

Father Mike ran 26.2 miles on Sunday, October 11 through the streets of Edgewater. To date, his run has raised more than \$21,979.00 for Heart to Heart, our ministry for seniors. We are so proud of him and his determination to help our seniors! You can still donate HERE!

St. Gertrude Chicago E-Bulletin

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 18, 2020

St. Gertrude Mass times are:

- Monday-Saturday: 7:30 am
- Saturdays at 5:00 pm
- Sundays at 8:00 am and 10:30 am (10:30 Mass is live-streamed on our parish Facebook page)

The St. Gertrude parish office is open Monday through Saturday from 9:00 am-2:30 pm and 8:30-11:30 am on Sunday. Please review Parishioner Guidelines for Visiting the Rectory. Please call before you come!

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Click Here to Sign up for Weekday Masses

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Ordinary Time

Fr. Mike Bradley Completes Marathon #49!

Last Sunday morning, before there was even light in the eastern sky, Fr. Mike Bradley set out on the start of his 49th marathon. This time, he ran on the streets of our Edgewater neighborhood to support our senior outreach through St. Gertrude's Heart to Heart Ministry. A little over five hours later, Fr. Mike was back greeting people as they left the 10:30 am Mass!

Thank you, Fr. Mike, for your endurance and persistence, for your generosity and goodnature, and for being such an example to all of us! As I said to him on Saturday over dinner, "I hate to say this, because I keep encouraging you to hang up your marathon shoes. But now that you've completed 49, you're going to have to..." And before I could finish the sentence he said, "I know. I have to do 50!" But for now, recover. As of today, Fr. Mike's Marathon Run has raised \$21,979.00 from more than 300 wonderful and generous donors!

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What to Expect and Do When Coming Back to Church

Click to view,
"What to Expect &
Do When Coming
Back to Church."

Voting Guidelines form the Bishops of Illinois

On the sign-in table in church, and in today's newsletter/bulletin, are copies of the voting guidelines from the bishops here in Illinois. This is a great tool to help us sort out the many issues to be considered when casting our ballots. As I mentioned in this column a few weeks ago, and as this statement makes clear, as Catholics, we are not a one-issue people!

There are many substantive issues we need to consider in determining how to cast our ballot. I think as you read the guidelines, you will see that neither you nor I might agree with everything or the prioritization in which issues are presented. But that is always true! I forget who used this analogy recently, but I think it applies well to voting. "Some people think they need to find the candidate who will agree with them on everything. But that's not going to happen. That's like expecting you get to go everywhere in a chauffeured car. Voting is more like catching the bus. It's probably not going to take you exactly where you want to go, so you always pick the one that will take you closest."

Today's Second Collection -- World Mission Sunday

Today we join with the universal Church to celebrate World Mission Sunday. Amid a global pandemic that continues to impact people of all walks of life, we as a faith community come together in prayer and solidarity to actively participate in the mission of Jesus Christ. That mission calls us out of ourselves, to love God and our neighbor. The annual World Mission Sunday second collection, for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, provides critical support to communities of faith in the most economically disadvantaged regions of our world. Working with limited means, these local churches bear witness to the Gospel amid poverty and turmoil, addressing all forms of material and spiritual need.

All Saints/All Souls/ Commemoration of the Dead

In two weeks, we will be celebrating Halloween (Eve of All Hallows/All Saints) and then All Saints Day(November 1) and All Souls Day (November 2). We will remember in a special way all those who have died this past year at the Vigil Mass on Saturday, October 31 at 5:00 pm. Invitations have gone out to the families of anyone who was buried from St. Gertrude, or to any parishioner who notified us of a death in their family.

The memorial altar/ofrenda table will again be on display in the Mary shrine area. Please bring a small framed photograph of your loved one(s) for display during the month of November. (If you don't have a framed photo, but some other small item of special significance, but not ribbons, please feel free to share that at the shrine.) The Book of the Dead will also be available so you can add the names of any loved ones who have died. Because of the pandemic, we ask everyone to please maintain the usual safe distance from others if you are visiting the memorial altar. After Thanksgiving, the framed photos or other memorial items can be taken home. Any memorial items which weren't picked up will be available in the rectory office beginning November 30.

Volunteers

We really are in need of more volunteers to give those who have been doing such an extraordinary job a break so they do not burn out. Thank you for considering this ministry!



Thank You From Fr. Mike!

