Tridentine Community News

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Chicago Bus Tour Mass Report



Once again, Prayer Pilgrimages' annual Christmas week bus tour of historic churches in Chicago was an event to remember. The tour included daily High Masses in the Extraordinary Form, assisted by the choir of St. Joseph Oratory and altar servers from Windsor's St. Benedict Tridentine Community. On Thursday, December 28, Mass was held at St. Mary of the Angels [above photo by Zach Trailer], arguably one of the world's most ornate parish churches.

On Friday, December 29, St. John Cantius Church welcomed our tour group to have Mass at their majestic High Altar.



Most memorably, on Saturday, December 30, approximately 200 Chicagoans joined our tour group for Mass at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. St. Stanislaus has been recently restored, including a new green marble platform for their High Altar and a new Communion Rail. It was a remarkable privilege to be able to pray the Traditional Mass in such exceptional edifices.



The Prayers of Preparation Before and Thanksgiving After Mass



If you've ever visited a sacristy in a pre-Vatican II church, you may very well have seen the above prayer card framed and mounted on a wall or a cabinet. Taken from the introductory section of the Tridentine altar missal, there are Psalms and prayers meant to be prayed by the priest in preparation before Mass and in thanksgiving after Mass. Not the same as the Vesting Prayers this column has previously explained, these prayers are lengthy and optional. Bishops are instructed to pray some of the thanksgiving prayers publicly as they unvest before the altar after a Pontifical Mass. Detroit's Blessed Sacrament Cathedral actually has a giant type font version of these prayers inscribed high up on the walls of its sacristy.

Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

Mon. 01/15 7:00 PM: Low Mass at *St. Josaphat* (St. Paul the First Hermit, Confessor)

<u>Tue. 01/16 7:00 PM:</u> Low Mass at *Holy Name of Mary, Windsor* (St. Marcellus I, Pope & Martyr)

Sat. 01/20 8:30 AM: Low Mass at *Miles Christi* (Ss. Fabian, Pope, & Sebastian, Martyrs)

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