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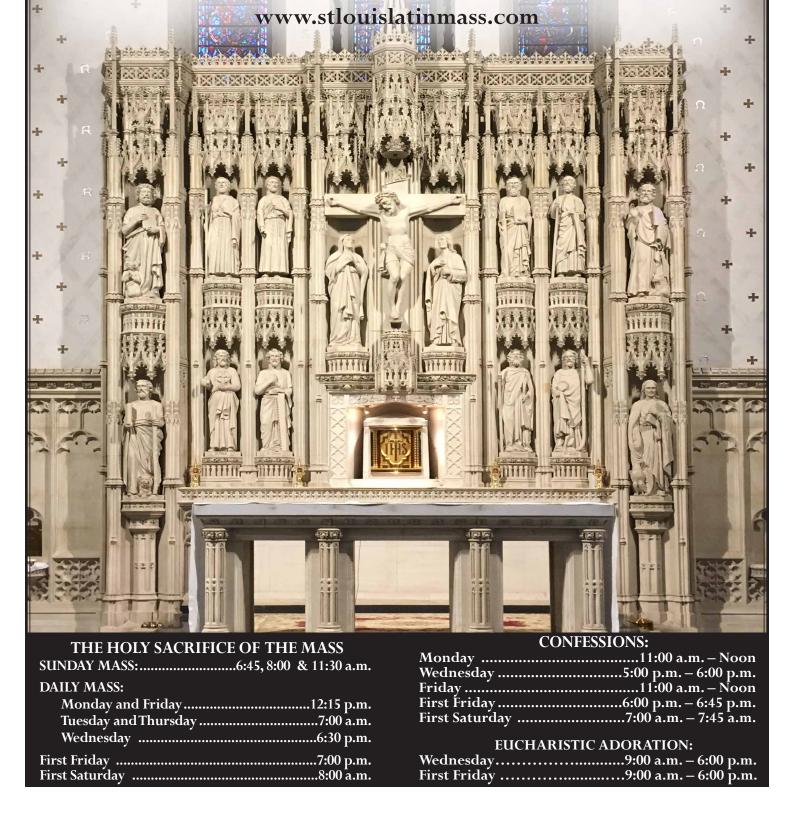


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FROM THE RECTOR - External Solemnity of Corpus Christi

God truly is all wise, loving, and merciful. Since the celebration of the Lord's resurrection Holy Mother Church has been given the blessing of contemplating the riches of God. From Our Lord's glorious Ascension to today's celebration of His Sacred Body on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, we have set before our very eyes the depth of His wisdom, love, and mercy. It is through the mystery of the Most Holy Eucharist that the merits of the Lord's Cross are still applied to the souls of mankind. Having prepared us for His great sacrifice at the Last Supper, He leaves this great memorial of His passion, death and resurrection that we, His faithful children, would forever have in our midst His real, true and substantial presence. In giving us the Most Holy Eucharist the Lord fulfills His promise to be with us always. So too, through the Most Holy Eucharist we are allowed to experience our unity with the Blessed Trinity. Pray for an increase of respect and devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and pray for our priests who make this sacrifice available to us. Let us entreat God for the courage we need to protect and defend the Most Holy Eucharist against all sacrilege and profanation. Finally, let us pray that the Holy Eucharist and the Holy Mass will always be the center of our lives.

1ST HOLY COMMUNICANTS

Congratulations to our young people who received their First Holy Communion this past Saturday after having received the sacrament of Confirmation. Please pray for them, their parents, teachers, and catechists.

- Veronica Flannigan
- Leo Grizzle
- Kole Grizzle
- Dylan Kazyak
- Gianna Kelly
- Michael Podesta
- Matthew Rheinheimer
- Renee Rheinheimer
- William Streiler

NEWLY CONFIRMED

- Avery Blaxton (St. Luke the Evangelist)
- George Blaxton (St. John the Baptist)
- Mary Colette Blaxton (St. Perpetua)
- P.T. Blaxton (St. Martin of Tours)
- Veronica Flannigan (St. Bernadette)
- Charles Fowler (St. Louis, King of France)
- Joseph Fowler (St. George)
- Anthony Green (St. Boniface)
- Felicity Green (St. Lydia)
- Leo Grizzle (St. George)
- Kolbe Grizzle (St. William)
- Dylan Kazyak (St. Uriel)
- Jude Kelly (St. Nicholas)
- Marilyn Moritz (St. Therese of Lisieux)
- Angelina Podesta (BVM/Our Lady of Fatima)
- Michael Podesta (St. Nicholas)
- Margaret Mary Raymond (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)
- Anne Rheinheimer (St. Faustina)
- John Rheinheimer (St. Alphonsus Liguori)
- Katherine Rheinheimer (St. Clare of Assisi)
- Mary Rheinheimer (St. Joan of Arc)
- Matthew Rheinheimer (St. Sebastian)
- Michael Rheinheimer (St. Vincent Ferrer)
- Rebecca Rheinheimer (St. Bernadette)
- Renee Rheinheimer (St. Veronica)
- Agnes Soldinie (St. Ruth)
- William Streiler (St. Gabriel)

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:

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

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to all of our young people who are being graduated 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.

