

# Dayton Latin Mass Community Newsletter

Month of the Poor Souls

November, 2007

## Traditional Tridentine Latin Mass



Place: Our Lady of the Rosary Church  
Hart St. & Notre Dame Ave  
Dayton, Oh 45404

**Sundays:** 8:45 am

Confessions before Mass: 8 to 8:40 AM

### First Friday Devotions:

Confessions: 6:15 PM

Mass 7:00 PM, followed by

Benediction and Holy Hour:

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## Attendance

9-30-07 .....	188
10-5-07 <i>First Friday</i> .....	86
10-7-07 .....	214
10-14-07 .....	178
10-21-07 .....	201
10-28-07 .....	190

## Choir Members

*To provide quality music for the Mass we welcome new members for both the mixed voice choir and the men's Schola Cantorum Daytoniensis. The choir is open to everyone ages 14 and up. For more information contact our choir director, Lynn McCaw at: 937-879-5497*

## Prayers for Vocations

*All parishioners are invited to join the Mothers Group in praying for vocations after the last Sunday Mass of each month. Prayers booklets are provided. This takes only a few minutes as we pray for all religious vocations but especially to those of the priesthood. Please join them in the pews in front of the Marian altar.*

## Sunday Coffee Hour

*Coffee and donuts are served in the church basement after Mass on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month. All are invited to join us for refreshments and a bit of friendly chat.*

## Feast of All Saints-Nov. 1

The feast of All Saints, Thursday, November 1, is a holy day of obligation. Catholics are required to attend Mass on that day. A traditional Latin Mass will be offered at Our Lady of the Rosary church at 7 pm. on that day.

## All Souls Day- Nov. 2

Friday, November 2 is all Souls Day, a day on which we pray for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The church permits priests to say 3 Masses on that day for the Poor Souls. It is highly recommended that Catholics attend Mass on that day, if possible, and pray for the souls in purgatory. Traditional Masses at Our Lady Rosary church will be at 7:30 am, 8 am and Noon.

## First Friday

Because Our Lady of the Rosary parish will have an evening Mass in the Ordinary Form there will be **no** evening First Friday Mass and devotions November 2. You are only required to receive Communion in reparation to the Sacred Heart to fulfill your obligation of nine First Fridays.

## Adult Education Class

Fr. Wojdelski's Adult Education class will be held in Our Lady of the Rosary Church basement on Saturday, Nov 10 at 1 pm in the afternoon.

## Continue to Pray

Please continue to pray the *Memorare* each day petitioning Our Lady to obtain a suitable priest to offer Mass for us and guide our Latin Mass Community spiritually.

## 2008 Calendars

A sign up sheet for the 2008 Catholic Calendars from the Fraternity of St Peter will be in the back of church during the month of November. The price is \$13.00 payable when the calendars come in.

## Time Change

Please remember to move your clocks back one hour next Sunday, November 4.

## Talks on the Mass

### Protect, Unite, Govern

*“For thou, O Lord, art sweet and mild: and plenteous in mercy to all that call upon thee.” Psalm 85 :5.*

On Easter Sunday of 1950 the Holy Father offered Pontifical Mass in Rome. The radio carried his voice over the airways. Along with the Mass there was an explanation of the prayers and ceremonies in ten different languages—in English, German, Czech, Slovak, Hungarian, Polish, Spanish, Portuguese, French and Italian. In addition the German and French language broadcasts were carried over wires to Germany and France and broadcast over regular wave-lengths in those countries.

Why the ten languages? To show that the Catholic Church is universal, world-wide, She embraces in her motherly arms all territories and all tongues and tribes. In everyone of those ten languages—and in many more—there are children of the Church listening to the voice of their common mother .

Furthermore, as you should know, the present Supreme Pontiff, Pope Pius XII, speaks nine languages fluently. In that, too, I see a sign of the universality of the Church, the fact that people of all colors and nations and languages belong to her family.

One of the greatest thrills of an audience with the Holy Father, such as I had on May 6 of the Holy Year, such as millions of others experienced during 1950, is to see and hear the peoples of all nations gathered around him: different in their dress, their tongue, their color and their customs, but united, really united in their devotion to the common Father of Christendom.

This thought of the oneness of the Christian, Catholic family is brought out in the prayer to which I would like to direct your attention this morning, the prayer which follows the Holy, Holy, Holy, the prayer which begins the Canon. Let me give you that prayer :

“Therefore, O most merciful Father, we humbly pray and beseech Thee, through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, that Thou wouldst vouchsafe to receive and bless these gifts, these presents, these holy and unspotted sacrifices, which in the first place we offer Thee for Thy holy Catholic Church, that it may please Thee to grant her peace; as also to protect, unite and govern her throughout the world, together with Thy servant \_\_\_\_\_, our Pope; \_\_\_\_\_, our bishop; as also all orthodox believers and promoters of the Catholic and Apostolic faith.”

