

Tridentine Community News

December 24, 2017 – Vigil of Christmas

New Year's Day Mass Schedule

The Octave of Christmas, also known as the Feast of the Circumcision, January 1, is usually a Holy Day of Obligation in both the U.S. and Canada. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has announced that it will not be of obligation this year, however the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops has made no such announcement. Nevertheless local Latin Mass sites will be holding special Masses on January 1 as follows:

- *St. Joseph*: 9:00 AM [Low Mass], 11:00 AM
- *St. Edward on the Lake, Lakeport*: 12:00 Midnight [yes, midnight]
- *Assumption Grotto*: 9:30 AM
- *Oakland County Latin Mass Association at the Academy of the Sacred Heart Chapel*: 9:45 AM
- *St. Benedict Tridentine Community at Holy Name of Mary Church, Windsor*: 2:00 PM

Blessing of Epiphany Water & Salt



Epiphany Water will be blessed before Mass and distributed after Mass on Sunday, January 7. The blessing will start at 9:10 AM at the Oakland County Latin Mass Association/Academy of the Sacred Heart Chapel in Bloomfield Hills, and at 1:20 PM at St. Benedict/Holy Name of Mary Church in Windsor. This is a lengthy exorcism and blessing, taking approximately 30 minutes. Bring bottles if you would like to take some Epiphany Water home. A limited number of small bottles will be available for those without their own.

Blessing of Candles

The Christmas season is a good time to remind everyone that it is a laudatory custom to use candles at home that have been blessed according to the Traditional Roman Ritual, which our celebrants are happy to do after Mass. There is a special prayer of blessing of candles for the Feast of the Purification (February 2), but the normal blessing, below, may be used on any other day of the year. Rich in meaning, this blessing must be performed in Latin; an English translation is provided here for reference.

V. Adjutórium nostrum in nómine Dómini.

R. Qui fecit cælum et terram.

V. Dóminus vobiscum.

R. Et cum spíritu tuo.

Orémus.

Dómine Jesu Christe, Fili Dei vivi, béne^xdic candélas istas supplicatióne nostris: infúnde eis, Dómine, per virtútem sanctæ Cru^xcis, benedictiónem cælestem, qui eas ad repelléndas ténebras

humáno géneri tribuísti; talémque benedictiónem signáculo sanctæ Cru^xcis accípiant, ut, quibuscúmque locis accénsæ, sive pósitæ fúerint, discédant príncipes tenebrárum, et contremiscant, et fúgiant pávidi cum ómnibus mínistris suis ab habitatióne illis, nec præsumant ámplius inquietáre, aut molestáre serviéntes tibi omnipoténti Deo: Qui vivis et regnas in sæcula sæculórum.

R. Amen.

[The candles are sprinkled with Holy Water.]

V. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R. Who made heaven and earth.

V. The Lord be with you.

R. And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, bless ^x these candles at our request. By the power of the holy Cross, ^x bestow a heavenly blessing on them, O Lord, Who didst give them to mankind to dispel the gloom. Empowered with the seal of Thy holy Cross, ^x let the spirits of darkness depart trembling and fly in fear from all places where their light shines, and never more disturb nor molest those who serve Thee, the almighty God, Who livest and reignest forevermore.

R. Amen.

Regina Magazine Publishes First Print Edition

For several years, Regina Magazine has been an on-line only publication. With much the same mission as *Extraordinary Faith*, Regina seeks to expose the beauty of Catholic Tradition through its reporting and high-quality photography. It has been and still is free to receive and read on-line. For the first time, however, Regina has published a glossy print edition, which can be ordered at the below address for \$9.99 + \$3.00 shipping:

<https://reginamag.com/product/regina-magazine-print-edition/>

Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

Mon. 12/25 – Christmas Day:

St. Joseph: 12:00 Midnight [Choir will sing Solemn Mass in A by César Franck], 9:00 AM [Low Mass], 11:00 AM

St. Edward on the Lake, Lakeport: 12:00 Midnight

Assumption Grotto: 12:00 Midnight [Choir will sing Paukenmesse by Haydn], 9:30 AM

Oakland County Latin Mass Association at the Academy of the Sacred Heart Chapel: 9:45 AM [Choir will sing Missa Sancti Nicolai by Haydn]

St. Benedict Tridentine Community at Holy Name of Mary Church, Windsor: 2:00 PM [Choir will sing Missa Sancti Nicolai by Haydn]

Tue. 12/26 7:00 PM: High Mass at *Holy Name of Mary, Windsor* (St. Stephen, Deacon & Protomartyr)

Sat. 12/30 8:30 AM: Low Mass at *Miles Christi* (Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas)