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Wednesday6:30 p.m.

First Friday7:00 p.m.

First Saturday



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Wednesday.....9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. First Friday9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Palm Sunday** March 28, 2021

FROM THE RECTOR - Palm (Passion II) Sunday

Holy Mother Church is always and ever wise. The liturgical celebration of Our Lord's entry into Jerusalem along with the first proclamation of the Lord's Passion are set before our eyes today with great simplicity which makes the experience of them even more profound. The sacred liturgy begins with the blessing of palms and a procession which call to the mind the Lord's joyful entrance into Jerusalem. The blessing, distribution, and procession with palms evoke in us the scene that took place two thousand years ago when the Savior entered His city in order to redeem His people. Holy Mass follows! Now we the faithful must confront the sorrow of the Redeemer's Passion and the part our sins have played in the Lord's suffering. Through today's celebrations, we are one step closer to entrance into the holiest of days where we recall the triumph of life over death, celebrate the victory of mercy and sacrifice over selfishness and sin. All of our preparations during this Lenten pilgrimage were undertaken to aid us in not turning away from the horror of the cross; rather, we have prayed, fasted and sacrificed in order to rejoice in the victory the cross brings to each of us. Life entails suffering and even now we are beset with the burdens of sin and sacrifice that overwhelm us. The life of faith calls us to confess that Christ conquers sin, suffering, and death upon the cross. We adore thee O Christ and we bless thee, because by thy holy Cross you have redeemed the

VEILING OF STATUES & THE CROSS

Passiontide provides immediate preparation for the celebration of the Easter mysteries. Holy Mother Church assists us in a variety of ways liturgically to draw attention to the somber nature of these days leading to the Sacred Triduum. All statues, images and crucifixes are veiled in the Church to force out attention on the work of redemption accomplished by the Savior. For those who are new to the Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine, this might be a new experience for you since it is not commonly practiced in the Novus Ordo. As we enter into these sacred and holy days, make every effort to spend time in the Church so that the starkness of our surroundings might allow our minds and hearts to more deeply contemplate the riches to be bestowed upon us.

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THE ALTAR OF REPOSE:

On Holy Thursday, from the hours of 9:00 pm to Midnight, the faithful of the Oratory will have the opportunity to adore the Eucharistic Lord at the altar of repose (the Marian altar). Dom Gueranger tells us: "After having stripped the high altar, the celebrant takes off the cloths from the other altars that are in the church. An air of desolation pervades the temple of God. The very tabernacle has lost its divine Guest. The ciborium (in which the blessed Sacrament is reserved for Viaticum) has been taken to the place where reposes the chalice containing the Body of our Lord. The Majesty of our God has withdrawn to that mysterious sanctuary, into which we enter not but with silence and compunction."

It is customary for this place of Our Lord's repose to reflect as much of the beauty and majesty of Our Lord as human efforts can provide. Thus, the altar of repose will be decorated with precious fabrics, live flowers, candles, pearls, crystals, and even ostrich feathers. Anyone wishing to make a donation for the enrichment of Our Lord's altar of repose may contact osgaoffice@gmail.com.

PRESENTATIONS ON THE HOLY MASS

March 30th: The Graces of Holy Mass and Devoutly assisting at Holy

All talks begin at 7 pm and will also be videoed for those unable to attend.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday Normal Schedule
- HOLY THURSDAY @ 4:00 PM
- GOOD FRIDAY @ 3:00PM
- GOOD FRIDAY: Confessions from 12 pm until 2pm
- HOLY SATURDAY @ 4:00 PM

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OFFICE OF TENEBRAE

"Tenebrae" is the name given to the service of Matins and Lauds belonging to the last three days of Holy Week and normatively anticipated the evening before. These services are marked by a somber and sober, nearly mournful praying of the Divine Office. The structure of the office is sparse reflecting the seriousness of these sacred days and the sadness that should accompany all of us because Christ our Savior suffered for our sins.

The Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine will have the opportunity to pray Tenebrae on the following evenings:

• Wednesday, 31 March @ 9:00 pm - Tenebrae of Holy Thursday

- Thursday, 1 April @ 9:00 pm Tenebrae of Good Friday
- Friday, 2 April @ 9:00 pm Tenebrae of Holy Saturday

This is a wonderful, solemn and profound way to enter more deeply into the Sacred Triduum and the Paschal Mystery which has brought us our salvation.

EASTER VIGIL SOCIAL & BBO

Join us for our first social event of the year!

We will be grilling in the school parking lot (by the playground) after the

Bring your own chairs, drinks, and a dessert to share!

We will be serving burgers, hotdogs, and chips. Festivities will begin after the completion of the Easter Vigil on Saturday, 3 April @ 7:00 pm.

LOW SUNDAY EASTER EGG HUNT

The Oratory is able this year to have our annual Easter Egg Hunt on April 11th (Low Sunday) after the 11:30am Mass. Please join us at the school

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NEW FAMILIES for FEBRUARY (alphabetical order):

A warm welcome to our new parishioners!

