ST. GERTRUDE CHURCH

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER MAY 15, 2022

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Mass Times

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 7:30am & 10:30am

Mon. - Fri: 8:00am

Confession Times

Saturday: 3:45-4:15 pm, Sunday: 6:45-

7:15am

Tuesday: 7:30-7:45 am

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 8am—4pm Closed Fridays in the summer

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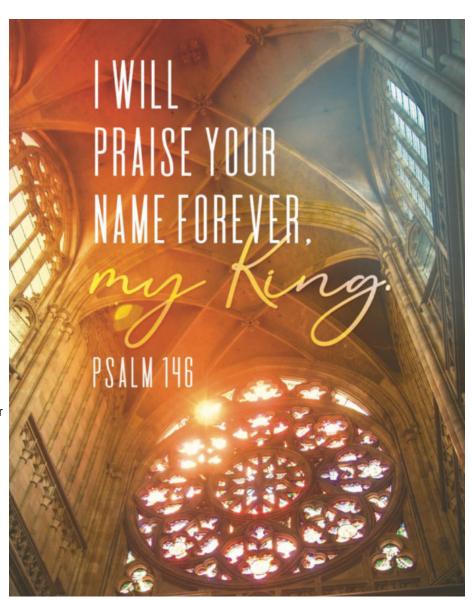
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FORMING FUTURE SAINTS,
AS WE WELCOME DISCIPLES HOME.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 14, 2022

4:30 pm Bob Miller Jr.

Sunday, May 15, 2022

7:30 am Charlie Miesner 10:30am Our Parishioners

Monday, May 16, 2022

Al & Susie Gildehaus & Family 8:00 am

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

8:00 am Kathy Frick

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

Cornelius & Mary Feldmann 8:00 am

Thursday, May 19, 2022

8:00 am **COMMUNION SERVICE**

Friday, May 20, 2022

8:00 am **COMMUNION SERVICE**

Saturday, May 21, 2022

4:30 pm Mary Lou Hayes

Sunday, May 22, 2022

7:30 am Virgil & Rose Alfermann/

Ludwig Westhoelter

10:30 am Our Parishioners

**Please note, intentions may be moved due to changes in

the Mass Schedule**

ALTAR FLOWERS



Altar Flowers for this weekend are in memory of

Roland & Betty Dobsch

Please Pray for: Charlotte Heimann, Bernie Hillerman, Jeff Hinnah, Lynn Riegel, Don Frankenberg, Raejean Lause, Shirley Neier, Devon McNew, Mary Beth Peters, Debbie B. Beste and the homebound and those in nursing homes.

Prayer request will run for 4 weeks. If you would like your prayer request to run longer please contact the parish office and we will be happy to run your request for another 4 weeks. Thank you!

Please Pray for those Serving our Country:

Jason Brennell, Patrick Feldmann, William Grannemann, Stephen Hern, Austin Mark, Aaron Maune, Andrew Schull, Kiah Fuller

Adoration

We hold Eucharistic Adoration every Monday after the 8am Mass until 12 noon. (Adoration is **not** held on holidays that the parish office is closed.)

The Rosary

The rosary is prayed every Tuesday in church at 6pm.

First Friday Anointing of the Sick

On the first Friday of each month we will have Anointing of the Sick at the 8am Mass at St. Gertrude.

Use of Space Info

Parish Center:

Parishioner 750.00 + 300.00 deposit

Non– Parishioner 1,050.00 + 300.00 deposit

Old hall: Must be a parishioner 125.00 + 100.00 deposit

Endowment

This is the link to our St. Gertrude Catholic Church Endowment Fund. https://rcfstl.org/funds/ Page down until you see the endowment fund for St. Gertrude Parish.

St. Vincent DePaul Collection

The SVDP collection is held every third Sunday.

Bulletin Deadline

Articles intended for publication in the parish bulletin need to be submitted to Kristina Unerstall, emailed or in writing, before Monday, 10:00 am at stann.unerstall@yhti.net.

The Sacraments of Marriage & Baptism

Anyone who is interested in receiving the Sacrament of Marriage must schedule with Michelle Gildehaus at least 6 months in advance of their proposed wedding date.

Baptisms are scheduled at St. Gertrude's parish following the completion of our Baptismal Preparation Program. Please call Michelle Gildehaus to schedule a baptism.

Prayer Chain Requests

Needing those extra prayers? Prayer ministers offer requested prayers for the needs and intentions of the parish community. To request prayers, please contact Pat Miller (636) 390-8438 or Irene Hillerman 239-3842 between 10:00 am- 9:00 pm. The prayer ministers will pray daily for each request for four weeks.

