

## St. Gertrude Roman Catholic Church 1420 W. Granville Chicago, IL 60660

## All Are Welcome

## Dear Neighbor,

We are writing from St. Gertrude Parish, a neighborhood parish that has been in service to Edgewater and the surrounding neighborhood for 108 years. As a family of faith, we continue to look for innovative ways of responding to the ongoing needs of our dynamic and diverse community.

These are challenging times for us all and we're doing what we can to sustain daily operations. Our annual fundraising events have been cancelled due to Covid-19 and we need to adapt to this changing reality.

In response, we are going online to host our first annual Virtual Auction! The event will kick-off on Feb 12<sup>th</sup> and wind up with a fun virtual live event at 7:00 pm Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>.

We are asking, if you're able, to please donate an item for the auction. All donations are greatly appreciated and are tax deductible. Your donation can be something as simple as a gift certificate or a product or service unique to **your** business. A donation form for auction items is included. Simply fill it out and mail or email it to us at <a href="mailto:auction21@stgertrudechicago.org">auction21@stgertrudechicago.org</a>

This has been a difficult year for us all and we know that together we will get through this. We will show our appreciation for your donation by showcasing your business to our 1300 neighborhood families.

A member of the auction team will be calling you within the next week or two to discuss this further.

If you're unable to donate at this time, you can support us by sharing our auction details with your family and friends and on your social media!

In times like this, we're reminded of how interconnected we all are. Thank you for being part of our community.

Gratefully,

The St. Gertrude Parish 2021 Auction Committee

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