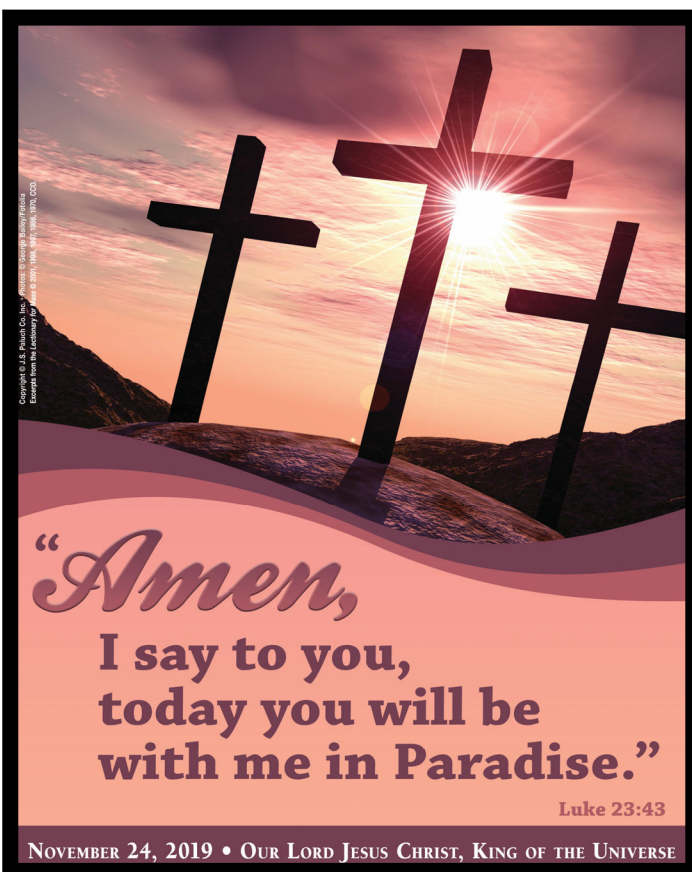


# St. Gertrude the Great Catholic Church

## Rev. John M. Ryan, Pastor



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Monday - 9 AM to 1 PM  
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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  
*Mother of Perpetual Help Novena follows the 8 AM Mass on Tuesday*  
*St. Jude Novena follows the 8 AM Mass on Wednesday*

### 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.

*Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ  
King of the Universe  
Journey Song Book: Pg. 1049  
Missalette: Pg. 63*

**Sanctuary Lamp Nov. 25th - Dec. 1st, 2019**

For the repose of the souls of:

**Church:** All deceased parishioners of St. Gertrude

**Chapel:** All deceased priests of St. Gertrude



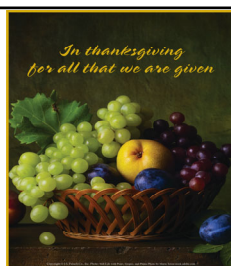
### Church Care: December

Julie Breaux & Elaine Deroche

### Church Support

November 16th & 17th, 2019  
\$ 1, 826.44

Thank you for supporting your church!



# Mass Intentions for the Week

**Monday, November 25th**  
No morning mass

**Tuesday, November 26th**  
**8:00 AM:** Julio Quinones

**Wednesday, November 27th**  
**8:00 AM:** All deceased priests and deacons of St. Gertrude

**Thursday, November 28th**  
**9:00 AM:** Joseph & Theresa Frickey, E.B. Brien, Roland & Myrtle Tastet, Frances & Earl Brien, David Matherne, Eugene Cunningham, Paul Candies, Sr., Ray & Frozine Webb, Murphy Comardelle, Sr., M/M Willie Comardelle, Harry & Doris Laurent, Theresa Knuppel Comardelle, M/M Whitney Naquin, M/M W.E. Dufrene, M/M Caliste Naquin, M/M Donald Morgan, Cyndi Naquin, Norman Dufrene, Sr. M/M Arthur Schaubhut, Sr.

**Friday, November 29th**  
**8:00 AM:** Paul Candies, Sr.

**Saturday, November 30th**  
**4:30 PM:** Marie & Luke LeBouef, Thomas & Edwise Theriot, Jamie & Johnnie Delatte, Sr., Byron, James & Baby Ann Schaubhut, Ron Dufrene, Caliste Naquin & Family, William Schaubhut & Family, John & Ouida Plaisance, William J. Lovell, Jerry Dempster, Justilien Cortez, Jr.