- Ackerman Family ~ Bryan & Michelle, Cameron and Kathryn
- Buback Family ~ Tim & Leanne, and Caeli
- Dr. William Burke
- Nicole Coppola
- Gallagher Family ~ Ryan & McKenna
- Hofmann Family ~ Grant & Alicia, Fritz, Heidi, and Felix
- Niko Hoijarvi
- Erin Losin
- Colton Marks
- Austin Quick
- Janna Rheinheimer

Jessie Schrader ++++++++++++++++++++

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

With warmer weather approaching, the Oratory would like to begin planning our social events for the remainder of the year. This requires the reestablishment of the Social Committee to help plan and execute these social events. With our growing community and COVID regulations, any events will require more volunteers to assist; please don't be shy and lend a helping hand! If you would like to be part of this committee, please contact Samantha Podesta via email Samantha.podesta@gmail.com or text 314-583-9210.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Did you know: A Knights of Columbus Council was started at the Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine in late 2019. The Council has aspirations to do great things in service to the Oratory, to support the Extraordinary Form of the Mass, and for the community at-large. The Coronavirus pandemic has hindered our ability to meet and accomplish much, but we are still recruiting and open for membership. If you are a Knight and wish to transfer your membership, or are interested in joining, please contact Chris Horan.

USHERS

As our community continues to grow so too do the needs of the Oratory. We are in need of ushers for all three Masses. In addition to assisting with the collection and at Holy Communion, ushers may be called upon to assist the faithful in finding seats in the Church and also welcoming those who are new to the community. If you are willing and interested in assisting as an usher, please contact the Msgr. Morris (msgrmorris@gmail.com) or call 314/644-2144. In advance, thank you for your generosity.

WEDDING COORDINATOR

The Oratory/St. Luke parish is offering an opportunity for a parishioner to become the new Wedding Coordinator. This is a paid position. The ideal candidate needs to be personable, able to coordinate the rehearsal with the priest/deacon and be present for the ceremony. This would involve both the Oratory/St. Luke parish weddings and weddings with couples from outside the oratory/parish. On average there are 12 weddings per year. Anyone interested in the position of Wedding Coordinator, please contact Msgr. Morris or Donna in the parish office.

PILGRIM VIRGIN MARY STATUE

03/21-03/28 Flannigan 03/28-04/04 Gelhot 04/04-04/11 Horan 04/11-04/18 Schuette 04/18-04/25 Filla 04/25-05/02 Petrick 05/09-05/16 Alexander 05/02-05/09 Stein

Drop off and pick-up statue at back of church under Oratory table.

SAINT JOSEPH CHALLENGE PILGRIMAGE

Friends: The 6th Annual Joseph Challenge Pilgrimage is coming up May 1-2, 2021. (https://josephchallenge.com/). It's an incredible experience for men aged 18+ Oh, and if it makes a difference, Pope Francis has declared a Year of St. Joseph.

Sign up today! Tell your husband, your brother(s), or your son(s) to sign up! Invite your friends, your parish men's group, Knights of Columbus councils, and that annoying guy who quotes Animal House every five minutes. Yeah, invite him too. He could use it.

Even if you can't come, invite five men. Spread the word. Even if you can't walk, come for the non-walking portions Even if you can walk, bring more guys to walk with you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Tuesday, 30 March: Presentation on the Holy Mass @ 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, 31 March: Adoration 9 am to 6 pm
- Wednesday, 31 March: Tenebrae of Holy Thursday @ 9:00 pm
- Thursday, 1 April: Mass of the Lord's Supper @ 4:00 pm
- Thursday, 1 April: Tenebrae of Good Friday @ 9:00 pm
- Friday, 2 April: Confessions from 12 pm 2:00 pm
- Friday, 2 April: Good Friday @ 3:00 pm
- Friday, 2 April: Tenebrae of Holy Saturday @ 9:00 pm
- Saturday, 3 April: Holy Saturday @ 4:00 pm

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, 29 March – Monday of Holy Week 12:15 pm: Ann L. Morris-Kenney (d)

Tuesday, 30 March – Tuesday of Holy Week 7:00 am: Ann L. Morris-Kenney (d)

Weds., 31 March - Wednesday of Holy Week 6:30 pm: Anthony John Otto (d)

Thursday, 1 April – Holy Thursday 4:00 pm: Ann L. Morris-Kenney (d)

Friday, 2 April – *Good Friday*

Saturday, 3 April – *Holy Saturday* 4:00 pm: Pro Populo

Sunday, 4 April – EASTER SUNDAY 6:45 am: Pro Populo 8:00 am: George Besermin (d) 11:30 am: Ann L. Morris-Kenney (d)

~ 03/21/2021 ~

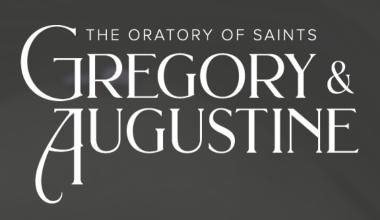
ACTUAL

Weekly Collection Total \$ 7,549.00 Online Giving \$ 3,917.00 Total \$ 11,466.00

Needed \$ 5,827.00 (\$5,639.00)

Year to Date Total \$ 339,156.47

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



FAITH OF OUR FATHERS

Exploring Catholic Tradition with Dr. Peter Kwasniewski

APRIL 10, 2021

8:00 am Continental breakfast and book sale (school building)

9:00 am First Presentation: "Liturgical Obedience, the Imitation of Christ, and the Seductions of Autonomy"

10:30 am Terce and Solemn Mass

12:00 pm Lunch & book sale (school building)

1:00 pm Second Presentation: "Solemnity as a Fundamental Requirement of Right Worship"

2:30 pm Exposition

To register, email oratoryevents@gmail.com with name and number of attendees

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