

25 July 2021

XVII Sunday in Ordinary Time (Novus Ordo Calendar)

IX Sunday after Pentecost (Traditional Calendar)

Sunday Mass: Anticipated Sat. 4PM/Sun.8AM Ancient Rite Latin Mass  
9:30 AM & 11 AM

Confessions: Wed. 6:30-6:55 PM/Sat.7:30-7:55 AM  
Sat. 2:30-3:30 PM & 6:30-7:30 PM

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Mon. 26 July ST. ANNE, Mother of the Bl. Virgin Mary (Trad.)  
STS. JOACHIM & ANNE, Parents of Our Lady (NO)  
8 AM For: Special Intention  
Ancient Rite Latin Mass

Tue. 27 July St. Pantaleon, Martyr, Invoked against lung disease  
8 AM For: Francis P. Melfe+  
Req: Rosalie Maneen  
Holy Rosary for the Preborn & Newborn

Wed. 28 July St. Victor I, Pope  
7 PM For: Jeremiah Williams  
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Stephen van Lieshout

Thu. 29 July STS. MARTHA, MARY AND LAZARUS  
8 AM For: Gary Dunne+  
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Breckenridge

Fri. 30 July ST. PETER CHRYSOLOGUS, Bishop & Doctor  
8 AM For: Joan Broat+  
Req: Dr. & Mrs. Francis Bianchi

Sat. 31 July ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA, Pr., Founder  
8 AM For: Special Intention  
4 PM For: Norma Scarfe (L.)  
Req: The Mollenhauer Family

Sun. 1 Aug. XVIII Sunday in Ordinary Time (NO Calendar)  
X Sunday after Pentecost (Traditional Calendar)  
8 AM For: Francesco Bozzi+  
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Schultz  
9:30 AM For: Parishioners of OLGCC  
11 AM For: Joseph Carman+  
Req: Dina Anderson

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF THE NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS AND ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA: THU. 12 AUG.**

Come with us to imbibe the spirit of charity and sacrifice that filled the hearts of the Saints who were slain for their love for Jesus Christ at this site, and for the fruit of their sacrifice: St. Kateri.

We will leave the parking lot of the Rectory at 8:30 AM and offer Holy Mass at the Shrine at 11 AM. During the day, we will have prayers and meditations to deepen our devotion to Our Lord and His Saints.

You will have to bring your own lunch but can purchase drinks there.

We will return by 6 PM. Please print your name & cell phone no. on the list on the bulletin board if you will go with us.

**PARISH PICNIC EXTRAVAGANZA! SUN. 15 AUGUST 12 NOON**

There is no parish picnic like our parish picnic...a multi-generational fest of fabulous food, games and good conversation! Please note the sign-up list on the bulletin board for helpers and what dish you would like us to sample as your culinary masterpiece!!! We would love to see you there!

**WE ARE EXTREMELY GRATEFUL TO DONNA FINN**

Donna has presented Father with a most generous donation to be used for the redecorating and upgrading of our social hall in the basement of the Rectory. She and Nicole Mastro have graciously offered to oversee the improvements of the rooms. They certainly need that "woman's touch"! God bless you, Donna.

**TRAINING FOR ALTAR SERVERS**

Beginning on Tue. 3 August at 6 PM, any young man in the parish who would be able to handle such things as the Processional Cross and the acolytes' candles is welcome to begin training as an altar server. The sessions will last for 45 minutes.

**INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?**

An inquirer is one who is seeking to know just what we believe as Catholics. Usually, they would meet with Father or some well-informed Catholic to receive explanations about the articles of the Creed (what we believe); the Commandments (how we are to live); and the Sacraments (how we worship God). The person is always free to accept or decline what he or she is taught. There is no pressure put on anyone. One must freely accept all that the Holy Catholic Church teaches in order to be received into the Church. If you would like to know more, please call Father at the Rectory: 315 363 7696.

## IT'S THE MASS THAT MATTERS

We owe Pope Francis a debt of gratitude for his recent Motu Proprio, *Traditionis Custodes*, wherein the Pope decrees that the “Latin Mass” is to be severely restricted in the Church. He says it is not to be celebrated in the parish churches; that priest must now get permission from their Bishops to celebrate it; that no new parishes may be erected for the traditional Mass; and that no religious orders are to be founded that celebrate it. On top of it all, he declares that the Mass of Pope Paul VI, promulgated in 1969, is now the *Lex Orandi* (law of praying) in the Church. In other words, Pope Francis is trying to sweep the Ancient Rite of the Mass, which has been celebrated for 1500 years as the *Lex Orandi*, into the dustbin of history, in favor of a new rite (Novus Ordo) that is 52 years old!

Why do I say we owe Pope Francis a debt of gratitude? Because this draconian attempt to drown Tradition (which is what the Ancient Rite of the Mass is), will cause it to thrive and flourish and bloom all the more. The Ancient Rite of Mass, or the Mass of the Ages, refuses to die. It is so deeply imbedded in the lifeblood of the Church, that no Pope, no Council, no Bishop has the authority to declare it “abrogated”, abolished. It is our heritage, it is our birthright, it is our Tradition. Young people are waking up to the fact they had been deprived, robbed of their roots!

So even if someone does not prefer the “Latin Mass”, this titanic struggle that the Pope has intensified is going to clarify much that has ailed the Church since the II Vatican Council ended in 1965. We all have a huge stake in this contest: Is the Mass essentially the Sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the Cross renewed on our altar, or is it a communal celebration of the assembly? Are we at Holy Mass to be made to ‘feel good about ourselves”, or to worship and adore God the most Holy Trinity? Is the Mass directed to God as the Supreme Lord, or toward the community or the individual? Is God worthy of the most beautiful we can offer Him, or is He more pleased with the mundane, the worldly, the trendy?

The Novus Ordo Mass has not produced the good fruits that it should have: declining Mass attendance, a vocation draught, closed Churches and laity who do not know their faith.

The Mass of the Ages is drawing youth and young families and vocations galore! Is this what has the Pope so vehement in his clampdown? It would appear to be so, even as he calls such traditional Catholics as rigid, divisive, and benighted.

The Ancient Rite of the Mass is, in the words of Fr. Frederick Faber, “the most beautiful thing this side of heaven.”