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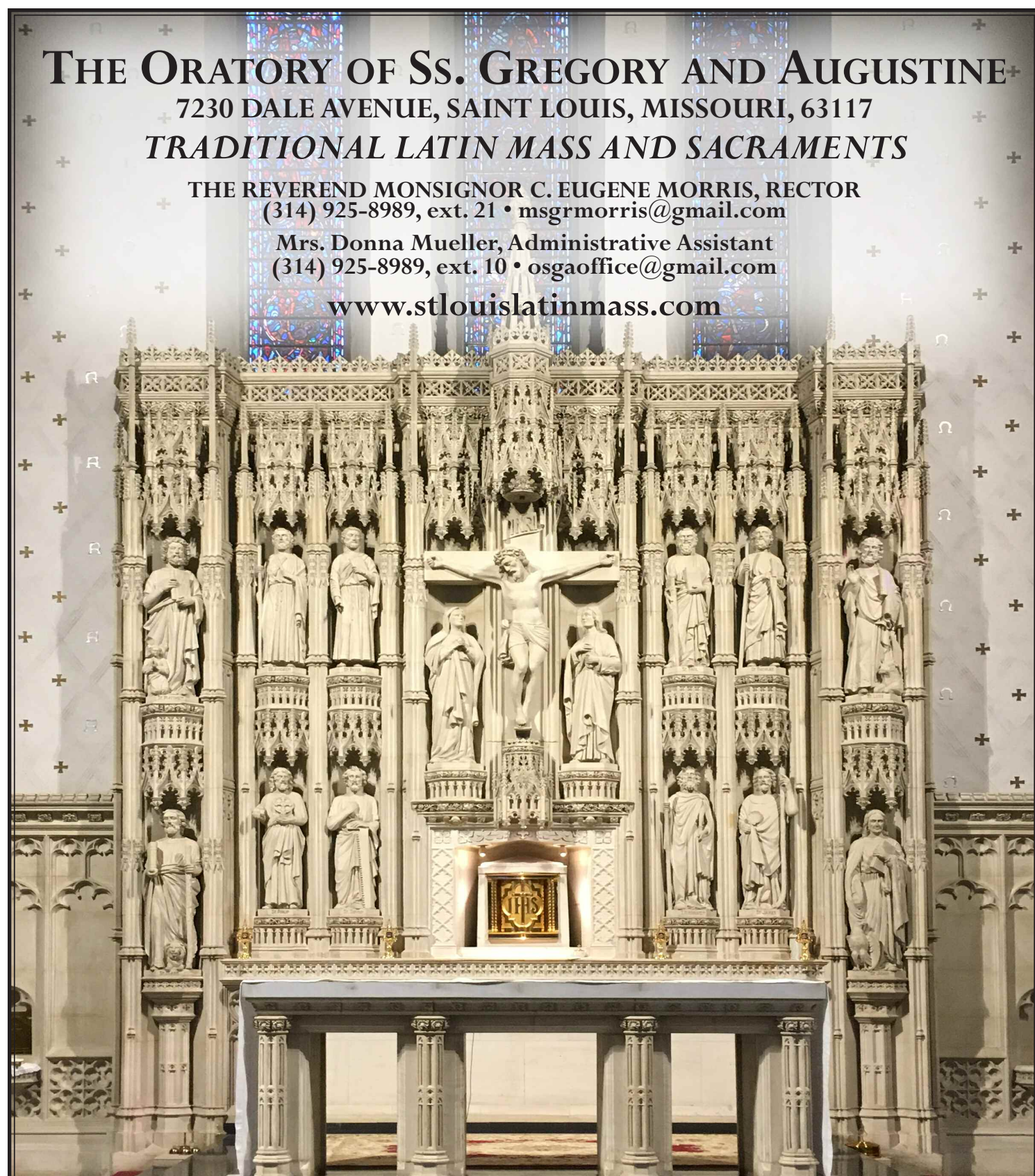
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THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS
SUNDAY MASS:..... 8:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.
DAILY MASS:

Tuesday..... 7:00 a.m.
Wednesday..... 6:30 p.m.
Thursday..... 7:00 a.m.
Friday..... Noon

FIRST FRIDAY AND SATURDAY:
First Friday of each month:..... 7:00 p.m.
First Saturday of each month:..... 8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

Sundays..... 7:00 -- 7:45 a.m.
Wednesdays..... 5:30 -- 6:15 p.m.
Fridays..... 11:00 -- 11:45 a.m.

