

2 July 2023
XIII Sunday of Ordinary Time (New Calendar)
V Sunday after Pentecost (Traditional Calendar)

Sunday Mass: Anticipated Sat. 4PM/Sun. 8AM Ancient Rite Latin Mass
Sunday 9:30 AM (Live-streamed) 11 AM
Confessions: Wed. & Fri. 6:30-6:55 PM/ **NO CONFESSIONS NEXT**
SAT. AM Sat. 2:30-3:30 PM & 6:30-7:30 PM

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Mon. 3 July **No Mass**

Tue. 4 July **No Mass**

Wed. 5 July ST. ANTHONY MARIA ZACCARIA, Pr.
7 PM For: Joseph & Bernardine Loughran+
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Robert Blehar

Thu. 6 July ST. MARIA GORETTI, Virgin, Martyr
8 AM For: Barbara Cooper+ (15th Ann.)
Req: The Cooper Family

Fri. 7 July St. Mark Ji Tianxiang, Physician, Martyr
7 PM For: William Finley+ (Ann.)
Req: John & Megan Vanderhoof

Sat. 8 July Sts. Aquila & Prisca, Spouses
No 8 AM Mass today

11 AM Nuptial Mass: Matthew Pelicano
Sandra Stanton

4 PM For: Connie Ernewein+
Req: Her Mother, Beverly Wojdyla

Sun. 9 July XIV Sunday of Ordinary Time (New Calendar)
VI Sunday after Pentecost (Traditional Calendar)
8 AM For: Joyce Lott+
Req: Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Maciag
9:30 AM For: The Parishioners of OLGCC
11 AM For: Elizabeth Moses+
Req: The Anderson Family

HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!

While we all know the dramatic and drastic
upheavals taking place in our
beloved nation. Despite the political

intrigue, the economic uncertainty and the moral degeneration of the country, we still are proud and grateful to live in the greatest nation that the world has ever known. We ask Our Lord to continue to bless this wonderful nation, and give us the zeal, the energy and the wherewithal to convert our nation to Him as the King of all Nations, so that everyone will acknowledge, obey and serve Him.

SOUND OF FREEDOM MOVIE TO BE RELEASED 4 JULY

The movie that exposes the massive Child Trafficking operation that involves so many of our most “respected” citizens. Produced by Eduardo Varastegui, and starring Jim Caviezel, who portrayed Jesus in the movie “The Passion”. The movie is playing for quite a “run” at the Royal Theater at DestinyUSA (Syracuse), and for a limited run at the Marquee Theater in the Orchard (New Hartford) on July 5 at 12 Noon, 6:10 PM and 9:25 PM. It seems, though, that later in the month there will be more showings at this Theater, but times are not yet specified.

MASS STIPENDS INCREASED TO \$15 PER MASS

Bishop Lucia has directed that beginning 1 July 2023, the offering for a Mass in the diocese will be \$15.00. When you request a Mass for your intention, it is customary to make an offering, known as a stipend, to unite yourself with the offering of the Sacrifice. Every Mass first of all benefits the entire Church Militant and the Church Suffering (those in Purgatory), secondly it benefits those for whom the Holy Sacrifice is being offered; and thirdly, it benefits the priest who offers the Holy Mass, and to the co-sacrificing faithful (i.e.

those who are attending that celebration of the Mass).

FRI. 7 JULY: FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

Holy Mass at 7 PM Confessions 6:30-6:55 PM.

UPDATE ON THE ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, SYRACUSE

This parish of our diocese is celebrating Gay Pride month with gusto, sadly. They are flying the "Gay Pride" flag in front of the church, along

with many other endorsements of the homosexual, transgender lifestyle.

The Pastor has repeatedly called the Chancery office asking the Bishop to order the flag be removed, at least.

On Wed. evening, I had a conversation with His Excellency, in which he assured me that he was trying to do

something about the situation. He said that he did not want to provoke a firestorm in the media over his actions,

understandably. However, in my opinion, no matter what approach the

Bishop takes, he's going to be pilloried by the sodomites, transgender

advocates and their sympathizers. Let us all pray for wisdom, courage

and true Christian charity for our Bishop, and for the conversion of those

locked into these tragic behaviors. Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on

us and them!

GERMAN CATHOLICS LEAVING THE CHURCH IN DROVES

The German Bishops' Conference (DBK), has just released figures on the number of German Catholics who left the Church last year. In total, 522,821 people left, which represents a 44% increase over the number from the previous year, which was an all-time high in itself, at 360,000.

This represents 2.4% of all German

Catholics abandoning their Catholic identity, which brings the total number of Catholics in Germany to 20.9 million. At its peak, in 1990, there were 28.3 million Catholics in Germany.

These figures ought to give the German bishops and those in the Vatican planning for the next world Synod pause. The Germans have just completed a three-year national Synod, which has maneuvered the Church into conformity with the progressive agenda: Communion for the divorced and remarried; blessing of same-sex

couples, Communion to Protestants, and lay men and women preaching. (In effect, therefore, the Church in Germany is in schism).

Part of the rationale given by the Bishops' Conference for the loss of so many Catholics, is that in Germany, the churches are funded by their members. Thus German Catholics are required by law to pay a

kirchensteuer, or church tax, which amounts to an additional 8-9% on their income tax.

When a Catholic is baptized in Germany, they are registered as Catholic with the local government. When they start paying taxes, their church tax is automatically deducted from their income by the government, and redistributed to their diocese. This system has made the Church in Germany incredibly wealthy.

The only way to stop paying the tax is to end one's membership in the Church, by declaring the fact before a local magistrate. This of course, does not "undo" the Baptism of the individual, but the German Bishops have declared that one who has dismembered, is not entitled to receive the blessed Eucharist, other sacraments, and Christian burial. Disaffiliation with the Church is often described as

“self-excommunication”.

There is a sizeable number of those who have forfeited their church membership who have done so in order to not fund the Synodal Way that the German church has instituted with its “progressive” reforms.

While the sex-abuse crisis may be a contributing factor, as are economic concerns, the rising tide of secularism is a preponderant

force. Eastern Germany is considered one of the most Godless societies on earth, with 42% of the population being irreligious, up from 30% in 2010. By comparison, the percentage of people in Germany who were not Catholic or Protestant in Germany in 1950 was

4%. (Another sign of the “springtime” of Vatican II).