

St. Hugh of Lincoln Roman Catholic Church

"Never have so few done so much so well for so long!"

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† Announcements †

Bp. McGuire is planning to come to visit and administer the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, September 28th. If you have never been Confirmed before or if you have been Confirmed in the new rite (after 1969), please email Fr. McKenna so we can have get an accurate count of those needing Confirmation and Father can let you know what is needed beforehand. There are Confirmation request forms in the vestibule.

Next Saturday is the 13th of September. We will have the Rosary Procession in honor of Our Lady of Fatima after the morning Mass

Our annual Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, October 5th

During my last few visits, I have heard cell phones ring at various times during the Mass. Please remember to silence, or better yet, turn off your cell phones.

■Set Your Missal:

Mass: Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Comm. & Prop. Last Gospel Pent. XIV, Preface of the Holy Cross

Collection Totals:

High Mass: 54 souls, \$828 Low Mass: 17 souls, \$505

<u>& The Sanctuary Lamp</u> will burn this week for the following intention: Tony Friel (Steve & Joanne Heckenkamp)

Serber Schedule

Friday September 12th: AC1: Chad McGinnis AC2: Dominic Scheeler

Saturday September 13th: AC1: Andrew Kimpel AC2: Volunteer

Sunday September 14th: High Mass: MC: Timothy Sandberg **TH:** Elias Larson **AC1:** Bennett Larson **AC2:** Dominic Scheeler **CB:** Andrew Sandberg **TB:** Christopher Scheeler and Connor Friel

Usher: Tonu Tobias

Low Mass: AC1: Seamus O'Connor AC2: Sam Kimpel Usher: Jeff

Kimpel

Meditation by St. Alphonsus Liguori on Nativity of Mary

Before the birth of Mary the world was lost in the darkness of sin. "Mary was born and the dawn arose," says a holy Father. Of Mary it had already been said: Who is she that cometh forth as the morning rising? As the earth rejoices when the dawn appears, because it is the precursor of the sun, so also when Mary was born the whole world rejoiced, because she was the precursor of Jesus Christ, the Sun of Justice, who being made her Son, came to save us by His death; hence the Church sings, "Thy nativity, O Virgin Mother of God, announced joy to the whole world; for from thee arose the Sun of Justice, who has given us life eternal." So that when Mary was born, our remedy, our consolation, and our salvation came into the world; for through Mary we received our Saviour.

This child being, then, destined to become the Mother of the Eternal Word, God enriched her with so great grace, that in the first moment of her Immaculate Conception her sanctity exceeded that of all the saints and angels together, for she received grace of a higher order-one that corresponded to the dignity of Mother of God.

O holy child! O full of grace! I, miserable sinner that I am, salute and adore thee. Thou art the beloved one, the delight of God; pity me, who on account of my sins have been hateful and abominable in His sight Thou, O most pure Virgin, knewest from thy very childhood so well how to gain the heart of God, that He never did and never will refuse thee anything, and grants thee all that thou askest. My hopes are therefore in thee; recommend me to thy Son, and I shall be saved.

When Mary was destined to be the Mother of God, she was also destined to become the mediatress between God and sinners. Hence the angelic St. Thomas says, "that Mary received sufficient grace to save all men," and therefore St. Bernard calls her "a full aqueduct, that of her plenitude we all may partake."

O my Queen, mediatress of sinners, perform thy office; intercede for me. My sins shall not prevent me from trusting in thee, O great Mother of God; no, I trust in thee; and so great is my confidence, that were my salvation in my own hands, I could place it in thine. O Mary, receive me under thy protection; for that is all my desire.

Sinner's Prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary

blessed Virgin Mary, mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, queen of the world and mistress of all creatures! Thou who forsakest no one, despisest no one, who leavest in sadness none who seek help at thy hands with pure and lowly hearts, do not abandon me because of the number and hatefulness of my sins, nor on account of the hardness and uncleanness of my heart; do not refuse me, thy servant, a share in, thy favor and thy love. Hear me, a wretched sinner, who trusts in thy mercy and pity. Help me, O most loving Virgin Mary! in all my perils and needs, and obtain for me from thy beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, the forgiveness of all my sins, the grace of the fear and love of thee, chastity in body, and deliverance from all the dangers which beset both soul and body.

In the last moments of my life be thou my kind, helper and save from eternal darkness, and from evil of every kind my poor soul, and the souls of my parents brothers, sisters, friends, relatives, and benefactors, together with the souls of all the faithful, both living and dead, through the grace of him whom for nine months thou didst bear in thy most holy womb, and whom thou didst place with thy holy hands in the manger, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom be all honor given for endless ages. Amen.

The Sovereign Pontiff, Leo XII, by a decree of the 8. Congr. of Indulgences, Jan. 30, 1828, granted to all the faithful who, with at least contrite heart and devotion, shall say this prayer: An Indulgence of One Hundred Days, once a day.

