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Mass Times

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Low Mass
10:15 a.m. High Mass

Monday-Saturday: 7:45 a.m. Low Mass

Holy Days: *please consult the bulletin*

Confessions

30 minutes before Mass every day (Sundays before both Masses) & First Fridays from 5:15 to 5:45 p.m. (during Adoration)

Devotions

Every Thursday: Holy Hour at 6 p.m.

First Friday: Additional Mass at 6 p.m., preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 5 p.m.

First Saturday: After Mass, Adoration with Holy Rosary, 15-minute meditation & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

January 15th 2023

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Masses this Week

Sunday, January 15th

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - Andrew & Shannon Palaia
requested by Susan Dowd

Monday, January 16th

Saint Marcellus

7:45 a.m. - Zachary Hamar
requested by his parents

Tuesday, January 17th

Saint Anthony the Abbot

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Adrienne Whitmore
requested by George & Nancy Whitmore

Wednesday, January 18th

Saint Peter's Chair at Rome

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Marianne Bell
requested by Edward Reyen

Thursday, January 19th

Votive Mass for the Removal of Schism

7:45 a.m. - The Cleary Family
requested by Richard & Rita Cleary

Friday, January 20th

Saints Fabian & Sebastian

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Jeannette Loise Dowd
requested by Susan Dowd

Saturday, January 21st

Saint Agnes

7:45 a.m. - Gabrielle Solus, Josef Hanson
& Max Roegele
requested by Godmother

Sunday, January 22nd

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - ✠ Deceased family members of
Revelation 12 Music Ministry
requested by Linda Gaboardi

*In observance of the Chair of Unity Octave, every day from
January 18th to January 25th extra orations will be added at
Mass from the "Votive Mass for the Removal of Schism," which
you can find at the back of most missals.*



Upcoming Events

NOTE: *While Abbé McKown is home on vacation, there will be neither Thursday Holy Hour nor Sunday Vespers & Benediction. A server will be needed for week-day Masses during this time. The rectory Meal Train will also be temporarily suspended.*

Sunday, January 15th

Monthly social after the High Mass
Visit of Father Benedict Nivakoff, O.S.B., prior of the monastery of Norcia, Italy

January 18th to 25th

CHAIR OF UNITY OCTAVE

Week of prayer for the return of heretics and dissidents to the unity of the Catholic Church

Saturday, January 21st

First Holy Communion Catechism class after the morning Mass—*these classes are mandatory*

Tuesday, January 24th

Adult Theology class at 7:00 p.m. in the church hall
Theme of talk: "The Incarnation"

Wednesday, January 25th

Meeting of Saint Joseph Men's Group, beginning with Adoration in church at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday January 28th

Confirmation Catechism class after the morning Mass—*these classes are mandatory*

Tuesday, January 31st

Month's Mind Requiem Solemn Mass & Absolution for Pope Benedict XVI at 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 2nd

PURIFICATION OF OUR LADY {Candlemas}
Procession & Solemn Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Friday, February 3rd

FIRST FRIDAY {Saint Blaise}
Throat blessing only after the morning Mass
Holy Hour & Confessions at 5:00 p.m., followed by additional Mass at 6:00 p.m.

February 19th to 21st

Annual Forty Hours devotion in reparation for sins and for peace in Christendom

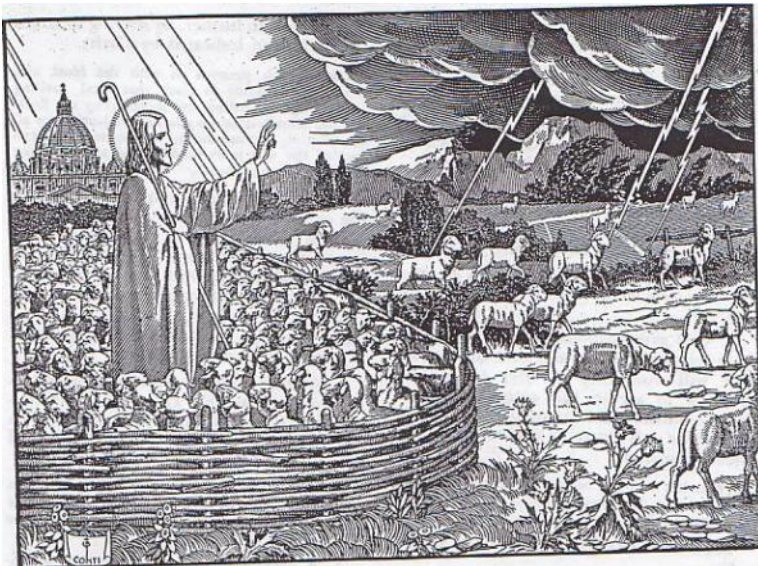
CHAIR OF UNITY OCTAVE: Historical Note

On October 3rd 1899, the eve of the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, the Rev. Lewis Thomas Wattson, an Episcopal clergyman later known as the Very Rev. Paul James Francis, S.A., arrived at Graymoor, New York, to establish a community of religious brothers following the Franciscan rule, to be called the Friars of the Atonement. A year previously, Miss Lurana White, a devout young woman, had founded in the same place a community of Episcopal nuns known as the Sisters of the Atonement. For ten years the two communities were jointly known as the Society of the Atonement and lived the monastic life as members of the Episcopal Church (after the Oxford Movement of the 1830s, an attempt was made to revive the religious life in the Church of England). Father Paul James Francis carried on a vigorous apostolate for the return of all separated Christians to communion with the Holy See. To further this aim, in 1908 he inaugurated a special week of prayer called the Chair of Unity Octave.

