

# ST. GERTRUDE PARISH

*A Parish of the Diocese of Greensburg  
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**303 Franklin Ave.  
Vandergrift, PA 15690**  
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## SEPTEMBER 05, 2010 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### MASSES

#### Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

#### Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

& Saturday at 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday 8:30 a.m. outside of school time,  
9:00 a.m. during the school year.

#### Holy Day Mass Schedule

Eve of Holy Day 4:00 p.m.

Holy Day 9:00 a.m., 6:30 p.m.

### OFFICE HOURS

#### Monday–Friday

9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. or by appointment  
(724) 568-2331, Fax: (724) 568-2030

### PARISH STAFF

#### Fr. James Loew, O.S.B.

Pastor

#### Patti Donghia-Albert

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Labor Day weekend doesn't appear as a celebration in the cycle of the church year. But Monday's holiday does affect a lot of what many people do this weekend. For some, three days off means the opportunity for a short trip out of town. Others may schedule a vacation for the week before to take advantage of the extra day off. Grocery stores have sales, highlighting products that can be consumed at picnics or prepared on outdoor grills. A holiday honoring labor becomes the effective end of summer for most folk.

Labor shows up in some interesting ways in the Scriptures for this weekend. The only time in the three-year Lectionary cycle that we read from Paul's Letter to Philemon comes this week. Paul is sending back Philemon's slave, Onesimus, who had run away. In the interim, Onesimus has become a Christian and, from Paul's view, a brother in the Lord to Philemon. So what is Philemon to do with this worker that he had owned? How was he to act?

The Gospel includes a description of the work of building a tower. Jesus compares the calculation of the work involved to that taking up the cross and being a disciple. When Philemon became a Christian he may not have understood that his life might change radically—that he was expected to deal in a new way with one of his slaves who became a Christian. At Paul's insistence, Philemon's adherence to the faith was requiring that he act differently from the society in which he lived. We are confronted with the same situation as Philemon. In the workplace, in the market, in our leisure, and while on vacation, we are called to adhere to the faith just as we do in church on Sunday. That is the real work we have, and it is not always an easy job. We don't have to carry Jesus' cross, but we do have to carry our own.

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### SACRAMENTS

**Confessions:** Saturday after 8:30 a.m. Mass.

**Baptisms:** By appointment. Baptismal preparation is necessary. Call for classes.

**Marriage:** Arrangements must be made at least 8 months in advance. No marriage dates will be given until meeting with the priest & all preparation is ready.

**THANK YOU** for your contributions to last week's second collection for **The Catholic University of America!** Your gift will make great things possible by providing direct financial aid to students from dioceses across the country.

The **Altar Rosary Society** will be meeting on Tuesday, September 14. We will meet in the church, at 6:30 p.m. for the rosary with the meeting to follow in the social hall.

**Oblates of Saint Benedict** ~ a series of monthly classes on Benedictine spirituality will continue on Sunday, September 19, from 3 to 4:25 p.m. in Brownfield Room 202 of Saint Vincent Seminary. The topic will be "Silence in Benedictine Spirituality," and Fr. Wulfstan Clough, O.S.B., professor of English at St. Vincent College, will be the presenter. **ALSO** The Latrobe Deanery will meet at 6:45 p.m. The topic of discussion will be Chapters 12 to 15 of the book *Life and Miracles of St. Benedict*, with focus on miracles at Montecassino. Those wishing to pray Vespers with the monks at 5 p.m. and then stay for supper should contact Fr. Donald at 724-805-2291 in advance. Also, Oblates and their guests are welcome to come together for the annual Oblate Day on Sunday, September 26, from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. For info and registration, contact Chris Karem 724-875-0285 or Fr. Donald.



**St. Gertrude's 1st Annual Picnic**  
**Sunday, September 12**  
**12 Noon Mass**

**Northmoreland Park ~ Pavilion #8**  
**Highlights: Family Games & Prizes**  
**Fellowship, Food, Entertainment**  
**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

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***This Week at Saint Gertrude Parish***  
**Monday, September 6—the Parish office will be**  
**closed ~ Labor Day**  
**Tuesday, September 7 ~ C. D. of A. meeting ~ 7 p.m.**  
**Church Hall**

## **Weekly Offering**



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**August 28 & 29**

**Offertory Collection ~ \$4,955.00**

**Loose Collection ~ \$413.36**

**Utilities ~ \$104.00**

**Church Restoration ~ \$84.00**

**Catholic University ~ \$532.99**

**OUR THANKS TO EACH of you who faithfully support our parish each week and so generously contribute whenever asked. God Bless you!**

**St. Gertrude Parish Family** extends its heartfelt sympathy to the families of Mamie Gadola and Eleanor Myer, sister of Sara Jagodrinski and Robert Ferrara. May God grant Mamie and Eleanor eternal rest and peace and bring comfort to their families.