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TROOPS OF ST. GEORGE

Calling all young men in grades 1-12! Are you looking for a program that will spiritually challenge both fathers and sons? Are you interested in a Catholic brotherhood that teaches outdoor and practical life skills in a masculine, fun, and faith-filled environment?

The Troops of Saint George is a Catholic apostolate that aims to use the outdoors as our canvas and the sacraments as our path to light the way for the formation of holy Catholic men and boys. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Troop Captain Grant Hofmann (grant.hofmann@protonmail.com) or visit https://troopsofsaintgeorge.org/.

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COORDINATOR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

The Oratory is in need of a coordinator for Eucharistic Adoration. Currently, the Oratory is using the software provided by *We Adore Him* to manage adoration and the need for substitutes. Anyone interested in assuming these responsibilities will be trained in how to use the software and this person would work closely with Msgr. Morris to maintain and grow Eucharistic Adoration here at the Oratory. If anyone is interested, please contact Msgr. Morris (msgrmorris@gmail.com) or call the office at 314/644-2144.

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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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CONFIRMATION

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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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. 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

05/30-06/06 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.	

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Wednesday, 9 June: Adoration 9 am to 6 pm
- Friday, 11 June: Sacred Heart; normal schedule & Confessions @ 6 pm; Holy Mass @ 7 pm
- Saturday, 12 June: 9 am Confirmation and Holy Mass
- Wednesday, 16 June: Adoration 9 am to 6 pm
- Wednesday, 23 June: Adoration 9 am to 6 pm
- Thursday, 24 June: Nativity of St. John the Baptist; normal schedule & Confessions @ 6 pm; Holy Mass @ 7 pm
- Saturday, 26 June: Sts. John & Paul; Juventutem Mass
- Tuesday, 29 June: Sts. Peter & Paul; normal schedule & Confessions
 @ 6 pm; Holy Mass
 @ 7 pm

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, 7 June – *Octave of Corpus Christi* 12:15 pm: Marvin Raymond Fowler (d)

Tuesday, 8 June – *Octave of Corpus Christi* 7:00 am: Marvin Raymond Fowler (d)

Weds., 9 June – *Octave of Corpus Christi* 6:30 pm: Marvin Raymond Fowler (d)

Thursday, 10 June – Octave of Corpus Christi (conclusion) 7:00 am: Marvin Raymond Fowler (d)

Friday, 11 June – *Sacred Heart* 12:15 pm: Marvin Raymond Fowler (d)

Saturday, 12 June – *St. John of San Facundo* 9:00 am: Marvin Raymond Fowler (d)

7:00 pm: Richard A. Murphy

Sunday, 13 June – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost 6:45 am: Pro Populo 8:00 am: Marvin Raymond Fowler (d) 11:30 am: Mark Rheinheimer

IN THANKSGIVING: Words are not adequate to express my gratitude for the celebration of my 25th Anniversary this past Sunday. I am so grateful to everyone who planned the event, assisted with preparing, hosting, and cleaning up after the celebration. I am grateful for the beautiful chalice received and the other gifts given as expressions of love and support. I am most grateful for the trust given to me by you, my faithful, allowing me to be a shepherd after the heart of Jesus. The priest should expend his life for his faithful who are his flock and his family. While I have been blessed to serve in various parishes in the Archdiocese of St. Louis and in other parts of the country, it has only been since becoming rector of the Oratory of Ss. Gregory & Augustine that I have truly experienced my faithful as my family. I am blessed beyond measure for the opportunity to shepherd this great community of faith and love. Your generosity and prayerful support of both me and the Oratory have contributed greatly to the growth and stability that has quickly been established here at St. Luke the Evangelist. I know that many, many people were responsible for the great celebration, but I am compelled to thank in a particular way Donna Mueller for her unwavering fidelity, love and support of me and the Oratory. Donna's presence, her skills, her prayerful confidence have been inspirations to me and have concretely allowed me to apply my energies in other ways. I know that you all pray for me daily; I would ask that you likewise pray for Donna. We are blessed have her and hope that she is with us for years to come. God is doing great things for us and through us. Through the intercession of Our Lady of Walsingham, let us continue to find our confidence and strength in Him alone.

~ 05/30/2021 ~

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

Ss. Gregory and Augustine, pray for us!