

Tridentine Community News

January 4, 2026 – Holy Name of Jesus

The Bells of Holy Name of Mary Church



Readers may recall that a few years ago, caretaker of Windsor's Holy Name of Mary Church Tim McKinley restored to working condition the tower bells in the church, which are now rung at the consecrations of the Mass. Tim recently ran across a history of the bells in the church archives, which we reprint below. Unfortunately the document did not specify the year in which the bells arrived.

"No. I Large Bell: 46" diameter, 2200 lb. pattern, F#
No. II: 37" diameter, 1100 lb. pattern, A#
No. III: 31" diameter, 640 lb. pattern, C#

Included in the package were three electronic swinging ringers, one for each of the three bells, one automatic clock to control the automatic Angelus ringing, and one electric toller for funerals. The total cost, minus electrical work that was the parish's responsibility, was listed as \$10,193.00.

The Petit & Fritsen Bell Foundry, of Aarle-Rixtel, Holland, was hired to cast the bells which would then be shipped directly to Windsor by way of the yet to be built St. Lawrence Seaway. The bells arrived at the docks on the Windsor side of the Detroit River on October 17th, and, after a delay of only a few days while they were being cleared by Customs, they were successfully moved from the docks and up McEwan Avenue to the church. There the three bells rested a short distance from the side entrance to the front of the church, at approximately the same place where Bishop Fallon preached on the day he blessed the cornerstone. Assisted by Father John Fogarty of Most Precious Blood Church and Father C. E. Sullivan of the newly established St. Patrick's Church, Bishop John C. Cody blessed the bells on Sunday, October 24th, in an impressive and moving ceremony witnessed by a large and representative gathering of the parish. The front of the church had been decked [with] white and gold papal flags. The Boy Scouts formed an honour guard for His Excellency, while the men of the parish assisted the Bishop throughout the Solemn Blessing. During his sermon, Bishop Cody took the time to remind the faithful that the sacred bells of Holy Name of Mary would follow 'the earthly

path of parishioners, heralding the spiritual birth in baptism, the joyful bond of marriage and the solemn requiem for the dead.'"

Fr. Joseph Rinaldo, R.I.P.



Another one of our region's pioneering Tridentine Mass celebrants has passed away: Fr. Joseph Rinaldo, SdC was one of the first and regular celebrants of the TLM in Jackson, Michigan. His primary assignment was to serve the Saint Louis Center, a home for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Chelsea run by his order of priests, the Servants of Charity, and its [Pious Union of St. Joseph](#), a confraternity of prayer for the dead and dying. He began to offer the TLM when it started in a storefront chapel in Jackson in the 1990s. Later it relocated to St. Joseph Church and then to its present day home at St. Mary Star of the Sea Church. The following is taken from a December 16, 2025 Facebook post by the St. Mary Star of the Sea Schola:

"+ Fr. Joseph Rinaldo SdC 1940-2025 RIP

As posted by [Saint Louis Center](#):

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Fr. Joseph Rinaldo SdC.

Fr. Joseph's hometown was Naro, Italy, and he witnessed the horrors of WWII growing up, while the Allies and Axis powers battled for control of his native island, Sicily. As he grew, he became attracted to the charism of St. Louis Guanella, who had a passion for caring for persons with developmental disabilities and the frail elderly.

Fr. Joseph was assigned to St. Louis Center for the first time in 1980, discovering a facility with many needs. He got busy right away looking for creative ways to provide for the needs of the Center. He also oversaw the operation of the Pious Union of St. Joseph.

For many years, Fr. Joe served in many capacities at St. Louis Center, The Pious Union of St. Joseph, and through the Servants of Charity. We are truly grateful to him for his love and commitment to the residents of St. Louis Center and for his years of service to the people of God.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon him. Requiescat in pace."

Tridentine Masses This Coming Week

Tue. 01/06 7:00 PM: High Mass at *St. Benedict/Holy Name of Mary, Windsor* (Epiphany)

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