

# Sister's Spin

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Pope Leo the Great, Pope Gregory the Great, Gertrude the Great, dedication of St. John Lateran, and Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul--All these have been feast days lately--except for Gregory--his name has come up in my Gr. 8 Religion Class. But why honor these Greats and three churches ? Most people will never get to see these places in person; now you can view them online, but believe me, it is just not the same! The popes and Gertrude, who, by the way, is the only woman who is gifted with the words "the Great" , remind us that WE are the Church. Those buildings are beautiful, but all of them have been rebuilt due to structural problems or other calamities. Yet the Church is still here because it doesn't take a building for there to be Church. It was people like Leo and Gregory and Gertrude who taught us that the Church is the People of God who live their faith and spread the Good News to others. So, as the Church celebrates the dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul this day, try to remember that it is you who are being celebrated as well because without you, there would be no Church.

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