Thank you to everyone for supporting me throughout the 26.2 miles of my personal marathon for Heart to Heart on Sunday, October 11! Your prayers, along with the wonderful support of parishioners cheering me on, helped me get to the finish line in 5 hours and 8 minutes.

I am so thankful that so many volunteers and parishioners came out to cheer me on and to help staff the different stations around our Edgewater neighborhood. I am grateful also to the staff of St. Gertrude Parish for their assistance and encouragement.

As of Thursday, October 15, more than 300 people have donated over \$21,979.00 to Heart to Heart for my run! Thank you for your generous support and your contributions to Heart to Heart.

Gratefully,

Father Mike Bradley

Donate to Fr. Mike's Run for Heart to Heart



Growing in Faith

The readings this week offer clarity, contrast and true choice.

In a time when our laws, freedoms, and choices are under attack, when identities are slurred, authenticity questioned, the vulnerable bullied, and when leaders vaunt the vilest sentiments while promoting illegal acts: we have, in contrast, Jesus' example, the reassuring encouragement from Paul and the ancient poetic wisdom of Isaiah.

We are reminded in today's readings that our God chose us and called us by name. Our deepest identity is immutable, preserved in the heart of God who can name the cells of our bodies and our thoughts before they're formed. We were chosen by the same God who endowed us with free will so that God's love wouldn't be enslavement but a gift. Our choices are sacred and regulate our distance from the love and desire of God.

How to choose with integrity? How do we ally with God in this time, when opinion passes for fact and truth-tellers are vilified? We have the graceful example of Christ choosing, again and again, to reject the traps of flattery, false belonging, and cheap self-regard, choosing to remain faithful to his identity. In seeking a path close to God, we may disagree about what constitutes a "right" choice. Pat Reardon reminded us in his OpEd essay from the Tribune, that a good choice considers the welfare of those whom Christ called "blessed".





Save the Date-November 14: Feast of St. Gertrude - Recital/Lecture Featuring Works of Florence Price and Margaret Bonds, Two African-American Female Composers From Chicago

Please join us for a free Feast of St. Gertrude event on Saturday, November 14 at 6:30 pm in the church! Due to COVID-19 protocols, we cannot have choral singing at our traditional All are Welcome concert to celebrate our parish feast day. So this year, Mary Clare Barker will give a recital/lecture featuring the music of two Chicago-based African-American women composers, Florence Price and her protégé, Margaret Bonds. Both of these artists were very strong women much like our patroness, St. Gertrude, who used their gifts to make significant cultural contributions in a white, male-dominated field. The program will also feature Jennifer Anglin singing some beautiful spirituals composed/arranged by these women.

All are welcome to attend the live event but MUST register online or at the parish office prior to attending. Links to sign-up will be available as the event draws nearer. The event will also be live-streamed on Facebook and also available afterward on our parish YouTube channel.

Florence Price was the first African-American woman to have a work performed by a major American symphony. Her Symphony in E Minor was performed by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra (CSO) in 1933 at the

Chicago World's Fair. Margaret Bonds was the first African-American woman to play as a soloist with the CSO.

Both Price and Bonds enjoyed successful careers as composers, teachers, and performers and drew heavily from the rich African-American musical traditions in their compositions. Both women were prodigious composers of over 200 works each and composed in nearly every genre. Particular attention will be devoted to providing insight into the social climate and attitudes toward women in music and the obstacles that each composer had to overcome.



Confirmation Celebrated at St. Gertrude Parish

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated this weekend at St. Gertrude Parish. The following young adults from St. Gertrude will be confirmed:

- Josie Biety
- Ann Goode
- Anna O'Brien
- Isabel Stolz
- Tyler Turner
- Julia Wachalska

Together, we offer our congratulations and express our joy for the faith of these young people. Please continue to hold them in your prayers as they continue to grow in their faith.



Religious Ed Update: Time to Meet Finalized

After receiving feedback from Religious Ed families, the time for Religious Ed classes has been changed. Grades 1-4 will meet online on Tuesdays from 5:00-5:45 pm and grades 5-8 will have classes on Tuesdays from 7:00-7:45 pm.

There will be a parent meeting held on October 20 at 5:00 pm and repeated at 7:00 pm. The first class with children will be on Tuesday, October 27. (Zoom links will be emailed tomorrow in the Religious Ed newsletter.)

