

St. Gertrude the Great Catholic Church

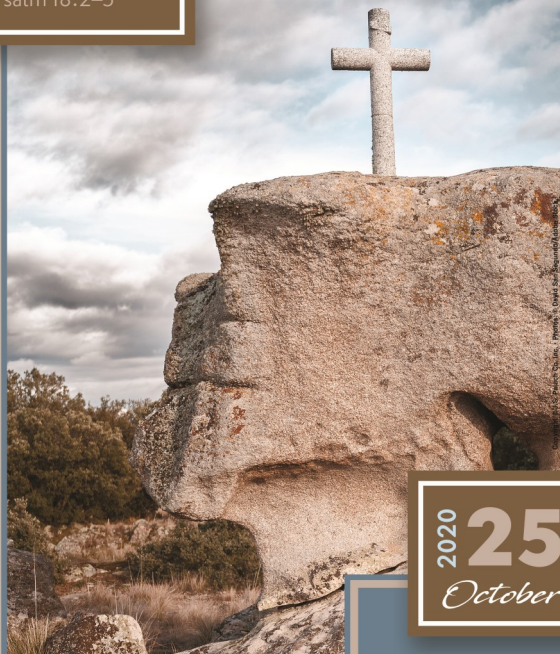
Rev. Ray A. Hymel, Pastor

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

I love you, O Lord, my strength.
O Lord, my rock,
my fortress, my deliverer.

Psalms 18:2-3

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time "A"
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Sanctuary Lamp: October 26th - November 1st
For the repose of the soul of:
Church: Philip Landeche Sr.
Chapel: All deceased priests of St. Gertrude

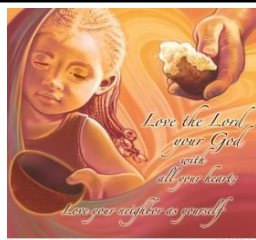


Church Care: October
Berdie Mahan & Faye Aucoin

Church Support

October 10th & 11th
\$ 2,069.00

Thank you for supporting your church!



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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.

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 26th
No Mass

Tuesday, October 27th
8:00 AM: Julio Quinõnes

Wednesday, October 28th
8:00 AM: All deceased priests and deacons of St. Gertrude

Thursday, October 29th
8:00 AM: Paul Candies, Sr., E.B. Brien, Earl & Frances Brien, Myrtle & Roland Tastet, David Matherne

Friday, October 30th
8:00 AM: Judy Guhman

Saturday, October 31st
4:30 PM: Paul Candies, Sr., Murphy Comardelle, Sr. Harry & Doris Laurent, Theresa Knupple Comardelle, Bessie Labat, & Cleveland Labat, Sr. & Jr., Aurelien & Driscilla Matherne & Family, Nolan "Black" Triche & Family, Deacon Landry Matherne & Family

Sunday, November 1st
9:30 AM: Please see bulletin insert

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, Susette Higgins, Raymond Hood, Edith Hotard, Jake Lemmon, Theresa Lewis, Kristy Linder, Barbara Loggins, Landon Lyons, Susan Aizen McCarter, Laurie Nettles, Aurora Orosz, Melanie Pecquene, Melvin Perron, Bentley Louviere, Bobbie Picou, Noah Prichard, Betty Savoie, Brenda Schmill Savoie, Mark Savoie, Adam Sims, Bryant Tassin, Elijah Taylor, Jerry Thibodeaux, Randy Thibodeaux, Noah Townsend, Gale Touchard, Margaret Tregle, Christina Triche, 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.*

All Saints Day

Fr. Ray will celebrate Masses for All Saints Day as follows: Saturday Vigil @ 4:30 PM, Sunday, 9:30 AM
The Blessing of the Graves will begin immediately following the 9:30 AM Mass. Fr. Ray will begin with the Graham Schmill Cemetery. Then, he will go to the Cemetery near the bayou @ 11AM, and will conclude at the Mennonite Cemetery at 11:45AM.

