

## MASS

Sunday: 6:30, 8:00 & 11:30am Monday & Friday: 12:15pm Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00am

Wednesday: 6:30pm First Friday: 7:15pm First Saturday: 8:15am

## **ADORATION**

Wednesday: 5:00 - 6:00pm First Friday: 1:00 - 6:00pm 7230 Dale Avenue Richmond Heights, MO 63117 (314) 644-2144 stlouislatinmass.com







### CONFESSION

Monday & Friday: 11am -12pm Wednesday: 5:00 - 6:00pm First Friday: 6:00 - 7:00pm First Saturday: 7:00 - 8:00am

## **DIVINE OFFICE**

Sunday Prime: 7:20am Sunday Terce: 11:10am Sunday Vespers: 4:30pm

Wednesday Compline: 7:15pm

## Welcome to the Oratory of Saints Gregory and Augustine

The Oratory of Saints Gregory and Augustine is pleased to welcome you. We are an apostolate of the Archdiocese of Saint Louis faithful to the teachings of the Church and striving to grow as a family of faith through the celebration of the Traditional Latin Mass and other Sacraments.

In the First Book of *The Confessions*, the other great St. Augustine (of Hippo) wrote the following: "Thou hast made us for Thyself and our hearts are restless until they find rest in Thee." Whether you are curious about the traditional Latin Mass and interested in exploring its beauty, searching for a parish community where you and your family will feel at home, or seeking rest for your heart, we hope that the Oratory of Saints Gregory and Augustine can provide that respite for you.

Our bulletin serves to provide information about the weekly activities occurring here at the Oratory. Along with our website (<a href="www.stlouislatinmass.com">www.stlouislatinmass.com</a>), the bulletin is your point of contact with the ever-increasing activities at the Oratory. I hope this will give you some sense of the grace of God, the love of Jesus Christ, and work of the Holy Spirit in our midst. I am delighted that God has brought you here! *Oremus pro invicem!*—The Very Reverend Monsignor C. Eugene Morris, Rector

#### **MASS AND SACRAMENTS**

#### **Sunday Masses**

• 6:30 am (Low Mass)

• 8:00 am (Low Mass)

• 11:30 am (High Mass)

#### Weekday Masses

Monday & Friday: 12:15 pmTuesday & Thursday: 7:00 am

Wednesday: 6:30 pm

First Friday: 7:15 pmFirst Saturday: 8:15 am

#### Confession

Monday & Friday: 11:00 am − 12:00 pm

Wednesday: 5:00 – 6:00 pm
First Friday: 6:00 – 7:00 pm

• First Saturday: 7:00 – 8:00 am

**Infant Baptism** – Baptisms are normally scheduled on the  $2^{nd}$  and  $3^{rd}$  Saturdays of the month beginning at 10:00 am. Families expecting newborns and anticipating that they will be baptized here at the Oratory should schedule their baptism at the earliest convenience by contacting the Oratory office.

**Adult Baptism** – If you are interested in becoming Catholic or an adult Catholic not yet confirmed, please contact the Oratory office for more information about adult catechesis.

**Matrimony** – Please contact the Oratory office at least six months prior to the desired date for the rite of marriage. The date is reserved after consultation and confirmation from the Rector of the Oratory.

**Extreme Unction/Visitation of the Sick** – Contact the Oratory to arrange the sacrament either at home or in the hospital.