We will group the following grades together:

- Grades 1 and 2
- Grades 3 and 4
- Grades 5 and 6
- Grades 7 and 8

Students will use the <u>OSV Alive in Christ series and lesson plans</u>. All students will receive a grade-specific edition and will be asked to review a brief chapter before class. During our online lessons, the theme/subject will be explored further with discussions and activities.

Call for Catechists

We are still looking for a few more volunteers to be Religious Ed teachers, particularly someone willing to share the role and teach every other week. Please note, lesson plans and materials will be provided. Additionally, lessons will be much shorter than in the past - at most 30-40 minutes weekly. If you are interested, please email Kevin Chears at kchears@stgertrudechicago.org.

Weekly Religious Ed newsletters are sent on Friday afternoons. If you would like to receive them please email kchears@stgertrudechicago.org.



October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month

For many, home is a place of love, warmth, and comfort. It's somewhere that you know you will be surrounded by care and support, and a nice little break from the busyness of the real world. But for millions of others, home is anything but a sanctuary. The U.S. Department of Justice estimates that 1.3 million women and 835,000 men are victims of physical violence by a partner every year. And during the pandemic, domestic abuse incidents have skyrocketed.

St. Gertrude's Domestic Violence Resource Page

The St. Gertrude website has a <u>Domestic Violence information page</u> and a click-away button in the event someone is monitoring computer use. It lists specific information on abusive relationships, including:

- Where to Start
- Organizations that Provide Housing
- Legal Help
- Spanish-Speaking Assistance
- Asian, Arabic, & Korean Assistance
- LGBTQ Help
- Help for Teens & Young Adults
- Help Securing the Safety of Pets
- What Does Abuse Look Like?
- How to Help a Friend or Family Member

- Emotional Abuse
- Why Do People Stay in Abusive Relationships?

Readings for Sunday, October 18

Reading 1: Is 45:1, 4-6

Thus says the LORD to his anointed, Cyrus, whose right hand I grasp, subduing nations before him, and making kings run in his service, opening doors before him and leaving the gates unbarred: For the sake of Jacob, my servant, of Israel, my chosen one, I have called you by your name, giving you a title, though you knew me not. I am the LORD and there is no other. there is no God besides me. It is I who arm you, though you know me not, so that toward the rising and the setting of the sun people may know that there is none besides me. I am the LORD, there is no other.

Reading 2: 1 Thes 1:1–5b

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father, knowing, brothers and sisters loved by God, how you were chosen. For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.

Gospel: Mt 22:15–21

The Pharisees went off and plotted how they might entrap Jesus in speech. They sent their disciples to him, with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are a truthful man and that you teach the way of God in

accordance with the truth. And you are not concerned with anyone's opinion, for you do not regard a person's status. Tell us, then, what is your opinion: Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" Knowing their malice, Jesus said, "Why are you testing me, you hypocrites? Show me the coin that pays the census tax." Then they handed him the Roman coin. He said to them, "Whose image is this and whose inscription?" They replied, "Caesar's." At that he said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."



Order a Breaking Bread Hymnal for 2021 for Personal Use

Due to COVID-19, we do not know when we will be able to put hymnals back in the pews for communal use. Parishioners are welcome to order their own personal copies of Breaking Bread 2021 for use at home or brought to/from church. The hymnals contain the scripture readings for Sundays and the music we use in church. The start date for using it is the First Sunday in Advent (November 29).

Missals are being sold at a discounted rate of \$7.00/hymnal. This includes tax and shipping. Your order, along with payment, must be received by Monday, October 26.

When the missals arrive, you will be contacted and can pick it up at the Rectory or at church when you come to Mass.

Purchases may be done two ways:

1. Online Purchase

Visit GiveCentral to order and pay online <u>here</u>. (Links to order online also are available on our website and Facebook page.) Please note, Rectory staff will receive a notice from GiveCentral when an order/payment is

made.

2. Order Form/Purchase by Check or Cash

Order forms are available <u>online</u> and printed copies are available in church on the greeter's table and at the Rectory. Completed order forms, along with cash or check payments, can be dropped off in church by the greeter's table when you come to Mass or at the Rectory. Checks should be made out to St. Gertrude with *Breaking Bread hymnal* in the memo line.

Please note, while you may bring your personal missal to St. Gertrude, you MUST bring it back home. Any missals left in the church will be discarded.

Contact Mary Clare Barker with any questions at 773.764.3621, ext 22 or mcbarker@stgertrudechicago.org.

