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# CONGRATULATIONS

REV. MSGR. C. EUGENE MORRIS

ON YOUR 25<sup>TH</sup> ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

The Oratory of  
Ss. Gregory & Augustine  
is eternally grateful to  
Msgr. Morris for his  
service to God, to the  
Church, and to the  
Oratory community.

He tirelessly serves the  
people of God with faith,  
compassion,  
humility, and love.

Thank you Msgr. Morris!  
We are so blessed to have  
you as our shepherd ~  
guiding us, mentoring us,  
caring for us, and loving us  
as you work relentlessly on  
our behalf. God bless you  
today and always!



23 May 2021





Pentecost Sunday

May 23, 2021

FROM THE RECTOR – Pentecost Sunday

Time and space will not allow me to do adequate justice to the great Solemnity of Pentecost. After the celebration of Easter, this great feast ranks second marked liturgically by a solemn vigil celebration as well as the privileged Octave of Pentecost. These liturgical dynamics express the desire of Holy Mother Church that we, Her faithful sons and daughters, should spend these days leading to the Solemnity of Pentecost and the eight days immediately following meditating on the great mystery that is revealed to us with the descent of the Holy Spirit. Our Savior has told us that He would send the Advocate to continue to teach, instruct, and admonish us. With the gift of the Holy Spirit, the work of salvation which was always intended for all mankind can now spread to the ends of the earth. The Lord commissioned the apostles to teach, baptize, and remain steadfast and now with the reception of the Holy Spirit their cooperation with the grace of God will bear fruit that will last. We are the inheritors of their openness to the Holy Spirit. Consequently, we must receive the Holy Spirit with the same humble hearts as the apostles did and allow ourselves to be instruments of Christ’s redemptive work for salvation of the world. Let’s pray more fervently this coming week: ***Come Holy Spirit and fill the hearts of your faithful!***

25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

**TODAY** Sunday, 23 May 2021 at the 11:30 am Holy Mass, the Oratory celebrates Solemn High Mass in honor of the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the ordination to the priesthood of our rector, Msgr. Morris. Immediately following Holy Mass will be a brief presentation in the Church followed by a reception on the school parking lot. Please 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.

MONDAY, 24 MAY 2021

There will be no 11:00 am confessions or 12:15 pm Holy Mass on Monday, 24 May 2021. For the Octave of Pentecost, we will celebrate Holy Mass at 7 pm with Confessions before at 6 pm.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to all of our young people who are graduating this spring/summer. A particular word of congratulations to the first graduates from the Oratory Co-op:

- Sebastian Filla
- Carleigh Nations
- Philip Petrick
- Lucia Stein
- Michael Turntine

May God bless, strengthen, and protect our young people as they continue to make their way in the world.

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.

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](mailto:whiteroses@hotmail.com)

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

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.

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.

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.

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 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](mailto:Samantha.podesta@gmail.com) or text 314-583-9210.

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
- 09 July @ 9:30pm
- 23 July @ 6:30pm & 7:30pm
- 30 July @ 7:30pm & 8:30pm

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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto:cmhoran@protonmail.com)) or the Oratory office. Vivat Jesus!

PILGRIM VIRGIN MARY STATUE

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|-----------------------|------------------------|
| 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 Holman     |
| 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     |

*Congratulations Msgr. Morris! It is with deep gratitude and love that we celebrate you today! Celebrate all that you tirelessly give to the Oratory community and beyond! Celebrate your love for Christ and saying “YES” twenty-five years ago! Celebrate your devotion to the priesthood and to all of the people you have served (and continue to serve) along the way! Celebrate your commitment to preaching the truth, with humility and love. Celebrate the countless blessings God has bestowed within you and upon you! You have touched so many lives in your lifetime ~ no doubt saving souls along the way. I am blessed beyond belief to have you so prominently in my life and in the life of my family; blessed to witness firsthand (and behind the “scenes”) your unwavering dedication, commitment, and love for your vocation. Thank you for being my dear friend, my mentor, and my spiritual guide; for your love and support along the way, and for your innate ability to make me laugh and cry in the same conversation!! May God continue to reward the fruits of your labor; may He continue to shower His blessings upon you; and may He guide you and protect you as you continue your priestly journey ~ always preaching the truth, standing up for Christ, and defending the Catholic Church. The world needs you! We need you! And God is counting on you! Never doubt your impact in this world (thank you for making it a happier place); and never ever forget God’s endless love for you! God bless you Msgr. Morris! We Love You! ♥ Donna*

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

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|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 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.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, 23 May: 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration for Msgr. Morris after the 11:30 am Holy Mass
- Monday, 24 May: **NO CONFESSIONS OR MASS @ 11:00/12:15**
- 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)
- Wednesday, 2 June: *Adoration – 9 am to 6 pm*
- Thursday, 3 June: Corpus Christi; Confessions @ 6 pm; Holy Mass @ 7 pm
- Friday, 4 June: First Friday
- Saturday, 5 June: First Saturday
- Sunday, 6 June: External Solemnity of Corpus Christi with Procession after the 11:30 am Holy Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, 24 May – *Pentecost Monday*  
7:00 pm: Deana Miller (d)

Tuesday, 25 May – *Pentecost Tuesday*  
7:00 am: Msgr. Morris  
7:00 pm: Ann L. Morris-Kenney (d)

Weds., 26 May – *Ember Wednesday in Pentecost Octave*  
6:30 pm: Joseph Andrew Decker (d)

Thursday, 27 May – *Pentecost Thursday*  
7:00 am: Fred & Mary Driscoll (d)  
7:00 pm: Jeffrey Allyn Brant (d)

Friday, 28 May – *Ember Friday in the Octave of Pentecost*  
12:15 pm: Zachary Guerrero (d)  
7:00 pm: Albert Huntz (d)

Saturday, 29 May – *Ember Saturday in the Octave of Pentecost*  
8:00 am: Christopher Fleming (d)

Sunday, 30 May – *Holy Trinity*  
6:45 am: Pro Populo  
8:00 am: Lincoln Huber (d)  
11:30 am: Edward & Susan Roche (d)