

# *St. Gertrude*

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## *Which Way, America?*

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No doubt we soar like our emblem, the eagle, rising higher and higher through determination, innovation, faith, and access to unprecedented resources. We embody an enviable blend of power, flexibility, speed and daring that has generated so much for so many. We continue as the economic engine for the world despite our enormous debt, wrought by the predatory dark-side of our “eagle-ness.” Our constant challenge remains as how to achieve a level of material prosperity that is sustainable for all 7 billion inhabitants of the planet in a way that maintains a high standard of moral reflection, asking not only, “Can it be done?”, but also, “Is it right, just, decent, worthy of our sweat and human dignity?” We are most assuredly blessed to be living in these 21<sup>st</sup> Century United States of America. May we uncover the true source of greatness, and unleash it toward yet unknown heights of humane endeavor – gratitude! ~ PB

## *From Father Grassi*

My older brother Phil, like the United States of America, was born on the Fourth of July. Is it any wonder that he loves parades, especially the small town variety, and fireworks and barbeques? When we were growing up, his was the only birthday cake with sparklers and not candles on it. I believe that he really thinks that of all the festivities, everyone taking the day off everywhere, is being done just for him and that it is his birthday that the whole country is celebrating. The rest of us, I figure, are celebrating the freedoms that are ours. Perhaps we chose to come to this country, or it was our parents or grandparents, or even further back that family came here with hopes and dreams and determination. For others among us, being here is directly related to forbearers being brought here as slaves. For many of us there are a variety of situations and circumstances that have led us to where we are today. The best way we can acknowledge the freedoms that we enjoy is to work to assure that they will not be eroded for the generations that follow us. We also must remain vigilant that these freedoms do not encroach upon the freedom of others. We also must accept the reality that we cannot be truly or completely free unless we are willing and compelled to work for the freedom of others. Without justice there is no freedom. Even as we give thanks for what we have, we realize we are part of a larger world where in many places there a people longing for the same freedoms that are ours. May we pray and work for the freedoms that recognize the dignity of all our sisters and brothers.

Happy Birthday to our country. And Phil, Happy Birthday to you as well, brother.

DJG

(This is a reprise of previous column by Fr. Grassi.)



Today, as Christians, we celebrate the meek savior-king Jesus, who banishes the warrior's bow and proclaims peace to all nations.

Tomorrow as citizens, we celebrate the Declaration of Independence, written in the midst of a war fought to sunder our ties to a very different sort of king, and so guarantee our country's right to "liberty and justice for all." In doing so, we acknowledge, if tentatively, the triumph—and necessity—of the "warrior's bow."

So then who are we as Christian citizens? Warriors or peacekeepers? And to whom—and what—do we owe our allegiance? My attempts to puzzle through these questions lead me to the unerring wisdom of bumper stickers. In this instance, "If you want peace, work for justice."

And as it wasn't enough to simply "declare" our independence, it isn't sufficient for us to just talk peace. We must actively declare ourselves as peacekeepers not only in words, but also in actions, especially those that guarantee freedom from want and oppression during these perilous economic times. Those actions require that we be warriors of a different sort: Christian citizens who urge the best not only from ourselves, but from those we have freely chosen to represent and govern us.

In a recent essay on *The Huffington Post*, John Dominic Crossan illuminates for me the intersection of our allegiances to both faith and country: "...[T]he biblical God can demand of the powers-that-be, the rulers of this world, that they, 'Give *justice* to the weak and the orphan;/maintain *the right* of the lowly and the destitute. (Pslam 82:3)

"You can see," Crossan continues, "from those parallel verses that 'justice' is 'the right' of the dispossessed. Distributive justice is not gift, charity, or handout in a world that belongs to us but the simple right of all in a world that belongs to God."



Carol LaChappelle for *Growing in Faith*

## Spotlight

### Understanding the Revised Mass Texts

(adapted from the Revised Roman Missal series of LTP)

We continue our introduction of the revised mass texts (which will be implemented this coming November, on the *First Sunday of Advent*) by looking at the *Gloria*.

