

# Tridentine Community News

July 8, 2012

*Msgr. Arthur Calkins to Celebrate Tridentine Mass  
at Assumption-Windsor on Tuesday, July 17*



Metro Detroit will be privileged to host one of the most accomplished priests in the history of the modern Tridentine Mass: Msgr. Arthur Calkins, the recently retired English Secretary of the Pontifical Commission *Ecclésia Dei*, will celebrate a *Missa Cantata* at Windsor's Assumption Church on Tuesday, July 17 at 7:00 PM. This is a rare opportunity to see a priest who has shaped much of the age we live in – For most of

the last 20 years, virtually all English correspondence from the Vatican concerning the Extraordinary Form was written by Msgr. Calkins. He was the PCED's problem solver, the man who tried to find solutions for countless challenges facing priests, the faithful seeking guidance in establishing a Mass in their region, and liturgical planners needing official clarifications on matters of rubrics. We here in Detroit and Windsor have benefitted enormously from the counsel Msgr. Calkins has given us over the years; his advice was always practical, succinct, and followed-through. He also presided over one of the most impressive recordkeeping systems this writer has ever seen: every letter received by the Commission was given a permanent home in a meticulously organized set of filing cabinets. The lesson learned: Don't write what you don't want remembered. You, too, could have a file at the Vatican.

Originally from Erie, Pennsylvania, Msgr. Calkins is a priest of the Archdiocese of New Orleans, Louisiana, to which he has returned after his time in Rome. Apart from his work with the Commission, Msgr. Calkins is also a retreat leader and a noted Marian scholar, with several works to his credit.

Our local *Juventutem* chapter has set up a Facebook event page for a possible post-Mass dinner if there is sufficient interest. Interested young adults age 18-35 are asked to register on Facebook so plans can be made.

We're proud to note that Msgr. Calkins specifically requested Michel Ozorak to compose Chant Sheets for the occasion. How often does an [ex] Vatican official consider someone from our corner of the world as a go-to guy?

*Our Lady of Mt. Carmel – Wyandotte  
To Host Solemn High Mass on July 16*

In honor of the parish titular feast, Wyandotte, Michigan's Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish [pictured] will hold a Solemn High Mass in the Extraordinary Form on Monday, July 16 at **6:00 PM**. The celebrant will be Fr. Charles White, the deacon will be Deacon Richard Bloomfield, and the subdeacon will be Tim Ferguson. This will be the second Solemn High Mass the parish has hosted in recent years. As many of our readers know, Our Lady of Mount Carmel has long offered a monthly Tridentine Mass on one Saturday morning per month; call the parish for a schedule of future Masses.

This Mass will be part of that day's bus tour of historic churches, however all are welcome to attend, even if you are not going on the bus tour.

It should be noted that St. Josaphat will hold its usual 7:00 PM Mass that Monday, as well.

## *Brown Scapular Distribution on July 15*

In honor of the Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, blessed Brown Scapulars will be distributed after Holy Mass at both St. Josaphat and Assumption-Windsor next Sunday, July 15. Enrollment in the Brown Scapular, a ceremony to be performed only once in a person's life, will be offered for those who have not been enrolled before, provided our celebrant has time.

The Brown Scapular is a devotional object to be worn around the neck. Our Blessed Mother promised assistance at the time of death to those wearing this scapular. Numerous graces are associated with devoutly wearing it; a quick Google search will yield some of the history and traditions.

## *Next St. Albertus Mass*

The next Tridentine Mass at St. Albertus Church will be held in two weeks, on Sunday, July 22 at noon.

## *Tridentine Masses This Coming Week*

Mon. 07/09 7:00 PM: Low Mass at *St. Josaphat* (Feria – Celebrant may choose a Votive Mass)

Tue. 07/10 7:00 PM: Low Mass at *Assumption-Windsor* (Seven Holy Brothers, Martyrs, and Ss. Rufina & Secunda, Virgins & Martyrs)

