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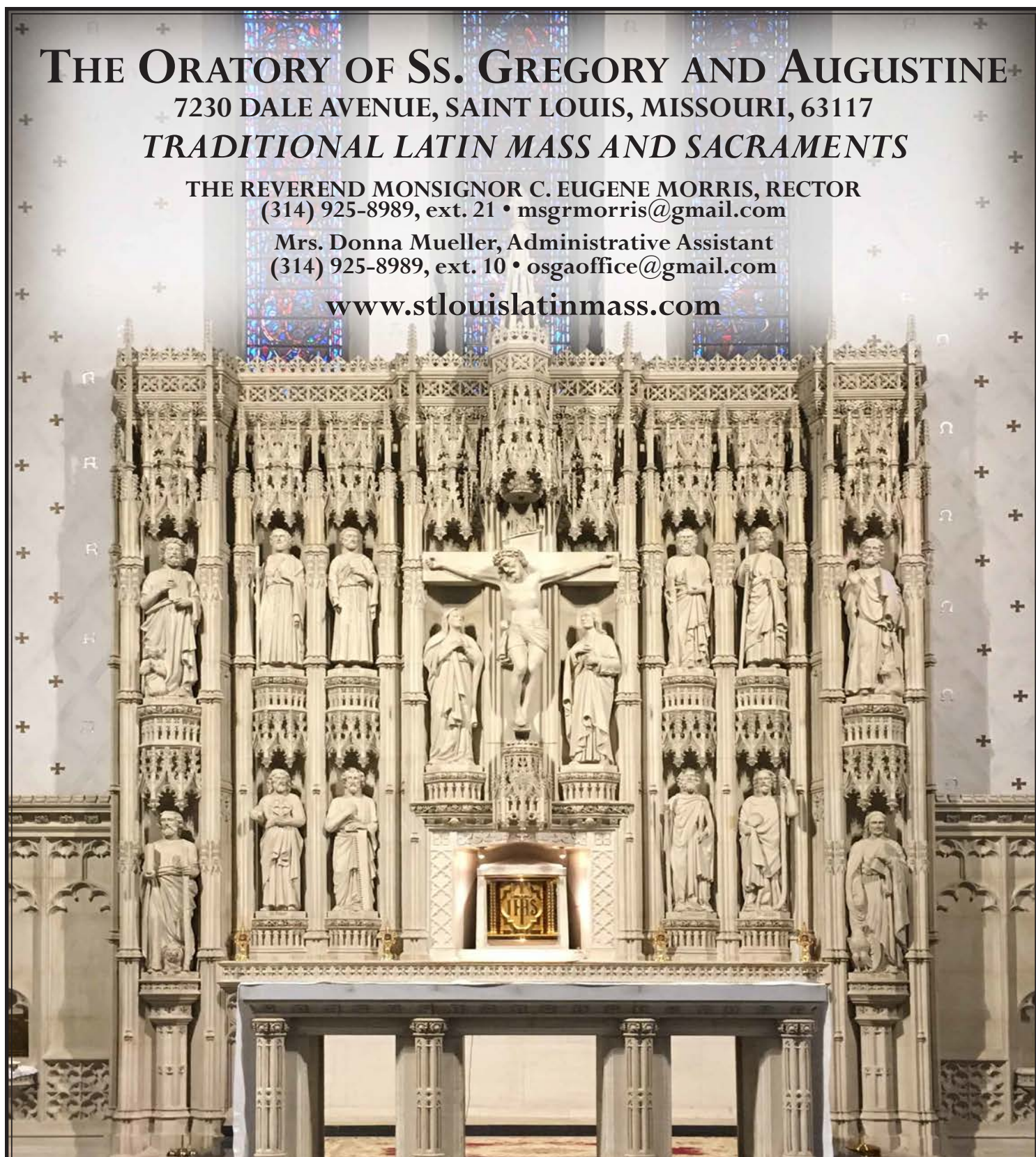
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THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

SUNDAY MASS:.....6:45, 8:00 & 11:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS:

Monday and Friday12:15 p.m.
Tuesday and Thursday7:00 a.m.
Wednesday6:30 p.m.

