

St. Gertrude the Great Catholic Church

Rev. John M. Ryan, Pastor

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2019

Take care to guard
against all greed,
for though one
may be rich,
one's life does not
consist of possessions.
Luke 12:15

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time "C"

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Sanctuary Lamp August 5th - August 11th 2019

For the repose of the souls of:

Church: For all unborn babies & their Mothers

Chapel: For Trent Lunk



Church Care: August

Lynne Pickett & Nancy Dowouis

Church Support

July 27th & 28th, 2019 - \$ 2,183.00

Thank you for supporting your church!



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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 9:30 AM & 6 PM Mass

DAILY MASSES & DEVOTION

8:00 AM - Chapel: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:45 - 4:15 PM, Sunday: 8:45-9:15 AM

or by appointment

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Vigil: 7:00 PM, Holy Day: 9:00 AM

BAPTISM

All first time parents and godparents must attend a Baptism seminar prior to the birth of their child. Only Confirmed practicing Catholics in good standing with the Church may be godparents. Please call the parish to make arrangements for the Baptism. Baptisms are by appointment.

WEDDINGS

Before making any arrangements, please contact the parish priest at least six (6) months before the proposed wedding date to begin the required preparation process.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Please notify Fr. Ryan when a family member is ill at home or in the hospital.

FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

Fr. Ryan should be notified as soon as possible when someone in the family passes away, preferably before contacting the funeral home.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, August 5th
No morning mass

Tuesday, August 6th
8:00 AM: Lottie & Bobby Chapaton, Alaina Arnold & Lynne Zeringue

Wednesday, August 7th
8:00 AM: For all aborted babies and their mothers

Thursday, August 8th
8:00 AM: Trent Lunk

Friday, August 9th
8:00 AM: Paul Candies, Sr.

Saturday, August 10th
4:30 PM: Carroll Dempster, Justilien, Sr. & Gloria Cortez, Lawrence, Betty & Irene Loupe, Johnny, Louise, Philip & Lonnie Schaubhut, Randolph Naquin, Sr., Wilson Cantrell Family, Caliste Naquin Family, Chad & Sue Champagne, Jeannette Deroche Champagne, Floyd & Ralph Champagne, Tonya Lee Roy, Cyrile & Albertine Aucoin, Dewey & Alverta Matherne

Sunday, August 11th
9:30 AM: Paul Candies, Sr., Trent Lunk, Felix Peyregne, rosemary & Lloyd Zeringue, Eunice & Stanley Champagne, Sheila, Amy & Tabitha Zeringue & Drew Frickey

6:00 PM: All deceased parishioners of St. Gertrude

Your prayers are asked for the following individuals who are facing illness or life challenges.



Edward Acunzo, Melissa Adams, Brooklyn Ainsworth, Donald Arnold, Charlie Augustine, Nathan Aupied, Karen Alexander Bass, Stephanie Branson, Alan Brunet, Rory Carlos, Kent Chauvin, Darren Christen, Dee Cortez, Michael Cortez, Marc Denham, Albert Dufrene, Jr., Clarabell Dufrene, Opal Dufrene, Erica Easley, Keith Fambrough, Eric Folse, Carl Frieze, Betty Gautreaux, Ronnie Gautreaux, Erin Granier, Zack Gras, Ricky Gravois, Azalie Guillot, Susette Higgins, Raymond Hood, Adrian Hotard, Wilton "Bud" Hue, Jr., George Landeche, Joel Leger, Joan Lester, Jake Lemmon, Rosalind Lewis, Theresa Lewis, Barbara Loggins, Monica Loveless, Timmy Maloz, Dwain McCain, Cole Martin, Ronald Matherne, Lilly Murdock, Kaylene Murphy, Kerean Naquin, Laurie Nettles, Mike O' Daniels, Jeff Penton, Christina Perilloux, Bobbie Picou, Rhylee Pizani, Bert Plaisance, Martha Plaisance, Michael Plaisance, Aaron Robichaux, Donald Rome, Ronnette Rome, Nicholas Rose, Kathy R. Savoie, Brenda Schmill Savoie, Jack Smith, Jean Sliwinski, Randy Thibodeaux, Kelly Trosclair, Gale Touchard, Adler "PeeWee" Tregle, Jr., Nicole Veillon, Lynelle Whipple, Donnie White, Charles "Buck" Whittington, Timmy Zeringue

*Names will remain on the prayer list for 3 months.
Please call the rectory to add or update your family member's names.*

Knights of Columbus



The Knights of Columbus will have a meeting on August 8th, at 6pm, in the Father Mac Center.

