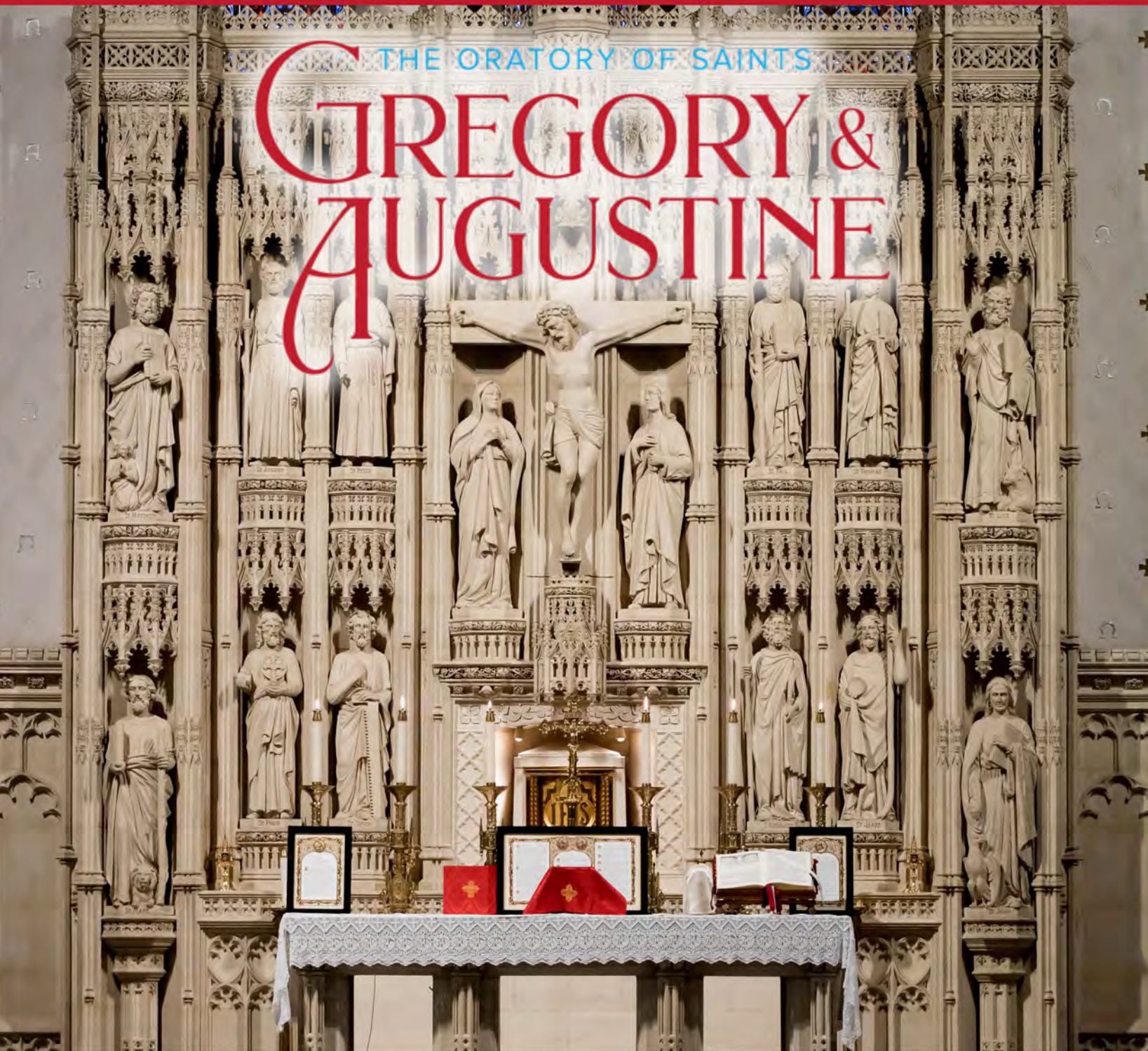


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GREGORY & AUGUSTINE



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

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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 (www.stlouislatinmass.com), 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

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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 pm
- Tuesday & Thursday: 7:00 am
- Wednesday: 6:30 pm
- First Friday: 7:15 pm
- First 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 2nd and 3rd 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.

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9-14 January 2023

There will be NO Public Confessions or Holy Masses the week of 9 January. The rector will be making his annual retreat at the Monastery.

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EPIPHANY WATER/CHALK AND SALT

For those who were not able to be present for the celebration of the Epiphany of Our Lord, there is blessed water, salt, and chalk available. These items may be found on the Oratory table in the vestibule of the Church. PLEASE: Take only what is necessary in order that everyone make have access to these items while they last.

