

FAMILY

NEWSLETTER

Weekend Masses

Weekend Masses are offered on Saturday afternoon at 4:00 pm and on Sunday morning at 9:00 am in the main church.

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Weekday Masses are offered in the sacristy chapel on Wednesdays at 4:00 pm and Fridays at 12:00 noon.

Rosary

The Rosary is prayed every Sunday before 9:00 am Mass.

Confession

Every Saturday at 3:00 pm.

First Saturdays

First Saturday Mass is offered in the main church at 12 noon. Confessions at 11:00 am with Rosary at 11:30 am.

From the Desk of Father David Jenuwine

Dear Parish Family,

This coming Friday is already November 1 – which is the Solemnity of All Saints ... or more simply, All Saints Day. But whatever you call it, it's a holy day of obligation. We'll be having Mass at 7:00 pm in the evening. This will take the place of the usual Friday daily Mass on that day.

The next day is the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed ... also known as All Souls Day. Mass will be at noon. The following Tuesday, November 5 we will have a special Mass at 7:00 pm in memory of all our parishioners, family members, and friends who have died in the past year.

Starting November 8, we'll be moving the Friday daily Mass to 12:00 noon. The Wednesday daily Mass will stay at 4:00 pm. Both Masses are in the sacristy chapel at the top of the stairs at the south entrance to the church.

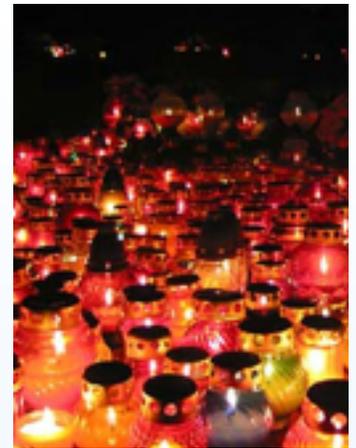
This Sunday afternoon is Trunk or Treat, and coming up in

November we've got a couple of great traditions at Holy

Family: the Harvest Dinner is on the 9th, and nearer to the end of the month, Holidays in the Heart of the City is on the 22nd. I'm looking forward to my first time attending both of these events. Let's continue to support each other in prayer, and pray for all members of our parish family, too!



FR. DAVID



All Souls Day - Nov 2
On All Souls Day, we offer prayers for the dead. There are two special indulgences attached to All Souls Day, one for visiting a cemetery and another for visiting a church. The indulgences can be applied daily to those in Purgatory. From Nov 1 - 8, they are plenary; while during the rest of the month, they are partial.

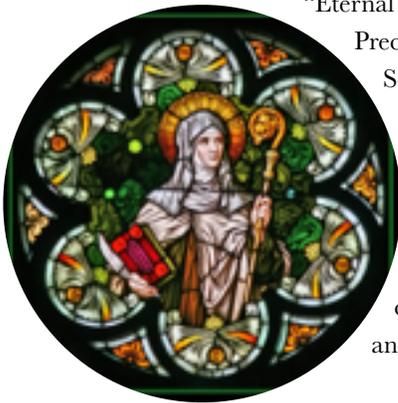
Saint Gertrude the Great - November 16

St. Gertrude, (1256 - 1302) was born at Eisleben in Saxony. At the age of five, she was placed in the care of the Benedictine nuns at Rodalsdorf. She later became a nun in the same monastery, and was elected Abbess in 1251. The following year she took charge of the monastery at Helfta, near her home town, to which she moved with her nuns.

St. Gertrude had enjoyed a good education. She wrote and composed in Latin, and was versed in Sacred Literature. The life of this saint, though not replete with stirring events and striking actions, was one of great mental activity. It was the mystic life of the cloister, a life hidden with Christ in God. She was characterized by great devotion to the Sacred Humanity of Our Lord in His Passion and in the Blessed Eucharist, and by a tender love for the Blessed Virgin. She died in 1302.

St. Gertrude the Great is invoked for both the souls in purgatory and for living sinners. A prayer of hers reads:

“Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.”



Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini - November 13

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, also called Mother Cabrini, was an Italian Religious Sister, founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart, a Catholic religious institute which was a major support to the Italian immigrants to the United States. She was the first citizen of the United States to be canonized by the Church. She was canonized in Rome in 1946 by Pope Pius XII.

Due to the overwhelming increase of pilgrims to her room at Chicago's Columbus Hospital, a National Shrine was built in her honor within the hospital complex.



Saint Cecilia - November 22

St. Cecilia is one of the most famous of the Roman martyrs, even if the stories about her are disputed. She is the patroness of musicians. It was long supposed that she was a noble lady of Rome who, with her husband Valerian, his brother Tiburtius, and a Roman soldier Maximus, suffered martyrdom in about 230, under the Emperor Alexander Severus. It is written that at her wedding she “sang in her heart to the Lord.” The legend about Cecilia’s death says that after being struck three times on the neck with a sword, she lived for three days, and asked the pope to convert her home into a church. Her feast day is celebrated on November 22. She is one of seven women, in addition to the Blessed Virgin, commemorated by name in the Canon, or First Eucharistic Prayer, of the Mass.