#### **STAFF**

 Rector: Msgr. C. Eugene Morris <u>rector@oratorysga.org</u>

• **Deacon**: Deacon Steve Pieper, MD

deacon@oratorysga.org

• Administrative Assistant: Mrs. Donna Mueller

office@oratorysga.org

Oratory Co-Op

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Contact: Jake Fowler <a href="mailto:ccd@oratorysga.org">ccd@oratorysga.org</a>

Altar servers

Contact: Msgr. Morris servers@oratorysga.org

• Eucharistic Adoration

Contact: Susan Buchheit adoration@oratorysga.org

• Altar and Rosary Society

Contact: Erin Turntine altarandrosary@oratorysga.org

• Knights of Columbus

Contact: Chris Horan kofc17355@oratorysga.org

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Contact: Philip Blaxton tsg@oratorysga.org

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Contact: Nicholas Kalinowski schola@oratorysga.org

Choir

Contact: Elisabeth Kenney <a href="mailto:choir@oratorysga.org">choir@oratorysga.org</a>

Young Adults

voungadults@oratorysga.org

Oratory Events

events@oratorysga.org

• Almonry of Ss. Gregory & Augustine

almonry@oratorysga.org

#### **GIVING TUESDAY**

Thank you to all those who contributed to the Oratory on Giving Tuesday, 29 November 2022. Through your generosity, the Oratory raised over \$13,000.00 in that one day. The kindness and generosity of those who gave that day as well as the weekly, on-going support of the whole Oratory community allows us to not only sustain ourselves, but also to continue to grow as we have been. May God continue to reward your generosity. And let us always give thanks to God who has abundantly blessed us.

#### THE "O" ANTIPHONS

The Roman Catholic Church has been singing the "O" Antiphons since at least the eighth century. They are the antiphons that accompany the *Magnificat* canticle of Vespers from December 17-23. They are a magnificent theology that uses ancient biblical imagery drawn from the messianic hopes of the Old Testament to proclaim the coming Christ as the fulfillment not only of Old Testament hopes, but present ones as well.

The Oratory of Ss. Gregory & Augustine will be praying public vespers for these greater days of Advent and chanting the O Antiphons. The schedule is as follows:

#### **CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

For the celebration of the Lord's Birth on Christmas Day, the Oratory will have the opportunity to celebrate three Sung Masses. The principal Holy Mass will be at Midnight. This will be Solemn High Mass assisted by our choir. On Christmas morning, Holy Mass will be celebrated at 6:30 am and 8:00 am. More information will be coming about Christmas and the Octave of Christmas.

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#### **HOLY MASS – OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS**

During the Octave of Christmas, Holy Mass will be celebrated at 12:15 pm preceded by confessions at 11 am. On Saturday, 31 December, Holy Mass will be celebrated at 8:15 preceded by confessions at 11 am.

#### **VESPERS FOR CHRISTMAS & THE OCTAVE**

Christmas Eve: Vespers @ 6:00 pm

Monday, 26 December through Saturday, 31

December: Vespers @ 6:00 pm

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#### **NEW YEAR'S DAY**

The schedule for 1 January 2023, will be the normal Sunday schedule.

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#### **THE DIVINE OFFICE**

The Divine Office is a significant part of the patrimony of Holy Mother Church. The sanctification of the hours throughout the day serves to assist all of us with keeping our eyes on the Lord. Please take advantage of these great spiritual opportunities and encourage others to do so.

The schedule for the Divine Office is:

#### **SUNDAY:**

- Prime 7:20 am
- Terce 11:10 am
- Vespers 4:30 pm

#### **WEDNESDAY:**

#### **REQUIESCANT IN PACE**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Peter Niles Wisniewski, son of Wendy and Jeff, brother of Simon and Ava.

Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Ann Koehler, mother of Judy Carnahan.

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In your charity, please pray for the following members of the Oratory who are ill: William Allen, husband of Barbara Allen; Mary Knollmeyer, a long-time parishioner of the Oratory; Dotty Kuhlmann, mother of Donna Mueller; Elizabeth Ryan; Monica Sampson, friend of Msgr. Morris; and Jim Griffin, husband of Kay Griffin.

Also, if you are aware of members of the Oratory who are sick or you yourself are sick and/or hospitalized and in need of prayers, please contact the Oratory at the earliest moment so that prayers can be offered for you and your loved ones.