St. Cloud

St. Cloud is the first and most illustrious Saint among the princes of the royal family of the first race in France. He was son of Chlodomir, King of Orleans, the eldest son of St. Clotilda, and was born in 522. He was scarce three years old when his father was killed in

Burgundy; but his grandmother Clotilda brought up him and his two brothers at Paris, and loved them extremely. Their ambitious uncles divided the kingdom of Orleans between them, and stabbed with their own hands two of their nephews. Cloud, by a special providence, was saved from the massacre, and, renouncing the world, devoted himself to the service of God in a monastic state. After a time he put himself under the discipline of St. Severinus, a holy recluse who lived near Paris, from whose hands he received the monastic habit. Wishing to live unknown to the world, he withdrew secretly into Provence, but his hermitage being made public, he returned to Paris, and was received with the greatest joy imaginable. At the earnest request of the people, he was ordained priest by Eusebius, Bishop of Paris, in 551, and served that church some time in the functions of the sacred ministry. He afterward retired to St. Cloud, two leagues below Paris, where he built a monastery. Here he assembled many pious men, who fled out of the world for fear of losing their souls in it. St. Cloud was regarded by them as their superior, and he animated them to all virtue both by word and example. He was indefatigable in instructing and exhorting the people of the neighboring country, and piously ended his days about the year 560.

Stars

Bright stars, yellow stars, flashing through the air, Are you errant strands of Lady Mary's hair? As she slits the cloudy veil and bends down through, Do you fall across her cheeks and over heaven too?

Gay stars, little stars, you are little eyes,
Eyes of baby angels playing in the skies.
Now and then a winged child turns his merry face
Down toward the spinning world — what a funny place!

Jesus Christ came from the Cross (Christ receive my soul!)
In each perfect hand and foot there was a bloody hole.
Four great iron spikes there were, red and never dry,
Michael plucked them from the Cross and set them in the sky.

Christ's Troop, Mary's Guard, God's own men, Draw your swords and strike at Hell and strike again. Every steel-born spark that flies where God's battles are, Flashes past the face of God, and is a star.

-Joyce Kilmer

Note From Father

Dear Faithful,

Once again, the halls of our little school at St. Gertrude the Great are filled again with the sounds of children laughing, little feet pattering by, and teachers imparting wisdom. Also, as the school year begins, we return to our daily school high masses and sermons for the young ones (and the young of heart who join us, either in person or via the internet).

Preaching is such a vital part of our apostolate. It is a part of the mission which comes directly from Christ, Himself, as He commanded the Apostles to go and "preach the Gospel to all nations". From saints to the liturgy, the catechism, and instruction on prayer and virtue, the depths of our Faith which the preacher can explore is inexhaustible. The lessons and messages travel from the lips of the preacher to the ears of the hearer...but they don't simply end there. The lessons embed themselves in the people's minds, enabling them to have a greater knowledge and understanding of the beautiful truths of God. From seeds of wisdom, they land upon the listeners and set their roots into their hearts to aid in the Faith which is believed, to be unshakeable when the tempests of temptation assail. Do you supplement your spiritual life with sermons beyond those which you hear on a Sunday at Mass? With the internet, there is a veritable treasure trove of lessons available from many good priests from all over...a treasure which we are free to take from as frequently as we choose. In a world in which media provide ample messages meant to distract and corrupt, turn instead to search for the diamonds in the rough.

In Christ,

Fr. Stephen McKenna

This Week's Schedule

Mon	9/8/25	Nativity of Our Lady St. Adrian, M
Tue	9/9/25	St. Peter Claver, C St. Gorgonius, M
Wed	9/10/25	St. Nicholas of Tolentino, C
Thu	9/11/25 6:00 PM	Ss. Protus & Hyacinth, Mm Holy Hour
Fri	9/12/25 5:30 PM 6:00 PM	Most Holy Name of Mary Rosary, Confessions Mass, Benediction Conversion of Jane Schwab (Shannon Schwab)
Sat	9/13/25 7:30 AM 8:00 AM	Rosary, Confessions
Sun	9/14/25 8:00 AM 8:45 AM 10:45 AM 11:15 AM	High Mass (+)Virginia Kramer (Mark Cash)

General Information

Baptism: By appointment. At least one parent as well as the sponsors must be practicing Roman Catholics who attend the Traditional Latin Mass exclusively.

Confession: Before Mass on Sundays, and other times as indicated in the weekly bulletin.

Confirmation: Solemnly administered periodically in the year and may be administered privately by request. Catholics who received confirmation in the post Vatican II rite (1971) should arrange to receive confirmation conditionally in the traditional rite.

First Holy Communion: Administered each year on the Sunday after Corpus Christi. Adequate knowledge of the catechism is required.

Matrimony: If you are contemplating marriage, please make an appointment to speak with a priest before you set a date. At least one of the parties must be a practicing traditional Catholic and member of this parish. Weddings are forbidden during Advent and Lent.

Communion for the Sick: Please contact the pastor or coordinator when a church member is hospitalized or too ill to attend Mass.

Extreme Unction: Do not put off making arrangements until the last moment, but contact the pastor or coordinator promptly if a church member is gravely ill or in danger of death.

Decorum in Church: Respect for God in the Blessed Sacrament requires a reverent silence. Please turn off cell phones and keep children well behaved. Both young and old should wear dignified and modest clothes in church, and women should wear a dress or skirt, and a veil or hat. Veils are available in the vestibule. Men should wear shirt and tie as well as a jacket or sweater.

Holy Communion: Only baptized practicing Catholics in the state of grace may receive Holy Communion. You must be fasting:

- Three hours from solid foods and alcoholic beverages.
- One hour from other liquids.
- Water may be taken at any time.

The communicant kneels at the communion rail, and receives the Blessed Sacrament on the tongue. The communicant does not say "Amen" after the priest says "Corpus Domini nostri Jesu Christi custodiat animam tuam in vitam aeternam. Amen."

Singing: The faithful are invited to join in singing any hymns preceding or following the Mass, but only the choir sings during the course of the Mass.