

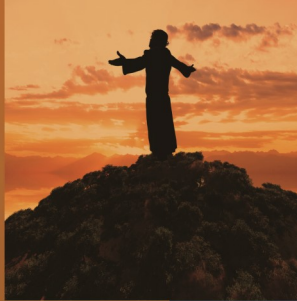
# St. Gertrude the Great Catholic Church

Rev. Ray A. Hymel, Pastor

A Parish of Deanery 5 (St. John - St. Charles) Dean: Very Rev. Stephen Dardis (Pastor - Holy Family, Luling)

Jesus said,  
"I say to you,  
you are Peter,  
and upon this rock  
I will build my church,  
and the gates of the  
netherworld shall not  
prevail against it."

MATTHEW 16:18



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST  
23  
2020



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## Office Hours:

Monday - Closed  
Tuesday - Thursday 9 AM to 3 PM

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM  
Sunday: 9:30 AM & 6 PM Mass

## DAILY MASSES \*Held in church until further notice

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

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:45 - 4:15 PM  
Sunday: 8:45 - 9:15 AM  
Anytime by appointment with Fr. Ray

## HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

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

## 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. Ray when a family member is ill at home or in the hospital.

## FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

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

*Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time "A"*  
Missalette: Pg. 26

**Sanctuary Lamp: August 24th to August 30th**  
For the repose of the soul of:  
**Church: Carl J. Simoneaux, Sr.**



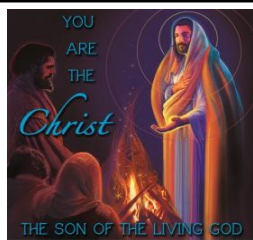
## Church Care: August

Lynne Pickett & Nancy Dowouis

## Church Support

August 9th & 10th  
\$ 1,652.00

Thank you for supporting your church!



**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, August 24th**  
No Mass

**Tuesday, August 25th**  
**8:00 AM:** Judy Guhman

**Wednesday, August 26th**  
**8:00 AM:** Paul Candies, Julio Quinõnes

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

**Friday, August 28th**  
**8:00 AM:** Leona Roger, All souls in purgatory

**Saturday, August 29th**  
**4:30 PM:** Jerry Dempster, Justilien Cortez, Jr., Charles Folsie, Jr. & Edith C. Folsie, Charles Folsie, Sr., Lily Folsie Dubea, Martin, Theresa, & Dennis Dufrene, Arthur, Sr. & Bernice LeBlanc, Christine Folsie, Cleveland Labat, Sr. & Jr. & Bessie Labat, Jamie & Johnnie, Sr. Delatte, James, Byron, & Baby Ann Schaubhut, Caliste Naquin & Family, William Schaubhut & Family, John & Ouida Plaisance, William Lovell, Ron Dufrene, Judy Guhman

**Sunday, August 30th**  
**9:30 AM:** Lester Matherne, Paul Candies, Sr., Nolan "Snookie" Frickey, Sr., M/M Jimmy Frickey, M/M Willie Comardelle, Johnny & Margarite Dufrene, Elias Michael Petit, Deborah Tregle, Leo Vial, Cameron Kremer, Toney Dalelio, Rhodell Montgomery, Quisen Matherne, Judy Guhman

**6:00 PM:** Carl Simoneaux, Sr., Leo, Sr. & Mabel Simoneaux, Bobby Hogan, Roy F. Touchard, Judy Guhman, Maureen & Michael Chaisson

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

Susie Adams, Brooklyn Ainsworth, Donald Arnold, Karen Alexander Bass, Charles "Butch" Boudreaux, Euclid Boudreaux, Larry Breaux, Sr., Alan Brunet, Rick Bush, Adler Champagne, Jr., Mark Champagne, Blake Comardelle, Dee Cortez, Clothilde Dempster, Dianna S. Dempster, Marc Denham, Eric Folsie, Carl Frieze, Betty Gautreaux, Cliff Gendron, Brad Gibbons, Azalie Guillot, Alvin "Ko" & Nancy Hebert, Susette Higgins, Raymond Hood, Jake Lemmon, Theresa Lewis, Barbara Loggins, Laurie Nettles, Aurora Orosz, Melvin Perron, Bentley Louviere, Bobbie Picou, Noah Prichard, Brenda Schmill Savoie, Adam Sims, Elijah Taylor, Randy Thibodeaux, Noah Townsend, Gale Touchard, Larry Vanderbrook

*Names will remain on the prayer list for 3 months.*

*Please call the rectory to add or update your family member's names.*

**PRAYER FOR THE HURRICANE SEASON**



Our Father in Heaven, through the intercession of Our Lady of Prompt Succor, spare us during this hurricane season and from all harm and protect us and our homes from all disasters of nature. We ask this through Christ our Lord. *Amen (Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be)*

**Ministry Schedule**

<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Saturday - 4:30 PM August 29th</b>	<b>Sunday - 9:30 AM August 30th</b>	<b>Sunday - 6:00 PM August 30th</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Betty Hogan	Sheena Candies	Kenney Matherne
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Lynne Pickett	Tommy Mahan	<b>No Minister Needed</b>
<b>Hospitality</b>	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer

## **Monday, August 24th CCD Teachers Meeting**

There will be a CCD teacher meeting this Monday, August 24th, at 6:30 PM, in the Fr. Mac Building. Please make every effort to attend as we will be discussing many important issues. Please be sure to bring and wear your masks for this meeting.