1. We address this prayer to our “most merciful Father,” who, according to the Psalmist, is “sweet and mild” and “plenteous in mercy” to all that call upon Him.

2. We humbly pray and even beseech the Almighty, through His own Son, Christ, to accept and to bless the bread

and wine of the Mass.

3. As the priest begins this prayer he raises his hands and eyes to express the raising of his soul and to show that he is addressing the Father in heaven, begging help from God above. He then lowers his hands and eyes, bows profoundly, and places his joined fingers on the edge of the altar. Humility and reverence make him take this posture. The priest kisses the altar, and with his right hand makes the sign of the cross three times over the bread and wine. From Christ the priest receives the power to bless. By kissing the altar, which represents Christ, the priest shows that Christ gives him the power to bless these offerings.

4. The three signs of the cross are accompanied with three phrases :

A. These “gifts” means that the bread and wine have been received as gifts from God, Who made the grapes and the wheat grow.

B. These “presents” mean that we in turn offer to God the very gifts we have received from Him, the things He has given us to use.

C. “These holy, unspotted sacrifices” means that these gifts have already been sanctified in a certain way by being presented to God at the Offertory .

5. After asking God to accept our gifts to unify her, and to govern her. How necessary that prayer is at all times, and especially in our day.

A. We beg for “peace” for His Church. Through all the centuries Mother Church has been beset with battles within and without. She longs for peace.

B. We ask God to “protect” His Church. What devilish attacks are made upon the Church today! This very hour cardinals, bishops, priests, religious and laity are in prison for their Faith. Everyday, even in this so-called enlightened time, the children of the Church need protection from their enemies.

C. We ask God to “unite” His Church. Her children are of different nations and races, yet all are members of one family.

If there is one unifying, one “United Nations” principle at work in the world, it is the Catholic Church and only the Catholic Church.

D. We ask God to “govern” His Church, especially in the choice of her leaders and authorities.

6. With this thought in mind we pray very properly for the head of the church, the Pope, mentioning his name and calling him “servant of God.” God bless him and keep him. Then we pray for our bishop, mentioning his first or baptismal name. There is no disrespect when we call our bishop “George”

The Pope is shepherd for the whole world; the bishop is shepherd for the whole diocese. Great responsibilities rest on their shoulders, poor, weak, human shoulders at best. They need our prayers because they need the grace and strength of God. We are proud of our Pope and of our bishop.

7. Then we pray for all members of the true Church. In this Mass and in every Mass you are receiving prayers. Every day of the week as we say Mass here in our Church at this altar your priests are praying for you. Every second of every day some priest somewhere is including you in his Mass, because you are a member of that universal, catholic, world-wide congregation founded by Christ and headed by His vicar, our Pope.

Say this prayer slowly and thoughtfully during this and every Mass. Beg God to protect, unite and govern the family, His family, to which you belong. Amen.

Fr Arthur Tonne  
September, 1950

## **St Nicholas of Tolentio and His Gift for Saving Souls Deep in Purgatory** *by Susan Tassone*



It's a treasure of a story--connected right to the afterlife, namely purgatory.

It involves a saint, Nicholas of Tolentino.

The story: St. Nicholas' parents, Compagnone and Amata, who were neither from a noble family nor rich, wanted to have children.

To obtain grace, they made this promise through the aid of another "Nicholas" --St. Nicholas of Sari:

"If God, through your intercession, would grant us a son, we would be very pleased if he would want to become a religious; if however, it would be a girl, may she become a cloistered nun."

Having made such a promise, the parents went on pilgrimage to Sari --south of Italy --and when they returned to Castel Sane Angelo (their native town), a son they named Nicholas was born to them.

This was 1245. The couple were loved and respected by the people and many predictions circulated about their new child --obviously a special one.

At an early age Nicholas was attracted by the preaching of an Augustinian friar, Father Reginaoldo, prior of the monastery in Sane Angelo, hearing him preaching this Gospel passage, "*Love not the world, nor the things that are*

*in the world.... the world is passing away.*

Touched, Nicholas asked to be admitted to the community --where he gave himself to prayer and works of penance with such intensity that it was at times necessary for his superiors to impose limitations on him.

Nicholas was ordained to the priesthood in 1271, stayed in various monasteries, and was esteemed by all.

