

From the President

I must begin this newsletter by thanking everyone for their patience, cooperation, and courage, as we prepared and celebrated the Pontifical Requiem Mass on July 11, 2020, as the only portion of our planned LLA National Convention that did NOT get cancelled.

Bishop Paprocki, and Father Rankin from Springfield, IL, showed their courage and faith in a trying situation. Although the weather was not as hot as it had been earlier in the week, the temperature in the historic non-air-conditioned church was NOT what you would call “comfortable” either.

Steven Gilroy and his associates took care of all the ministerial details so well. I am particularly grateful to LLA member, Msgr. Richard Soseman, who drove from his IL parish on Friday, to be able to serve as Deacon. Newly ordained Father Stephen Schumacher graciously served as SubDeacon. St. Mary of Victories pastor, Father Brian Harrison, was Archpriest for the Mass.

Ryan Murphy and his schola rendered the music in a sensitive and reverent manner.

Jim Hooper procured all the needed technology and produced the livestreaming of the Mass.

Local LLA chapter members assisted with preparing the worship aids and receiving donations.

St. Mary of Victories parishioners prepared a lovely brunch, within all the health restrictions that were required by the City Health Dept.

Drury Plaza at the Arch and the other vendors dispensed with any required deposits to spare us any additional costs.

Covenant Network Catholic Radio gave us air time on their new local morning radio show to explain about the Latin Liturgy Association and why the Pontifical Requiem Mass was taking place.

For those of you who did not watch the Mass as it was livestreamed, you can still see it at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xRW2WTRcxsc>. Bishop Paprocki has also given permission for us to reprint his homily for the edification of all our members. The full text of Bishop Paprocki’s homily follows below.

I hope you all were able to listen to tenor Christopher Macchio sing Schubert’s *Ave Maria* from the balcony of the Blue Room at the White House on the concluding evening of the Republican National Convention.

Memor et fidelis

Regina Morris, President

Latin Liturgy Association

Sept. 14, 2020

Homily of Pontifical Requiem Mass, July 11, 2020

St. Mary of Victories Church, St. Louis, MO

by Most Rev. Thomas J. Paprocki, Bishop of Springfield, IL

My beloved brothers and sisters in Christ, today we have been given the great grace to participate in this beautiful Requiem Mass, praising God with the greatest of human talent and devotion, and we have united our prayers to those of Christ in His perfect sacrifice to the Father. The gift of the Eucharist, of Christ’s abiding presence with us, is, of course, bestowed upon us at every Mass, and has always been essential to the faithful of every age, yet, in our current day, have we not been emphatically reminded of how much our whole world needs this gift of Christ’s Body and Blood?!

I reference of course the previous few months during which throughout much of our world’s precautions regarding the corona virus have left many Catholics without easy participation in the Mass or reception of Communion. Having been distanced from the source and summit of our faith should bring out in all our hearts today even great joy and gratitude to have been entrusted again with the gift of Christ Himself. Today he “abides” with us; He gives His own Flesh and Blood, as food and drink, to nourish us, give us eternal life, and unite us profoundly with our Triune God. May our joy today bear witness to our faith in Christ’s abiding and nourishing love!

The gift of the Holy Eucharist was certainly appreciated by the great patron of this city, St. Louis. That king and crusader had tremendous devotion to the greatest of Sacraments, prolonging his daily participation in the Mass with the recitation of the Divine Office, and continuously exhorting his family and people to greater faithfulness and prayerfulness. It was precisely this love for the incarnate Christ that led St. Louis to be willing to sacrifice even his life by participation in the 7th and 8th Crusades. No hatred motivated the king to this task, only a love for Him, whom Louis considered His King and Savior. This was a man surrounded by the pressures and challenges of being a medieval monarch, yet it was His tenacious love for Christ in the Eucharist, that allowed him to remain centered on His faith within those struggles, and, in

the end, to live a life of heroic virtue, being canonized only 27 years after his death in 1270.

But St. Louis' devoted faith is only the first half of his love for God. He, in what is called his credo, writes that:

The two arms with which we must hold God clasped, are firm faith and good works. We need both of these together if we wish to keep hold of God, for either one of them is useless without the other [...] We see, then, that we must combine firm faith with good works. Daily the devils fight with us to deprive us of one or the other, and on the last day, by which I mean the day of our death, they will strive even harder than they do now. On that day may God and His Mother and all His saints grant us their help!

The great truth we celebrate at this Mass, that of the Passion and Resurrection of Christ, is precisely the promise of God: that He can bring tremendous good, even eternal and salvific good, out of what appears to all the world (without faith) to be an entirely ugly, pointless, crucifixion. This is a truth we already can find in our own experience after the corona virus: that God can bring great good out of even something seemingly so opposed to the normal economy of grace. He can bring devotion out of deprivation, love out of loss, humility out of hunger.

