Tridentine Community News

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Peter Kwasniewski Returns to Detroit

Liturgical scholar Dr. Peter Kwasniewski is returning to metro Detroit. Readers may recall his May, 2019 talks at Old St. Mary's Church in Detroit and St. Alphonsus Church in Windsor. This time, he will be speaking at three locales, St. Edward on the Lake, St. Mary of Redford, and Assumption Grotto, Friday-Sunday, March 4-6. Full information is on the below poster.



TLM Community Input for the Synod on Synodality

A reader asked how Catholics who attend the Traditional Mass can make their voices heard in the Synod on Synodality, as the whole point of that process is to solicit input from the faithful.

In the Diocese of London, Ontario, longtime altar server Matthew Charbonneau has been appointed to represent St. Benedict on the Windsor Heritage Family of Parishes synod committee.

In the Archdiocese of Detroit, there does not yet appear to be a process to address the Synod on Synodality, even though the deadline for reporting back to the USCCB is June 30, 2022.

The Diocese of Lansing has a whole series of web pages devoted to the topic at https://www.dioceseoflansing.org/synod. It appears to be up to each parish to designate representatives for the effort. Hopefully each of the parishes hosting the TLM will take advantage of this opportunity.

San Francisco Deaf Priest Training Report

An uplifting story: Congratulations to Fr. Paul Zirimenya, Pastor of St. Benedict Parish for the Deaf in San Francisco, California, who celebrated his first Traditional Latin Mass on Friday, February 11, 2022, after a week of training from Extraordinary Faith. Sign language interpreter Vanessa Green, stepdaughter of instructor Alex Begin, traveled along to provide the necessary translation. His enthusiasm and commitment to this challenge has been inspiring. Assisting priest Fr. Ghislain Bazikila also took part in the training. Fr. Paul believes the Tridentine Mass will be an important offering not only for his regular parishioners, but also for the broader San Francisco Latin Mass community, whom he hopes will come to St. Benedict once the TLM is added to the parish schedule.



Fr. Paul also would like to bring to the attention of other deaf priests and laypeople curious to learn more about the TLM that there is a special Latin class designed for deaf students held in London, England from time to time. The last was held in 2019, but hopefully London's Liturgy Institute will resume holding them as Covid restrictions ease.