#### Current Translation

Glory to God in the highest ,  
and **peace to all people on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King,  
**almighty God and Father,**  
**we worship you, we give you thanks,**  
**we praise you for your glory.**

Lord, Jesus Christ, **only Son of  
the Father,**  
Lord God, Lamb of God  
You take away the **sin** of the world:  
have mercy on us;

You are seated at the right hand  
of the Father:  
**receive our prayer.**

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Though there are substantial changes to the text, the *Gloria* is most often sung at mass, which will make it easier to learn and use the new version. We will continue working our way through the mass prayers between now and November. To study the texts and explanations in more detail, go to the U.S. Bishops website, [www.usccb.org/romanmissal/](http://www.usccb.org/romanmissal/).

The Lord be with you. *And with your spirit.*

#### New Translation

Glory to God in the highest,  
and **on earth peace to people of good will.**  
**We praise you, we bless you,**  
**we adore you, we glorify you,**  
**we give you thanks for your great glory,**  
Lord, God, heavenly King,  
**O God, almighty Father.**

Lord, Jesus Christ, **Only Begotten Son,**  
Lord God, Lamb of God, **Son of  
the Father,**  
you take away the **sins** of the world,  
have mercy on us;  
**you take away the sins of the world,**  
**receive our prayer;**  
you are seated at the right hand  
of the Father,  
**have mercy on us.**

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
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Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## Calendar Notes

#### This Week

#### **Monday, July 4**

There is one Mass at 10am.  
The Rectory will be closed.

#### **Tuesday, July 5**

7:00pm ~ Baptismal Class

#### Save the Date

#### **Friday, July 22**

7:30pm~ St. Mary Magdalene Prayer Service

#### **Sunday, August 21**

Parish Picnic at St. Scholastica High School

## Parish News

**Baptismal Preparation Class:** The meeting this month will be on Tuesday, July 5 at 7pm in the rectory. The class is intended for those individuals who are having their first child baptized.

**Good Books:** In July we return to fiction with Kathryn Stockett's best-seller *The Help*. Set in the author's native Jackson, MS in the early 1960s, the novel explores the complicated theme of blacks and whites living in a segregated South. Miss Skeeter, a young white woman (and a naive, aspiring writer) wants to create and publish a series of anonymous interviews with local black maids. Their risk is great but eventually twelve of them take part.

All are welcome to meet Monday, July 11 at 7:30 pm in the rectory to discuss the book. Contact Mary Grover at 773-338-3564.

**Friendship Club:** Calling all seniors! On Thursday, July 14 at 12:30pm the seniors of the parish will gather for the annual ice cream social. Join in for fun...and ice cream of course! For information, please call Judy Diaz at 773-334-1507.



**LifeSource Blood Drive:** The blood drive will be Sunday, July 10 from 8am to 1:30pm in the Social Hall. To schedule your appointment please call *LifeSource* at 877-543-3768 or register online at [www.lifesource.org](http://www.lifesource.org) and use sponsor code 591. One parishioner undergoing chemotherapy shared that she and others have required units of blood as a result of their illness and treatment. So please remember that your donation is a *source of life* for another person. And note, we will not have another blood drive here until October 2.

**GLOS Faith Sharing Group ~** - meets the second Tuesday of each month, 7pm - 8pm at the Parish Rectory (on Granville, just west of the Church). Read the Sunday Gospel and discuss how the readings touch our lives. It is a nice chance to slow down the world for a bit of introspection and sharing. The next dates are July 12 and August 9 at 7pm.

**You're Invited To *The Jail Ministry Mass* ~** for those in jail and those released from prison. Kolbe House, the Jail Ministry for the Archdiocese, invites you to a Spanish/English Mass at 3pm Sunday, July 3 at Assumption Parish, 2434 S California, Chicago. At this Mass, they would especially like anyone who is personally affected by incarceration, a victim of crime, or anyone who wants to be part of our ministry through prayer to attend. If you are an ex-offender or have a loved one in jail or prison, please come. If you need more information, please call Deacon Pablo or Fr. Arturo at Kolbe House: 773-247-0070 or email Pablo at [khpablop@aol.com](mailto:khpablop@aol.com).

