Tridentine Community News

October 8, 2023 - Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Harpa Dei Choral Group to Sing at St. John Resort TLM



The touring choral ensemble Harpa Dei will be providing the music for the next Third Tuesday High Mass at the St. John Resort Chapel in Plymouth on Tuesday, October 17 at 6:00 PM. Fr. Clint McDonell will be the celebrant. Members of the Oakland County Latin Mass Association are helping to organize and serve the Mass.

Raised in Ecuador, Harpa Dei's members are four siblings: Nikolai, Lucia, Marie-Elisée, and Mirjana Gerstner. As the above tour poster indicates, three of their stops in the U.S. will be for Latin Masses, confirming the cultural prominence of this form of Holy Mass.

More information about Harpa Dei, including their CDs, videos, and a page of tutorial videos on how to sing the Missa de Ángelis, is here: https://harpadei.com/en/home-en-2/

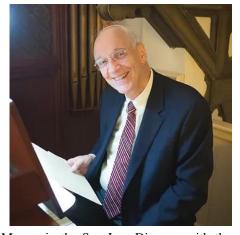
Ann Arbor and San Francisco Sacred Music Conferences

On Sunday, November 5 at 2:00 PM. St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Ann Arbor will hold a panel discussion on Sacred Music in Catholic Liturgy. The event will be held at Father Gabriel Richard High School in Ann Arbor. Organized by St. Thomas music director Jeanne Marie Gerig, the speakers will include Dr. Jennfier Donelson-Nowicka of St. Patrick Seminary in Menlo Park, California; retired Sacred Heart Major Seminary Professor Dr. Janet Smith; Juilliard School instructor and choir director of St. Mary Parish, Norwalk, Connecticut Dr. Charles Weaver; Deacon Tom Lowe of Ave Maria Radio's Notes from Above; and this writer. More information on the Ann Arbor gathering is here:

https://www.facebook.com/events/1787060935085682/

Two days later, Tuesday – Thursday, November 7-9, St. Patrick Seminary in Menlo Park, California, will host a conference on The Musical Shape of the Liturgy: Celebrating the Life and Work of William P. Mahrt.

A professor of music at Stanford University, Dr. Mahrt has led the St. Ann Choir in Palo Alto since the early 1960s, one of the longest tenures of any choral director anywhere. He was an evangelist for Gregorian Chant during a period when it was hardly in vogue. Today the St. Ann Choir sings primarily



for Novus Ordo Latin Masses in the San Jose Diocese, with the occasional Tridentine Mass on offer. Dr. Mahrt has long led the Church Music Association of America and is largely responsible for establishing and promoting its consistently sold-out summer Sacred Music Colloquia. He is a consistent presence at liturgical conferences around the world.

Almost forty speakers will address the gathering, including this writer, who was asked to speak on Regional Music Team Building. As this column has reported before, the Archdiocese of San Francisco is making a concerted effort to replicate "Detroit's TLM Miracle," as they call it. More information on the San Francisco conference is here:

https://catholicinstituteofsacredmusic.regfox.com/the-musical-shape-of-the-liturgy-celebrating-the-life-and-work-of-william-p-mahrt

Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

Sun. 10/15 10:00 AM: High Mass at *Old St. Mary's* (Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost) – Celebrant: Fr. Stephen Pullis