Cemetery Clean-up

March 1-15 and September 1-15.

Library

We have a small Library in the Summer Kitchen with books and videos. Feel free to check them out.

Also, you can donate any faith building materials that you have and want to share with others.



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I wanted to give you the latest on Fr. Bernie: on Monday we (2 nurses who work with our older priests, Fr. Phil Krahman, the senior-priest-liaison, and myself) met with the Ballwin Ridge Rehabilitation staff, discussing the possibility of Fr. Bernie's Wednesday discharge (5/11). Fr. Bernie has regained most of his strength, but

Fr. Bernie himself said that he wanted to go to Regina Cleri (the priest-retirement home in St. Louis). As Fr. Bernie told us, "I am incredibly grateful for 13 wonderful years of retirement at St. Gertrude, but I know I need more help and care".

I assured Fr. Bernie that he is ALWAYS welcome and even suggested that he could live at Regina Cleri Monday thru Friday, and live here at St. Gertrude over the weekends (I spoke with the staff of Regina Cleri and they have OK-ed this arrangement). Fr. Bernie said he would think about it and let me know.

If you would like to send him a card or call, his contact information is:

Fr. Bernie Wilkins Regina Cleri 10 Archbishop May Dr. St. Louis. MO 63119

314-968-2240 (main desk number)

If he chooses not to return for weekends, I/we will still plan to get him back from some sort of 'farewell celebration'. We had two wonderful 1st Communions these past weeks (St. Ann on May 1st and St. Gertrude on May 7th) . . . and with them I had a revelation! Several of our children have gluten allergies and need to receive "gluten-free hosts". In pre-Covid days, those with gluten allergies would not receive the host but instead receive the Precious Blood. Since the congregation is still not sharing in the Precious Blood, this option is no longer available. Therefore, I will have gluten free hosts at all Masses for those children and adults who need to receive them. I will have the gluten-free hosts in my ciborium—so when you come up for Communion (at both St. Gertrude and St. Ann) come to my Communion line and tell me that you need a gluten-free host. I am sorry I did not think of this earlier—in my case it's true what they say: "the children shall lead them".

Fr. Carl

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL PROGRESS REPORT

2022 Published Goal	\$55,545
New Donor Goal	28 Parishioners
Total to Date	\$24,123
Total Parishioners	473
Returned to Date	128
# New Donors	4
# Increased Contributions	50
Net Increase	\$3,717
# Maintained Contributions	61
# Decreased Contributions	7
Net Decrease	-\$495
Pledges Percent	26%
Prior Year Pledges Percent	55%
Cards Returned Percent	27%

150 CLUB

Our 150 Club winner from the April 2022 Drawing.

Mike & Tina Stevens

Congratulations!

Thank you to all the members of the 150 club for your support of SGS!

BBQ Stand



St. Gertrude's BBQ stand will be open this Sunday but this is the last Sunday it will be open this summer. Stop by the BBQ stand for some delicious BBQ.





St. Gertrude's is looking for Picnic donation sponsors of any kind toward lollipop the balloon lady that is \$700 for 11am-6pm and Riverside Reptile from 12-4pm for \$300. Any amount big or small to offset this great fun for the parish picnic. Contact Moira Moore if you are interested at 636-584-9055. Thank you.

SCRIP ORDERS

The last day to order scrips before summer break will be **Monday**, **May 16**.

Scrips will not be available during the summer. We will resume orders after school begins in August.

"Praying With Padre Pio"

Next prayer service is on 6/5 following the 7:30am Mass



At this prayer service, we come together to pray for personal, communal, and universal healing. Join us every 1st Sunday of the month following 7:30am Mass."

Everyone is welcome to come and pray with us at any time.

-If you have the courage to imitate Mary Magdalene in her sins, have the courage to imitate her penance.— Padre Pio

Mass Intentions

With the changes in Masses recently there has been a need to move some Mass Intentions. The parish office will be contacting you if any that you have scheduled have to be moved. There will be some options given as to open dates and some. This will be done on a weekly basis for as long as needed. Any questions please contact Emily.

"Picnic Country Store"

We are looking for items to sell such as fresh fruits 7 vegetables, home-baked breads, pies, cakes, cookies, home-made jellies & preserves. Also fresh eggs, plants, crafts, dish towels, etc. Since baked items are such a big hit, we would like to have enough so our later guest will have a good selection, as well.