Today I stand before you and promise that He can also bring great good out of the dissension, disorder, and depravity that we have been so strongly confronted with these past weeks, and it comes about in the second "arm" of the life of faith that St. Louis teaches us. If the corona virus, and all the hardships we have endured because of it, can lead us to a firmer faith with which to hold fast to God, cannot the recent turmoil, strife, and disunity we face in our country, and have seen so close to our own homes surrounding the iconic Apotheosis of St. Louis Statue, direct our efforts towards St. Louis' second "arm" with which to clasp God, good works? Our faith in God tells us that this is the case.

Where love is lacking, our lives must witness – in small acts and large – to the love of Christ that impels us. Where peace is wanting, our actions – at home and out in our world – must be ones that pass on the peace of Christ. Where hope dwindles, our choices must radiate – to all around us – the evident end for which we strive, that is, to become saints and to live forever with God in His Kingdom.

Sadly, some radical anarchists who are ignorant of history have recently destroyed statues in California of a noteworthy saint, Saint Junípero Serra, whose feast day was this past July 1st. Saint Junípero Serra was a Franciscan missionary priest from Majorca, Spain, who came to bring the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the New World in 1750. He established nine of the California missions, baptized over 6,000 native peoples, and is recognized as a builder of the State of California. Pope John Paul II beatified him in 1988, calling him "an exemplary model of the selfless evangelizer." Pope Francis canonized him as a saint during his visit to the United States in 2015.

After a statue of Saint Junípero Serra was torn down in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco on June 19 by a crowd of about 100 people, Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone, the Archbishop of San Francisco, was joined by several dozen Catholics in prayer and acts of spiritual reparation.

In his remarks, Archbishop Cordileone said, "Evil has made itself present here. So we have gathered together to pray for God, to ask the saints... for their intercession, above all our Blessed Mother, in an act of reparation, asking God's mercy on us and on the whole city, that we might turn our hearts back towards him. I feel such a great wound in my soul when I see these horrendous acts of blasphemy disparaging the memory of Serra who was such a great hero, such a great defender of the indigenous people of this land."

A statue to Saint Junípero Serra was also torn down in the plaza outside the first church of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, Nuestra Señora Reina de los Ángeles, in downtown Los Angeles.

The Archbishop of Los Angeles, Archbishop José Gomez, who also serves as the President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, wrote a Letter to the faithful for the Memorial of St. Junípero Serra, in which he said, "Historical memory is the soul of every nation. What we remember about our past and how we remember it defines our national identity — the kind of people we want to be, the values and principles we want to live by. But history is complicated. The facts matter, distinctions need to be made, and the truth counts."

Some protesters right here in St. Louis, also ignorant of history, have called for the removal of the statue of St. Louis, who was King of France from 1226 to 1270, and after whom the city is named. In addition to taking part in the Crusades to reclaim the Holy Land from Muslim invaders, he established hospitals, and personally cared for the poor and for lepers. He was canonized in 1297.

Cardinal Timothy Dolan, Archbishop of New York and former Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis, who has a doctorate in church history, wrote in the June 28th issue of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, "Defacing, tearing down and hiding statues and portraits is today's version of Puritan book-burning. Our children need to know their country's past, its normative figures and their virtues and vices... As a historian by training, I want to remember the good and the bad, and recall with gratitude how even people who have an undeniable dark side can let light prevail and leave the world better. I want to keep bringing classes of schoolchildren to view such monuments, and to explain to them how even such giants in our history had crimes, unjust acts and plain poor judgment mixed in with the good we honor."

Our Mass today is fittingly a requiem. In Latin, the word *requies* means rest or repose. Yes, we pray for eternal rest for our beloved brethren and benefactors whom we entrust to the Lord's mercy, but this Requiem Mass must also be for us a reminder of the fleetingness of our own lives, and an impetus to be willing to consecrate every moment of our lives to glorify God.

Our Lesson today fittingly reminds us: "Blessed are the dead who from now on die in the Lord." "Blessed indeed," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them!" Our deeds will "follow" us as well. Just as the

deeds of St. Louis witness to his giving both his arms for the Lord – in faithful devotion and heartfelt charity – so we must look to our own lives – cherishing and renewing our love for Christ’s Body and Blood, and devoting ourselves no matter what is happening around us to continuous, if humble, acts of love.

May God give us this grace, amen.

LLA National Convention Postponed to 2022

In view of the uncertain times we are currently living in, the national officers have decided to postpone any plans for a National LLA Convention until some time in 2022. We had originally thought that we would be able to resume in 2021. But that would mean securing the venue and making a hotel contract NOW—since plans have to be made at least a year in advance. This is just not possible. So, we will be hopeful that the situation will be improved by next year at this time and that plans can begin again at that time.

