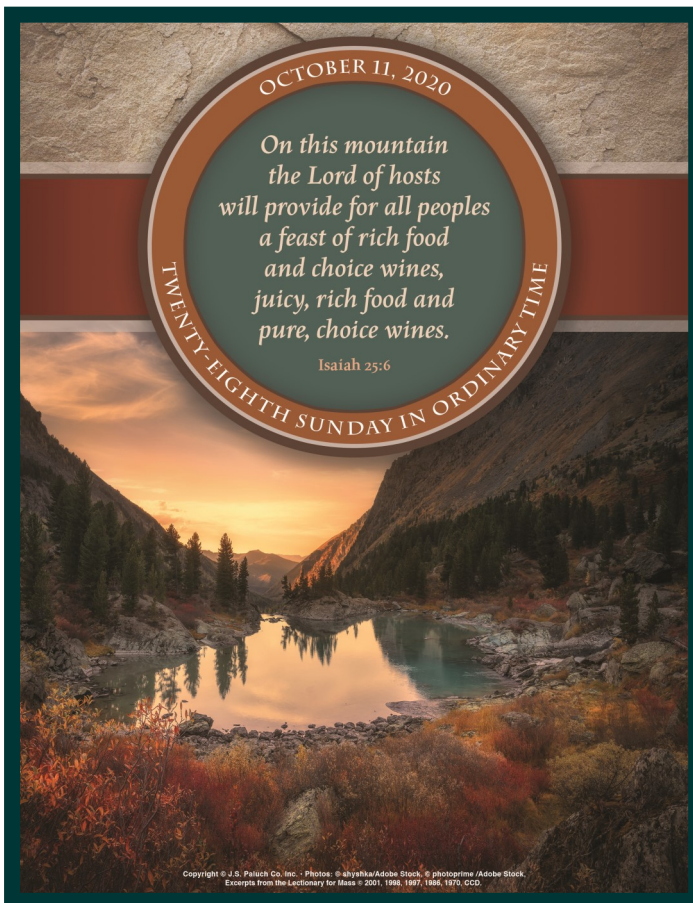


# St. Gertrude the Great Catholic Church

Rev. Ray A. Hymel, Pastor

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



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## Office Hours:

Monday - Closed  
Tuesday - Thursday 9 AM to 3 PM  
Friday - Closed

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

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

## DAILY MASSES : Held in the Chapel

8:00 AM - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday  
**Adoration:** Thursday: 8:40 AM to 9:40 AM

## 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-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time "A"*  
**Missalette: Pg. 43**

**Sanctuary Lamp: October 12th - October 18th**  
**For the repose of the soul of:**  
**Church:** Paul Candies, Sr.  
**Chapel:** All deceased priests of St. Gertrude

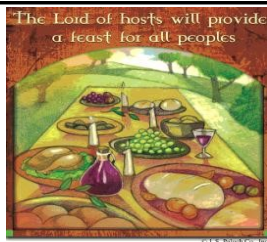


**Church Care: October**  
**Berdie Mahan & Faye Aucoin**

## **Church Support**

**September 26th & 27th**  
**\$ 1,481.00**

**Thank you for supporting your church!**



**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, October 12th**

No Mass

**Tuesday, October 13th**

**8:00 AM:** Paul Candies, Sr.

**Wednesday, October 14th**

**8:00 AM:** All deceased priests and deacons of St. Gertrude

**Thursday, October 15th**

**8:00 AM:** All souls in purgatory

**Friday, October 16th**

**8:00 AM:** Judy Guhman

**Saturday, October 17th**

**4:30 PM:** Paul Candies, Sr., Bessie Labat, Cleveland Labat, Sr. & Jr., Roy F. Touchard, Aaron Robichaux

**Sunday, October 18th**

**9:30 AM:** Adrien & Leona Roger & Family, Louis Seraphine & Josephine & Family, Eloise Trauth Matherne & Family, Theresa Maruschak & Family, Bill Miller & Family, Lloyd & Rosemary Zeringue, Stanley & Eunice Champagne, Sheila, Amy, & Tabitha Zeringue, Drew Frickey, Nolan "Snookie" Frickey, Sr., M/M Jimmy Frickey, M/M Willie Comardelle, Elias Michael Petit, Deborah Tregle, Judy Guhman Clarabell Dufrene, All parishioners of St. Gertrude

**6:00 PM:** Carl Simoneaux, Sr., Leo, Sr. & Mabel Simoneaux, Bobby Hogan, Judy Guhman, Maureen & Michael Chaisson, 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, Karen Alexander Bass, Charles "Butch" Boudreaux, Alan Brunet, Rick Bush, Adler Champagne, Jr., Greg Champagne, Mark Champagne, Marcey Frazier Clement, Blake Comardelle, Dee Cortez, Dianna S. Dempster, Jo Ann Dempster, Marc Denham, Janice "Clara" Dufrene, Eric Folse, Colette Freloux, Carl Frieze, Betty Gautreaux, Cliff Gendron, Brad Gibbons, Azalie Guillot, Alvin "Ko" & Nancy Hebert, Kathy Heckel, Susetta Higgins, Raymond Hood, Edith Hotard, Jake Lemmon, Theresa Lewis, Kristy Liner, Barbara Loggins, Landon Lyons, Susan Aizen McCarter, Mark Morehouse, Laurie Nettles, Aurora Orosz, Melanie Pecqueune, Melvin Peron, Bentley Louviere, Bobbie Picou, Noah Prichard, Betty Savoie, Brenda Schmill Savoie, Adam Sims, Bryant Tassin, Elijah Taylor, Jerry Thibodeaux, Randy Thibodeaux, Noah Townsend, Gale Touchard, Margaret Tregle, 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.*

