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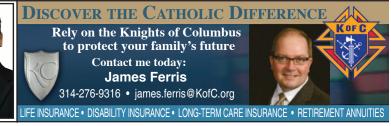
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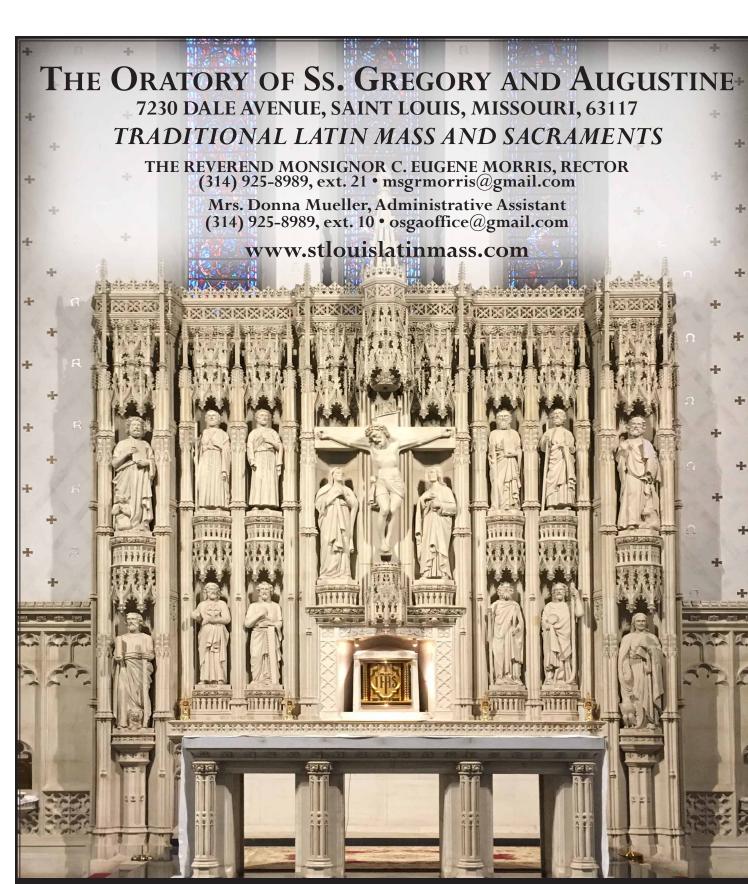
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THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS SUNDAY MASS:8:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

FIRST FRIDAY AND SATURDAY:

First Friday of each month:7:00 p.m. First Saturday of each month:8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS

 Sundays
 7:45 a.m.

 Wednesdays
 5:30 -- 6:15 p.m.

 Fridays
 11:00 -- 11:45 a.m.

Third Sunday of Easter

May 3, 2020

FROM THE RECTOR – Third Sunday after Easter

When Christ offers His life on the Cross and destroys death and the power of sin once for all, He brings us into union with the Father and the Holy Spirit. It is this union with the Blessed Trinity that completes us and makes us whole. Apart from God who can do nothing and, in truth, apart from God we are nothing. With God and the communion into which we are drawn, we find lasting joy and peace. This is what we continue to celebrate in our Easter season. In the Holy Gospel from Saint John, Our Lord reminds us of the true joy that He alone can give us and no one can take this joy from us. This authentic Christian joy is something to contemplate and then live in our daily lives. How often do we allow the vagaries of the world to impede our growth in joy? How often do we allow sinfulness to dampen our zeal for the things of God and to weaken our resolve to do the things of God? These are not rhetorical questions but need to be a part of our daily examen as we strive to remain joyful in the presence of God. Knowing that we have more days of confinement before us, let us pray for an increase of this virtue of joy and find our lasting peace in the triumph of the Cross.

CONFESSIONAL/CHURCH SCHEDULE

With the blessings of the Easter season upon us the opportunity to pray in Church will remain available. The Church will be open Monday through Friday from 11 am until 1pm. On Fridays the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration during that time.