We will keep you all informed via the quarterly newsletter, as we have in the past, of any changes.

Dr. Rudolph Masciantonio Foundation for Classical Studies

Those of you who have been LLA members for some time may remember that LLA Life Member Dr. Rudolph Masciantonio, known to us affectionately as “Rudy,” went to his eternal reward in 2016. Rudy had been the chairman of the LLA Philadelphia Chapter, as well as a scholar, teacher, real estate investor, and published author (*Build Your English Word Power With Latin Numbers*, Bolchazy-Carducci Publishers, 1997; and *Star Trek With Latin*, American Classical League, 1980).

Unbeknownst to President Morris, Dr. Masciantonio had established a charitable Foundation and Trust with 15 beneficiaries of which the LLA was one. In the four years since his death, his estate and the named foundation have progressed through the necessary legal procedures that follow someone’s passing to the life beyond the grave.

In January, 2020, President Morris was contacted by the legal representative of the Philadelphia Foundation, which has been tasked with the proper distribution of funds from the Foundation.

To make a long story short, President Morris received the first distribution check in the mail on September 1, 2020. The amount was for \$15,000.00. Yes, you read that right: fifteen thousand dollars! This is more money than the LLA has ever had—even at the height of our membership in the 1980’s and early 1990’s.

The LLA national officers will be meeting (on Zoom) before the end of the month to discuss various suggestions regarding appropriate use of these funds. We have been led to believe that this is just the first installment of what might become an annual distribution. That remains to be seen.

President Morris expresses her gratitude to Will Torchia, the current LLA chairman of the Philadelphia Chapter, and the other LLA national officers for their guidance and assistance with the legalities and personalities involved in finally receiving an actual distribution check.

If you have specific recommendations for the officers to consider, please email them to President Morris at morrisrp@swbell.net

With Latin in the Service of the Popes

Arouca Press has just published “*With Latin in the Service of the Popes: The Memoirs of Antonio Cardinal Bacci*”, ISBN 978-1-7770523-9-3 (paperback), 978-1-989905-00-5 (hardcover). The authorized English translation is by former **LLA Chairman Anthony Lo Bello**, who has revised the translation and provided a new introduction and an index. The cover jacket has an endorsement from Bishop Athanasius Schneider. Older members of the LLA will recall that the original translation was serialized in the LLA Newsletter over thirty years ago.

News from the Chapters

Chicago Chapter

Latin and Greek classes are starting again at St. John Cantius Church. Go to their website for details. Most classes are in person, but limited in number. Attendance at Sunday Masses still requires advance reservations.

Cleveland Chapter

A Traditional Latin Mass on the first Sundays of the month was begun at Mary Queen of Peace Church on Sept. 6, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. A Traditional Latin Mass on Monday evenings will begin Sept. 14, 2020, at St. Ignatius of Antioch Church at 5:30 p.m.

Along with St. Stephen, The Mac, MQP, and now St. Ignatius in Cleveland, there are Traditional Latin Masses at Immaculate Conception in Willoughby, Sacred Heart of Jesus in South Euclid, St. Elizabeth of Hungary in Cleveland, St. Paul in Akron, St. Rocco in Cleveland, and St. Sebastian in Akron.

Plans were just recently (as of July 11) finalized with His Eminence Cardinal Burke to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation at Immaculate Conception on Sunday, April 18, 2021. Children who will be in grades 8, 9, 10, and 11 during

the 2020/2021 school year are eligible. Registration will begin in the early fall at which time parents will be informed of what needs to be done in preparation for the sacrament.

Detroit Chapter

On Fri. Aug. 28, a High Mass at St. Aloysius, Detroit, (Votive Mass for Any Necessity) was offered by Fr. John McKenzie. This was the first Mass in the lower level crypt church in almost 50 years. A social for young adults age 18-35 followed the Mass, organized by Juventútem Michigan.

St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Ann Arbor, MI, continues its "Taste of Tradition" series with 7:00 PM Latin Masses on Sept 18, Oct. 7, and Nov. 2, 2020.

Philadelphia Chapter

The website of the Philadelphia LLA chapter now includes an online form for visitors to fill out to request a free "Latin Mass Package" which includes informational materials on the Traditional Latin Mass as well as a local directory of Latin Mass sites. Go to

<http://www.latinliturgy.org/phila/free-information-package/> for more information.

Pittsburgh Chapter

LLA Pittsburgh Chapter Chairman, **Dr. Joseph Beierle** reports that the Traditional Latin Masses at St. Titus Church in Alliquippa, PA, have resumed. There will be four in October: Oct. 2 (First Friday at 7 p.m.); Oct. 7 (Wed., 7:00 p.m.); Oct. 18 (Sun., noon) and Oct. 31 (Sat., 7 p.m., Vigil of All Saints)

The Pittsburgh Latin Mass Community requested that President Trump be enrolled at the altar of the National Shrine of St. Jude. **Dr. Beierle** received a thank you note from Mr. Trump that said, in part, "Thank you for taking the time to express your support and send a thoughtful birthday gift. I am continually inspired by the generous spirit of proud Americans like you."

