

# Tridentine Community News

July 20, 2025 – Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

## *Sacred Liturgy Conference Report*

The annual Sacred Liturgy Conference was held Tuesday – Friday, June 24 - 27 at the Dominicans' Holy Rosary Church in Portland, Oregon. Approximately 125 people appeared to be in attendance, and a mixture of first-time and repeat speakers was on offer. This conference attracts mostly a Pacific Northwest crowd, though a couple from Jackson, Michigan are regulars. Apparently for political reasons, this conference has de-emphasized the Extraordinary Form in recent years and instead offers traditional Novus Ordo Masses and Eastern Divine Liturgies.

## *Fons et Colmen Liturgy Summit Report*

The very next week, Tuesday – Friday, July 1 – 4, the biennial conference formerly known as Sacra Liturgia but reborn as Fons et Culmen [Source and Summit] was held at the Archdiocese of San Francisco's St. Patrick Seminary in Menlo Park, California. Organized by St. Patrick Seminary Director of Music Dr. Jennifer Donelson-Nowicka and Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone [pictured at table below], this conference attracted about 150 people from around the world, including numerous clergy [top photo at right, by Fons et Culmen]. Cardinal Robert Sarah, a regular at these conferences, again attended and spoke.

Daily Mass and daily Extraordinary Form Vespers were offered. Highlights included a Novus Ordo Latin Mass *ad orientem* celebrated by Cardinal Seán O'Malley, sung to this writer's favorite polyphonic setting, Louis Vierne's *Messe Solennelle*. One of the Vespers celebrants was Bishop Michael Barber of Oakland, California [center photo at right, by Fons et Culmen], who has a personal preference for the Novus Ordo in Latin but has supported the TLM (and priest training by Extraordinary Faith) in his diocese. The concluding Mass on Friday was a Pontifical Solemn Mass in the Extraordinary Form, held at a standing-room-only St. Francis of Assisi Church in East Palo Alto [bottom right photo, by Fons et Culmen]. Fun fact: The pastor of St. Francis of Assisi, Fr. Gerardo Vazquez, took Extraordinary Faith's training class in 2022 and now offers the TLM there weekly.



## *Tridentine Masses This Coming Week*

Tue. 07/22 7:00 PM: Low Mass at *St. Benedict/Holy Name of Mary, Windsor* (St. Mary Magdalene, Penitent)

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