

Tridentine Community News

February 26, 2017 – Quinquagésima Sunday

Fr. Steve Marsh Celebrates First Tridentine Mass



Another young priest has begun to offer the Traditional Mass: Fr. Steve Marsh, ordained in 2015 for the Diocese of London, Ontario, celebrated his first Holy Mass in the Extraordinary Form on Friday, February 3 at St. Joseph Church in Sarnia, Ontario. We hope to continue to see him offering the Tridentine Mass there and perhaps one day in Windsor.

Sacra Liturgia 2017 Conference

The now-annual Sacra Liturgia Conference has evolved into the premier global gathering of those interested in matters of traditional Sacred Liturgy. It was held in Rome in 2013, in New York in 2015, and in London in 2016. This year it will be held June 6-9 in Milan, Italy at the University of the Sacred Heart. The event is once again being organized by liturgical scholar Dom Alcuin Reid, with the support of Bishop Dominique Rey of the Diocese of Fréjus-Toulon, France.

Prefect of the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and the Sacraments Robert Cardinal Sarah will again be heading a stellar array of speakers that includes Raymond Cardinal Burke, who will speak on "*Summorum Pontificum* After Ten Years", and the London Oratory's Fr. Michael Lang. Vespers and Mass will be offered in the traditional Ambrosian Rite, an historic variant of the Tridentine Mass native to Milan, at the famous "Duomo", the Metropolitan Cathedral of Milan, as well as at the Basilica of St. Ambrose and other churches.

Further information and registration details are available at: www.milan-sacraliturgia.com

Oregon Sacred Liturgy Conference

Somewhat closer to home, there will be a Sacred Liturgy Conference July 12-15, 2017 at Sacred Heart Church in Medford, Oregon, in the southern part of the state near the California border. The seemingly ubiquitous Raymond Cardinal Burke will be present to offer a Pontifical Solemn Mass at the Throne in the Extraordinary Form. Well-known proponent of traditional sacred liturgy and music Archbishop Alexander Sample of the Archdiocese of Portland will offer a Pontifical Mass in the Ordinary Form. Speakers include Bishop Robert Vasa of the Diocese of Santa Rosa, California and Gregorian Chant expert

Lynne Bissonnette-Pitre. For further information and registration details, visit: www.sacredliturgyconference.org

Pontifical Council for Culture to Study Training of Priests in Art and Beauty

Gianfranco Cardinal Ravasi, the prefect of the Vatican's Pontifical Council for Culture, has announced a project to study the training of priests and "cultural workers" in the "aesthetics and history of art", according to a January 29 interview published by Catholic News Agency. The preparation of artists, sculptors, and painters, especially in regards to the connection between faith and art, will be included in the study. Cardinal Ravasi emphasized the evangelical nature of artistic beauty, adding that "ugly or featureless buildings do not cultivate an inner well-being, nor do they lead people to contemplation the way beauty can." While one might argue that these are tentative first steps, anything the Vatican can do to promote the traditional sacred arts is likely to bear fruit for future generations. Young artisans must not be led to believe that all modern churches must be mere functional boxes, devoid of inspiring features.

It is encouraging to note that such discussion is becoming more commonplace in the Church. Two additional examples:

This past Thursday, February 23, Fr. Thomas White, OP gave a presentation for the Thomistic Institute at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology entitled, "Can Beauty Save the World? Why a Culture of Technology Requires a Culture of Aesthetics".

An article on Bishop Robert Barron's Word on Fire blog by Lansing, Michigan writer Fredric Heidemann entitled "The Irresistible Beauty That Draws Atheists to God" detailed how the beautiful externals of liturgy, art, and architecture are an essential form of evangelization. Bishop Barron himself delivered a talk on "Beauty and Evangelization" at Los Angeles' Loyola Marymount University on January 24.

Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

Mon. 02/27 7:00 PM: Low Mass at *St. Josaphat* (St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows, Confessor)

Tue. 02/28 7:00 PM: Low Mass at *Holy Name of Mary, Windsor* (Votive Mass for Any Necessity)

Wed. 03/01 7:00 PM: High Mass at *St. Alphonsus, Windsor* (Ash Wednesday)

Wed. 03/01: 12:00 Noon Low Mass & 7:00 PM High Mass at *St. Joseph* (Ash Wednesday)

Wed. 03/01 7:00 PM: Low Mass at *Assumption Grotto, Detroit* (Ash Wednesday)

Fri. 03/03 7:00 PM: High Mass at *Old St. Mary's* (Friday After Ash Wednesday) – First Friday – Devotions precede Mass. All are invited to a reception after Mass in the parish hall.

Fri. 03/03 7:00 PM: High Mass at *St. Joseph* (Friday After Ash Wednesday) – First Friday

Sat. 03/04 8:30 AM: Low Mass at *Miles Christi* (Saturday After Ash Wednesday)

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