One year later, the members of the Society themselves received the grace of conversion, and on October 30th 1909, they entered the Catholic Church as a body. With the blessing of Pope Pius X, they were permitted to continue as a religious society in the Catholic Church and were commissioned to carry on the apostolate of Christian unity as their community aim.

The Chair of Unity Octave was also approved as a Catholic devotion by Pope Benedict XV in an Apostolic Brief in 1916. In 1921, at their annual meeting in Washington, the Catholic hierarchy of the United States unanimously adopted the Octave for all the dioceses in the country.

Under the patronage of Saint Peter, the first Vicar of Christ and Bishop of Rome, and of Saint Paul, the Apostle of the Gentiles, the Chair of Unity Octave quickly flourished and was later adopted in many other countries as well. Running from the feast of Saint Peter's Chair at Rome (January 18th) to the feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul (January 25th), the traditional Chair of Unity Octave includes special intentions each day, for the conversion of particular groups of dissidents. Unlike the false ecumenism which so often accompanies the post-1960s "Christian Unity Week" which has supplanted the traditional Octave in most places, the motives and goal of the original Chair of Unity Octave are very clear and much needed today.



Mass Intentions: Second Round of Scheduling

Now that the new year has begun, we are ready to accept a second round of Mass requests. Please note that the Mass book for 2023 is already completely booked through the month of May, but some spots are still available in the second half of the year. Please be sure to contact the office first (e-mail is best) to check how many Mass slots are available, before actually submitting your intentions. Reminder: no Mass will be officially scheduled until the Mass request is received in writing, along with the Mass offering.

We welcome you today to Saints Cyril and Methodius!

If this is your first time here, we look forward to meeting you. We hope you will be able to join us today for our monthly social. If you are interested in registering as a parishioner, forms are available at both entrances.

Holy Mass and all the sacraments at Saints Cyril & Methodius Oratory are celebrated in the traditional Latin Rite. This form of worship, which developed many centuries ago, is a priceless treasure of our Catholic faith. On Sundays and feasts, there are handouts containing English translations of the Propers (the prayers and readings proper to the day). If you are unfamiliar with the traditional Latin Mass, please do not hesitate to approach the clergy of the Oratory with any questions you may have. The pastoral care of the Oratory has been entrusted by the Bishop of Bridgeport to the clergy of the Institute of Christ the King, a Catholic priestly society founded in 1990 and currently ministering in dioceses across the United States, Europe and Africa.

Holy communion may be received by practicing Catholics in the state of grace. In the traditional Roman Rite, holy communion is received kneeling at the communion rail (unless you are impaired from doing so) and directly on the tongue. The mouth should be open with the tongue slightly extended. You do not reply when the priest places the host in your mouth. The sacrament of confession is available every day 30 minutes before the start of Mass (ending approximately 5 minutes before Mass begins).

The church narthex (vestibule) functions as a cry room during Mass. As a courtesy to others, please feel free to make use of it when you have a crying child by exiting quietly down one of the side aisles. Please hold all conversations outside.

Out of respect for God's house, please bear in mind the importance of modest and decent attire. Ladies who wish to do so may borrow a veil to wear at Mass (available in baskets by the entrances).

If you are not a Catholic, you are warmly invited to learn more about our faith. The Catholic Church was founded 2000 years ago by Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to carry on His work for the salvation of souls. If you are interested in becoming Catholic or simply want to learn more about the Catholic faith, please do not hesitate to contact us. The Oratory offers individual instruction. We look forward to hearing from you.

CONGRATULATIONS

to **Mr. & Mrs. Thomas & Heather Sarro**
united yesterday in holy matrimony here at
the Oratory. May God grant them many
happy years together!

REQUIEM MASS

Tuesday, January 31st at 6:00 p.m.

A Solemn Mass will
be offered for the
Month's Mind of
Pope Benedict XVI.
Please join us to
pray for the repose
of his soul on this
occasion.



Save the Dates!

ANNUAL FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

We are planning to hold the "Forty Hours" from
Quinquagesima Sunday to Shrove Tuesday
(**February 19th to 21st**) in preparation for Lent, with
exposition of the Blessed Sacrament beginning each
day after Mass and Benediction at 6:00 p.m. We will
only be able to do this if **at least two people** are
willing to commit to at least one hour of Adoration
during these times. **All slots must be filled**, or we
will not be able to do this! Please make plans already
to set aside some time
during the Forty Hours—
you may also invite friends
from other parishes. We
are also hoping to have a
"Shrove Tuesday Pancake
Party" after Benediction on
the last night.



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