He spent the last thirty years of his life in Tolentino, dedicating his innocence to the altar with great devotion, sincerity, and humility. So the biographies tell us. He was a joy to those who were sad, a consolation to the suffering, support for the poor, and a healing balm for prisoners, especially the prisoners of *purgatory*.

People had a great confidence in Nicholas' prayers on behalf of the faithful departed. He prayed for the souls six to eight hours a night!

At any rate, one Saturday night, the soul of a deceased fellow Augustinian, Pellegrino of Osimo, appeared to him, begging him:

"I am presently burning in these flames where our good God, accepting my repentance, is mercifully purifying me. *I beg you to celebrate a Mass of the dead, so that I may be freed from these sufferings.*" However, Nicholas was under obedience to offer the conventual Mass of the Order for the next week.

Brother Pellegrino's soul continued: "My father, come with me and you will understand how urgent it is to satisfy the requests of the innumerable souls who sent me to you to beg to you."

And suddenly the valley of Pesaro appeared to Nicholas as if transformed into burning fire.

Before him were souls of every age and condition. The holy priest wept. Brother Pellegrino implored, "Have mercy oh Father Nicholas, on this wretched multitude of souls! *If you will celebrate a Mass for their suffrage, most of them will be freed from these sufferings.*"

Early the next morning Father Nicholas shared his vision with the prior and he, too, broke down into tears.

The prior approved his request and after offering Masses, prayers, and doing penance for a week, the soul of Brother Pellegrino appeared to him to thank him and assure him that his and other souls (which Nicholas previously saw suffering) were freed from purgatory. They called him their "liberator"

St. Nicholas died on September 10, 1305. His remains are preserved in the sanctuary that bears his name at Tolentino. His feast is observed on the day of his death. To this day, a daily Mass for the Dead is celebrated for the souls in purgatory

At the altar of the shrine is a painting depicting the saint celebrating Mass for the Holy Souls with his vision of souls being released from purgatory during Mass.

In 1884, Pope Leo XIII proclaimed St. Nicholas, "Patron of the Souls in Purgatory" and declared the Basilica of St. Nicholas-Church of the Poor Souls in Purgatory.

Let us take a lesson from God's saintly one to be God's

“liberators” for the holy souls. Set aside alms for the celebration of Masses for our families. Offer Masses for the healing of the family tree to the fourth generation, whether living or dead.

No prayer is ever wasted. If the deceased have no further need for purification, they may be drawn more deeply into the intimacy of God’s love by means of these prayers (St. Thomas Aquinas calls this “accidental glory.”

They themselves may increase in their own intercessory power as they “watch over us, the living” (*Hebrews 12:1*). Remember the holy souls of friends, benefactors, enemies, priests, as well as for those who have a right to our grateful remembrance.

It is an excellent means of securing fresh intercessors in this life, the grace of a happy death, and after death, a merciful judgment before the throne of God.



### Pray for Me

No ties of friendship here on earth, none  
stronger sweeter can there be,  
Than those expressed in grief or mirth in these  
brief words; friend, pray for me.  
It is the sigh of troubled hearts whate’er the  
source of grief may be.  
When friend from friend in sorrow parts, he says  
farewell and pray for me.  
At morn when all the eastern skies in golden  
splendor clothed we see.  
And thy first thought to God arise the boon I  
ask is; pray for me  
When Angelus at noontide rings with joyful peal  
reminding thee  
To raise thy soul from earthy things, O in that  
moment pray for me.  
When nights dark shadows softly steal in silence  
o’er the earth and sea,  
And at the altar when our Lord shall deign to  
come and visit thee.  
When thy devotion’s finest chord is touched by  
Him, then pray for me.

O sweet Communion, who can tell what glorious  
visions thou mayst see,  
When Jesus in thy soul shall dwell, in that blessed  
union pray for me.  
When Thou shalt kneel at Mary’s shrine and our  
dear Mother smiles on thee,

Forget not this request of mine Oh, ask her then  
to pray for me.  
May God’s choice blessings on thee rest and keep  
thy soul from evil free,  
May angels guard thee and request that  
shouldst often pray for me.  
Amid the changing scenes of life whate’er thy  
future lot may be,  
In smiles or tears, in peace or strife wher’er thou  
art, Oh, pray for me.  
And when beneath the verdant sod my earthy  
form in death shall be,  
Then recommend my soul to God and o’er my  
grave, Oh pray for me.

-Rev. Michael S. Burke, C.Ss.R.

**Pray for Our Holy Mother Church.  
Pray for the Holy Father.  
Prayer our Beloved Bishop & Pastor.  
Pray for Priests.  
Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood.  
Pray for our Latin Mass Community**

#### **Newsletter - Announcements & Mistakes**

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