### **Readers & Eucharistic Ministers Needed**

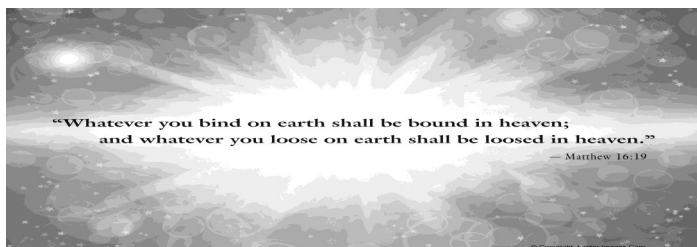
As things are slowly getting back to a normal procedure at church, we are still in need of additional readers and Eucharistic Ministers. We currently have only seven readers which is difficult to schedule since we have three masses on the weekend. Currently, we have a few more Eucharist Ministers but we continually lose both with each schedule. **PLEASE** consider volunteering to assist at Mass! If interested, contact the rectory at 758-7542 as we will be creating a new schedule soon!

### **Help Needed for CCD**

We are in need of one elementary and one 7th or 9th Grade teacher for CCD. Please pray upon this and contact Ms. Tina Montz (758-7373) if you can help the Religious Education Program.

### **CCD Registration**

If anyone would like to register their child for CCD, registration packets have been placed in the back of the church. You may fill them out and place them in an envelope with your registration fee and place them in the weekly collection or drop them off through the slot at the rectory.



### **Catfish Festival Half & Half Raffle Tickets**

Raffle tickets can be purchased at the monthly St. Gertrude luncheon the second Sunday of each month. We ask each family to pick up at least one book of raffle tickets to help this cause. Additional tickets can be picked up from the rectory Tuesday thru Thursday between the hours of 9 am to 3 pm. The winner will be announced on Sunday, **November 8th**.

### **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.

**Visit our website at:** <http://stgertrudedesallemands.org>

**Find us on Facebook at:** stgertrudethegreatda

## **Religious Education**

Our Religious Education Program will hold two separate opening masses. The High School Mass will be held on **Sunday, August 30th**, at **6 PM**, for **Grades (6th-11th)** and the Elementary Grade Mass will be held on **Monday, August 31st**, at **6 PM**, for **Grades (1st-5th)**. Two masses are necessary so that we adhere to social distancing measures and all other safety precautions. It is a mandate that masks must be worn to mass.

### **Important Dates**

**Monday, September 14, 2020 @ 7PM** in Church  
First Reconciliation Students & Parents

**Saturday, September 19, 2020 @ 10 AM** in Church  
First Reconciliation Students & Parents

## **Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

When Jesus says to Peter "whatever you bind" or "whatever you loose" in today's Gospel, he describes a distinct power that emerges from Peter's faith in Jesus. The capacity to bind or to loose suggests a new ability, both to restrain or block forces that harm the community of faith, and also to release or liberate energies that strengthen the community.

It might be helpful to observe, within your own parish of faith community, where God might be working now. Perhaps you can see persons and groups working to restrain toxic forces of resentment or fear. You might see those who are releasing new energies, and empowering the faithful to care for their neighbors. When we are grounded in a prayerful trust relationship with Jesus, we can receive this power to participate in God's work, to bind and to loose.

## **AWE AND PRAISE**

In today's passage from Romans, Paul concludes his complex reflections on the Jewish people, the emerging Gentile churches, and God's work among them. Paul has struggled to understand the responses of both the Jewish and Gentile communities, with their mix of acceptance and rejection of Jesus. He warns the Roman church to avoid any sense of superiority over Jews or non-Christian Gentiles, for everyone is in need of God's mercy. Paul acknowledges the limits of his understanding, and gives way to prayers of awe and praise. He concludes by marveling at the limitless mercy of God, whose designs are ultimately mysterious.

Sometimes our own prayer can be like that of Paul. In conversation with God, we try to make sense of life, especially its difficulties. The full truth of what's going on in our lives or in our world eludes us, and so we work humbly with the truth that we can understand. If we believe our mysterious God is indeed trustworthy, we can open our hearts in praise, and allow God to shape our lives.

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