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CATECHESIS ON CONFESSION

Last year I shared a few insights on the nature of the sacrament of confession. I want to take this opportunity to offer again a few words on the nature of our confessions needing to be entire and complete and based not on emotion only.

The Catechism of the Council of Trent provides a thorough and complete explication of the Sacrament of Penance. I want to draw particular attention to the exhortation that confession should be complete and entire. The Church teaches us that we are responsible for confessing all of our mortal sins in both number (how often) and kind (nature of the sin itself). As such when we come for confession, we should not only present those sins that are on our hearts or that have easily come to mind but also confess all sins we can recall after a thorough examination of conscience.

I encourage everyone to access a thorough and complete guide for examining your conscience. This will assist you in recalling your serious sins as well as venial sins which also work against growing in holiness. A good examination of conscience will also provide the requisite detachment from the emotions that are often associated with the sins for which we are guilt. There are situations where we might feel bad about a particular interaction, situation, but no sin was involved and then there are times when we have grown so accustomed to our sins that we no longer feel guilt about them and fail to confess them. Prepare well for the sacrament so that you can also use well the graces received.

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2023 CALENDARS

The calendars for 2023 for the Oratory Community have arrived. This year’s calendar comes from the Transalpine Redemptorists, a community of traditional monks rooted in the Redemptorists charism who practice both the contemplative and active life. Their motherhouse is in Scotland and they have recently founded a house in Montana.

You are kindly asked to initially take one calendar per household. Once everyone has had a chance to pick up a

calendar, there should be more available in late January for those who need another one. Thank you!

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MEN’S CONFERENCE (FEBRUARY 2023)

Catholic Men for Christ: Archdiocese of St. Louis is holding its annual conference on **Saturday, 18 February 2023**. The conference begins at 8:45 am and concludes at 4:30 pm and is being held at the Si Commons on the campus of St. Louis University High School. For more information please visit: catholicmenforchrist.org.

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WOMEN’S CONFERENCE (MARCH 2023)

Catholic Women for Christ: Archdiocese of St. Louis is holding its annual conference on **Saturday, 11 March 2023**. The conference begins at 8:45 am and concludes at 4:30 pm and is being held at the Si Commons on the campus of St. Louis University High School. For more information please visit: catholicwomenforchrist.org.

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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:

- Compline 7:15 pm

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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; Dotty Kuhlmann and Nancy Long Mueller, mother and mother-in-law 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.

NEW FAMILIES for DECEMBER (alphabetical order):

A warm welcome to our new parishioners!

- The Donohue Family ~ Peter & Carly, Maria, Pete, and Chris
- Laura Nelson
- Maria and Coty Noe
- Stephen Volgyi

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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

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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.

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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 well-being 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 almonry@oratorysga.org, 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.

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YEAR-END UPDATES

If you are currently enrolled in online giving there is no need to do anything to continue your contributions for 2023. You can make modifications to your account at any time; if you do nothing, your current elections will continue. If you are still receiving envelopes and you are enrolled in online giving, please contact Donna to have the envelopes discontinued ~ it helps the Oratory save costs. If you are not enrolled in online giving...you can join at any time! All contributions, online and via the collection basket, had to be made by Saturday, December 31st in order to be included in your 2022 contribution statement. *Thank you!*

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ANNUAL GIVING STATEMENTS

Annual Giving statements will be available for those with donations exceeding \$500 beginning on Sunday, 15 January 2023. You will find your statement in the boxes, in alphabetical order, on the back table in the Church vestibule. If your annual giving is less than \$500 and you would like a statement please email the office and request that one be printed for you.

Please notify the office (*via email please*) immediately if any changes to your contact information need to be made regarding your name or address, phone number, cell number or email address. Again, please make every effort to notify the office of these changes through email. Our email address is office@oratorysga.org. *In advance thank you for your generosity and attentiveness to these details.*

