**Restoration Campaign at St. Joseph Oratory**

Local newspaper and television reports have drawn attention to this week’s announcement of a $2.5 million restoration campaign for Detroit’s St. Joseph Oratory. The steeple is in need of repair and reshingling, plus there are additional overdue maintenance matters to be addressed. This writer has been observing St. Joseph since 1983, and this is the highest-profile fundraising effort the church has ever undertaken—a good thing, as historic churches need to reach out beyond their own parishioner base to raise this level of funding.

**Sanctuary Restoration at Our Lady of the Scapular**

Speaking of church restorations, a milestone has been achieved at Wyandotte’s Our Lady of the Scapular Church. Previously this column had reported that the old 1970s-style freestanding altar had been replaced with a refurbished former Side Altar from a closed church, and the ugly and awkward carpeted platform on which the altar stood in the sanctuary had been removed.

In recent weeks the new freestanding altar has had wheels installed so that it is easily moveable, and the stone floor has been refurbished and holes filled in. The before and after photos tell the story:

The next two items on the to-do list are the acquisition of a High Pulpit to resemble the one that was originally in the church, and the reinstallation of the center part of the Communion Rail.

**EWTN Televises Pittsburgh Cathedral Tridentine Mass**

We had previously reported that EWTN had broadcast a Pontifical Solemn Mass in the Extraordinary Form from Philadelphia’s Ss. Peter & Paul Cathedral Basilica on September 14. Much to our surprise and delight, this past Sunday, October 15, EWTN without much fanfare televised another Tridentine Mass, this time from Pittsburgh’s St. Paul Cathedral. The occasion was the Pittsburgh St. John XXIII Latin Mass Parish holding a special Mass at that Cathedral. Both broadcasts were part of EWTN’s Cathedrals Across America series.

Further evidence of the mainstreaming of the Traditional Latin Mass: While this event just a few years ago would have been the talk of the blogosphere, this time it only received wide mention one or two days before the broadcast. A recording of the Mass may be viewed on-line at:
https://www.facebook.com/ewtnonline/videos/10155186477572582/

**2018 Liturgical Calendars & Ordos**

Once again this year we will be ordering 2018 Extraordinary Form Calendars from the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter.

For the more liturgically curious among you, we will also be ordering 2018 Ordos. An Ordo is a book-form calendar which celebrants use as a guide for which liturgical options to use on each day of the year.

Both the Calendars and Ordos may be ordered using forms available at the Oakland County Latin Mass Association at the Academy of the Sacred Heart Chapel in Bloomfield Hills; St. Alphonsus and Holy Name of Mary Churches in Windsor; and Old St. Mary’s Church in Detroit. The price is $13.00 U.S. or $17.00 Canadian for either publication, and prepayment is requested.

**Tridentine Masses This Coming Week**

Mon. 10/23 7:00 PM: Low Mass at St. Josaphat (St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop & Confessor)

Tue. 10/24 7:00 PM: Low Mass at Holy Name of Mary, Windsor (St. Raphael the Archangel)

Sat. 10/28 8:30 AM: Low Mass at Miles Christi (Ss. Simon & Jude, Apostles)