**Iraqi Student Project at Loyola University Chicago:** Loyola has begun a partnership with the Iraqi Student Project to begin funding an education for a qualified student from Iraq in an effort to rebuild the war-torn country. Sarab is a 20 year-old Iraqi woman who will begin working toward her bachelor's degree at Loyola in the Fall, but we need your help. Please consider a financial donation to support Sarab! Visit [www.ispoloyola.org](http://www.ispoloyola.org) for information and to donate, or make a check payable to Iraqi Student Project, Inc., write 'Loyola ISP' in the memo line, and send to Patrick Eccles, 1125 W. Loyola Avenue, CFSU LL42B, Chicago, IL 60626. Members of our intentional community, Open Hands, are working on this initiative.

**St. Gregory's Farmers Market ~** Sundays from 9am to 2pm. (Located at Catalpa and Ashland, directly behind the gym building). Organized and staffed by St. Gregory volunteers, they have over 15 popular vendors. Among the vendors you will meet are the nuns of the Fraternalite Notre Dame – who as you know use the proceeds from their pastry sales to support their missions all over the world! Metropolis Coffee will also be featured.!

**Broadway Cellars Give Back Saturday~** is Saturday, July 16 at Broadway Cellars, 5900 N. Broadway. They donate 10% of the day's lunch and dinner revenues to St. Gertrude. For reservations call 773-944-1208 and be sure to tell them that you heard about it at St. Gertrude's.

## School News and Activities

### Ever wonder what it would be like to transfer into NCA?

Here's a quote from a family who transferred last year:

"Our experience at NCA has been overwhelmingly positive, and a seamless transition. We choose NCA when we moved into the area. We were previously at another catholic school where we had built a supportive and nurturing community that was difficult to leave. At NCA we received a very gracious welcome from teachers, staff and families, and my kids came home happy everyday! We are very pleased with how well our kids performed academically and socially, and look forward to the years ahead. Many thanks to the NCA community!"

*The McCabe Family*

NCA welcomes many transfer students each year. If you are considering transferring your child to NCA, please contact Kristi Erickson as soon as possible (limited space available 1<sup>st</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grade).



#### NCA Primary School:

6216 N. Glenwood Ave  
Phone: 773-743-6277

#### NCA Middle School:

5519 N. Magnolia  
Phone: 773-271-2008, or  
[www.northsidecatholic.org](http://www.northsidecatholic.org)

## Community News and Activities

**6th Annual Tournament of Heroes Softball Game:** The West Ridge Firefighters vs. 24th District Police Department; Monday, July 11 at Thillens Stadium (located at the corner of Kedzie and Devon). Children's games & prizes, appearances by the Misericordia Heartzingers, Performing Arts Ltd. Dancers, and the Music House Rock Band. Admission/suggested donation of \$5 for adults and \$2 for children. Contact the West Ridge Chamber at 773-743-6022 or [westridgechamber@sbcglobal.net](mailto:westridgechamber@sbcglobal.net)

**Edgewater Arts Festival** ~ brings more than 50 artists, musicians, and dancers to Edgewater on Saturday, July 16. Join the Edgewater Chamber of Commerce and Edgewater Artists in Motion on

Saturday, July 16 for a street festival in Edgewater with artists, musicians, dance performances, and children's activities. The event runs from 11am to 6pm along Thorndale (from Broadway to Winthrop).

**St. Nicholas Parish Rummage Sale:** Furniture, antiques, tools, electronics and computers are just some of the items for sale on Saturday, July 16. There will be two buildings (filled with great buys) open for business from 8am-3pm (806 Ridge Ave., Evanston). Other items featured at the sale are jewelry, bicycles, athletic equipment and nice clothing for adults, children and infants. Authentic Mexican specialties--will be sold from 10:30am to 1:30pm. Contact Sister Christina Fuller at the St. Nicholas Parish Office: 847-864-1185, extension 23, or check the parish web site: [www.nickchurch.org](http://www.nickchurch.org)

**Granville Summer Market Days**  
June 18th through August 21st, 2011

Every Weekend  
10am to 3pm

Rain or Shine

**Happen'n at the Corner**  
Of Granville & Broadway, every Saturday and Sunday, 10am-3pm

Shop for unique items-antiques, art, bakery goods, jewelry, decorative pieces, home décor, flowers and gardenware, home tutoring, yoga classes, upholstery and much more...

Granville Summer Market is an EDC Small Business Incubator Initiative designed to create new "pop-up flash stores" on Granville/Broadway brought to you by Edgewater Development Corporation and m.henry design.