We hope that having your own personal hymnal will enhance your worship experience and continue to actively participate in the liturgy during this pandemic!

Order form flyer



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

On October 18, we join with the Catholic Church across the globe to celebrate World Mission Sunday. This annual second collection provides critical support to communities of faith in some of the most economically disadvantaged regions of our world. For more information and to donate, please visit WeAreMissionary.org/wms.



A Letter from Cardinal Cupich: Mission Sunday is This Weekend

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

In his message for World Mission Sunday this year, the Holy Father reminds us that amid the suffering of the global pandemic, "God continues to look for those whom he can send forth into the world and to the nations to bear witness to his love." Now more than ever, the world looks to us as people of faith to meet the spiritual, physical, and economic challenges of our time as witnesses to the saving love of Jesus. In celebrating World Mission Sunday this year, we join with the Universal Church in bringing much-needed hope and healing to the areas of our world most afflicted by poverty, instability, and the current global health and economic crisis.

Celebrated worldwide on October 18, the World Mission Sunday collection provides charitable support to over 1,000 mission dioceses through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. These local churches struggle with limited material resources to serve the faithful and spread the Good News of Jesus across Africa, Asia, and remote areas of Latin America and the Pacific Islands. The collection also assists local churches and congregations witness the love of Jesus in the Middle East, Northeast Africa, India, and Eastern Europe through the Catholic Near East Welfare Association

Together, we can make World Mission Sunday a moment of hopeful solidarity with the Church throughout the world. While the global pandemic presents our own archdiocese with many challenges, we remain steadfast in our mission to make disciples, build community, and inspire witness. The local churches that benefit from the World Mission Sunday collection share in this mission and inspire us in their diligent and joyful service to the Lord. With every wish, I remain.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Cardinal Cupich, Archbishop of Chicago

Donate to Mission Sunday here

From the Catholic Conference of Illinois: Weigh Your Conscience Before Casting

Your Ballot

On November 3, 2020, all Americans eligible to vote will have the opportunity to shape our form of government for the next two years and beyond. In the midst of the commotion surrounding elections, especially presidential races, it is worth taking time to reflect on how fortunate we are to live in a country where we are able to choose our leaders.

Before casting our ballot, we have the obligation to reflect on the issues affecting our state and our nation. To help guide us on the particular issues of concern to the Catholic Church, we offer the following as a reminder.

Millions of dollars are spent trying to influence how you will cast your ballot, so it is up to each of us to both form and inform our conscience by recalling the heart of the Gospel and the teachings of Jesus Christ.

What do we mean when we refer to "conscience"? According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, "Moral conscience, present at the heart of the person, enjoins him at the appropriate moment to do good and to avoid evil. It also judges particular choices, approving those that are good and denouncing those that are evil. It bears witness to the authority of truth in reference to the supreme Good to which the human person is drawn, and it welcomes the commandments. When he listens to his conscience, the prudent man can hear God speaking." (1777)

We also offer the following passages from documents issued by Pope Francis and the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops.

"(A) harmful ideological error is found in those who find suspect the social engagement of others, seeing it as superficial, worldly, secular, materialist, communist or populist. Or they relativize it, as if there are other more important matters, or the only thing that counts is one particular ethical issue or cause that they themselves defend. Our defense of the innocent unborn, for example, needs to be clear, firm, and passionate, for at stake is the dignity of a human life, which is always sacred and demands love for each person, regardless of his or her stage of development. Equally sacred, however, are the lives of the poor, those already born, the destitute, the abandoned and the underprivileged, the vulnerable infirm and elderly exposed to covert euthanasia, the victims of human trafficking, new forms of slavery, and every form of rejection. We cannot uphold an ideal of holiness that would ignore injustice in a world where some revel, spend with

abandon and live only for the latest consumer goods, even as others look on from afar, living their entire lives in abject poverty."

"We often hear it said that, with respect to relativism and the flaws of our present world, the situation of migrants, for example, is a lesser issue. Some Catholics consider it a secondary issue compared to the "grave" bioethical questions. That a politician looking for votes might say such a thing is understandable, but not a Christian, for whom the only proper attitude is to stand in the shoes of those brothers and sisters of ours who risk their lives to offer a future to their children."

Rejoice and Be Glad (Gaudete et exsultate)i

"The threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed. At the same time, we cannot dismiss or ignore other serious threats to human life and dignity such as racism, the environmental crisis, poverty, and the death penalty."