The Pittsburgh Latin Mass Community also supported the 2020 Soldiers' Angels Memorial Day Fund Drive to supply Catholic Bibles to members of the US armed forces.

The Catholic Identity Conference, set for Friday, Oct. 23-Sunday, Oct 25, 2020, is still on. Go to <https://catholicidentityconference.org/index.php> to register. [President Morris and her husband have registered for the conference.] Refunds will be granted if cancellation is necessary.

St. Louis Chapter

As expressed elsewhere in this newsletter, the St. Louis Chapter is extremely grateful to all who helped with the Solemn Pontifical Mass on July 11, 2020. A number of chapter members participated in the prayers at the statue of St. Louis, as described in the article by LLA Vice President James Mooney, described below.

News from Members

How I Spent My Summer Vacation by LLA Vice-President James Mooney

Amidst the wave of iconoclasm that swept the nation after a police shooting, local St. Louis agitators irrationally demanded that the iconic statue of King St. Louis that sits atop Art Hill in Forest Park be torn down. Immediately, many local Catholics responded by gathering at the statue every evening for recitation of the Holy Rosary. Traditional Catholics, including myself, were a large part of this presence, as were our local traditional priests. From the very beginning in June, I was moved by the determination of my fellow Catholics to save this monument from destruction (frequently threatened), and I vowed to return every day I could. The group that formed is represented online at www.stlouisforever.com.

About sixty people a day were attending, but we were warned that the opposition planned to show up on Saturday, June 27th, in large numbers to disrupt and that the risk of violence was real. And so it was. On that day many Catholics, both young and old, were violently assaulted and beaten by the left-wing anti-Catholics. Despite this, as can be seen on many online videos, the courage of our local Catholics to keep praying was outstanding. We continued on all summer through all the occasional mockery, taunts, and harassment which we endured and prayerfully offered up. Impressed by our witness, one regular participant, a Protestant, even felt called to convert and is already attending Mass at St. Francis de Sales Oratory (An ICK Oratory for the TLM).

At last came the vigil of the Feast of St. Louis when we celebrated traditional Adoration and Vespers at the Oratory of Sts. Gregory & Augustine; and Matins and Lauds at Epiphany Catholic Church before daybreak on the feast day itself. This was followed by a Traditional Latin Mass back at the Oratory, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction, culminating in a two-mile long procession to our still-standing statue for a final daily Rosary where attendance was upwards of five hundred people! We were also able to raise several thousand dollars for the preservation and maintenance of the statue which was donated to Forest Park Forever.

I didn't travel but a mile every day to this beautiful statue and park for my summer vacation, but it was my most

meaningful vacation ever. *Sancte Ludovice, ora pro nobis!*

[Editor's note: A video summary of the above described events can be found at <https://www.churchmilitant.com/video/episode/pack-victory-day-for-st-louis>]

LLA Life member, **Father Joseph Fishwick**, had been the chaplain to the Miami Latin Mass Community for over 20 years. He has since retired to Melbourne Beach, FL, and offers the newly established Traditional Latin Mass at St. Joseph Church in Palm Bay, FL. This Mass is to be offered on the first and third Sundays of the month at 1:00 p.m.

LLA member, **Charles Nemeth**, JD PhD LLM released his most recent book, Natural Law Jurisprudence in Supreme Court Cases since *Roe v. Wade* in Feb., 2020. It is available as an electronic book on Amazon or Barnes and Noble for under \$25.00. The hardback book is priced at \$126.58 on Amazon.

LLA member, **Dr. Joseph Swain**, has authored two books that have recently been reviewed and recommended by others. Sacred Treasure: Understanding Catholic Liturgical Music, (2012, Liturgical Press), was described by Peter Kwasniewski as "one of the best books I have ever read." This description was posted by Kwasniewski at the New Liturgical Movement website on June 10, 2019. Dr. Swain's most recent book, Historical Dictionary of Baroque Music (2013, Scarecrow Press), was just reviewed by the University of North Texas Digital Library last month (August 26, 2020). The reviewer was impressed by the 400 entries in the dictionary that include important composers, musicians, musical compositions, important places and institutions, as well as technical terms. An extensive bibliography is included.

Both books are available on Amazon.com. However, the dictionary costs over \$100., unless you get it at Biblio.com or from your local college library.

Requiescant in pace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Nancy Calta**, mother of LLA member and former national officer, **Scott Calta**. Ms. Calta died on July 19, 2020, at the age of 77, in Hiram, GA.