Immaculate Conception

December 8, 2019

FROM THE RECTOR

There is simply not enough space to allow for a complete meditation on the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our merciful Father even as we sinned had already prepared for our salvation and so in the fullness of time, He bestowed upon us the gift of Our Lady. She is conceived without the stain of original sin so that from the moment of Her own conception She is already fulfilling the promises of salvation crushing the head of the serpent and defeating sin by Her own purity and sinlessness. It is fitting that we celebrate this great solemnity during the Advent season precisely because not only are we provided the opportunity to contemplate the glories of our Mother but also to recognize Her power and strength in assisting us in overcoming our own sins. The coming of Our Lord at Christmas requires from each of us purity of body, mind and spirit. Our Blessed Mother assists us in attaining that which She receives at the moment of Her own conception. We rejoice with the Angel Gabriel who saluted Our Lady with the proper title: Full of Grace. As we continue to prepare our hearts each day to receive and deepen our relationship with Our Savior, let us entreat Our Lady to assist us in overcoming sin and embracing purity and truth, welcoming Christ into our very existences. Let us pray that our souls may magnify the Lord and our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!

MISSAL ASSISTANCE

In order to assist the faithful with the use of the *St. Edmund* *Campion Missal and Hymnal*, the bulletin will publish the Sundays for the month and the proper page in the Missal where these Masses may be located. It is hoped that this will assist everyone with use of the Missal.

SUNDAYS IN DECEMBER

- 1 December – 1st Sunday of Advent (Missal, p. 1)
- 8 December – Immaculate Conception (Missal, p. 8)
- 15 December – 3rd Sunday of Advent (Missal, p. 9)
- 22 December – 4th Sunday of Advent (Missal, p. 13)
- 25 December – Christmas Day (Missal, p. 22)
- 29 December – Sunday in the Octave of Christmas (Missal, p. 37)

YOUNG ADULT GROUP AT EPIPHANY

When: Epiphany Catholic Church on Thursdays at 7 p.m.
Where: 6596 Smiley Ave, St. Louis, MO 63139
Who: All young adults (18-35) are welcome!
What: *Spirit and Truth* was founded in 2009 by the Archdiocese of St. Louis and has been meeting for the past ten years at various churches in the area. It is now relocating to Epiphany to better respond to young adult demographics.

- Meets every Thursday at 7:00 pm
- Eucharistic adoration with confessions, talks, and fellowship
- Guest clergy from the local parishes
- All young adults 18–35 are welcome, single or married.

More Information:

- For more details, visit fb.me/spiritandtruth.stl
- Email: spiritandtruth.stl@gmail.com
Facebook: facebook.com/spiritandtruth.stl
- Twitter: @sandstsl (currently inactive; will be reviving)
Website: www.spiritandtruthstl.org (currently inactive; will be rewriting)
- Our logo: <http://spiritandtruthstl.org/logo.jpg>

CHURCH CLEANING

In preparation for the beginning of the new Church year and the celebration of Christmas, the St. Luke’s community will be cleaning the Church on **Saturday, 7 December @ 10:00 am**. We are in need of a great deal of assistance dusting the pews, washing the kneelers, cleaning the sanctuary and the statuary. As the saying goes: “Many hands make light work”. Please make every effort to come and spend whatever time you have assisting in the cleaning. This is also First Saturday. Come for Holy Mass and remain to help clean our beautiful Church!

THE RORATE CAELI MASS:

When: 14 December 2019 @ 6:30 am
What: The Rorate Caeli Mass is a traditional Advent devotion wherein the Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary for Advent is offered just before dawn. The Mass takes its title, Rorate Caeli, from the first words of the Introit, which are from Isaiah 45:8: “*Rorate, caeli, desuper, et nubes pluant justum, aperiatur terra, et germinet Salvatorem.*” “*Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just: let the earth be opened and bud forth a Saviour.*” The Rorate Mass is lit only by candlelight. Because it is a votive Mass in Mary’s honor, white vestments are worn instead of Advent violet.

CONFESSIONS: 14 DECEMBER – 8:00 to11:00 am.