**Sunday, December 1st**  
**9:30 AM:** Waitus W. Denham, Sr. Leonce "Tut" Clement, Albert & Brent Blank, Chad William Siegle, Ferdudy & Rita Bergeron, Cleophus, Rose, Donald, Donlee, & Lucy Gautreaux, Edward, Leon, Torey, & Edward Buras, III, Robin Whalen, Leon Bertucci, Clayton Autin, Jr., Dawson, Tyler & Aiden Neff, Paul Candies, Sr., Kim Hall Robichaux, Nolan "Snookie" Frickey, Sr., M/M Jimmy Frickey, M/M Willie Comardelle, Eugene Francis Rascoll, III

**6:00 PM:** Aaron Robichaux, All deceased family members of our Religious Education Program

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



Susie Adams, Brooklyn Ainsworth, Donald Arnold, Charlie Augustine, Nathan Apupied, Karen Alexander Bass, Charles "Butch" Boudreaux, Euclid Boudreaux, Stephanie Branson, Alan Brunet, Kathy Cardino, Rory Carlos, Darren Christen, Tammy Crochet, Dee Cortez, Marc Denham, Albert Dufrene, Jr., Clarabell Dufrene, Janet Dufrene, Roland Dufrene, Caleb Entuinez, Kathryn Fambrough, Keith Fambrough, Eric Folse, Jeannie Fonseca, Erin Granier, Zack Gras, Ricky Gravois, Frances "Tee" Gros, Azalie Guillot, Arlene Hall, Susette Higgins, Raymond Hood, Adrian Hotard, Chris Kitso, Joan Lester, Jake Lemmon, Rosalind Lewis, Theresa Lewis, Barbara Loggins, Monica Loveless, Timmy Maloz, Cole Martin, Mark Morehouse, Kaylene Murphy, Kerean Naquin, Laurie Nettles, Jeff Penton, Christina Perilloux, Bobbie Picou, Rhylee Pizani, Bert Plaisance, Martha Plaisance, Michael Plaisance, Donald Rome, Ronnette Rome, Nicholas Rose, Anthony & Sophia Reels, Kathy R. Savoie, Brenda Schmill Savoie, Jack Smith, Jean Sliwinski, David Solar, Randy Thibodeaux, Kelly Trosclair, Gale Touchard, Adler "PeeWee" Tregle, Jr., Cathy Vanacor, 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.*

## Thanksgiving Mass - November 28th

**Fr. Ryan will celebrate the Thanksgiving Mass on Thursday, November 28th, @ 9 AM, in the Church. No ministers have been scheduled for this Mass. If you are a lector or eucharistic minister, would you please consider helping out? Thanks.**

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 November 30th	Sunday - 9:30 AM December 1st	Sunday - 6:00 PM December 1st
<b>Lector</b>	Anita Matherne	Aurora Romero	Angelina Sander
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Terry Matherne Tina Montz Maria Matherne	<b>Melanie Triche</b> Sydney Dupont Kenney Matherne	Jamie Hue Brett Hue Volunteer
<b>Hospitality</b>	Volunteers	Tyler Matherne Volunteer	Volunteers

**Saturday & Sunday, November 23rd & 24th  
Second Collection — Catholic Campaign for Human  
Development**

There will be a second collection at all masses this week-end for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Your gift will help community organizations change existing structures of poverty and build an economy based on justice and the dignity of the human person. Please give as generously as you are able.

**Sunday, November 24th  
Weekly Bingo**



Please join us for our weekly Bingo this Sunday, November 24th, at 2 PM. Take the day off from cooking and stop by to pick up lunch and a dessert. Doors open at 11:30 AM. This will be our last Bingo for this year. Our Bingo workers are taking some time off to enjoy the upcoming holidays with their families. We thank those who work our Bingo, those who donate baked goodies and those who donate money for items needed. A special thank you to those parishioners and the surrounding community members who have supported our Sunday Bingo for the past two years. Your continued support has been a blessing to St. Gertrude Church!