A meal from the Jambalaya Shop will be provided. Bring your wife and learn more about the Knights of Columbus.



We welcome all visitors & newcomers to St. Gertrude Church and invite you to register as members of our parish family. Registration forms can be found in the main entrance of the Church or emailed to you at your request.

Ministry Schedule

Ministry	Saturday - 4:30 PM August 10th	Sunday - 9:30 AM August 11th	Sunday - 6:00 PM August 11th
Lector	Denise Matherne	Vickie Hinrichs	Angelina Sander
Eucharistic Ministers	Sydney Dupont Justy Cortez Sherry Folse	<u>Melanie Triche</u> Candy Ford Patrick Hinrichs	Brett Hue Jamie Hue Volunteer
Hospitality	Christopher Pickett Volunteer	Zack Zeringue	Volunteers

**Saturday & Sunday, August 3rd & 4th
Second Collection - Maintenance**

There will be a second collection at all masses this weekend for the Maintenance of our parish. Please give as generously as you are able.

**Sunday, August 4th
Weekly Bingo**



Join us for our weekly Bingo this Sunday, August 4th, at 2 PM. The Blackout payout will pay \$100! Pick up a neighbor or friend and join us! We have a variety of food items and home baked goods to choose from. Doors open at 1 PM.

**2019-2020
Religious Education Registration**



Registrations for the 2019-2020 school year will be held during the monthly coffee and donuts on Sunday, August 4th, immediately following the 9:30 AM Mass.

A Registration Night will be held the following Monday, August 5th, from 6 to 8 PM at the Religious Education Building.

Our Religious Education Program is in need of one volunteer for our Third Grade Class. If you would like to share your faith with our students, please contact the rectory Tuesday thru Thursday, 9AM to 3PM. If you would like to volunteer as a helper in a class or as a substitute, we would love to have you!

**Wednesday, August 7th
Ladies Altar Society**

The Ladies Altar Society will meet this Wednesday, August 7th, at 6 PM, for their monthly meeting and potluck dinner.

Upcoming Events

The Religious Education Program will hold their opening mass on Sunday, August 25th, at 6 PM. All students **MUST** attend this mass! Classes will begin on **September 8th & 9th**.

A general Catfish Festival will be held on Wednesday, **August 28th, at 7 PM** in the Fr. Mac Center. The report of our festival will be given out and discussed. This meeting is open to all.

Bulletin Deadline:

Information to be placed in the Parish weekly bulletin must be received in writing in the Rectory no later than 2 PM, Thursday of the prior week.

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Find us on Facebook at: [stgertrudethegreatda](https://www.facebook.com/stgertrudethegreatda)



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The author of Ecclesiastes, who is identified as Qoheleth (or "teacher"), draws a disturbing picture about the value of human life and of human effort. "All things are vanity" suggests that everything that we do is transient, frail, and perhaps meaningless. Qoheleth explores deep questions about life with blunt honesty, and he rejects superficial answers. Just as in the Psalms, and in Job, he echoes the universal human longing for clarity and truth. Qoheleth's reflections, though dark and hinting at despair, remind us that life remains mysterious and beyond full understanding.

Today's responsorial psalm offers a faith response to Qoheleth's struggles. Despair can cast a veil over our eyes, hiding God's love from us. God does not provide us with all the answers. But God offers meaning, the only real and lasting meaning, to our work and to our lives. When necessary, we can accept and live into life's limitations, rather than seek to defeat them or escape from them. Our frailty and transience can open us into loving relationship with the limitless and the eternal.

WEALTH AND IDOLATRY

In today's Gospel passage from Luke, Jesus vividly demonstrates his concern about the dangers of wealth in the parable of the rich fool. The problem is not about saving for the future. The problem is revealed in the rich man's language of self-absorption: it's all about him. There is no gratitude or responsibility toward God or toward others. He seems to believe that he can secure his future by hoarding his wealth and possessions. It is a form of idolatry.

Part of how we decide what gives life meaning is deciding who or what we serve. Who or what claims our primary energies and best efforts? Idolatry places one's primary trust in something imaged or created, instead of God. Idolatry is a central theme discussed through the scriptures, and idolatry of wealth is no less a danger in modern times than it was in ancient days.

Yard Angels Needed

We are in need of volunteers to help cut grass on our church campus and in the cemetery. If you are retired or have any free time to spare, please consider donating your time. Sharing your time and talents are another way of contributing to your church parish. Our volunteers would also be treating ant mounds and spraying weed killer. If you would be interested in helping, please contact the church rectory Tuesday thru Thursday, 9am-3pm.

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