## **Tridentine Community News**

August 29, 2021 - Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

## External Solemnities



In the Ordinary Form of the Mass, certain Feast Days may be transferred to the nearest Sundays, either by diocesan norms or by regulation of the national conference of bishops. In the Extraordinary Form, the analogous concept is called an "External Solemnity," though there is a key difference: An External Solemnity is not a *transference* to the Sunday, but a *repetition* of the Feast on the Sunday. Most are optional but one is

mandatory: In the United States, Corpus Christi must be repeated on the Sunday following its usual place on the Thursday After Trinity Sunday. Other, optional External Solemnities include Sacred Heart, Ss. Peter & Paul, and Our Lady of the Rosary on the First Sunday of October. A parish or diocese's patronal Feast Day may be celebrated as an External Solemnity on the nearest Sunday. Detroit's St. Josaphat Church had a tradition of celebrating the External Solemnity of St. Josaphat on the Sunday nearest its usual November 14<sup>th</sup> Feast Day.

Here in metro Detroit and Windsor, we tend to choose the External Solemnity option when there is a liturgical "bonus" for doing so. For example, the faithful may gain a Plenary Indulgence for publicly praying the Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart on the Feast of the Sacred Heart. It makes sense to celebrate the External Solemnity and have the priest lead this prayer on the Sunday so more souls can take advantage of this privilege.

If the External Solemnity is not a Feast of our Lord (e.g.: Ss. Peter & Paul and Our Lady of the Rosary), the displaced Sunday is commemorated with a second Collect, Secret, and Postcommunion, as a sign that every Sunday is a day of our Lord. If the External Solemnity happens to be a Feast of our Lord (e.g.: Corpus Christi or Sacred Heart), then no commemoration of the displaced Sunday is made.

## Is the TLM Good for Priests?

The August 13, 2021 episode of *The Catholic Current* radio show, hosted by Fr. Robert McTeigue, SJ and heard on The Station of the Cross Catholic radio network, addressed the subject, "Is the TLM Good for Priests?". Not well known is that Fr. McTeigue himself celebrates the Traditional Mass. In this episode, Father presents example after example of beautiful aspects of the Tridentine Mass, each time asking listeners to contact him if they truly believe it would be better for priests if they did not have access to these rituals. Delivered in a calm, methodical style, Fr. McTeigue presents a compelling argument for tolerance of the TLM, even by those who may not be enthusiastic proponents.

Mobile, Alabama Priest Training Report



Three more priests for the Traditional Latin Mass: Congratulations to Fr. Patrick Driscoll [top photo], Pastor of St. Dominic Parish in Mobile, Alabama, and Fr. Gil Pierre [lower photo], Assistant Pastor of St. Lawrence Parish in Fairhope, Alabama, who celebrated their first Tridentine Masses on Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at St. Dominic, after training from Extraordinary Faith. Fr. David Carucci, Pastor of Our Lady of the Gulf Parish in Gulf Shores, Alabama, also took part in the session. All value the sacred and hope to offer traditional liturgy to their flocks.

Special thanks to previous Extraordinary Faith student Fr. Alex Crow for arranging this training and to Alabama & Virgin Islands TLM organizer Dennis Taubitz for assisting with logistics.

## Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

<u>Fri. 09/03 7:00 PM:</u> High Mass at *Old St. Mary's* (St. Pius X, Pope & Confessor) – Celebrant: Fr. Derik Peterman. Devotions to the Sacred Heart before Mass. Reception after Mass.

Listen to the episode at:

http://thecatholiccurrent.sotc.libsynpro.com/is-the-tlm-good-forpriests-fr-robert-mcteigue-sj

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