Msgr. Georg Ratzinger, elder brother of Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI, died on 1 July, 2020, at age 96. The funeral was livestreamed on youtube. It was an Ordinary Form Pontifical Funeral Mass. There was a considerable amount of solo organ playing. There was a male schola in cassock and surplice that sang some of the Latin Requiem Mass chants, as well as some Mass parts in German.

President Morris is grateful to LLA Life Member **Ken Solak** for bringing to her attention a grave omission regarding LLA Life Member **Father Valentine Young**, who died in January, 2020.

Unbeknownst to President Morris, for many years there were TWO Father Valentine Youngs. Both were Franciscan priests.

Father Valentine Young OFM Cap. was born in 1922. He taught Latin, religion, and music in Cumberland, MD, for a number of years. In 1961 he became the director of the Catholic Information Center in St. Louis, MO. He became pastor of St. Patrick's Church in 1981, and the spiritual administrator of St. Joseph Shrine in St. Louis in 1984. He died of inoperable cancer in 2009, at age 86.

Father Valentine Wilbert Young OFM was born in 1931. He became a member of the Cincinnati Province of the Franciscan Order and was stationed in Houck, AZ, serving a Navajo Mission, until he was removed from this position by his bishop in 1998 because of his favorable remarks regarding the Traditional Latin Mass. Father Young became an associate priest of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter, and in 2005 began to offer regular Latin Masses in Lexington, KY. He also offered Latin Masses at various churches in the Cincinnati, OH, area, upon request. Father Young died on January 17, 2020, at the age of 88.

All of the above information was only obtainable in their obituaries, after both priests had died. While they were both living, President Morris confesses to thinking that they were one and the same priest. She deeply apologizes for this mistaken identity—she had removed Father Young from the member database, thinking that he had died in 2009.

News Notes

News from the Association of Latin Liturgy (UK)

The Autumn Meeting of the Association is still planned to take place at St Joseph's Church, Queens Road, Aldershot, UK, on Saturday, 10 October, 2020. The day will be geared to the needs of parishes with a chant workshop in preparation for sung Mass in the morning, plus lunch, and a talk and Benediction in the afternoon. The chant workshop will focus on a popular Mass ordinary, and the Association's *Graduale Parvum* which provides simple chants for the proper of the Mass. Everyone is welcome, member or not. This event may be postponed in the event of continued health restrictions on group meetings.

News from Romanitas Press

Romanitas Press has announced the availability of two new books:

The Rubrics of the Roman Missal and Breviary is a reprint of an official English translation of the 1962 edition of the rubrics for the Traditional Latin Mass. It is 184 pages long and is available in print (\$15.00) or as a pdf download (\$11.50).

The 2021 Ordo (for the Traditional Latin Mass) is now available and started shipping on Sept. 3, 2020. The print version costs \$16.00, and the dynamic pdf costs \$9.50.

News from Biretta Books

The "Latin Mass Companion," officially titled, Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite of the Mass, with Propers for Sundays and Holydays, has recently been released. It is 6" x 9" paperback of 152 pages. It is only available in Latin-English. The Ordinary of the Mass is in the familiar Latin-English format. The propers are in English only. Single copies are only \$15.00; and generous discounts are available for bulk orders. This book was reviewed by www.onepeterfive.com on Aug. 20, 2020. The reviewer was impressed by the book's overall quality, considering its low cost. It could be very useful as a pew missal to replace printed sheets of the propers that many Traditional Latin Mass communities currently use to supplement the familiar "red missals" produced by the Coalition in Support of *Ecclesia Dei*. For Sunday use, this book could replace worn out "red missals," as well as the accessory printed sheets. There are no hymns or chant Mass ordinaries included. There are also a very limited number of pious prayers and devotions.

News from St. Augustine Academy Press

St. Augustine Academy Press republishes out-of-print classics of Catholic literature, especially for children and home-school families. They recently announced that the Third Grade Reader (454 pages) has been sent to the printers, and is available for pre-order. A Spanish edition of Treasure and Tradition should be available in time for Christmas.

News from the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter (FSSP)

Father Michael J. Stinson, FSSP, is the current North American Superior until some time in 2021. In the June, 2020, issue of "Memento," he thoughtfully reminded us that, "The word *normal* is sometimes used synonymously with the word *good*. But this is not always the case. Normal is more about conforming to the common standard, average, or mean. Human experience shows that standards and averages can change...this is not always going to be good...With this in mind, the coronavirus pandemic has severely affected the flow of life in our country and in the world...New expectations of conduct have been imposed which have introduced a new normal..."

