

Tridentine Community News

November 19, 2017 – Resumed Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

Tridentine Mass Celebrant Training in Saint John, New Brunswick and Medford, Oregon

The last few months have brought more interest from priests interested in learning to celebrate the Traditional Latin Mass. Publicized on the web site and in certain episodes of *Extraordinary Faith*, the training only requires two days for priests to learn to celebrate their first Mass. Priests need only provide essential Mass supplies; there is no cost for training materials, time, or travel.

For a variety of reasons, some priest students request to keep their participation in the class confidential. Most, however, are thrilled to be able to provide the Extraordinary Form to their flocks and to help their own spiritual growth as priests. Three recent participants in the training in particular stand out:



Fr. Peter Melanson, Pastor of Holy Trinity Church near downtown Saint John, New Brunswick, is a graduate of

Ontario's St. Peter's Seminary. With the support of his bishop, he is starting the first regular Latin Mass in his part of Canada in over 45 years. Having only taken the training in August, Fr. Melanson has already begun weekly Sunday 12:30 PM Low Masses at Holy Trinity on October 29. A page on the parish web site is dedicated to this new initiative: <http://holyltrinitysj.com/latinmass/>

Fr. Shane McKee, Associate Pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in downtown Medford, Oregon, and



Fr. Ben Tapia, Pastor of Shepherd of the Valley Church in Central Point Oregon, this past week took part in a training

session at Sacred Heart Church arranged by Don Haverkamp and Mike Ford of Southern Oregon Una Voce. Don and Mike were the organizers of the sold-out Sacred Liturgy Conference held at

Sacred Heart Church this past summer, which Cardinal Burke, Archbishop Cordileone, and other luminaries attended. Fr. Shane and Fr. Ben will be joining the roster of priests offering the Traditional Mass in the Medford area, with the intent of expanding the frequency of its availability.

Priests interested in learning the Tridentine Mass are invited to e-mail info@extraordinaryfaith.tv for more information about the training program.

Solemn High Mass at National Catholic Youth Conference

The below, printed verbatim from Gregory DiPippo's post on the New Liturgical Movement blog, further demonstrates the growing influence and presence of the Traditional Latin Mass at mainstream Catholic events:

"Every two years, over 25,000 young people attend the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC), which for the past three years has been held in Indianapolis at Lucas Oil Stadium and the Convention Center. This year there will be a Solemn High Mass in the Extraordinary Form offered at NCYC. Two years ago, a Missa Cantata was celebrated at the conference, and it drew such a large crowd that there were more people overflowing outside of the small chapel than inside the chapel itself.



The Mass has been moved to a larger room this year, and a portable reredos

and communion rail are being built for the chapel. Please spread the word to those you know who might be attending NCYC; this will be a great opportunity for young people to experience the Traditional Rite of the Mass at such a large gathering. The Mass will be held in the NCYC Adoration Chapel in the Indianapolis Convention Center on Friday, November 17th at 11:30am."

This is, of course, an encouraging development, but what's still missing is any official acknowledgement from the U.S. or Canadian Conferences of Catholic Bishops that Tradition has any real role in evangelizing the young. One wonders just why this never seems to be a part of the official party line. Perhaps bishops and their staffs don't realize that laser light shows and praise-and-worship music don't appeal to everyone's spiritual sensitivities.

Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

Mon. 11/20 7:00 PM: Low Mass at *St. Josaphat* (St. Felix of Valois, Confessor)

Tue. 11/21 7:00 PM: Low Mass at *Holy Name of Mary, Windsor* (Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

Sat. 11/25 8:30 AM: Low Mass at *Miles Christi* (St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr)

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