Tridentine Community News

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Intro to Pipe Organs Video Series



Archdiocese of Detroit Director of Music (and local Tridentine Mass substitute organist and choir director) Joe Balistreri has begun to produce a series of videos explaining the basics of how pipe organs work. If you've ever been curious about how stops (the pull knobs), manuals (the keyboards), and the car radio-like preset buttons work, Joe explains it all. See the developing series, filmed using the historic Casavant pipe organ in the choir loft of Detroit's Blessed Sacrament Cathedral, on the cathedral's Facebook page.

Part 1 of the series is here:

https://www.facebook.com/cathedral.aod/posts/245638524466776

Part 2 of the series is here:

https://www.facebook.com/cathedral.aod/posts/2456412051331747

Livestreaming of Old St. Mary's Tridentine Masses



Two weeks ago this column mentioned the new livestreaming of Windsor's St. Benedict Tridentine Community's Sunday 2:00 PM and Tuesday 7:00 PM Masses on their Facebook page. This week we are pleased to report that Old St. Mary's has started to livestream its Traditional Masses, as well. Recently Old St. Mary's installed an upgraded P.A. system, which includes a camera mounted on the underside of the choir loft. The system is intended to support livestreaming, but because of technical complexities, previous experiments with livestreaming at the church involved the use of a simple cell phone camera setup.

The first livestream with the P.A. system camera took place on Friday, January 1 at the 7:00 PM First Friday Mass. It was not publicized in advance. The parish simply activated the livestream on their Facebook page and decided to see how many would watch. At the end of the Mass, Facebook showed an incredible count of 1,400 viewers while it was live, and an additional 900 viewers of the recording afterwards as of this writing. The superlative music and beautifully decorated sanctuary no doubt helped to attract the viewership. Anecdotally this seems to have been one of the most highly viewed non-special event livestream Tridentine Masses of any church in recent memory.

Mother Teresa's Emergency Novena

A reader brought to our attention an interesting novena invented and advocated by none other than the late Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Most novenas, as the name implies, require nine days of prayer. But what if you have an urgent need that needs to be addressed right away? The saintly nun had developed a formula that worked: Pray nine *Memoráres* one right after the other in petition, followed by a tenth in anticipated thanksgiving for the favor received. Known alternatively as her Emergency Novena, Quick Novena, and Flying Novena, there are abundant anecdotes of its effectiveness.

It is worth noting that praying the *Memoráre* gains a Partial Indulgence in and of itself. The prayer in Latin and English:

Memoráre, o piíssima Virgo María, non esse audítum a sáculo, quemquam ad tua recurréntem præsídia, tua implorántem auxilia, tua peténtem suffrágia esse derelíctum. Ego tali animátus confidéntia ad te, Virgo Vírginum, Mater, curro; ad te vénio; coram te gemens peccátor assísto. Noli, Mater Verbi, verba mea despícere, sed audi propítia et exáudi. Amen.

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

There are many articles with testimonials of the efficaciousness of this Emergency Novena. On such article is here: https://www.ncregister.com/blog/how-to-pray-mother-teresa-s-

famous-flying-novena-to-our-lady

Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

Sat. 01/16 8:00 AM: Low Mass at *Miles Christi* (St. Marcellus I, Pope & Martyr)

Sun. 01/17 10:00 AM: High Mass at *Old St. Mary's* (Second Sunday After Epiphany) – Monthly Sunday Tridentine Mass. Celebrant: Fr. Derik Peterman [Subsequent Sunday TLMs at Old St. Mary's: February 14, March 14, & April 18]