**FREE to the Public**

EDC Small Business INCUBATOR  
Edgewater Development Corporation Small Business Incubator Program

### Our Parish at Prayer

#### MONDAY, JULY 4

10:00am William M. Deiters †

#### TUESDAY, JULY 5

7:00am Edward Cassidy

9:00am George Griffin †

#### WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

7:00am The Connery Family †

9:00am Christine and Waclov Kiedysz †

#### THURSDAY, JULY 7

7:00am Communion Service ~ Helen M. Schmidt †

9:00am Communion Service ~ Vincent Spoto †

#### FRIDAY, JULY 8

7:00am Kenichi Takaki †

9:00am Edward Cassidy

5:00pm *Isoda/Maniates Wedding*

#### SATURDAY, JULY 9

8:00am Mary Ellen Hyland †

5:00pm Gertrude Knuerr †

#### SUNDAY, JULY 10

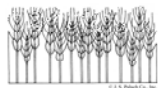
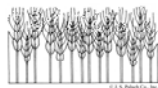
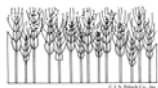
8:00am William Barnett †

9:30am The Family of St. Gertrude †

10:00am Connie Hartnett †

11:30am Christine Kiedysz †

† Indicates Mass is being said in memory of the individual  
Rosary: 8:40am Monday - Friday; 8:30am Saturday



### Altar Servers

#### SATURDAY, JULY 9

5:00pm Henry Jacob, Daniel Cancilla, Casey Cancilla

#### SUNDAY, JULY 10

10:00am Hannah Rapp, Peter Zajakowski-Uhll,  
Jade Mosquera

11:30am Angela Ndiwe, Dominic Ndiwe,  
Taylor Hartung

### Lectors

#### SATURDAY, JULY 9

5:00pm Kathy Osberger, Michelle Kuehlhorn

#### SUNDAY, JULY 10

8:00am Sr. Kathryn Stimac, Mark Kollar

10:00am Jesse Keane, Jeff Seitzer

11:30am Chrissy Sofranko, David O'Donnell

### Readings for the Week

**Monday:** Gn 28:10-22a; Mt 9:18-26

**Tuesday:** Gn 32:23-33; Mt 9:32-38

**Wednesday:** Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a;  
Mt 10:1-7

**Thursday:** Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5;  
Mt 10:7-15

**Friday:** Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Mt 10:16-23

**Saturday:** Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Mt 10:24-33

**Sunday:** Is 55:10-11; Ps 65; Rom 8:18-23;  
Mt 13:1-23 [1-9]

### Today's Readings

**First Reading:** Rejoice heartily, O Jerusalem! For see, your savior comes (Zechariah 9:9-10).

**Psalm:** I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God (Psalm 145).

**Second Reading:** The one who raised Christ from death will give life to your mortal bodies also (Romans 8:9, 11-13).

**Gospel:** Come, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest (Matthew 11:25-30).

### Eucharistic Ministers

#### SATURDAY, JULY 9

5:00pm Ruth Ott, Sr. Katherine Heffernan, Pat Mann, Charlotte and John Sullivan

#### SUNDAY, JULY 10

8:00am Ed and Ester Bugler, Ann Bushelon, Hallie Burhoe, Barb Daly, Chris Phillips, Bill Mitchell

10:00am Karen Gianos, Linda Orellana, Tony Myers, Rosita Nordgren, Carlos Barragan, Nancy Merrill, Kathy Dunne

11:30am Mary Pat Hartung, Gail Smith, Lina Peon, Maria Hertl, Madeleine Fister, Bernard Ndiwe, Steve Monti

### Greeters

#### SATURDAY, JULY 9

5:00pm Ellen Schragger, Cathie Moorhous

#### SUNDAY, JULY 10

8:00am Brenda Arreola, Ona Kozar, Pamela Sherrod Anderson

10:00am Jessie North, Maria Vallely, Mae Lauricella

11:30am Paul Elue, Melinda Banahene

## Financial Highlights

*Tithing opens the floodgates for God's Abundance*  
.... and Layton's got a brand new ladder!

