Tridentine Community News

March 10, 2019 - First Sunday of Lent

Peter Kwasniewski to Speak in Detroit and Windsor



Noted Catholic scholar, speaker, writer, and composer Dr. Peter Kwasniewski will be visiting our area and will be speaking at three churches in the region. The exact subject matter of his presentation is yet to be set, however it will surely

involve traditional theological, liturgical, artistic, and musical elements.

On Friday, May 10, Old St. Mary's Church in Detroit will hold a special Tridentine High Mass at 7:00 PM, followed by Dr. Kwasniewski's talk in the parish hall.

On Saturday, May 11, the Latin Mass Community at Jackson's St. Mary Star of the Sea Church will host a talk, at a time and place yet to be announced.

On Sunday, May 12, the St. Benedict Tridentine Community will host a talk by Dr. Kwasniewski following the 2:00 PM High Mass at St. Alphonsus Church in Windsor.

There is no charge to attend the presentations at Old St Mary's and St. Alphonsus; we do not know whether that is the case in Jackson. Special thanks to Old St. Mary's Parish and parishioners of St. Benedict who covered the costs of Dr. Kwasniewski's visit.

Sacred Liturgy Conference in Spokane in May



The annual west coast Sacred Liturgy Conference has been growing in attendance and significance each year, with the 2018 edition attracting around 400 faithful from across the globe. This year's convention will take place Tuesday-Friday, May 28-31 in Spokane, Washington. The event combines talks, Masses in the Traditional Roman and Dominican Rites, chant and celebrant training workshops, and various Q&A sessions. It's an example of how a conference initially intended for those more generally interested in the liturgy has evolved towards the Extraordinary Form quite organically, building sizable attendance in the process.

Speakers include retired Hong Kong Cardinal Joseph Zen, San Francisco Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone, Spokane Bishop Thomas Daly, and International Commission on English in the Liturgy Director Msgr. Andrew Wadsworth.

You'll leave this sort of a gathering more informed and motivated to improve the state of liturgy on your home turf. For more information, visit <u>www.sacredliturgyconference.org</u>

Glass and Metalwork Restoration Discoveries

Maintaining the supplies needed for the Traditional Latin Mass can be quite a challenging undertaking. Nevertheless, there are rewarding moments when longstanding problems are solved. Here are some lessons we've recently learned:

Colored glass cylinders and globes which surround our torch candles can easily break or become cracked when a torch is dropped, falls, or is simply mishandled. It has been surprisingly difficult to find someone willing and able to make colored glass replacements. Not even the vaunted Adrian Hamers Co., which sells torches and candlesticks, knew of anybody. With the help of Randy Bowers at Old St. Mary's, St. Benedict's John Tome tracked down Andy Koupal, a glassblower at



Greenfield Village in Dearborn, who competently crafted the replacement glass we needed.

Chalices, ciboria, candlesticks, and other liturgical metalwork quickly become tarnished. Conventional polishing techniques, for example using Brasso, do not seem to work well. Liturgical Arts Journal blogger Shawn Tribe of London, Ontario identified a solution: *Superfine* steel wool. It's abrasive enough to remove the tarnish, but soft enough not to damage the metal. Our experience so far is that he's absolutely right. For the complete story, see: https://www.liturgicalartsjournal.com/2018/09/sacristy-tips-polishing-metalwork-to.html

But what about metal objects that are damaged or in need of more complex repair? The usual advice is to ship the items out of town to a specialist. A better solution has surfaced, a company familiar to many locals: House of Renew in Berkley, known to generations as the go-to place to repair broken china, has diversified into metalwork restoration and has already fixed a wounded ciborium for us.

Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

<u>Tue. 03/12 7:00 PM:</u> Low Mass at *Holy Name of Mary, Windsor* (Feria)

Sat. 03/16 8:30 AM: Low Mass at *Miles Christi* (Ember Saturday of Lent)

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