FROM THE RECTOR

The Feast of the Holy Family reinforces our faith in the Incarnation and further expands on the implications of God becoming man. The Lord's presence in the flesh serves not only to reconcile us to the Father but also to restore mankind's dignity. Consequently, every aspect of human life presents an opportunity to make manifest the glory of God. The human condition and all its aspects no longer need be drudgery and toil. Family life, when it is modeled after that of the Holy Family, opens opportunities to grow in virtue. Our Collect and Lessons today instruct us that through the virtues of charity, obedience, mutual help and regard the Holy Family made family life holy. As always, we are presented the chance/challenge to practice these same virtues in our own families. Through the intercession of Jesus, Mary and Joseph let us courageously work to redeem family life from the pernicious lies of society and culture. By lives of virtue, let us find joy and peace in our own families and in the family of Holy Mother the Church.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, 8 January: Coffee Hour after 11:30 am Holy Mass (in school)
- Monday, 9 January: **NO Confessions or Public Mass**
- Tuesday, 10 January: **NO Public Mass**
- Wednesday, 11 January: **NO Adoration, Confessions or Public Mass**
- Thursday, 12 January: **NO Public Mass**
- Friday, 13 January: **NO Confessions or Public Mass**
- Sunday, 15 January: Coffee Hour after 8:00 am Holy Mass (in school)
- Sunday, 15 January: Prime @ 7:20 am; Terce @ 11:10 am; and Vespers @ 4:30 pm
- Wednesday, 18 January: Holy Hour @ 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm; Compline @ 7:15 pm
- Sunday, 22 January: Coffee Hour after 11:30 am Holy Mass (in school)
- Sunday, 22 January: Prime @ 7:20 am; Terce @ 11:10 am; and Vespers @ 4:30 pm
- Wednesday, 25 January: Holy Hour @ 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm; Compline @ 7:15 pm
- Sunday, 29 January: Prime @ 7:20 am; Terce @ 11:10 am; and Vespers @ 4:30 pm

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PILGRIM VIRGIN MARY STATUE 2022

01/01-01/08 Stolarski	01/08-01/15 Henry
01/15-01/22 Buchheit	01/22-01/29 Kiser
01/29-02/05 Buyle	02/05-02/12 Agnew
02/12-02/19 Leljedal	02/19-02/26 Grizzle
02/26-03/05 Turntine	03/05-03/12 Wisniewski
03/12-03/19 Kelly	03/19-03/26 Jones

03/26-04/02 Holman	04/02-04/09 Carapella
04/09-04/16 Cook	04/16-04/23 Hayward
04/23-04/30 Fowler	04/30-05/07 Blum
05/07-05/14 Haulard	05/14-05/21 Catalano
05/21-05/28 Kenney	05/28-06/04 Raymond
06/04-06/11 Horan	06/11-06/18 Schuette
06/18-06/25 Filla	06/25-07/02 Petrick

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

PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA, the 2023 schedule is welcoming new members to the group. To join please contact: Sharon Alexander- saalex@sbcglobal.net

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MASS INTENTIONS

- Monday, 9 January – *Octave of Epiphany*
Mass Intention: Carly Donahue
- Tuesday, 10 January – *Octave of Epiphany*
Mass Intention: Marie Theresa Speciale (d)
- Wednesday, 11 January – *Octave of Epiphany*
Mass Intention: Milo Rheinheimer
- Thursday, 12 January – *Octave of Epiphany*
Mass Intention: Brett Knapp (d)
- Friday, 13 January – *Octave of Epiphany*
Mass Intention: Kevin Murphy
- Sunday, 15 January – *2nd Sunday after Epiphany*
6:30 am: Pro Populo
8:00 am: Robert Adams (d)
11:30 am: Ann L. Morris-Kenney (d)

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For the Church which believes and prays, the Wise Men from the East who, guided by the star, made their way to the manger of Bethlehem, are only the beginning of a great procession which winds throughout history. Thus the liturgy reads the Gospel which relates the journey of the Wise Men, together with the magnificent prophetic visions of the sixtieth chapter of the Book of Isaiah and Psalm 71, which depict in bold imagery the pilgrimage of the peoples to Jerusalem. Like the shepherds, who as the first visitors to the newborn Child in the manger, embodied the poor of Israel and more generally those humble souls who live in deep interior closeness to Jesus, so the men from the East embody the world of the peoples, the Church of the Gentiles – the men and women who in every age set out on the way which leads to the Child of Bethlehem, to offer him homage as the Son of God and to bow down before him. The Church calls this feast “Epiphany” – the appearance of the Godhead. If we consider the fact that from the very beginning men and women of every place, of every continent, of all the different cultures, mentalities and lifestyles, have been on the way to Christ, then we can truly say that this pilgrimage and this encounter with God in the form of a Child is an epiphany of God’s goodness and loving kindness for humanity (cf. Tit 3:4). Pope Benedict XVI, Epiphany Homily 2013

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

Ss. Gregory and Augustine, pray for us!

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