Also, items for our grocery baskets. Canned goods, baking essentials, mixes, are all great items to donate. These baskets will be raffled off the day of the picnic. Items needed for the Parcel Post can be donate also. These packages should be wrapped and marked for either a boy or girl. And price. All items for the country store should be dropped off at the Old Hall Sunday. The Country Store is also looking for volunteers to help price items as they are dropped off. Please contact the parish office if you are willing to help.



Places to Go ... Breakfasts, Dinners, Parish Festivals & More

- May 15 St. Francis Borgia Parish Breakfast. 7:30am—11:00am. All you can eat! Adults \$10, Children 6-11 \$5 & under 6 are free.
- May 22 All you can eat breakfast at Immaculate Conception Parish in Augusta, MO. 8am to Noon. \$10 adults & \$4 for ages 6-12.
- June 11 St. Paul's UCC Annual Steak Dinner & Entertainment . Tickets are \$35 a person for chicken dinner, \$40 a person for steak diner. For more information email office@stpaulsuccmo.org.
- **June 11** Cornhole Tournament at St. Ann's. Starts at 1pm. \$40 per team. For more information or to sign up at https://www.stannchurchcloverbottom.org/.

Calendar of Events

May 15 Sun	Rental - OH
May 16 Mon	Men's Club Meeting - 7pm - HH
May 17 Tues	Parish Rosary 6pm - Church
May 18 Wed	
May 19 Thurs	Quilting - 8:30am - HH
May 20 Fri	
May 21 Sat	Rental - OH

May 15, 2022 5th Sunday of Easter

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (JOHN 13:34)

"As I have loved you," this is the hard part – Jesus's love is unconditional; our love usually comes with strings attached. It is easy to love someone when they love you back. But it takes mercy and compassion to love someone when you feel unappreciated, feel used or feel like your opinion doesn't matter. It takes courage and the grace of God to "love my neighbor" when they may be someone you don't like, someone you don't know or someone that doesn't look like you.

Fatima Rosary



Starting on May 13th and then every 13th day of the month thru October, we will be praying the rosary at the Pavilion by the old hall at 7pm. All are welcome to come and pray together for peace.

Collection Report for May 7 & 8		
	WEEKLY	
Adult Envelopes	\$8,328	
Loose Offering	\$111	
Electronic Giving (Budget)	\$3,577	
Total Weekly Contributions	\$12,016	

Special Collection Report May 7 & 8		
	WEEKLY	
Votives	\$56	
Pat Ruegg	\$20	
Parish Improvements	\$122	
Cardinal Glennon	\$50	
Catholic Communications	\$10	
VBS	\$70	
SVDP	\$825	
School Donation	\$1,510	
Parish Picnic	\$85	
Catholic Home Missions	\$10	

Special Collection Next Weekend

Next week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support of this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/homemissions.

May 21 & 22	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Servers	Ushers
4:30pm Mass	Sue Spann	Stephanie/Dave Bourne	Knights of Columbus	Dave & Stephanie Bourne & Volunteers
7:30am Mass	Elizabeth Westhoff	Matt/Pam Nowak	Volunteers	Ken Feldmann, Mike Brinker, Dave Gildehaus, Harold Gildehaus
10:30am Mass	Donna Pruitt	Christy Puff	Volunteers	Volunteers
Home Minister		Matt/Pam Nowak Gary Jacquin		

Saint Vincent de Paul Annual report

The Vincentians of St Ann & St Gertrude parishes have remained busy throughout the pandemic. Unfortunately, during this time, we were mostly not able to do home visits which is a hallmark of our society. We are now able to continue this spiritually uplifting aspect of what we do. There were many ups and downs with extra government money during this time replacing some of the requests to our 24-7 helpline. Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, we can continue to help those in need in our parish boundaries and area wide as we often help our neighboring parishes to the south where the need is greater.

Anyone needing help with any of the categories below or other need is invited to call our confidential helpline. Anyone interested in joining us in helping our neighbors in need, or desiring more information is encouraged to leave a message at the same number, 636-239-3919. Our funding comes from our own fundraising including heat up St Louis, working the BBQ stand, Lenten meals etc. We also have access to grant money from our St Louis office and receive donations from the K of C tractor cruise. But most of our funding comes from our generous parishioners.

Thank you!

Utilities – Gas/Propane	\$1337.99
Utilities – Electric	\$12,618.28
Utilities – Water	\$1056.00
Misc. Utilities	\$750.00
Food – Vouchers/Pantry	\$13,443.34
Clothing	\$84.28
Medical/Prescriptions	\$3109.11
Housing	\$11.352.23
Transportation– Car Repair	\$1142.73
Transportation – other gas etc	\$898.00
Burial funds	\$621.87
Domestic Twinning – Help with Neighboring Parishes	\$11,514.00
Operating Expenses -Special Works-supplies	\$402.14
Total Outflow	\$58,329.97

SVDP Thank you

SVDP Thanks parishioners for the great response to annual Lent traditions. The lent food drive produced a lot of needed supplies for our mini food pantry, that crew has been working HARD!