On Ascension Day, the Paschal candle was extinguished. Christ, the light of the world, has returned to heaven and is now absent. With the churches closed, we felt that absence this year in a profound way...As the light returned on Pentecost, so should the reopening of churches spark a resurrection of our own sacramental lives...May we return now with greater fervor and devotion!"

Father Donald Kloster, in the July, 2020, issue of "Memento" observed that, in a few key respects, the Traditional Latin Mass today is [actually] unlike the Latin Mass of the 1950's. [Many] priests are saying the Mass more slowly, and offering more High Masses and Solemn Masses. He thinks that this more reverential approach seems to be bearing fruit.

"We are doing what the Vatican Council was supposed to do. We are fixing all the gaps that should have been fixed." [Editor's Note: I suggest it depends on where you went to Mass in the 1950's.]

News from Una Voce

Matthew O'Keefe, president of Una Voce Boston College, reports that Extraordinary Form Latin Masses began for the Fall semester on Sept. 2, 2020, in the St. Joseph Chapel on the Upper Campus. Plans are for weekly Traditional Latin Masses on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. Face masks and social distancing will be required. No worship aids can be distributed, so students are asked to bring their own missal or to use one of several Traditional Latin Mass apps on their smart phones to follow along at Mass. No Communion on the tongue can be distributed during Mass, due to archdiocesan and campus restrictions. Communion may be received after Mass.

Kevin Ash Jr. of the Latin Mass Guild in the Syracuse, NY, diocese reports that St. Mary's Church in Oswego, NY, has made arrangements with the local bishop to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation in a ceremony in the 1962 rite for any person in the diocese who has prepared and been approved sometime in the spring of 2021. If someone in your family (or in the diocese) that you know who needs the rite conferred and is interested, Kristie Pauldine (kpauldine@syrдио.org) would be glad to talk to them about organizing and getting prepared for it.

**Jubilee Holy Year
on the occasion of The Centenary of the Proclamation of
Our Lady of Loreto as Patron Saint of Aviation**

The Vatican announced – and recently extended – the grant of a plenary indulgence to those who visit specifically designated Catholic airport chapels during the Jubilee Year of Loreto. Pope Francis recently extended the Jubilee Year from Dec. 8, 2019 through Dec. 10, 2021. The Holy Year was originally scheduled to end on Dec. 10, 2020 (the date of the newly established optional memorial of Our Lady of Loreto).

According to ancient pious tradition the Holy House of Loreto, where the Blessed Virgin Mary was born and raised, was transported by angels in flight from Nazareth first to Croatia in 1291 and then again to Loreto, Italy, in 1294.

This tradition inspired the aviators of the First World War to rely on the Blessed Virgin of Loreto. At that time, in fact, airplanes were popularly called “flying houses.” Pope Benedict XV on 24 March, 1920, declared the Blessed Virgin Mary of Loreto “principal patroness for all aircraft”. This includes aviators, air travelers, and all who work in the aviation field. The centenary of the proclamation is therefore the occasion of this Jubilee. American astronaut James McDivitt carried an Our Lady of Loreto medallion on his Apollo 9 mission in March, 1969.

The faithful who visit those designated airport chapels and pray the Our Father, the Creed, and the Jubilee Prayer (available at the chapels) or the Litany of Loreto before an icon, statue, or image of Our Lady of Loreto, may gain a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions of Confession within 20 days, reception of Holy Communion, prayer for the Holy Father’s intentions, and freedom from attachment to sin.

Airport chapels were required to apply to the Vatican to be designated as one at which the indulgence could be gained. According to LLA member, **Alex Begin**, in North America, only the **Chicago Midway, Chicago O’Hare, Toronto, and Miami airport chapels** sought and were given the requisite approval.



Canons Regular of St. Thomas Aquinas

President Morris was introduced to this new contemplative monastic community of men when they attended the Pontifical Requiem Mass at St. Mary of Victories in St. Louis on July 11, 2020. The Canons Regular of St. Thomas Aquinas currently have four men who are aspiring to establish a monastery *sui juris*. They are devoted to the solemn chanting of the Divine Office and the Traditional Latin Mass. They were founded in 2012 at the invitation of Bishop Francis Reiss, then auxiliary bishop of Detroit (now retired). In 2019, Most Rev. Thomas Paprocki, Bishop of Springfield, IL, invited the community to relocate to the Springfield diocese. Their current House is in Madison, IL. The community is open to men between the ages of 18-30. For more information, or to schedule a visit, contact Br. Michael Thomas Augustine at: vocations@traditionalcanons.org

K of C Resolves to Honor Christopher Columbus & Native Peoples

The following resolution was passed at the 138th Supreme Convention of the Knights of Columbus, 4-5 August 2020: WHEREAS, in 1492 Christopher Columbus obtained permission and financial support from the King and Queen of Spain to sail west across the Atlantic Ocean in search of new trade routes; and WHEREAS, on October 12 of that year, Columbus’ expedition landed in what is today the Commonwealth of the