**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**

Today as we celebrate Christ the King, may we open the door of our heart so wide that we may listen to the voice of Jesus calling us to help build his kingdom here on earth.

**In the month of November, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to help build the kingdom of God by providing Thanksgiving boxes to families in our surrounding church community. Thank you for your generosity!**

On behalf of Fr. Ryan and staff we'd like to wish each and every parishioner and their families a very Happy Thanksgiving! Even though we've experienced some trying times, may we continue to come together and work in unity as a church family. May you each be filled with God's abundant blessings!



**St. Gertrude Angel Tree**



*The St. Gertrude Angel Tree is here! If you would like to purchase a gift for a beautiful child in need, you may take an angel off the tree in the back of the church. The price range of the gift is \$15. We ask that the gift be a toy, (no clothing please). Please do not wrap your gift. Simply tape your angel tag to the gift and place beneath the Angel Tree.*

**The deadline for your donation will be Wednesday, December 11th. You can either place your gift under the Angel Tree in the back of the church or drop them off at the rectory.**

**Religious Education Schedule**

Sun. Nov. 24th, **No CCD - Thanksgiving Holidays**  
 Mon. Nov. 25th, **No CCD - Thanksgiving Holidays**  
 Sun. Dec. 1st, Grades 6-11, 7-8:15 PM  
**Sun. Dec. 1st, Confirmation Practice with Sponsors @ 7 PM**  
 Mon. Dec. 2nd, Grades 1-5, 6-7:15 PM  
**Thur. Dec. 12th, Confirmation @ 7:00 PM**  
 Sun. Dec. 8th, Grades 6-10, 7-8:15 PM  
 Mon. Dec. 9th, Grades 1-5, 6-7:15 PM  
 Sun. Dec. 15th, Grades 6-10, 7-8:15 PM  
 Mon. Dec. 16th, Grades 1-5, 6-7:15 PM  
 Sun. Dec. 22nd, **No CCD - Christmas Holidays**  
 Mon. Dec. 23rd, **No CCD - Christmas Holidays**  
 Sun. Dec. 29th, **No CCD - New Years Holidays**  
 Mon. Dec. 30th, **No CCD - New Years Holidays**

**Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ  
King of the Universe**

Ancient Israel understood God to be the only "King" that they needed. As time went on, human envy and insecurity crept in, and they wanted a king like their neighbors, an earthly king who would lead them to greatness. God's people came to depend upon and find their strength in frail humanity rather than their faithful Creator. When that failed, they hoped for a human Messiah King to give them back that fragile sense of security. We can understand, perhaps, their confusion upon encountering the powerfully gentle and gloriously humble Jesus.

**THE KING OF HEARTS**

Are you aware that today's joyous feast is not even one hundred years old? In his 1925 encyclical *Quam Primas*, Pius XI established the feast of Christ the King. Remember what the world was like in those days—the rise of nationalism and secularism in Europe and un-Godly false prophets, leading inexorably to the Passion of the Holocaust and wide-ranging martyrdoms. No wonder the pope was anxious to show the world a true King! Saint Luke today goes straight to the heart of kingship, of a king's devotion to his beloved people. In this topsy-turvy kingdom, we see not a king decked in power and glory, but the crucified "King of the Jews" who robes himself in the suffering of a sad and lonely world. His forgiveness and heart-breaking love throughout his passion is a hard act for humans to follow, and yet Jesus gives us his life and death as a model. And then he tells us that, along with the "good criminal, we will be with him "in Paradise." What more could we ask for?

It is fitting that Pius' encyclical ties this royal feast to the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This King who gave his heart to humanity in the sacrificial love feast of Good Friday gives his heart every day to a broken world still trying to figure out who he is.

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**Winter Wonderland**

**Our Catfish Festival will hold a Winter Wonderland on Saturday, November 30th, from 9 AM to 4 PM in the Fr. Mac Center. Plan to come out and do some early Christmas shopping. The craft vendors will be located inside and the garage sale booths will be located outside on the festival grounds. If you would like to rent a booth, please contact Sheena Candies (985)520-1541. The Souvenir Booth will have a clearance sale on all merchandise! Also, Mr. & Mrs. Clause will be there and photos will be available for purchase. Concessions will also be sold. Please come out and support this first time event! All proceeds will be used for future capital improvements to our festival grounds. See you there!**

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