Thank you all so much for your incredible faithfulness and commitment to St. Gertrude Parish. We have once again balanced the budget! We did this without deferring any of our FY 2011 bills. Our vendors are paid in full! My prayer for all of you is that you truly feel the abundance of God's love this summer. I know that Layton will certainly feel God's abundance as he takes down the fabric which drapes the sides of the church from atop our sturdy brand new 12 foot ladder.

It takes so much to run a parish, big ticket items such as light and heat and then all the small items, from paper towels and soap to copy paper and ice melt, which all add up to surprising large amounts. By next month I hope to get you final numbers on both our ordinary and extraordinary budget numbers. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me either at 773-764-3621 or officegert@sbcglobal.net ~ MB

## Milestones



### Newly Baptized

*Daniel Ignacio Brennan,*  
son of Thomas and Sioban

*Julia Marion Berry,*  
daughter of Brian and Natalia

### New Parishioners

Zoran and Rita Tvrtković, and  
their children Luka and Anya

### Wedding Banns

III *Matthew Isoda and Brigid Maniates*



May he rest in peace ~

Robert Sammon

## ST. GERTRUDE PASTORAL SERVICES

### STAFF

Rev. Dominic Grassi, Pastor  
Rev. Michael Bradley, Resident  
Rev. William Kenneally, Pastor Emeritus  
Dr. Peter Buttitta, Director of Ministries  
Ann O'Connor, Faith Formation  
Mary Herbin-Horan, Liturgical Music  
Carol Beatty, St. Gertrude East Music Director  
Mary Ann Collins, Social Services  
Marge Butzen, Business Manager  
Jayne Deiters, Minister of First Impressions

### WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 11:30 AM  
9:30 AM Gertrude East (at Sheridan & Rosemont)  
10:30 AM Mass in the Gym (except summer months)  
MONDAY through FRIDAY: 7:00 AM & 9:00 AM  
SATURDAY: 8:00 AM & 5:00 PM (Sunday Vigil)

### RECTORY HOURS

**Business Hours: Weekdays, 8:30am to 4:30pm**  
Drop off/pick up: Monday - Wednesday, 4:30PM to 8PM  
Saturday 9AM to 6PM, Sunday, 9AM to 1PM

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Individual: Saturday from 4:15-4:45 PM and by request  
Communal: Consult bulletin for specific times and dates.

### BAPTISM

Baptisms take place on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. A parent preparation meeting is held the first Monday of each month at 7:00 PM. All arrangements should be made by calling the rectory.

### MARRIAGE

Arrangements begin by setting up an appointment with the pastor. Preparations are to begin at least four (4) months prior to the desired date.

### LOCATIONS:

RECTORY: 1420 W. Granville Ave. 60660- Phone 773-764-3621  
Fax 773-761-4164, E-mail stgertrude1420@sbcglobal.net  
<http://www.stgertrudechicago.org>

MINISTRY CENTER: 6214 N. Glenwood Phone 773-973-5464

### NEW PARISHIONERS

You are most welcome and are invited to stop in at the rectory to introduce yourself and register. And, you may register with one of the Greeters before or after any Mass.

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

We have an enriching program called the R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults). Contact the rectory for details

### MINISTRY OF CARE AND COMMUNION

Trained ministers will gladly visit and bring communion to those who are sick or homebound. Please call the rectory to make arrangements.

### COUNSELING, SPIRITUAL DIRECTION AND MASSAGE THERAPY

For information, consultation and referrals for counseling, psychotherapy, spiritual direction or massage therapy, leave a confidential message.

**COUNSELING AND PSYCHOTHERAPY** – 773-338-4334, Dr. John Neafsey  
**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION** – 773-764-8884

Bob Backis, Marilyn Gehant, Jim Manzardo, Terra Solove

### MASSAGE THERAPY –

Carol McRaith, 773-259-1268; Terra Solove, 773-358-8020

### SUPPORT GROUPS ...

Heart to Heart ~ Senior outreach and service connection - 773-973-5464

AI-Anon — Sundays at 7:00 PM in the Ministry Center

Open AA - Tuesdays at 7:30 PM in the Ministry Center, and

Thursdays at 7:00 PM in the school cafeteria.

Caris Pregnancy Center - Pregnancy Support, free pregnancy tests, and post-abortion help, ~ 312-229-5700.

Gamblers Anonymous — Fridays at 7 PM in the Ministry Center.