First Friday7:00 p.m.
First Saturday8:00 a.m.

CONFESSIONS:

Monday11:00 a.m. – Noon
Wednesday5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Friday11:00 a.m. – Noon
First Friday6:00 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.
First Saturday7:00 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Wednesday9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
First Friday9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Sunday in the Octave of Ascension

May 16, 2021

FROM THE RECTOR – Sunday in the Octave of Ascension

The Sunday after the Ascension is given to us in order to prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit on the Solemnity of Pentecost. The Lord has ascended to the Father in order to send us the Paraclete who will continue to teach and admonish us in the ways of the Lord. Of course, with the gift of the Holy Spirit, the full revelation of the Holy Trinity is laid open for us. In Her wisdom the Church gives us these days to contemplate all that has happened to bring us to this point and to prepare for a future full of goodness and hope. Our contemplation makes us aware of the power of the risen and glorified Lord who has invited us into His very being through the new life He bestows on us. To accept this great gift commits us to charity and compassion, patience and kindness in our interactions with each other and with the world. To accept this new life also commits us to bearing well the sacrifices, sufferings, and crosses given to us for the on-going redemptive work of Christ. The Holy Spirit gives us the strength to grow in virtue, to practice charity, and to carry our crosses with joy. Let us wait patiently for the Holy Spirit. Come Holy Spirit!

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COFFEE HOUR RETURNS: TODAY

Coffee Hour is returning to the Oratory today Sunday, 16 May 2021 after the 11:30 am Mass. In order to respect the current cultural climate regarding social distancing, the coffee hour will take place off the parking lot between the school and Church; specifically, the coffee area will be set-up near the steps to the St. Francis Chapel. In the coming weeks more information will be forthcoming.

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MISSA CANTATA @ 12:15 pm HOLY MASS

The growth of the Oratory of Ss. Gregory & Augustine is a great testament to the power and effectiveness of the Traditional Latin Mass. The treasury of beauty, dignity and solemnity available to the faithful through the celebration of the Traditional Mass and sacraments is an enormous source of grace and strength to all who are privileged to worship God in this most perfect manner. In order to continue making these great treasures available to the faithful, when the opportunity presents itself, Holy Mass will be celebrated as a *Missa Cantata* or Sung Mass. As the information below provides the normative celebration of Holy Mass is the Solemn High Mass:

This high Mass is the norm; it is only in the complete rite with deacon and subdeacon that the ceremonies can be understood. Thus, the rubrics of the Ordinary of the Mass always suppose that the Mass is high. Low Mass, said by a priest alone with one server, is a shortened and simplified form of the same thing. Its ritual can be explained only by a reference to high Mass. For instance, the celebrant goes over to the north side of the altar to read the Gospel, because that is the side to which the deacon goes in procession at high Mass; he turns round always by the right, because at high Mass he should not turn his back to the deacon and so on. A sung Mass (Missa Cantata) is a modern compromise. It is really a low Mass, since the essence of high Mass is not the music but the deacon and subdeacon. Only in churches which have no ordained person except one priest, and in which high Mass is thus impossible, is it allowed to celebrate the Mass (on Sundays and feasts) with most of the adornment borrowed from high Mass, with singing and (generally) with incense. The Sacred Congregation of Rites has on several occasions (9 June 1884; 7 December 1888) forbidden the use of incense at a Missa Cantata; nevertheless, exceptions have been made for several dioceses, and the custom of using it is generally tolerated (Le Vavas seur, op. cit., I, 514-5). In this case, too, the celebrant takes the part of deacon and subdeacon; there is no kiss of peace. (The Catholic Encyclopedia)

The form of Holy Mass as either a *Missa Cantata* which we celebrate at the 11:30 am Holy Mass or the Low Mass which is the norm for daily Mass are concessions that recognize the limitations that are often present for the normal parish setting. However, the Oratory is blessed with a number of gifted men who are able to chant Holy Mass. As a consequence, there will be some major feast days that fall on Monday or Friday when the Holy Mass will be a *Missa Cantata*. For those who come to Holy Mass during their lunch hour, this celebration will not increase the length of Holy Mass. In advance, deep gratitude is expressed to all those who assist in the celebration of Holy Mass. If there are any questions or concerns, please contact the rector, Msgr. Morris.