Some of the donations were also delivered to the Borgia food pantry. The food drive was very successful in spite of the fact that due to snow days the PSR had little time to decorate the collection bags..

The Wednesday lent meals also went very well with record numbers, even though it was a drive thru only!

Thanks for supporting and contributing!



KC Family Fishing Day



2nd annual KC fishing day is on May 21st. at Hinterlong lake. Ages 1st thru 6th grade. Call 636 744 4311 for details.

Msgr. Westhoff Council 16213 MAY Newsletter

Knight of the month is Jared Kluba, Family of the month is Lori & Keith Kluba & Youth of the month is Cecila Gildehaus.

Upcoming events Fishing Day is on May 21 contact Roger for more information at 636-744-4311. Exemplification Tuesday May 31 after 6 pm Rosary contact Kevin Dobsch 636-239-3699. Fourth degree meeting is May 18, 7:30pm., June 19, Father day Breakfast at Washington Council. Wheel chair ramp needed 30 ft. long contact Roger Kleekamp for information. Baby Bottle Brigade for pregnancy assistant \$3,000 thank you to all who made it a huge success.

Donations approved - \$8,400 to St Gertrude school, \$3,600 St Ann's from Cabin Fever BBQ, Corn Hole Tournament, Membership Due. April 25 blood drive was a huge success 91 units donated way to go Steve. Meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of each mtg at

7PM in St. Gertrude's Old Hall. Mark Monroig, Grand Knight 636-667-0354

Visitation Walk

All are welcome to a Visitation Walk being planned for Monday, May 30, 2022 in celebration of the Visitation of Mary, the mother of Jesus, with her cousin Elizabeth. We are meeting at the Katy Trail trailhead in Dutzow, MO at 9:30am on May 30th. We start walking in Dutzow toward Marthasville, MO. Afterwards we plan on having lunch together at a restaurant to be determined. Last year we had about 15 walkers. For questions, please call Father Foy at the rectory 636-583-2488.

Best Choice Labels

St. Gertrude School is still seeking any of your best choice bar codes. These can be turned in for our school to earn cash. Local places to purchase best choice items are Krakow Store, K & R Market, Voss Market and Frick's. The labels can be dropped off in the back of church in the labeled box, to the school office or parish office anytime. Thank you for your continued support of our great school.

Annual Catholic Appeal ACA

If you have not yet had the opportunity to sign your ACA card please contact the parish office. We would like to get everyone's singed and sent back. If you have already sent



yours in that was mailed to you from the archdiocese thank you. If you have any questions please contact the parish office.

Mid-life Singles: Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at King's House Retreat Center, Belleville, IL (20 min from downtown St. Louis), on June 3-5, 2022. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Cost is \$215 including meals and a single room. Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.stlouis@gmail.com, or call (314) 283-0044 for details.

Vacation Bible School

St. Ann and St. Gertrude's Vacation Bible School program will run July 11-July 16 from 8am-11:30am. Children entering Kindergarten through entering 6th grade will join us at Adventure Island this year where they will arise and shine because of the light of God's love will come and will be shining on them. Children will explore the ways God shines his great light in the world and learn how they can also shine God's light by reflecting what they will learn. We will travel through stories from the Old and New Testaments and show kids how to connect what they are learning to everyday life.

Registration will open on Monday, May 16. Registration paperwork is available on our website www.stannchurchcloverbottom.org or contacting the parish office to have a copy mailed or emailed to you. Payment can be made via the mail, office, collection basket or visiting our website and paying online. We will only be taking 60 kiddos

this year and a spot will only be held for your child if all paperwork and payment have been received. Any questions please contact the St. Ann Parish Office at 636-239-3222.



Connecting Families

Social Service Agencies collaborating with the Faith Based Community to bring families together in a comfortable, consistent, safe, and supportive environment. Together we can improve the quality of visits between children and their families, creating positive memories.

Why we need your help

In Franklin County there are close to 400 children in care. When children enter care, the goal is usually to reunify with their parents. With this number of children in care, it has become difficult to provide a comfortable physical space for children to visit with their parents. It is also a large number for hours for workers to supervise visits. This in conjunction with meeting with their families to access progress they are making can often be very time consuming. This is where you



come and help support your community by allowing visits to take place in the comfort of your facility with your members providing appropriate supervision.



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