*Weddings Banns*

*Kayla Michelle De Jean and Grant Joseph Mayet  
October 10, 2020*

**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 October 17th</b>	<b>Sunday - 9:30 AM October 18th</b>	<b>Sunday - 6:00 PM October 18th</b>
<b>Lector</b>	Aurora Romero	Betty Hogan	Monica Tabor
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Melanie Triche	Christine Soto-Dufrene	<b>No Minister Needed</b>
<b>Hospitality</b>	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer

**Thursday, October 22nd, & 29th  
Weekly Holy Hour Adoration**

Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins after Mass on Thursdays in the chapel at 8:45 AM with simple Benediction at 9:45 AM. Come join your fellow parishioners and spend some time with Jesus in prayer.

**Sunday, October 11th & Monday October 12th  
First Communion-Religious Education Classes**

The meeting and practice for First Communion and all religious education classes have been cancelled due to **Hurricane Delta**. Please check in with St. Gertrude's Facebook Page and Website for further information.

**Tuesday, October 20th  
St. Vincent De Paul Society**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will meet Tuesday, October 20th, at 6 PM, in the Fr. Mac Center.

*Monthly Adoration and Mass Evening*

St. Gertrude's monthly Prayer, Praise, Adoration, Confession and Mass Evening has been rescheduled to October 15th, Adoration and Confessions will begin at 6 PM with praise music and quiet reflection time before the Blessed Sacrament. Fr. Ray will be available for those wishing to go to confession. Adoration will conclude near 7 with Mass beginning at 7 PM. Join us for an evening of worship during these difficult times. October 8th is the Feast of St. Ambrose of Siena, amazingly healed as a child, became a Dominican and was respected by kings and popes! There is power in the name of Jesus!

**Sunday, October 18th  
Monthly Luncheon Fundraiser-Rescheduled**

Due to **Hurricane Delta**, our monthly luncheon fundraiser has been rescheduled to Sunday, **October 18th**, starting at 10:30 AM. The menu will be Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad with Italian dressing, and bread for \$10. The meals will be **to go** only. Desserts will be available by donation and you can also purchase tickets for our Catfish Festival half-n-half. This luncheon is being sponsored by First National Bank USA.

**Tuesday, October 20th  
St. Gertrude Senior Activity**

A Prize Bingo will be held for our Senior activity on Tuesday, October 20th, at 10 AM, in the Fr. Mac Center. Please bring a \$5 prize to contribute to our Senior Bingo. If you are interested in attending this event, a sign-up sheet has been placed in the back of the church. This event is opened to senior parishioners who are 60 years of age or older. For your safety, we will continue to follow the social distancing guidelines. You will have to sign a log sheet and have your temperature taken as you enter into the Fr. Mac Center. Light refreshments will be served.

**Catfish Festival Half & Half Raffle Tickets**

Catfish Festival half & half raffle tickets are still available and can be picked up from Ms. Cindy Candies or from the rectory on Tuesday thru Thursday between the hours of 9 am to 3 pm. They can also be purchased while you are waiting in the carline at our monthly luncheons! The winning prize has exceeded **\$1,200!** The winner of the half & half will be announced on Sunday, **November 8th. Good Luck!**

**Religious Education**

**Sunday, October 11th, Cancelled**  
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**Monday, October 12th, Cancelled**

**Sunday, October 18th, Grades 6-10, 7-8:15 PM**  
**Monday, October 19th, Grades 1-5, 6-7:15 PM**

**Sunday, October 25th, Grades 6-10, 7-8:15 PM**  
**Monday, October 26th, Grades 1-5, 6-7:15 PM**

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Jesus' parable of the king's wedding feast sounds extreme to our modern ears. After all, if a king—a beloved celebrity, say—were to invite us to his son's party, which one of us would refuse, much less murder the messenger? In Matthew's Gospel, the chief priests and elders obstinately refuse to acknowledge Jesus' mission as the anointed Son of God. Today's parable suggests that God will punish his stubbornness by burning their city. The extreme violence of this parable seems to be aimed at Jesus' stubborn first-century audience, but falls short of hitting us.

**RESTORING RELATIONSHIPS,  
BUILDING BRIDGES**

Instead of dismissing or quaintly smiling at today's parable, we can let the word of God work in our hearts. Jesus, who is the Word of God, exists in all time and knows each of us intimately. He speaks to us today through this very parable. The king's invitation applies to us. The Creator of the universe calls us, and we must respond. Eternal life is at stake.

Today's liturgy is a rich opportunity to identify the invitation extended by God. The liturgy itself is our collective glimpse into heaven. Perhaps the Lord is calling us to be more attentive to the liturgy, or to enter more deeply into a parish's weekend experience. Or perhaps our liturgical prayer time today will reveal a call to service, an invitation to care intentionally for strangers in need or for people we know. Perhaps, too, we might discern a call to repair brokenness. Most of us do not witness murder or burning cities on a daily basis, but we surely know relationships in need of repair. Once we hear the invitation to reconcile with others, we can pray for the strength to respond. Instead of ignoring the summons by filling our time with busyness, we can ask the Lord to help us apologize, or forgive, or begin a difficult conversation. "Many are invited," Jesus tells us. He will help us respond.

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