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Saturday & Sunday Masses

Weekday Masses

\* Monday—Friday: 7:30AM

\* Saturday: 8AM

Saturday Vigil Masses

\* St. Gertrude's Missions: 4:00PM

Sunday Masses

\* Spanish Mass: 9:00AM

\* English Mass: 11:00AM

\* English Mass: 5:00PM

Confessions: Saturday: 3:00PM-4:00PM

Sunday: 30 minutes before all Masses



Celebration of Sacraments

Baptism: Parents may register their child for baptism at the parish office. Please turn in necessary paperwork two (2) weeks prior to class. Baptism Classes will be the 2nd Friday of every month. Baptisms are done on the third Sunday of the Month.

Marriage: Contact Parish Priest/Office at least six (6) months before the proposed wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Priest /Office when a parishioner is seriously ill and/or is scheduled for major surgery. Emergency phone-505-835-0199.

**St. Gertrude Saint Parade 2023**



**Sunday Collection for**

October 29, 2023 : \$4,068.00

(Envelopes: \$3,063.00 Loose: \$1,005.00)

# Envelopes used: 94

World Mission Sunday: \$152.00

Building Fund: \$431.00

Rainsville Mission: \$374.00

Altar Society:

November 6, 2023

Lucille Sandoval/Frances Martinez/

Joann Martinez

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TUESDAY AT 12 PM IN WRITING, PLEASE!

**SATURDAY— November 4 Vigil Mass**

**4PM Mass El Carmen Mass** Celebrant: Fr. Paul Grala

- + Kalene Kelly (4th Anniv) /by Chris & family
- + Benjamin R. Vigil (1st year Anniv) /by Josephine Vigil & family
- \* For comfort and health for Martin and Mildred Sandoval during the rebuilding process /by Kiko, Kristina & family

**SUNDAY—November 5 THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**9AM Mass** Celebrant: Fr. Paul Grala

- + Charlie Garcia, Efren Vigil & Rose Vigil /by Albinita
- + For the repose of the soul of Arturo Hernandez \*Lorena Aimee Hernandez
- + Alvin Vasquez \* Anthony Sorrentino /by Barbara & David

**11AM Mass** Celebrant: Fr. Dale Craig

- + John & Teodorita Serna /by Family
- + For the Soul of Alice Romero /by the family
- + For the Soul of Alvin Vasquez /by Rita & family
- + Onofre & Celestino Ulibarri /by Ben & Benny Chavez

**5PM Mass** Celebrant: Fr. Dale Craig

**People of the Parish**

- \* For comfort and health for Martin and Mildred Sandoval during the rebuilding process /by Kiko, Kristina & family
- Mal 1:14b-2:2b,8-10 Ps 131:1-3 1 Thes 2:7b-9,13 Mt 23:1-12**

**MONDAY— November 6** **7:30AM Mass**

- + Glen Martinez & our departed family members /by May & Amy Duran
  - + For the repose of the soul of Arturo Hernandez \* Luz Erendira Hernandez
  - \* Health of Joaquin G. Maes, medical team & caregivers /by Floyd & Maxine
- Rom 11:29-36 Ps 69:30-31,33-34,36 Lk 14:12-14**

**TUESDAY— November 7** **7:30AM Mass**

- + For the repose of the soul of Arturo Hernandez \*Maria Del Socorro Gonzales & their children
- + Andres Martinez, Kaylene Kelly, Mr. & Mrs. Jessie Barela /by Ivy Rae
- + Teresina Roper (B-day) /by Dolores & Leonard Romero & Ramona Maldonado

**Rom 12:5-16b Ps 131:cde,2-3 Lk 14:15-24**

**WEDNESDAY— November 8** **7:30AM Mass**

- \* Matteo Sandoval, Dillion Pacheco (B-days) /by Deacon Eloy & Anita

**Rom 13:8-10 Ps 112:1b-2,4-5,9 Lk 14:25-33**

**THURSDAY — November 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

**7:30AM Mass**

- + Fr. Leonard Bayer /by Caroline Martinez Adams
- Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12 Ps 46:2-3,5-6,8-9 1Cor 3:9c-11,16-17 Jn 2:13-22**

**FRIDAY— November 10 Saint Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church**

**7:30AM Mass**

- + Dolores Martinez, Elvira Martinez (B-day) /by Geraldine Talk
- Rom 15:14-21 Ps 98:1-4 Lk 16:1-8**