This note will not tell you who to vote for, but it will help you to reflect on the issues and the person that can best promote the common good for each office. We ask that you keep in mind the following questions that stem from the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching:

- Does the candidate work to protect sacred human life from conception to natural death? Does the candidate oppose abortion, physicianassisted suicide, capital punishment, human cloning, and racism?
- Does the candidate care for God's creation? Does the candidate support policies that protect the planet and understand the importance of our stewardship of the Earth?
- Does the candidate recognize traditional marriage and family as the central social institutions that must be supported?
- Does the candidate recognize that every person has a fundamental right to life and to those things required for human decency, including food, water, shelter, employment, and health care?
- Does the candidate embrace all those in greatest need who deserve our preferential concerns, such as children, the disabled, the elderly, refugees, the unemployed, and the poor?
- Does the candidate recognize policies that promote basic rights for workers, such as fair wages, workplace safety, collective bargaining, and the right to private property and economic initiatives?

• Does the candidate recognize that whatever our national, racial, ethnic, or ideological differences, we are all our brothers' and sisters' keepers? We must all work to create unity through dialogue and civil discourse that is respectful to others.



Early Voting has Begun

Now-November 3, secured drop boxes with date/time stamps available at every early voting site for vote by mail voters to submit their ballot return envelopes

Mailings of ballots to voters, by law, will begin September 24. If you need to apply to Vote By Mail or check the status of your application or ballot mailing, <u>click here.</u>

Secure Drop Box Schedule and Locations: September 24 - November 3

- The 24-hour Drop Box will be at 69 W. Washington St., through 7:00 pm on Election Day, November 3.
- Loop Super Site at Clark & Lake 191 N. Clark St. (open October 1-13)
 - Monday-Friday 8:30 am-7:00 pm
 - Saturday-Sunday 9:00 am-5:00 pm
 - November 3, Election Day 6:00 am-7:00 pm

Now through November 3 - 50 Ward Sites for Early Voting and Loop Super Site

Early Voting Sites in all 50 Wards - plus the Loop Super Site

Monday-Friday - 8:30 am-7:00 pm Saturday-Sunday - 9:00 am-5:00 pm Election Day, November 3 - 6:00 am-7:00 pm

Loop Super Site at Clark & Lake - 191 N. Clark St.

Ward locations close to St. Gertrude Church (Please note, this may be a new location for your ward.):

- Ward 40 Mather High School, 5835 N. Lincoln Ave.
- Ward 46 Truman College, 1145 W. Wilson Ave.
- Ward 47 Welles Park, 2333 W. Sunnyside Ave.
- Ward 48 Broadway Armory, 5917 N. Broadway
- Ward 49 New Field Elementary School, 1707 W. Morse Ave.
- Ward 50 Warren Park, 6601 N. Western Ave.

For more information about voting by mail, please click HERE.

Additional Parish Information Found on our Website

List of info/articles

- Mass Schedule/Links to Sign up for Mass
- Video of What to Expect When Returning to Church
- Parishioner Guidelines for Attending Mass in Church
- What to Expect/Do in Church (photos w/captions)
- Volunteers Needed to Help with Mass
- Parishioner Guidelines for Visiting the Rectory
- Meetings at St. Gertrude
- Volunteer Sign-up Form
- Interested in Becoming Catholic?



Lectors, Cantors, Eucharistic Ministers, Set-up/Greeters/Clean-up Teams, Musicians, and Music Planned for This Weekend

Mary Clare Barker, our Music Minister, has created a song sheet for use at home with lyrics for music for our live-streamed 10:30 am Mass this Sunday at 10:30 am **HERE**.

This weekend, our cantors will be:

- Saturday, October 17 at 5:00 pm Jim Manzardo; Jim Szmurlo, violin
- Sunday, October 18 at 8:00 am Paula Dempsey
- Sunday, October 18 at 10:30 am Siobhan O'Neill Meluso; Dana Sullivan flute

Please note, we ask that those attending Mass in person do not sing as there are concerns singing may spread germs further than six feet.