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CALL FOR NEW MEMBERS – ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY

Attention ladies of the Oratory! The Altar & Rosary Society is a common cornerstone of Latin Mass communities. Services performed include: cleaning main and side altars and sacristy; the care of altar linens, cloths, and the servers' attire; decorating for special feast days. If you are interested in contributing to the Altar & Rosary Society, please contact Erin Turntine at (314) 856-5340 or email whiteroses@hotmail.com

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NEW FAMILIES for APRIL (alphabetical order):

A warm welcome to our new parishioners!

- Francis Breen
- Kenney Family ~ Chris & Isabel, Louis, Emile, and Jerome
- Murphy Family ~ Dottie & Rich
- Pat Openlander
- Schulte Family ~ Colin & Bernadette, Philomena and Caleb

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25th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On Sunday, 23 May 2021 at the 11:30 am Holy Mass, the Oratory will celebrate Solemn High Mass in honor of the 25th Anniversary of the ordination to the priesthood of our rector, Msgr. Morris. Immediately following Holy Mass will a brief presentation in the Church followed by a reception on the school parking. Please plan to attend the reception even if you have celebrated one of the earlier Masses. As always, please pray for Msgr. Morris and all the priests of the Archdiocese that the Lord will continue to bless them with fidelity, courage and strength in their service to Christ and Holy Mother the Church.

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OCTAVE OF PENTECOST

We will again celebrate the Octave of Pentecost with Sung Mass each evening in addition to our normal Mass schedule. Beginning, 24 May 2021, evening Sung Masses will be at 7:00 pm with confessions at 6:00 pm. The exception is Wednesday evening (25 May 2021) which will follow our normal schedule of Mass and confessions. On Saturday morning, 29 May 2021, Holy Mass will be celebrated at 8:00am with confessions beginning at 7:00 am. Please make every effort to attend and encourage others to be present as well.

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CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The Oratory is blessed again to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation and the reception of First Holy Communion. Because we have a large number of young people being confirmed there are two dates for the celebration of Confirmation: On Saturday, 5 June @ 9:00 am we will celebrate both Confirmation and First Holy Communion. On Saturday, 12 June we will celebrate Confirmation @ 9:00 am followed immediately by the celebration of Holy Mass. I have received permission from the Archdiocese to be the minister of Confirmation again this year. Please pray for the young people preparing to receive these sacraments and for their parents and catechesis.

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CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

The External Solemnity of Corpus Christi will be celebrated on Sunday, 6 June 2021. The Oratory is blessed to have a Corpus Christi procession through the streets of Richmond Heights. The procession will begin immediately after the conclusion of the 11:30 am Holy Mass. In addition to our First Communicants, (and other First Communicants who would have made their first communion in a different parish this year), the procession will include a Knights of Columbus Honor Guard, the choir leading us in various hymns and the opportunity during our procession to pray the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet and other prayers to assist us in giving fitting glory and praise to our Eucharistic Lord. All parishioners are encouraged to attend and to invite others to walk with Our Lord.

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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.

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DID YOU KNOW?

The Oratory now has a softball team. Please join in supporting our softball team on Friday evenings. The remaining schedule is as follows:

21 May @ 6:30pm and 7:30pm

11 June @ 6:30pm & 7:30pm

9 July @ 9:30pm

23 July @ 6:30pm & 7:30pm

30 July @ 7:30pm & 8:30pm

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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. Meetings are the 3rd Thursday of the month. If you are a Knight and wish to transfer your membership, or are interested in joining, please contact Chris Horan (cmhoran@protonmail.com) or the Oratory office. Vivat Jesus!