### **Scripture Verse**

*"If any one comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple."*

*Lk 14:26-27*



### **Readings for the Week of September 5, 2010**

**:Sunday** Wis 9:13-18b/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33  
**Monday:** 1 Cor 5:1-8/Lk 6:6-11  
**Tuesday:** 1 Cor 6:1-11/Lk 6:12-19  
**Wednesday:** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23  
**Thursday:** 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Lk 6:27-38  
**Friday:** 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42  
**Saturday:** 1 Cor 10:14-22/Lk 6:43-49  
**Next Sunday:** Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

# dear Padre

September 5, 2010

## Who was Dorothy Day?

A friend sent me a copy a newspaper called. The Catholic Worker. It was founded by one of his heroes, Dorothy Day. What can you tell me about her?

Paul

Dear Paul,

Dorothy Day was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1897. She finished high school at age sixteen and joined the Socialist Party in 1914 as a college student. She converted to Catholicism in 1927.

During the Great Depression, Dorothy's commitment to the poor deepened. In 1932 she met Peter Maurin, with whom she founded the Catholic Worker Movement. In 1933 she created The Catholic Worker, a newspaper for the unemployed.

Dorothy Day proclaimed the rights of workers to dignity and to fair and honest treatment by industry, government, landlords, and neighbors. The newspaper also adopted a pacifist viewpoint. Dorothy's pro labor and antiwar beliefs caused her to be labeled a Communist, but she was never a member of the Communist Party.

Dorothy's concern for social justice grew among other things, she worked with Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers—and so did her Catholic faith. She was orthodox and pious and had a deep sense of Catholic morality.

In 1972 she received the University of Notre Dame's Laetare Medal. Three years after her death in 1980, the Claretians called for her canonization; in 2000, Pope John Paul II granted the Archdiocese of New York permission to open a "cause" for Dorothy Day's sainthood.

**Rick Potts, C.Ss.R.**

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NOON ON MONDAY**

## SANCTUARY LAMP

*In memory of Mildred Blanciak by the family*

## MEMORIAL CANDLES

*In memory of Kathy Filo by the family*

*In memory of Joe, Michael & John Yandura by  
Jeffery Yandura*

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, IN OBSERVANCE  
OF LABOR DAY.**

**PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS and  
FRIENDS who are ill:** Please notify the Parish  
Office (724-568-2331), if a family member or  
parishioner is in the hospital, confined to home or in a  
rest home.



David Pisone & Wenona Elaine Watkins

**Mission Cooperation Appeal** ~ Fr. Vincent Rathapilly V.C., a Vincentian Missionary Priest from India, will be in our parish on September 11 and 12 weekend to participate in our Annual Missionary Cooperation Appeal. We urge you to be very generous in your mission offering since these Missionaries need our help. Please keep Fr. Vincent and all the Vincentian Missionaries in your prayers.



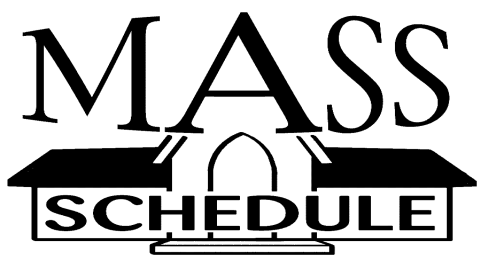
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**Until September 19**

**Duquesne University's Fall Open House** will be held on Sunday, September 19, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Registration begins at 8 a.m.) Duquesne's 2010 Fall Open House is an opportunity for current high school seniors from all religious denominations and their families to speak with representatives from admissions, financial aid, academic departments and administration. Register with Duquesne's Office of Admissions call 412-396-6222.

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# MASS



## SCHEDULE

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### **Saturday, September 4, Weekday**

4:00 p.m. †Joanne Adams (An.)

### **Sunday, Sept. 5, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. For the Parish

10:30 a.m. †Lillian Donniss

### **Monday, September 6, Labor Day**

8:30 a.m. †Nicolina & Enrico Fontana

### **Tuesday, September 7, Weekday**

8:30 a.m. †Will Vaughan

### **Wednesday, Sept. 8, The Nativity of the BVM**

9:00 a.m. †David Pacuch

### **Thursday, September 9, Saint Peter Claver, priest**

8:30 a.m. †Santo & Pauline Carpentieri

### **Friday, September 10, Weekday**

8:30 a.m. †Aaron James Kunkle

### **Saturday, September 11, Weekday**

8:30 a.m. †Mildred Kaminski

10:00 a.m. (Memorial Mass) Michael A. Milito

2:00 p.m. (Wedding) David Pisone & Wenona

Elaine Watkins

4:00 p.m. †Dec'd Corcetti & Abraham Families

### **Sunday, September 12, 24th Sunday in Ord. Time**

8:00 a.m. For the Parish

10:30 a.m. †George Solomon (An.)



*Altar Servers*

### **September 11 & 12**

4:00 p.m. ~ (Cross) John Paul Larko  
(Servers) Grace & Luke Larko

8:00 a.m. ~ (Cross) Jordan Kiebler  
(Servers) Angelo Principe, Joshua Reynolds

10:30 a.m. ~ (Cross) Kaitly Sciullo  
(Servers) Dylan Ruffner, Colton Robb