**SATURDAY— November 11 Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop** **8AM Mass**

- \* Bobby, Blanca & Matthew Cockrell, spiritual & corporal necessities

**Rom 16:3-9,16,22-27 Ps 145:2-5,10-11 Lk 16:9-15**

**SATURDAY— November 11 Vigil Mass**

**4PM Mass** Celebrant: Fr. Dale Craig

**People of the Parish**

- + Ernest Alcon /by his children

**SUNDAY—November 12 THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**9AM Mass** Celebrant: Fr. Dale Craig

- + Deacon Ray, Steven, Frank & Lillian Cordova
- + Ricardo & Mauricia Romo /by Donna, Albert & Nicanora
- + Teresina & Jack Roper Sr. /by Dolores & Leonard Romero
- \* Health of Jeremiah Duran & for the community who have kept him in your prayers + Thomas M. Sanchez & Alvin Vasquez /by Denise, Jarrod & family

**11AM Mass** Celebrant: Fr. Paul Grala

- + For the Soul of Alvin Vasquez /by Rita & family
- + Joe & Josephine Jacques /by Ben & Benny
- + Antonio, Raquel & Jose Luis Medina /by Blanca

**5PM Mass** Celebrant: Fr. Paul Grala

- + Charlie Garcia, Cresencia Espinoza & Adela Alexander /by Albinita
- + Veronica Duran (Anniv) & Paul Duran (Anniv) /by Virginia

**Wis 6:12-16 Ps 63:2-8 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14 Mt 25:1-13**

### 3 Cords of Wood Giveaway!

If you are elderly, disabled and/or a veteran please come into the office and put your name in the drawing. The drawing will take place on Nov. 19 at the St. Gertrude Funcion. There is no fee for this and each category has its own drawing. The wood is being gifted by James Herrera and acknowledgement also to Patrick Griego, Roger & Richard Leonard.



### Extraordinary Ministers Needed

St. Gertrude's Church needs more Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. If you are interested in serving, please come to the Pastoral office and fill out a form with your name and how we can contact you when we will be having a training session. All interested persons, male or female, that attend the training will be commissioned later. Young adults that have been confirmed are eligible to be Ministers of the Eucharist. Please be generous with your time in serving the church in this very important ministry.



We need more ministers so we can start receiving the precious blood.

**UPCOMING MISSION MASSES:**  
*Saturday Evening Mass will NOT be at St. Gertrude but in the Missions at 4 PM (Confessions @ 3:30)*

*Guadalupita Funcion*  
 Senora de Guadalupe

**Adoration Chapel:** The Chapel is now open. It will be open 24 hours. Anyone who wants to devote an hour of adoration please contact Deacon Eloy at 505-948-6887.

**Cemetery Plots:** All plots need to be prearranged by Mission Mayordomos or the Church Office. Also please clean & maintain your family member's plot.

**Charitable Giving:** Charitable Giving is on Monday's from 10-12 & 1-3pm.

**Commodities:** The Commodities will be distributed on Tuesday, November 14th.

**Legion of Mary:** Each of you are invited to grow in your faith. Join the Legion of Mary every Tuesday at 8:50am at the Pastoral Center.

**Men's Group:** Men's group meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at 7pm in the Chapel. *The men's group will meet November 15th!*

**The Sacred Heart of Jesus Society** will be praying the rosary at 8:30 on the first Sunday of every month.

**WINGS:** Women in Need of God meets every Friday at 10am in the Pastoral Center.

**St. Gertrudes Yard Sale:** The Yard Sale will be on Fridays from 9am—2pm.

## Ministry Schedule

### November 11th 4pm

**Lector:** Ann Lewitke  
**Choir:** Nazario Montoya  
**Server:** Marcus, Vicente, Brayden & Evan  
**EU Minister:** Deacon Montoya  
**Mavordomos:** Jason & Loretta DeHerrera

### November 12th 9am

**Lector:** Alfredo Gomez  
**Choir:** Leroy Blea/Alex Montoya  
**Server:** Adult Servers  
**EU Minister:** Deacon Roybal  
**Mavordomos:** Michael & Angelica Lujan

### November 12th 11am

**Lector:** Lorinda Manuel  
**Choir:** San Manuel  
**Server:** Gabriel, Paul & Cory & Adam  
**EU Minister:** Michael Alexander  
**Mavordomos:** Garrick & Jessica Martinez

### November 12th 5pm

**Lector:** Anita Roybal  
**Choir:** MC Sandoval  
**Server:** Marcus, Vicente, Brayden & Evan  
**EU Minister:** Frances Martinez  
**Mavordomos:** William & Monica Romero

## Religious Education

**First Confession/First Communion:** There will be class on Tuesday, November 7th.

**Confirmation I and II:** The next class will be on Sunday, November 5th at 9:15am in the Pastoral Center.

**Catechism classes have started for grades 1-6th. Classes start at 3:45 at the Mora Elementary School. Register your children at the Parish office.**

**R.C.I.A** RCIA classes have began. If you would like to register for RCIA please register at the office. The classes are on Tuesday evenings at 6pm in the Pastoral Center.