The faithful of both the Oratory and St. Luke will have the opportunity for an extended period of confessions on Saturday morning, 14 December 2019 from 8 am until 11 am. Both Msgr. Morris and Fr. Blake will be available for confession during that time. If you have had difficulty getting to confession, this may serve as the perfect opportunity to take advantage of the tribunal of mercy especially in preparation for Christmas.

ADVENT GIVING TREE

The Oratory will join St. Luke the Evangelist for the Giving Tree this year during the Advent Season. Again, this year support will be given to the Saint Vincent de Paul clients of Saint Luke the Evangelist and families who are served by Birthright.

CCD INFORMATION

The last day for CCD is Sunday, 22 December 2019. Let us continue to pray for all our teachers, parents and students.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

The celebration of the Lord’s Birth on Christmas Day will be slightly different from years past. The principal Holy Mass will be at Midnight. This will be High Mass assisted by our choir. On Christmas morning, the Oratory will celebrate Holy Mass at 10:30 am. This will be Low Mass without the presence of the organ. Part of this schedule is determined by the Holy Mass being celebrated by Saint Luke at 9 am on Christmas morning.

OPEN HOUSE at the RECTORY: 29 December 2019

Please join Msgr. Morris and Fr. Blake for an Open House at the Rectory on Sunday, 12/29/19. Stop by anytime between **12:30–3:00pm**, tour your priests’ house decorated for the holidays, and have some refreshments.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, 10 December – *Feria of Advent*
7:00 am: Izabella Holman

Wednesday, 11 December – *St. Damasus I, Pope*
6:30 pm: Jared Holman

Thursday, 12 December – *Our Lady of Guadalupe*
7:00 am: Christopher Johnson, OP

Friday, 13 December – *St. Lucy*
12 Noon: Fr. Brian Zuelke, OP

Saturday, 14 December – Rorate Caeli
6:30 am: Fr. Brent Bowen, OP

Sunday, 15 December – *Third Sunday of Advent*
8:00 am: Pro Populo
11:30 am: Catherine Berry

PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE

11/24 - 12/1 Houlard	12/1 - 12/8 Catalano
12/8 - 12/22 Kenney	12/22 - 12/29 Raymond
12/29 - 1/5 Flannigan	1/5 - 1/12 Gelhot
1/12 - 1/19 Petrick	1/19 Schuette

CHURCH DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS

We will be decorating the sanctuary on SATURDAY (12/21) morning, at 9:00am. We hope you will join us in this special ministry.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 8 December: Coffee Hour after the 8:00 am Mass
- 14 December: Rorate Caeli Mass @ 6:30 am
- 14 December: Confessions @ 8:00 am
- 21 December: Church Decorating @ 9:00 am
- 22 December: Coffee Hour after the 11:30 am Mass
- 25 December: CHRISTMAS DAY – Holy Mass at Midnight and 10:30 am**
- 29 December: Open House @ 12:30-3:00pm

SERVERS SCHEDULE

December 1st – **1st Sunday of Advent**

- 8:00 am: Joseph & Anthony Dixon
- 11:30 am: Gregory Grizzle, Austin Jackson, Phillip Petrick, Sebastian Petrick, Damien Filla

December 8th – **Immaculate Conception**

- 8:00 am: John & Eli Colton
- 11:30 am: Cameron Ackerman, Lance Lavery, Luke Lavery, Sebastian Filla, Tommy Lattenzi

December 15th – **3rd Sunday of Advent**

- 8:00 am: Joseph & Anthony Dixon
- 11:30 am: Ryan Lavery, Austin Jackson, Phillip Petrick, Simon Wisniewski, Sebastian Petrick

December 22nd – **4th Sunday of Advent**

- 8:00 am: Caleb & Eli Colton
- 11:30 am: Gregory Grizzle, Cameron Ackerman, Peter Armstrong, Ben Armstrong, Simon Wisniewski

~ 12/01/2019 ~			
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Weekly Collection Total	\$ 3,466.46		
Online Giving	\$ 2,374.46		
Total	\$ 5,840.92	\$ 3,750.00	\$ 2,090.92
Year to Date Total	\$ 107,465.55	\$ 82,500.00	\$ 24,965.55

Our Lady of Walsingham, intercede for us who have recourse to thee!
Ss. Gregory and Augustine, pray for us!