## **Tridentine Community News**

March 6, 2022 – First Sunday in Lent

## 41<sup>st</sup> Metro Detroit Tridentine Mass Site Debuts: St. Vincent de Paul, Pontiac

Fr. Jake VanAssche has introduced weekly Saturday 8:00 AM Traditional Latin Low Masses at the St. Vincent de Paul Church site of St. Damien of Molokai Parish in Pontiac, Michigan. The first Mass was held on Saturday, March 5; these Masses will continue at least through Lent. Once the church acquires a functioning pipe organ, these may become High Masses and may move to another time. As always, your attendance at new Mass sites is essential to convincing leaders they are wanted.

St. Vincent is one of the oldest churches in Oakland County and a landmark on the Woodward Avenue loop in downtown Pontiac. Fr. Jake found the original historic altar card set in storage and will put it back into use. The parish also recently posted the below historic photo; apart from the removal of the High Pulpit and the Communion Rail, most other architectural features remain.





For those who are counting, this marks the 29<sup>th</sup> active TLM site in the Archdiocese of Detroit and the 41<sup>st</sup> in the metro Detroit region. An explanation of the current count: Our last full list dated April 4, 2021 failed to include St. Francis d'Assisi in Detroit as a site

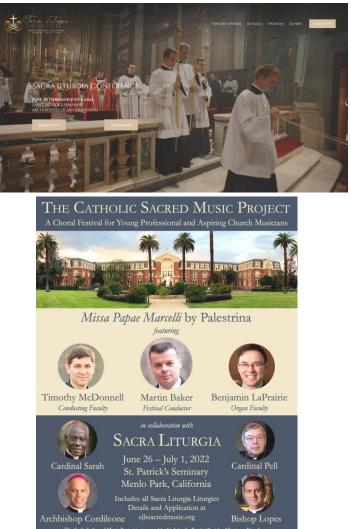
for special TLMs. The Fatima Shrine in Riverview was another recent addition. On the negative side, St. Mary in St. Clair and Miles Christi in South Lyon suspended their Low Masses.

## Breakfast After Mass at Holy Family, Detroit

We've all heard of receptions after Mass. But a full-on hot breakfast? That's the offer Holy Family Church in Detroit is making after their monthly First Sunday 9:30 AM High Mass. The parish reports that their First Sunday TLM already attracts many more faithful than the Novus Ordo Latin Mass held in that time slot on other Sundays of the month, and an incentive like this is sure to widen the gap more.

## Sacra Liturgía 2022 Registration Open

As originally reported in our September 5, 2021 column, the 2022 Sacra Liturgia Conference will be held in San Francisco from Tuesday, June 28 – Friday, July 1. It and the associated Sacred Music Project will be held at the expansive St. Patrick Seminary in Menlo Park. This writer will lead a bus tour of historic churches in San Francisco on Tuesday, June 28. A web site has been set up, and registrations are now being taken at: <u>www.sacraliturgiasf.com</u>



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