Our Eucharistic ministers are:

- Saturday, October 17 at 5:00 pm Kathleen Dawson
- Sunday, October 18 at 8:00 am Peter Morin
- Sunday, October 18 at 10:30 am Debra Novak

Our readers this weekend are:

- Saturday, October 17 at 5:00 pm Jayne Deiters
- Sunday, October 18 at 8:00 am Hallie Burhoe
- Sunday, October 18 at 10:30 am Bob Backis

Our set-up/greeter team this weekend is:

- Saturday, October 17 at 5:00 pm Hallie Burhoe, carol Ann Daly, Joan Dowdle
- Sunday, October 18 at 8:00 am Brigid Cronin, Marty McDermott,
 Mark Kollar, Peter Morin, Brian DeVarenne
- Sunday, October 18 at 10:30 am Patrick Robinson, Michael Kowalsky, Dorothea Tobin, Debbie Kern, Suzan Cibulskis, and Corina Cleja

Our clean-up team this weekend is:

- Saturday, October 17 at 5:00 pm TBD
- Sunday, October 18 at 8:00 am TBD
- Sunday, October 18 at 10:30 am TBD

We still need other volunteers to fill teams for greeting/set-up and clean-up. For safety reasons, volunteers should be between 18-64 years of age and not have conditions that would put them at risk for negative outcomes from COVID-19 infection (immunosuppressive therapy, heart or lung disease, cancer, etc.)

If you would like to participate on a team, please <u>download this form</u> and email it to Kevin Chears at kchears@stgertrudechicago.org and include your preferred e-mail and telephone number.



St. Gertrude Renew My Church Scenario Feedback Summary Report

Our grouping feedback & discernment team has been hard at work following the lead of the Holy Spirit to prayerfully respond to the different scenarios that hold the potential for our parish. To be sure, many of the conversations have been difficult requiring time, patience, prayer, and, above all, trust in our Lord Jesus Christ in whom all hope resides.

There is such great love for our Lord, our Church, and the parishes we call home amongst our grouping team members. I am thankful for the time and effort that has been contributed over the past few months.

Next Steps

On Monday, November 9, the pastors of our grouping parishes and a few additional members of the team will present the Feedback Summary to the Renew My Church Commission's Executive Committee:

- Our local Vicar, Bishop Mark Bartosic
- Vicar General, Bishop Robert Casey
- Fr. Jason Malave, Cardinal's Liaison for RMC
- Betsy Bohlen, Chief Operating Officer for the Archdiocese
- Cliff Barber, Chief Strategy Officer for the Archdiocese
- Dr. Jim Rigg, Superintendent of Catholic Schools for the Archdiocese

This is an opportunity for members of our local faith communities to provide a voice to the Feedback Summary Report. There is only so much a document can tell someone about the local realities and possibilities, so having our team members spend time with the Executive Committee allows everyone to have a rich conversation about what's unique in our grouping and amongst our parishes.

Please pray that everyone involved may allow the Holy Spirit to be the true author of our thoughts and words in these important conversations.

As always, for more information, visit <u>RenewMyChurch.org</u>, or ask me at rprendergast@stgertrudechicago.org.



Career Transition Services Offers Free

Help to Jobseekers

Are you or a loved one unemployed, underemployed, or unfulfilled? Career Transitions Center, founded by Catholic parishes, helps people get jobs. They are currently offering virtual training and support, including a virtual career coaching program.

Two virtual information sessions have been planned to help with job searches on Wednesday, October 14 and Monday, October 19. Visit the <u>Career Transitions Center</u> to register.



Wright College Fall 2020 Virtual Career Fair

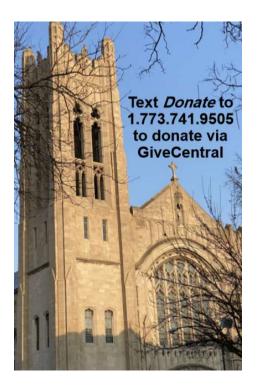
The Wright College Career Planning and Placement Center (CPPC) invites jobseekers to attend the upcoming hiring event, The Wright College Fall 2020 Virtual Career Fair, Thursday, October 29, 2020, 10:00 am-2:00 pm. The event is FREE and OPEN to all serious job seekers.

This is an awesome opportunity to meet some of Chicago's biggest and best companies who want to hire great individuals. To RSVP, please email the following information to wrightcareercenter@ccc.edu:

- Full Name
- Home Address
- City, State, and Zip Code

- Phone Number
- Email Address

The deadline to RSVP is Friday, October 23, 2020. If you have any questions, call 773.481.8527 or email wrightcareercenter@ccc.edu.



Ways to Help Our Parish: Text to Give, GiveCentral, PayPal, Archdiocese Link, and Amazon Smile

We have set up a "Text to Give" option through GiveCentral. Parishioners are welcome to text the word *Donate* to 1.773.741.9505 to make a donation via phone.

