Tridentine Community News

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The Historic Churches of Saginaw

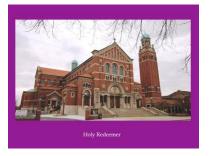
Until the establishment of the Latin Mass at Holy Family Church in downtown Saginaw in 2020, the Diocese of Saginaw was thought of as devoid of liturgical and architectural splendor. But just as the Latin Mass Community has started to turn that perception around, Caleb Adcock, an altar server for that TLM, has started a blog to document the architectural history of the Saginaw Diocese's churches.

The first installment of the series focuses on several wreckovations that have taken place. In a conversation with this author a few months ago, Caleb indicated he plans to bust a few myths and show that a few of Saginaw's churches did indeed escape with their High Altars and/or Communion Rails intact. St. Stanislaus Kostka Church in Bay City, pictured below, is one that still retains some of its original beauty.



Read the first installment at: https://sagcath.blogspot.com/2023/06/the-lost-sanctuaries-ofsaginaw-part-1.html

Metro Detroit Historic Churches PowerPoint Presentation



The Church Music Association asked this writer create to а presentation PowerPoint about Detroit and Windsor's historic churches for the Sacred Music Colloquium. This simple request turned quite out to be the challenge, as a list of

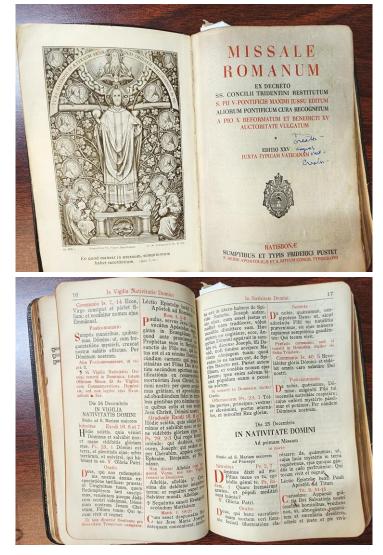
churches had to be identified and high-quality photos of them assembled. At the end of the process, the slide show contained 154 slides depicting 56 churches in metro Detroit and Windsor. Interestingly, most of those churches have hosted the Traditional Latin Mass at least once, if not regularly.

Several conference attendees commented how blessed we are in metro Detroit to have such a vast number of intact churches as well as numerous TLM sites. While conventional wisdom, fueled in part by coffee table picture books such as Heavenly City, asserts that Chicago has more intact historic churches than any other city in North America, this slide show exercise makes a strong case that Detroit actually leads the pack.

Presenting these slides takes about an hour. If you would be interested in a presentation at your church or group, please e-mail this author at the address at the bottom of this page.

Hand-Held Altar Missal

A priest recently showed us a liturgical oddity: An Altar Missal for the Traditional Mass, the size of a typical hand missal. Small enough to carry in a coat pocket, but with the same page layout and structure as a full-sized altar missal. He speculates that this might have been part of a traveling Mass kit, including a small chalice, ciborium, and water and wine cruets.



Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

Sun. 07/16 10:00 AM: High Mass at Old St. Mary's (Seventh Sunday After Pentecost) - Celebrant: Fr. Cy Whitaker, SJ Comments? Ideas for a future column? Please e-mail info@windsorlatinmass.org. Previous columns are available at www.windsorlatinmass.org.