Bahamas, immediately erecting a cross and naming the island San Salvador, in honor of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the World; and

WHEREAS, Columbus set forth a policy that his men were to treat the native people in the New World with respect and sentenced to death men who disobeyed this order, which resulted in his own arrest and return to Spain in chains; and

WHEREAS, the 16th century historian Bartolomé de las Casas, who exposed terrible abuses of native peoples, defended Columbus' motivations saying, "...I knew him well and I know his intentions are good"; and

WHEREAS, on the 400th anniversary of Columbus' first voyage to the Americas [in 1892], Pope Leo XIII reflected on Columbus' strong Catholic faith writing: "it is fitting that we should confess and celebrate in an especial manner the will and designs of the Eternal Wisdom, under whose guidance the discoverer of the New World placed himself with a devotion so touching," and ordered the celebration of Solemn Mass of the Most Holy Trinity in honor of the occasion; and

WHEREAS, U.S. President Benjamin Harrison similarly commemorated the anniversary by declaring a national Columbus holiday that year to provide "expressions of gratitude to Divine Providence for the devout faith of the discoverer, and for the divine care and guidance which has directed our history and so abundantly blessed our people"; and

WHEREAS, following this anniversary of Columbus' voyage, memorials and celebrations in honor of Columbus became popular in the United States as ways to celebrate the Catholic history of the Western Hemisphere and to speak out against anti-Catholicism in the United States; and

WHEREAS, at the height of the Nativist and anti-Catholic sentiment of the late 19th century, Columbus was chosen as the Order's namesake because he was one of the few Catholics considered a hero of American history, and because the founding members of the Order believed the explorer symbolized that faithful Catholics can also be patriotic American citizens; and

WHEREAS, in 1906 the Knights of Columbus advocated for the construction of a monument in Washington, DC in honor of Columbus and, when it was completed in 1912, President William Howard Taft presided at the dedication ceremony which was attended by several foreign ambassadors, thousands of Knights of Columbus, and thousands more interested spectators leading to the observation that "every possible vantage point was filled"; and

WHEREAS, several states began establishing holidays in honor of Columbus and, following the strong urging of the Knights of Columbus and several civic organizations, the United States declared Columbus Day a federal holiday in 1937; and

WHEREAS, the strong Catholic identity associated with Columbus Day led the Ku Klux Klan to denounce the celebration of the holiday as a "papal fraud" and even burn a cross at a Knights of Columbus celebration of Columbus Day in Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, to further accomplish its anti-Catholic goals in the United States, the Klan, and other Nativist forces, began the trend of disparaging Columbus suggesting he was not a hero of western history, but rather just another foreign conqueror who was guilty of genocide, slavery, and oppression; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, these claims have been repeated leading to the propagation of further misinformation about Columbus and actions to abolish references to Columbus and remove monuments and commemorations to Columbus' life – many of which were first established by Catholic immigrants seeking to establish their place in American culture and fight discrimination.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Knights of Columbus remains steadfast in its support of Christopher Columbus as our namesake; state and federal holidays established in his honor; and, public monuments and commemorations dedicated to his life and historical contributions; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we call on state and local leaders to establish separate monuments, or other commemorations, that properly honor the contributions and centuries-long history of the native people of North America; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that we commit our prayers for greater civility, peace, and understanding between all peoples to the intercession of our Blessed Mother, Patroness of the Americas, and namesake of Columbus' lead ship on that historic 15th century journey.

Founder of Knights of Columbus to be beatified on Oct. 31, 2020

Father Michael McGivney, who founded the Knights of Columbus in New Haven, CT, in 1882, will be beatified at a special Mass on Saturday, Oct. 31, 2020 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, in Hartford, CT. Details of the Mass will be forthcoming.

Father McGivney will be the first American parish priest to be beatified. He died in 1890, at the age of 38, due to pneumonia complications during the outbreak of "Russian flu" that year.

New Italian Missal presented to Pope Francis

[excerpted from Life Site News]

The first official copy of the controversial new Italian Missal, featuring a reworded Gloria and novelties in the Lord's Prayer promoted by Pope Francis, was presented to Pope Francis on Friday, August 28, 2020, by the president of the

Italian Episcopal Conference, Cardinal Gualtiero Passetti.

The new missal will be mandatory for Italian celebrations of the Mass of Paul VI from Easter (April 4) 2021.

Avvenire, a Milan-based Catholic newspaper owned by the Italian bishops, reported that the new translation, (the third edition of the Roman Missal), was approved by the Italian bishops in 2018 and promulgated by Pope Francis in 2019.