The Archdiocese has <u>an online giving option via the Archdiocesan website</u>. You simply click on the link and it takes you to the website. Once there, you determine if you want to contribute via a credit card or a checking account. You fill out the form, including selecting the parish to which the contribution is going, and the money will be electronically debited. The site offers options for amounts and the frequency of the contribution.

To access our PayPal link, please visit <u>our parish website</u> and donate from there.

Visit <u>smile.amazon.com</u> and select St Gertrude Parish as your charity of choice. From then on, connect to Amazon through <u>smile.amazon.com</u> and St. Gertrude will automatically benefit as your charity of choice.

For more information on text to give or to sign up for online giving, please email Art Blumberg, Director of Parish Management and Facilities, at ablumberg@stgertrudechicago.org. He will be happy to help in any way he can.

Click here to go to GiveCentral

Click here for PayPal (via our website)

Donate via the Archdiocese website



Daily Scripture Readings

Our website has links to the daily readings for Masses **HERE**. (Scroll down the webpage to see the readings.)

Here is the list of readings for this for parishioners that prefer to look them up:

Monday, October 19: Eph 2:1-10; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday, October 20: Eph 2:12-22; Ps 85:9ab-14; Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday, October 21: Eph 3:2-12; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 12:39-48 **Thursday, October 22:** Eph 3:14-21; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; Lk 12:49-53

Friday, October 23: Eph 4:1-6; Ps 24:1-4ab, 5-6; Lk 12:54-59

Saturday, October 24: Eph 4:7-16; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 13:1-9

Sunday, October 25: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; 1 Thes 1:5c-10; Mt

22:34-40



Mass Intentions

Monday, October 19: 7:30 am - Deceased members of the O'Halloran Family +

Tuesday, October 20: 7:30 am - Aurello Guevara +

Wednesday, October 21: 7:30 am - Living & deceased parents of St.

Gertrude parishioners

Thursday, October 22: 7:30 am - Communion Service

Friday, October 23: 7:30 am - John McCall +

Saturday, October 24: 7:30 am - Purgatorial Society; 5:00 pm - Bart

McKee +

Sunday, October 25: 8:00 am - Peter + and Mary + Tunney; 10:30 am -

Mary Ferguson +

(+ indicates the person is deceased)



Please Pray for Our Parishioners and Friends

- Walter Bradford
- Ester Bugler
- Aida Calvopina
- Maggie Callaway
- Geraldine Clark
- Connie Cool
- Lois DiFruscio
- Lucia Hall
- Gina Heidkamp

- Maria Hertl
- Bernice Kiedysz
- Karey Myers
- Charley Scantlebury
- Richard Seitz
- Peggy Stoffel
- The Sullivan family
- Ruth Timmons
- Elinora E. Tolentino
- Norma E. Viray

Baptisms

- Penelope Marie, daughter of Stephen & Taylor Yemm
- Helena Eileen, daughter of Clinton & Megan Ind

Lyrics for October 19, 2020

Glory and Praise to Our God by Dan Schutte

REFRAIN: Glory and praise to our God who alone gives light to our days. Many are the blessings he bears to those who trust in his ways.

VERSE 1: We, the daughters and sons of him who built the valleys and plains, praise the wonders our God has done in ev'ry heart that sings. (to refrain)

Psalm 96: Give the Lord glory and honor by Timothy R. Smith

You Have Called Us by Bernadette Farrell (5pm Mass only)

You have called us by our name. We belong to you. You have called us by our name and we are yours.

Shelter Me O God by Bob Hurd

Refrain: Shelter me O God; hide me in the shadow of your wings. You alone are my hope.

Verse1: When my foes surround me, set me high above their reach.

Hear me when I call your name. (to refrain)

Taste and See by James Moore

REFRAIN: Taste and See, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

O taste and see, taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

VERSE 1: I will bless the Lord at all times. His praise shall always be on my

lips; My soul shall glory in the Lord for He has been so good to me.

(to refrain)

All the Ends of the Earth by John D. Becker

REFRAIN: All the ends of the earth, all you creatures of the sea, lift up your eyes to the wonders of the Lord. For the Lord of the earth, the master of the sea, has come with justice for the world.

VERSE 1: Break into song at the deeds of the Lord, the wonders God has done in ev'ry age. (to refrain)

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