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*

Ministry Schedule

Ministry	Saturday - 4:30 PM October 31st	Sunday - 9:30 AM November 1st	Sunday - 6:00 PM November 1st
Lector	Betty Hogan	Sheena Candies	Kenney Matherne
Eucharistic Minister	Sherry Folse	Tommy Mahan	No Minister Needed
Hospitality	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer

Thursday, October 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.

Saturday, October 31st Time Change—Fall Back

Daylights savings time will be next weekend. Please remember to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday, October 31st.

2021 Masses

We are now accepting mass intention requests for 2021. The 2021 Mass forms have been placed in the church. For your convenience, you may place your envelope in the weekend collection or drop them off through the slot at the rectory. As noted on the form, Fr. Ray will **NOT** allow Masses to be scheduled on the first Saturday and third Sunday of the month as those are reserved as masses for St. Gertrude Parishioners.

Veteran's Day Ceremony

Due to Covid-19, it has been decided to postpone this year's Veteran's Day Ceremony. Names of the deceased veterans of this year will still be inscribed on the plaque for viewing. This year's veterans will be recognized at next year's ceremony. Thank you for your understanding.

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. For those who still have tickets out, please turn them in to the office as soon as possible. The winning prize has exceeded \$1,500! The winner of the half & half will be announced at our next monthly luncheon on Sunday, November 8th. Good Luck!

Krewe of Boo

Mark your calendars! Since we have moved to Phase 3, Krewe of Boo will be held on Friday, October 30th, from 6:30 to 7:30 PM. This year, Krewe of Boo will be held on the festival grounds behind the Fr. Mac Center. Due to Covid-19, food and beverages will not be served. Set-up for booths will begin at 5:30 pm.

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)

Religious Education

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

Sunday, November 1st, Fall Break - Election
Monday, November 2nd, Fall Break - Election

Sunday, November 8th, Grades 6-10, 7-8:15 PM
Monday, November 9th, Grades 1-5, 6-7:15 PM

Sunday, November 15th, Grades 6-10, 7-8:15 PM
Monday, November 16th, Grades 1-5, 6-7:15 PM

Sunday, November 22nd, - Thanksgiving Holidays
Monday, November 23rd, - Thanksgiving Holidays

Sunday, November 29th, Grades 6-10, 7-8:15 PM
Monday, November 30th, Grades 1-5, 6-7:15 PM

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Anyone who has read the Pentateuch (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy) from beginning to end appreciates the massive influence of the law on our ancestors in faith. In fact, what Christians call the Pentateuch (Greek for "five books"), Jewish tradition calls the Torah ("teaching" or "law"). In the first five books of the Bible, there is no escaping the law, its meticulous detail and relentless regulations, decrees, and pronouncements from God to Moses and Aaron. Also common in these books, alas, are stories of God's chosen people going astray. The predominance of the law reminds us that we are creatures with the tendency to sin; God provides the law to us beloved children to regulate our behavior and help us live more peacefully on earth.

IMITATING GOD

Laws would be entirely unnecessary if we lived perfect lives. As we know all too well, however, we often fall short of good intentions that we cherish in our hearts. Perhaps the law would even be unnecessary if we lived alone, isolated from other people. After all, what hermit in a cave actually needs a commandment to change no interest on a loan? But God's design for humanity includes togetherness. And when we live together, we tend to step on each other's toes. Thank God for laws that help us to live in community with justice and compassion.

Underlying every one of God's laws is an eternal longing for fairness and fullness. What's more, God's own self—a vibrant community of Father, Son, and Spirit—reveals the deep joy of living in peace with self and neighbor. The Trinitarian nature of God—three persons in one God—astonishes us with its commitment to fruitful love. Love is gratuitous and lavish, constantly producing and giving of itself. The more generously we love God, self, and neighbor, the more we will know that, as Saint Paul says, "love is the fulfillment of the law" (Romans 13:10).

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