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#### **IT'S A WONDERFUL LIFE**

You're invited to a private showing of *It's A Wonderful Life* on Gaudete Sunday, 11 December 2022 @ 3:30 pm. The venue is a small theater owned by a Catholic proprietor in Washington, MO called Cinema 1 Plus. The cost of a ticket is \$10 per person and the price comes with a small popcorn and 16 oz. drink. If you would like to reserve a seat, please contact Carla Filla by texting @ 636-579-0208 or fillacarla@gmail.com. Prepaid seating is required to attend.

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#### **SAVE THE DATE**

#### **SATURDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2023**

The Knights of Columbus is hosting a Trivia Night on 18 February 2023 to raise money for the council in order to perform more charitable works for the community and to support the Oratory. Be on the lookout for an email in the coming weeks to secure your table! If you would like to sponsor a round or otherwise help with the trivia night, please email kofc17355@oratorysga.org

#### **ENTERING THE SANCTUARY**

There has been an excessive amount of traffic coming through the sanctuary in recent months. Refraining from entering the sanctuary will invigorate our sense of sacred space and foster a deeper reverence for the sanctuary as that place where the Living God dwells. If there is a need to speak to the priest or other sacred ministers after Holy Mass, the faithful are asked to approach the sacristy through the server's entrance and not to enter the sanctuary proper. The door for the server's sacristy is located east of the Church off of the parking lot between the Church and the school; please knock on the door and someone will let you in. In advance, your cooperation in this is greatly appreciated.

#### ALTAR SERVERS

The last date for training for this semester is **19 December**. Training begins promptly @ 4:30 pm. All returning servers are asked to attend. Any young man who has made his 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion is invited to serve at Holy Mass. Those new servers are interested should email the Rector (servers@oratorysga.org) regarding their interest in serving at Holy Mass.

# THE ALMONRY OF SS. GREGORY AND AUGUSTINE

The Almonry of Ss. Gregory and Augustine is an extension of the pastoral charity and solicitude of the Oratory of Ss. Gregory and Augustine and seeks to manifest the burning love of Our Lord's Sacred Heart by caring for the material needs and spiritual wellbeing of the poor and needy of the Oratory Community and of the greater Saint Louis area.

To **request support**, please contact the Almoner, Jacob Maret, in person, via email at <a href="mailto:almonry@oratorysga.org">almonry@oratorysga.org</a>, or via phone at 314-941-5064.

Please consider supporting the Almonry with a contribution in addition to your normal offering. Contributions can be made via cash or check and may be included in the weekly collection. For check donations, please write "Almonry" on the memo line. For cash donations, please place the cash in an envelope with your name, address, and "Almonry" written on the front of the envelope.

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#### **ORATORY TITHING**

I am most grateful for the immediate response to our on-going financial responsibilities. Despite the challenges we face, the Oratory community continues to grow with new families joining each month. Our weekly collection has increased because the Oratory has assumed more responsibilities for the physical plant and daily operations of the Church of Saint Luke.

As a reminder, the needed amount for each week is \$11,500. I recognize that increased tithing will be a sacrifice and I ask you to prayerfully consider what you are able to give and if you are in position to offer more in the weekly collection.

Again, please know of my sincere gratitude for your generosity throughout our time here at St. Luke the Evangelist and as we move forward.

