

Tridentine Community News

July 2, 2023 – Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

Sacred Music Colloquium Report

Monday – Saturday, June 19-24 saw almost 200 singers converge on Detroit for the Church Music Association of America's annual Sacred Music Colloquium. Held in classroom, music rehearsal, and lecture facilities at Wayne State University, with daily Masses held at Old St. Mary's Church, the sold-out event drew singers of every talent level from across North America seeking to improve their skills in singing and conducting Gregorian Chant and Sacred Polyphony. A bus tour of historic Detroit churches and a PowerPoint presentation about them gave attendees a taste of why metro Detroit is such an architectural and liturgical hotspot.

It was heart-warming to walk into the church and see a priest offer his daily Private Mass at a Side Altar.



World-renowned music directors including Dr. Jennifer Donelson-Nowicka, David Hughes, and Christopher Berry led breakout choir groups that took turns singing parts of the daily Masses. It was spine-tingling when one of these groups would spontaneously assemble in one part of the church to sing their Introit, Communion Motet, or Mass Ordinary part.



Metro Detroit was well-represented, with Archdiocese of Detroit Director of Music Dr. Horst Buchholz and Tridentine Mass choir director about town Wassim Sarweh assisting the students, and Shrine of the Little Flower organist Mary Zelinski playing for one of the Masses.

Archbishop Vigneron celebrated a Novus Ordo Latin Mass *ad orientem*. Windsor's St. Benedict Tridentine Community supplied the solemn vestment sets used all week, including the red chasuble His Excellency used in the photo below. The assisting priest is wearing a chasuble supplied by the Oakland County Latin Mass Association.



The week ended with a Solemn High Mass in the Extraordinary Form at which every attendee sang.



In 2024, the Colloquium will be held in Champaign, Illinois, but rest assured we will do all we can to bring the event back to Detroit in the not-too-distant future.

Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

Fri. 07/07 7:00 PM: High Mass at *Old St. Mary's* (Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Bishops & Confessors) – Celebrant: Fr. Ryan Adams

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