The current confession schedule:

- Monday, Wednesday, Friday –11 am until 12 pm
- Wednesday evening from 5:30 to 6:30 pm
- Saturday mornings from 7:00 am until 8:30 am
- Sunday mornings from 7:00 am until 8:30 am
- the Church will be open during these times for private prayer.

SUNDAYS WITHOUT HOLY MASS

- 1. Our live streamed Mass at the Oratory is 9 am. Rise in time for the 9'o clock hour with all family members present and spend that time prayer. I would encourage using your Missals to access the Epistle and Gospel for the Sundays we are away and read that as a family. Spend some time in silent prayer together, and then make a spiritual communion using the prayer below. You could use the following online resource to assist with readings if you do not have a Missal (http://www.extraordinaryform.org).
- 2. Pray the rosary as a family (hopefully this is already happening, but if not now is a good time to begin).
- 3. Make an effort to come to confession during this time of being away from Holy Mass. The times for confession are listed on the website, and in the bulletin.
- 4. Spend some time in spiritual reading either individually or as family

5. Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that you are truly present

in the most Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I am not able at this moment
to receive You sacramentally,
I ask that you spiritually enter into my
heart.
I embrace You and unite myself wholly to
You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen. (Padre Pio)

JOSEPH CHALLENGE PILGRIMAGE (Update)

Due to the on-going uncertainty created by government restrictions in response to the Coronavirus, it has been decided to postpone the 2020 Joseph Challenge Pilgrimage to a later date in 2020. A new date will be announced as soon as we are able to coordinate logistics. We anticipate this will be sometime in September or October. For more information or for questions, visit josephchallenge.com or contact Chris Horan at cmhoran@protonmail.com.

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CHARITABLE GIVING

Since we are not able to be present for Holy Mass, there will not be an opportunity for a collection during these Sundays. For those already signed up for Online giving please continue to so. For those who are not signed-up, there is information below that will assist you. You can do a one-time donation or set up something that is ongoing. Finally, for those who would prefer you can mail in your donations. Your financial assistance will remain extremely important during these next several weeks and possibly beyond. In advance, thank you for your generosity.

ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is available for the Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine. The information below will assist you in setting up Online Giving if you are interested in doing so. Please visit the following link to sign up for Online Giving for the Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine: https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/4785.

Click on the green button "create new account" to set up your account. If you need assistance setting up your account please call OSV at 1-800-348-2886, option 2, then option 1. You can also access online giving from your phone. Simply download the app for free from the Apple or Google store. The name of the app is "Online Giving by Our Sunday Visitor". From there it is the same login process as it is on the website. If you have any questions, please call Donna at 314-925-8989 x10. We also have a link on the website. Thank you for your generosity in these times of uncertainty.

PILGRIM VIRGIN MARY STATUE

Due to the suspension of public masses, the Pilgrim Virgin Statue schedule is also on hold until the resumption of regular Holy Mass at the Oratory. The Sunday that Holy Mass resumes, we will pick up the schedule where we left off with the Petrick family handing it off to the Stein family, then Alexander family receiving it the following Sunday, then the Podesta family, etc. A revised schedule will be posted when those dates become known. In advance thank you for your patience.

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MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, 5 May – *St. Pius V, Pope & Confessor*Mass Intention: Fr. Lowenstein

Wednesday, 6 May – *Feria of Paschaltide*Mass Intention: Bob & Mary Jane Colton

Thursday, 7 May— *St. Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr* Mass Intention: Liz Noble

Friday, 8 May – *Feria of Paschaltide*Mass Intention: Nat Eckhardt

Sunday, 10 May – *Fourth Sunday after Easter* Mass Intention: Pro Populo

~ 04/26/2020 ~ ACTUAL Weekly Collection Total \$ 1,345.00 Online Giving \$ 1,245.00 Total \$ 2,590.00 Year to Date Total \$ 240,979.77

Our Lady of Walsingham, intercede for us who have recourse to thee!

Ss. Gregory and Augustine, pray for us!