Avvenire confirmed that the new translation includes Francis's changes to the Lord's Prayer, made last year, and a change to the Gloria. The first of the Pontiff's change to the Lord's Prayer is the word "*anche*" (also) inserted into the line about our forgiveness of others, i.e. "*come [anche] noi li rimettiamo ai debiti*" (as we forgive our debtors). The second is the retranslation of Greek "*kai mē eisenenkēis hēmas eis peirasmon*" ("lead us not into temptation") into the Italian "*non abbandonarci alla tentazione*" ("abandon us not into temptation").

In 2019, Pope Francis had said that the then-current Italian translation "*non ci indurre in tentazione*" ("lead us not into temptation") was "not good" and should be changed. Pope Francis observed that the Church in France had already changed their traditional translation of the prayer.

When the Italian bishops first approved the new missal, the editor of the New Liturgical Movement website, Di Pippo, wrote that the hitherto current Italian Lord's Prayer had been used for hundreds of years, that every Italian, churched or unchurched, knew it, and that there was no pastoral reason to change it. The linguist also took issue with the translation's lack of authenticity.

"The Greek verb in question "*eisenenkēis*" does not mean 'abandon,' he wrote.

"It is a form of a highly irregular verb '*eispherō* – to bring in, lead in, carry in, introduce," he continued.

"No dictionary lists 'abandon' or any synonym thereof as a translation. It is as if Christians have not been praying 'lead us not into temptation' in countless languages for over 19 centuries, as if no one has ever bothered to consider what these words mean, and comment on them."

St. Thomas Aquinas was one of the many theologians who pondered "lead us not into temptation." In his *Summa Theologiae* he wrote that in the Lord's Prayer we do not ask not to be tempted at all, but not to be conquered by temptation:

"There are three obstacles to our attainment of beatitude. **First**, there is sin, which directly excludes a man from the kingdom, according to 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 ["Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, etc., shall possess the kingdom of God"]; and to this refer the words, "Forgive us our trespasses." **Secondly**, there is temptation, which hinders us from keeping God's will, and to this we refer when we say: "And lead us not into temptation," whereby we do not ask not to be tempted, but not to be conquered by temptation, which is to be led into temptation. **Thirdly**, there is the present penal state which is a kind of obstacle to a sufficiency of life, and to this we refer in the words, "Deliver us from evil" (*Summa Theologica*, IIa IIae, 83.9).

The change to the Italian Gloria is a rendering of the ancient Latin "*in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis*" ("on earth peace to men of good will") from the Italian translation "*pace in terra agli uomini di buona volontà*" to the new "*pace in terra agli uomini, amati dal Signore*" ("peace on earth to men, loved by the Lord").

Di Pippo found the change to the translation of the fourth century Latin *Gloria in excelsis* even "more grotesque and unjustifiable":

"To speak of 'men of good will' implies that there are men who are not of good will. [This is] one of the most basic facts about human existence, and one which the Church has for over half a century [has] wasted enormous time and effort on denying."

"The new reading permits the insertion of a comma, turning the phrase "loved by the Lord" into a nonrestrictive adjectival phrase, ("men, who are loved by the Lord"), in a way that cannot be done by translating the actual text."

However, it should be noted that these changed translations of the Lord's Prayer and of the Gloria, both now match the Bible translation the Italian bishops approved in 2002 for use in the liturgy.

In the Eucharistic prayer, however, the new Italian edition continues to say Jesus' blood was poured out "per tutti" — "for all" — and not "per molti," meaning "for many." This is an example of where the new Italian Missal translation does not match the Italian bishops' most recent Bible translation, which says, "per molti," nor does it match the original Latin, which says "pro multis."

Election Prayer

by Father John Anthony Hardon, S.J.

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Lord Jesus Christ, You told us to give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God. Enlighten the minds of our people in America. May we choose a President of the United States and other government officials, according to Your Divine Will. Give our citizens the courage to choose leaders of our nation who respect the sanctity of unborn human life, the sanctity of marriage, the sanctity of marital relations, the sanctity of the family, and the sanctity of the aging. Grant us the wisdom to give You, what belongs to You, our God. If we do this, as a nation, we are confident You will give us an abundance of Your blessings through our elected leaders. Amen.

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O mundi Regnator, qui te omni lingua hominum angelorumque laudari voluisti; tribue, quaesumus, ut etiam in diebus nostris, sacrificium dilecti Filii tui immaculatum assidue lingua Romana in oratoriis gentis nostrae omniumque permultis tibi offeratur a populo ad te toto corde converso: per Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Cum licentia Ordinarii,
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Prayer for the Celebration of the Mass in Latin

O Sovereign of the world, Who have willed that Thou be praised in every language of men and of angels; grant we beseech Thee that now too in our days, the unblemished sacrifice of Thy beloved Son may be incessantly offered to Thee in the language of the Romans in many churches of our land and of every land by a people turned to Thee with all their heart. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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