag) lunch. Dessert is provided!

Their next gathering is Thursday, November 14. Consider yourself invited!

## Countdown to St. Gert's Annual Greenery Sale!

St. Gertrude will once again host our annual Christmas greenery sale this Christmas season, with balsam pine trees, wreaths, and garland available for purchase. Proceeds benefit St. Gertrude's ministries.

An order form will be available in the near future, with options for deliveries as well as dates greenery will be available for sale after the 10:30 am masses.



## Kids Word Available at 10:30 am Masses

On Sundays during the 10:30 am Mass in church, children aged 4-7 years-old are invited to attend Kids Word to hear an age-appropriate Gospel message and do fun, scripture-based activities, such as coloring or crafts, in the Rectory.

Children are invited by the celebrant to come to the altar before the readings and will return to church before the petitions.

Email [eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:eescamilla@stgertrudechicago.org) for details.

## Financial Report from Oct 19-20

Sunday Collection Envelopes: \$1,322.10  
Loose Checks: \$630.00  
Loose Cash/Coins: \$711.42  
Online Donations: \$8,356.90  
Total Collected: \$11,020.42

Budgeted: \$10,000.00

**Difference: \$1,020.42**

Year-to-date Collected FY 2025: \$159,637.18

Year-to-date Budgeted FY 2025: \$550,000.00

**Difference: - \$390,362.82**

**World Mission Collection: \$1,669.91**

**Heart to Heart Marathon as of 10/21/24: \$14,027.80**





# October is Domestic Violence Month: What Does Abuse Look Like?

There are many types of violence and abuse. Some are physical abuse or domestic violence; others are signs of emotional and verbal abuse or sexual abuse. Signs of abuse include:

- Keeping track of everything you do
- Monitoring what you're doing all the time or asking where you are and who you're with every second of the day
- Demanding your passwords to social media sites and email accounts
- Demanding that you reply right away to texts, emails, or calls
- Preventing or discouraging you from seeing friends or family
- Preventing or discouraging you from going to work or school
- Being jealous, controlling, or angry
- Acting very jealous, including constantly accusing you of cheating
- Having a quick temper, so you never know what you will do or say that may cause a problem
- Controlling how you spend your money
- Controlling your use of medicines/birth control
- Making everyday decisions for you that you normally decide for yourself (what to wear/eat)
- Demeaning you
- Putting you down, such as insulting your appearance, intelligence, or activities
- Humiliating you in front of others
- Destroying your property/things that you care about
- Blaming you for his or her violent outbursts
- Physically hurting or threatening to hurt you or loved ones
- Threatening to hurt you, the children, or other people or pets in your household
- Hurting you physically (such as hitting, pushing, shoving, punching, slapping, kicking, or biting)
- Using/threatening to use a weapon against you
- Threatening to harm himself or herself when upset with you
- Threatening to turn you in to authorities for illegal activity if you report physical abuse
- Forcing you to have sex or other intimate activity
- Assuming that consent for a sex act in the past means that you must participate in the same acts in the future
- Assuming that consent for one activity means consent for future activity or increased levels of intimacy



For additional resources on where to find help on how to help those living with or survivors of domestic violence, visit [thehotline.org](https://thehotline.org).

## Growing in Faith: “Master, That I Might See!”

When blind Bartimaeus heard that Jesus was passing by, he began yelling “Son of David, have mercy on me!” Everyone told him to keep quiet, that he was a disturbance; they could treat him that way because he was a beggar, a pest. But Bartimaeus thought Jesus had missed him and so he shouted even louder...and Jesus did hear him...and we know the story, how he asked Bartimaeus what he wanted. Bartimaeus, blind and full of faith said, “Master, that I might see!” and Jesus gave him sight.

Bartimaeus is a model for me. He did not let criticisms and demands to be silent keep him from this encounter with Jesus and miracle of sight he knew Jesus could give to him.

And our life with Jesus is often that way, isn't it? We need vision and we need the vision that Jesus gives us. We make our mind to ignore any deterrents but come to Him for wisdom and the way to understand, to see where we are, so that his face the first one we see when we open our eyes of faith. And then, like Bartimaeus, we can see to follow him along the way .