#### FROM THE RECTOR

Gaudete in Domino semper: iterum dico, Gaudete! Rejoice always in the Lord; I say again, Rejoice! This is the opening verse of the Introit for Holy Mass on this Third Sunday of Advent, traditionally know as Gaudete Sunday. We are exhorted to rejoice because our King will soon be with us. At the coming of Our Lord there should be great rejoicing with hearts full of joy and peace. It is hoped that we have used these days of the Advent season to properly prepare ourselves for the presence of the Incarnate Word among us. Through Her wisdom, Holy Mother the Church provides us this opportunity to make manifest our joy, but also to continue to prepare ourselves for His coming. Today we encounter the great prophet, St. John the Baptist. Through his exhortation to penance, his example of profound humility and his awareness of the Lord's presence, St. John the Baptist continues to assist us in being prepared for the coming of the Just Judge. Let us pay heed to his exhortation to remove sin from our lives to better receive the light of Christ. Moreover, through growth in the virtue of humility, let us pray for the strength to be the herald's voice crying out in the wilderness. The world is in desperate need for more St. John the Baptists to preach the truth. Through Our Blessed Mother, our constant companion in Advent, let us ask for the grace needed to open our hearts to the Lord and to rejoice in Him always.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Sunday, 11 December: Coffee Hour after 11:30 am Holy Mass (In school)
- Sunday, 11 December: Prime @ 7:20 am; Terce @ 11:10 am; and Vespers @ 4:30 pm
- Wednesday, 14 December: Holy Hour @ 5:00 pm 6:00 pm; Compline @ 7:15 pm
- Saturday, 17 December: Decorate Church @ 10:00 am
- Sunday, 18 December: Coffee Hour after 8:00 am Holy Mass (in school)
- Sunday, 18 December: Prime @ 7:20 am; Terce @ 11:10 am; and Vespers @ 4:30 pm
- Monday, 19 December: Server Practice @ 4:15 pm
- Monday, 19 December: Troops of St. George @ 6:30 pm
- Wednesday, 21 December: Holy Hour @ 5:00 pm 6:00 pm; Compline @ 7:15 pm
- Saturday, 24 December: Vigil of Christmas: Holy Mass @ 8:15 am; Confessions @ 7:00 am
- Sunday, 25 December: Midnight Mass (Solemn High Mass); 6:30 am (Sung Mass); and 8:00 am (Sung Mass)
- Monday, 26 December: Normal Monday Schedule
- Tuesday, 27 December: Holy Mass @ 12:15 pm; (confessions @ 11:00 am) \*in lieu of the 7:00am Holy Mass\*
- Wednesday, 28 December: Holy Mass @ 12:15 pm; (confessions @ 11:00 am) \*in lieu of the normal Wednesday schedule\*
- Thursday, 29 December: Holy Mass @ 12:15 pm; (confessions @ 11:00 am) \*in lieu of the 7:00 am Holy Mass\*
- Friday, 30 December: Normal Friday Schedule

• Saturday, 31 December: Holy Mass @ 8:15 am (confessions @ 7:00 am)

#### PILGRIM VIRGIN MARY STATUE 2022

11/27-12/04 Horan 12/04-12/11 Schuette 12/11-12-18 Filla 12/18-12/25 Petrick

Drop off and pick-up statue at back of church. Place on the floor to left of the Oratory table. Be in contact with each other to ensure that the statue will transfer on schedule.

PLEASE CONTACT SHARON ALEXANDER saalexa@sbcglobal.net TO BE ADDED OR TAKEN OFF THE PILGRIM STATUE SCHEDULE. NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

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#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, 12 December – *Our Lady of Guadalupe* 12:15 pm: Anthony G. Bundschuh (d)

Tuesday, 13 December – *St. Lucy* 7:00 am: David J. Murphy (d)

Wednesday, 14 December – *Octave Day* 6:30 pm: David J. Murphy (d)

Thursday, 15 December – Octave of The Immaculate Conception 7:00 am: Sherry Tunteri (d)

Friday, 16 December – *St. Eusebius* 12:15 pm: Patricia Pervan-Elmore (d)

Sunday, 18 December – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

6:30 am: Pro Populo

8:00 am: Ann Morris-Kenney (d) 11:30 am: Colton Marks

~ 12/04/2022 ~

**ACTUAL** 

Weekly Collection Total \$ 10,208.25 Online Giving \$ 6,078.00 Total \$ 16,286.25

Needed \$ 11,500.00 (\$4,786.25)

Year to Date Total \$ 259,212.98

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