Tridentine Community News

May 21, 2017 - Fifth Sunday After Easter

The Litany of Loreto

In this month of our Blessed Mother, it behooves us to devote some time to her in prayer. One of the most significant prayers to Our Lady, the praying of which is enriched with a Partial Indulgence, is the Litany of Loreto, named after the city in Italy where this prayer originated at a Marian shrine circa 1558.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

God our Father in heaven, *have mercy on us.* God the Son, Redeemer of the world, *have mercy on us.* God the Holy Spirit, *have mercy on us.* Holy Trinity, one God, *have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary, pray for us. Holy Mother of God, pray for us. Most honoured of virgins, pray for us. Mother of Christ, pray for us. Mother of the Church, pray for us. Mother of divine grace, pray for us. Mother most pure, pray for us. Mother of chaste love, pray for us. Mother and virgin, pray for us. Sinless Mother, pray for us. Dearest of mothers, pray for us. Model of motherhood, pray for us. Mother of good counsel, pray for us. Mother of our Creator, pray for us. Mother of our Saviour, pray for us. Virgin most wise, pray for us. Virgin rightly praised, pray for us. Virgin rightly renowned, pray for us. Virgin most powerful, pray for us. Virgin gentle in mercy, pray for us. Faithful Virgin, pray for us. Mirror of justice, pray for us. Throne of wisdom, pray for us. Cause of our joy, pray for us. Shrine of the Spirit, pray for us. Glory of Israel, pray for us. Vessel of selfless devotion, pray for us. Mystical Rose, pray for us. Tower of David, pray for us. Tower of ivory, pray for us. House of gold, pray for us. Ark of the covenant, pray for us. Gate of heaven, pray for us. Morning Star, pray for us. Health of the sick, pray for us. Refuge of sinners, pray for us. Comfort of the troubled, pray for us.

Help of Christians, *pray for us.* Queen of Angels, *pray for us.* Queen of patriarchs and prophets, *pray for us.* Queen of Apostles and Martyrs, *pray for us.* Queen of Confessors and Virgins, *pray for us.* Queen of all Saints, *pray for us.* Queen conceived without sin, *pray for us.* Queen assumed into heaven, *pray for us.* Queen of the Rosary, *pray for us.* Queen of families, *pray for us.* Queen of peace, *pray for us.*

Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, *have mercy on us.* Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, *have mercy on us.* Lamb of God, You take away the sins of the world, *have mercy on us.*

Pray for us, holy Mother of God. That we may become worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

Eternal God, let Your people enjoy constant health in mind and body. Through the intercession of the Virgin Mary free us from the sorrows of this life and lead us to happiness in the life to come. Grant this through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Is Ascension Thursday a Holy Day of Obligation?

The Feast of the Ascension is a confusing one as far as fulfilling one's obligation to attend Mass. In the United States (but not in Canada), the Feast of the Ascension is a Holy Day of Obligation. In the Ordinary Form, the feast is transferred from its usual Thursday to the following Sunday. Not so according to the Tridentine calendar: It remains on the Thursday. Therefore one who follows the traditional calendar is arguably obligated to attend Holy Mass on Ascension Thursday. In previous years this has been difficult if not impossible, but nowadays in both the Lansing and Detroit dioceses, there are numerous options to do so.

Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

Mon. 05/22 7:00 PM: Low Mass at St. Josaphat (Feria)
<u>Tue. 05/23 7:00 PM:</u> Low Requiem Mass at Holy Name of Mary, Windsor (Daily Mass for the Dead)
On Ascension Thursday:
<u>Thu. 05/25:</u> 7:30 AM and 7:00 PM Low Masses at Assumption Grotto
<u>Thu. 05/25:</u> 8:00 AM Low Mass and 7:00 PM High Mass at St. Joseph
<u>Thu. 05/25 2:00 PM:</u> Mass at Christ the King, Ann Arbor
<u>Thu. 05/25 6:30 PM:</u> Low Mass at St. John XXIII, Lansing
<u>Thu. 05/25 7:00 PM:</u> High Mass at St. Marty Star of the Sea, Jackson
<u>Thu. 05/27 8:30 AM:</u> Low Mass at Miles Christi (St. Bede the Venerable, Confessor & Doctor)

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