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PILGRIM VIRGIN MARY STATUE

05/09-05/16 Alexander	05/16-05/23 Taormina
05/23-05/30 Podesta	05/30-06/06 Grizzle
06/06-06/13 Turntine	06/13-06/20 Kelly
06/20-06/27 Wisniewski	06/27-07/04 Jones
07/04-07/11 Armstrong	07/11-07/18 Carapella
07/18-07/25 Cook	07/25-08/01 Hayward
08/01-08/08 Fowler	08/08-08/15 Haulard
08/15-08/22 Catalano	08/22-08/29 Kenney
08/29-09/05 Raymond	09/05-09/12 Flannigan
09/12-09/19 Gelhot	09/19-09/26 Horan
09/26-10/03 Schuette	10/03-10/10 Filla
10/10-10/17 Petrick	10/17-10/24 Stein
10/24-10/31 Alexander	

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

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MONTH OF MAY: THE MONTH OF MARY

The month of May, by tradition dating back to the 13th century, is dedicated to Our Blessed Mother. Paul VI wrote in his encyclical on the month of May the following:

The month of May is almost here, a month which the piety of the faithful has long dedicated to Mary, the Mother of God. Our heart rejoices at the thought of the moving tribute of faith and love which will soon be paid to the Queen of Heaven in every corner of the earth. For this is the month during which Christians, in their churches and their homes, offer the Virgin Mother more fervent and loving acts of homage and veneration; and it is the month in which a greater abundance of God's merciful gifts comes down to us from our Mother's throne.

We are delighted and consoled by this pious custom associated with the month of May, which pays honor to the Blessed Virgin and brings such rich benefits to the Christian people. Since Mary is rightly to be regarded as the way by which we are led to Christ, the person who encounters Mary cannot help but encounter Christ likewise. For what other reason do we continually turn to Mary except to seek the Christ in her arms, to seek our Savior in her, through her, and with her? To Him men are to turn amid the anxieties and perils of this world, urged on by duty and driven by the compelling needs of their heart, to find a haven of salvation, a transcendent fountain of life. (Mense Maio, #1-2)

Let us truly dedicate ourselves, our families, this nation and world to the Immaculate Heart of May especially through a daily recitation of the rosary and other acts of piety dedicated to Our Mother. Let us particularly call upon the intercession of Our Lady of Walsingham who is the patroness and protector of the Oratory of Ss. Gregory & Augustine.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, 16 May: Coffee Hour after 11:30 am Mass
- Wednesday, 19 May: **Adoration – 9 am to 6 pm**
- Thursday, 20 May: Knights of Columbus Meeting @ 7pm
- Saturday, 22 May: Vigil of Pentecost, Confessions @ 9am; Holy Mass @ 10 am
- Sunday, 23 May: 25th Anniversary Celebration for Msgr. Morris after the 11:30 am Holy Mass
- Monday, 24 May: **NO CONFESSIONS/MASS @ 12:15**
- Monday, 24 May: Evening Mass for the Octave of Pentecost; Confessions @ 6 pm; Holy Mass @ 7 pm.
- Tuesday, 25 May: Evening Mass for the Octave of Pentecost; Confessions @ 6 pm; Holy Mass @ 7 pm.
- Wednesday, 26 May: **Adoration – 9 am to 6 pm**
- Thursday, 27 May: Evening Mass for the Octave of Pentecost; Confessions @ 6 pm; Holy Mass @ 7 pm.
- Friday, 28 May Evening Mass for the Octave of Pentecost; Confessions @ 6 pm; Holy Mass @ 7 pm.
- Saturday, 29 May: Juventutem, Confessions @ 7 am; Holy Mass @ 8 am (**due to the Vigil of Pentecost, this is the correct date)

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, 17 May – **St. Paschal Baylon**
12:15 pm: Joseph Blessing (d)

Tuesday, 18 May – **St. Venantius**
7:00 am: Carolyn Hughes (d)

Weds., 19 May – **St. Peter Celestine**
6:30 pm: Robert & Opal Roche (d)

Thursday, 20 May – **Octave Day in Ascension**
7:00 am: Mark Mueller

Friday, 21 May – **Feria after Ascension**
12:15 pm: Ken Hughes (d)

Saturday, 22 May – **Vigil of Pentecost**
10:00 am: Ullric & Mayme Roche (d)

Sunday, 23 May – **Pentecost**
6:45 am: Pro Populo
8:00 am: Dean Hughes (d)
11:30 am: Virginia Layton (d)