Raffle Tickets for St. Gertrude Funcion have been mailed out to all families. Please return your tickets/money no later than November 9th. We are also asking people to sign up for different

items for the Funcion. The main dish has been donated therefore we need people to sign up for desserts, drinks, cakes for the cake walk, and liters of soda for Ring Toss game. There are sign up sheets in the lobby of the Church. You may drop off any items at the Parish Office. We appreciate your contributions.

We will be having a meeting for the final planning of the Funcion on Wednesday, November 8th at 6pm in the Pastoral Center. Please try to attend this meeting.



## Snow Team

We are looking for a group of people who would like to commit to come help shovel snow and ice after snow storms on Sunday mornings around the Church. We need the sidewalks clean and dry for the safety of our parishioners, especially our elderly. If this calling is within your ministry please sign up or call the office.

## Prayer to keep God present

Dear merciful Lord,  
In silence and prayer  
I feel your presence.  
Yet back in the world I forget.  
Why do I lose sight of you?  
I know you, I trust you,  
But I get distracted and fail.  
I let my flesh react,  
Without thinking or care,  
Ignoring or hurting others  
Even though I don't want to.  
Won't you change me, oh Lord?  
I can't do it on my own.  
Remove the obstacles in my heart  
That cover your grace.  
When I arise from prayer  
Let me not forget your love,  
And may my prayer continue.  
When I engage with people  
May your mercy go forth,  
As I was saved by your mercy.  
Let me stand firm on principles  
On the rock that is Christ  
Whose Spirit gives me life.  
Help me be humble, my Lord.  
May your hand never leave me.  
Let my life glorify Christ.  
In Jesus name,  
Amen.

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 ~ Jeremiah 1:5

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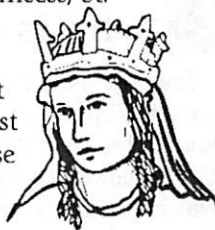
November 2023

St. Gertrude the Great Catholic Church  
 Father Dale Craig, S.O.L.T., Pastor

## One Minute Meditations

### St. Margaret of Scotland

A Hungarian princess, St. Margaret grew up in luxury and privilege, but she never lost sight of those in need and her duty to serve them. After the Battle of Hastings, her family fled to Scotland where King Malcom III sheltered them and eventually married Margaret. Although a queen, her private life was austere, dedicated to prayer and serving the poor—even washing beggars' feet. She is remembered for her life of piety, kindness, and generosity.



### Christ the King

What does it mean to say Christ is King? Do we give Him our Sundays only, or the whole week? Set aside ten minutes for God. Offer Him the events of your day and say, "Your will be done."

*"No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and [the world]" (Luke 16:13).*



## Thanksgiving can inspire gratitude in action

St. Mother Teresa said, "It's not how much we give but how much love we put into giving." At Thanksgiving, we bask in the glow of our blessings but it's also a chance to share them with others. This is "gratitude in action:"

**Be generous with your time.** God can't be outdone in generosity. He gives life in His image and likeness. He gave the gift of Himself in Christ's offering on the Cross. In that spirit, how can you give of yourself? Prayerfully consider where and to whom you can give your time and attention.

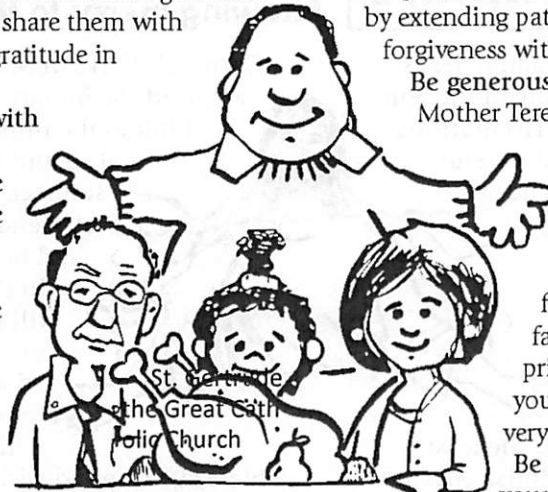
**Be generous with your patience.** Ours is the God of second chances,

generous with His mercy. Decide to generously give others the benefit of the doubt, allow room for good intentions, and forgive injuries. Love as God loves by extending patience and forgiveness without limit.

**Be generous with your family.**

Mother Teresa said, "If you want to bring happiness to the whole world, go home and love your family." Make your family your top priority and give your loved ones the very best of yourself. **Be generous with your joy.** Holidays can

be difficult for people without connections. Look for someone at church, at work, or in the neighborhood who might need a place to celebrate the holiday. Share holiday love and joy.