~ Sister Wendy Cotter, CSJ, Ph.D



## Thank You for Supporting World Mission Sunday

On behalf of the missionary men and women serving in over 1,150 mission territories, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generous support on World Mission Sunday. Your contributions ensure that the Gospel continues to spread, bringing hope, love, and salvation to those in need.

This year's theme, "Go and invite everyone to the banquet," reminds us of our universal call to evangelize and support our brothers and sisters around the world.

Your generosity helps build churches, train clergy, and provide essential services in mission territories. Thank you for being part of this vital mission and for making a lasting impact on the global Church.

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

If you would like to receive emails from our parish or your email address has changed, send an email to [news@stgertrudechicago.org](mailto:news@stgertrudechicago.org) and specify if you would prefer just the weekly bulletin, or our daily reflection with notices about upcoming parish events.

## Rest in Peace

- Tim Giles, father of Ruth Giles Ott

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

### Ministers of the Word

- Saturday, October 26 at 5:00 pm - Patrick Reardon, Roman Reyes
- Sunday, October 27 at 8:00 am - Kathryn Stimac, Mary Clare Barker
- Sunday, October 27 at 10:30 am - Anthony Myers, Joe Dunne

### Eucharistic Ministers

- Saturday, October 26 at 5:00 pm - Tim Harrington
- Sunday, October 27 at 8:00 am - Barb Daly
- Sunday, October 27 at 10:30 am - Tim Love, Bob Backis, Sarah Millar

### Altar Servers

- Saturday, October 26 at 5:00 pm - Danna Salinas, cross bearer; Esteban Campuzano and Sammy Kloster, acolytes
- Sunday, October 27 at 10:30 am - Ethan Craft, cross bearer; Dominic Rubino and Owen Craft, acolytes

## Please Pray for our Parishioners and Friends

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|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| • Mary Amelse Victor Ayes | • Mr. and Mrs. Emin Euman | • Dealina Peon         |
| • Andrea Banicki          | • Luke Fitzgerald         | • Claude Poulsen       |
| • Carlos Barragan         | • Tim Giles               | • Joan Ross +          |
| • Patrick Barton          | • Estelle Guardino        | • Bill Salek           |
| • Zara Bradley            | • Thomas Hajduch          | • Willy Spalla         |
| • Lilly Buie              | • Gina Heidkamp           | • Floret Spalle        |
| • Hallie Burhoe           | • Rochelle Hernandez      | • Frannie Swaine       |
| • The Buttitta family     | • Maria Hertl             | • Elinora E. Tolentino |
| • Maggie Callaway         | • John Kahoun             | • Manuel & Norma Viray |
| • Aida Calvopina          | • Marilyn Klein           | • Tayana Wallace       |
| • Cavicke Family          | • Carleen Lorys           | • King Wallace         |
| • Claire Conley           | • River Malik             | • Christian Wallace    |
| • Denise DeBelle          | • Matilde Manzardo        | • Leon Ward            |
| • David Denegas           | • Nancy Michael           | • Ron Whitfield        |
| • Ann Collins Dole        | • Hilda Mora              | • Janice Wittenberg    |
| • Renee Elhoumaidi        | • Donald Nyderek          | • Yyes Yoza            |
|                           |                           | • 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.

## Upcoming Mass Intentions

- **Monday, October 28:** 7:30 am - Claire Roach
- **Tuesday, October 29:** 7:30 am - Greg Wall
- **Wednesday, October 30:** 7:30 am - Purgatorial Society
- **Thursday, October 31:** 7:30 am - Communion Service
- **All Saints Day, Friday, November 1:** 7:30 am - Deceased members of the Gusmanos family; 8:30 am - People of God; 6:30 pm - People of God
- **All Souls Day, Saturday, November 2:** 7:30 am - Isabel Morrissey; 5:00 pm - Mass of Remembrance
- **Sunday, November 3:** 8:00 am - Cristian Lenus+; 10:30 am - Rodney Colin Manuel Evanzuela Manuel; 10:30 am Gym Mass - People of God

## 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.

## 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)

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## Visit our Parish Website

For the latest parish events and information, including our weekly live-stream, bulletins, images from recent events, rectory hours, staff members, funeral announcements, and updates about our various ministries, please visit our website at [stgertrudechicago.org](http://stgertrudechicago.org).