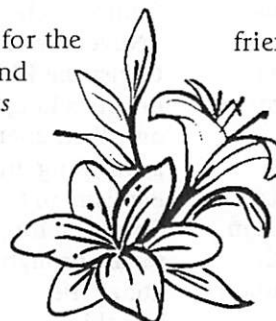


## Why Do Catholics Do That?

### Why do Catholics pray for the dead?

The practice of praying for the dead is an Act of Mercy and has Scriptural roots: "Thus he made atonement for the dead that they might be absolved from their sin" (2 Maccabees 12:45-46). Someone who dies in God's

friendship with sin on his soul must be purified before entering heaven. We can literally help souls get to heaven. Rest assured: if the person we've prayed for reaches heaven, the graces of those prayers are used to help other souls.



# Dealing with loss and those left behind

Christians know that death leads to marvelous new life, but it is still difficult to lose someone we love. We take comfort knowing that we remain connected in the Communion of Saints, the spiritual solidarity binding the faithful on Earth, the souls in Purgatory, and the saints in Heaven. Still, finding or offering comfort after a death can be challenging:

**Pray.** Pray that the souls who have died may find their place in Heaven. Perhaps arrange to have that prayer included in the intentions during Mass in your parish. Including them in your daily prayers also helps to

keep their intentions alive.

**Be present.** Attend the visitation or funeral. Such customs are part of honoring and praying for the deceased person and showing compassion to the living.

**Offer material support.** Bring a meal to the family. Mass cards, notes and phone calls can also offer comfort.

**Contribute.** Consider making a donation of time or money to organizations such as a local Hospice that provide grace and dignity to those dying.

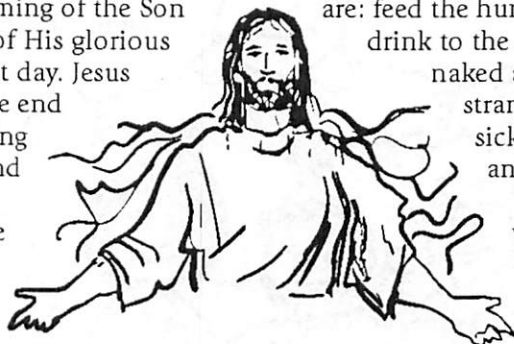


## from Scripture

### Matthew 25:31-46, Showing mercy to the "least"

In this Gospel reading, Jesus describes the coming of the Son of Man, that is, of His glorious return on the last day. Jesus will appear at the end of time as the King of the nations and the Judge of history. Everyone who has ever lived, from the first to the last, from the greatest to the least, will stand before Christ. All of us will be judged on how we loved, especially how we treated "the least" who are suffering among us.

The specific criterion for judgment is the basis for the



Corporal Works of Mercy, which are: feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked and welcome the stranger, care for the sick and imprisoned, and bury the dead.

In the end, we will be judged on our response to the suffering of others. Do we, like the

"blessed," respond with compassion and mercy, or do we, like the others, turn a blind eye and do nothing? The goal is to see Christ in others and to minister to their needs accordingly.

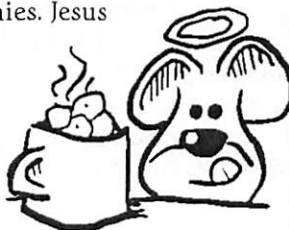
## Feasts & Celebrations

**November 1 – All Saints Day (Holy Day of Obligation).** In the early Church, there was a great desire to celebrate each of the martyrs. Because there were more martyrs than days of the year, Pope Gregory IV designated November 1 as All Saints Day. Celebrate the Saints by attending Mass.

**November 10 – Pope St. Leo the Great (461).** A native of Rome, St. Leo was elected pope while on a mission in Gaul. As pope, he defended the faith from heresy and promoted ecclesiastical unity.

**November 18 – St. Rose Philippine Duchesne (1852).** Born in Grenoble, France, she joined the Society of the Sacred Heart and came to America as a missionary. She opened the first free school for girls west of the Mississippi river, and the first Catholic school for Native Americans.

**November 26 – Solemnity of Christ the King.** God promised His people a king who would triumph over their enemies. Jesus is our King. In Baptism and Confirmation, we are brought under His kingship.



## Q & A How does the Church decide who is a saint?

There are many people in Heaven who are saints but whose names we may never know. They are uncanonized saints. Canonization is the formal process by which the Church identifies and determines whether someone has become a saint.



In its simplest form, official Church procedures detail three steps to recognizing a saint. First, the bishop of the diocese where the person

died begins an extensive investigation. The results are passed to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints. If the Congregation approves, the prefect presents the cause to the pope. With the pope's approval, the petitioner becomes "venerable" and is called "Servant of God."

Next, "beatification," may come after further investigation and a miracle has proven to be attributed to the Servant of God's intercession after his or her death. Then the person can be called "Blessed."

Finally, canonization may follow additional investigation and a second miracle also proven to have occurred after the beatification and as a result of the candidate's intercession. After canonization, the "Blessed" is called "Saint."

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