



WELCOME TO SAINT MARY ORATORY

With the gracious permission of His Excellency, David Malloy, Bishop of Rockford, Holy Mass is offered according to the Traditional Roman Rite at Saint Mary Oratory by the

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We are pleased to have you join us in this venerable act of worship and invite you to return often.



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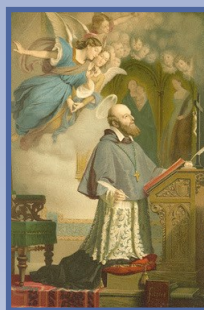
† PRO-LIFE NEWS †

Thank you to all St. Mary Oratory members who came to pray last Monday at the Auburn St. abortion mill.

The Oratory's next day is Wednesday, Jan. 25,
but you are welcome to pray there anytime you are available.

Please sign up on the Rockford Family Initiative's website at: proliferockford.com/members and click on the "Sign up to Pray/Witness" box. You will be asked to fill out a form and need to be approved before signing up on the calendar.

May lives be saved through our prayers and sacrifices!



THE US INSTITUTE'S PROVINCE IS HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE A SPECIAL NOVENA IN HONOR OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES FROM JANUARY 20-28 IN PREPARATION FOR THE CELEBRATION OF OUR HOLY PATRON'S FEAST DAY ON JANUARY 29. DURING THIS NOVENA, PRAYERS TO ST. FRANCIS DE SALES AND SERMONS ON HIS SPIRITUALITY WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE ON THE INSTITUTE'S SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS.

** St. Francis de Sales, being a Patron of the Institute, a plenary indulgence may be obtained, under the usual conditions, by assisting at Holy Mass on his feast, January 29th, at any of the Institute's apostolates. To obtain the plenary indulgence: go to confession within several days, receive Holy Communion, and pray for the intentions of the Pope.*

"The highest point of humility consists in not merely acknowledging one's abjection, but in taking pleasure therein, not from any want of breadth or courage, but to give the more glory to God's Divine Majesty, and to esteem one's neighbour more highly than one's self."

- St. Francis de Sales

Saint Mary Oratory

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday:
9:00am - 2:00pm
Sat., Sun. & Holy Days:
CLOSED

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 8:00am & 10:30am
Monday: 12:05pm
Tuesday-Friday: 7:00am
Saturday: 8:00am

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Friday:
11:15am-11:45am
Saturday: after 8:00am Mass
& 3:30pm-4:30pm
Sunday: 7:15am & 9:45am

OTHER SACRAMENTS

PLEASE CONTACT
CANON O'CONNOR

DEVOTIONS

Fridays:
Exposition, Adoration,
& Benediction
7:45am - 8:45am

GROTTO HOURS

Monday - Friday:
9:00am - 2:00pm
Sat., Sun., & Holy Days:
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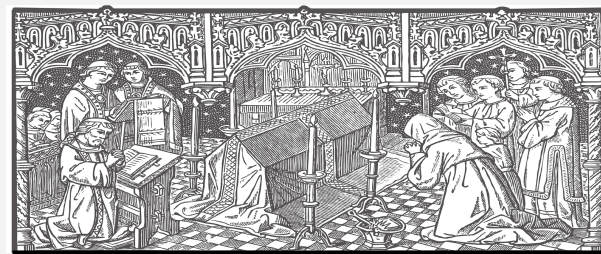


UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec. 18-Jan. 22....Christmas Raffle
- Jan. 20-28.....**Special Novena in Honor of St. Francis de Sales**
- Sat. Jan. 21.....55+ Breakfast Meeting 9:30am at OLSHA
- Sun. Jan. 22.....First Communion classes resume at 9:15am
- Mon. Jan. 23.....**DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN**
- Sun. Jan.29.....*Christmas Raffle drawing after the High Mass*
- Tue. Jan. 31.....Solemn Mass of Requiem for Pope Benedict XVI at 12pm
- Thu. Feb. 2.....**Purification of Our Lady - One High Mass at 10:30am** *(with blessing of candles & procession)*
- Fri. Feb. 3.....**Feast of St. Blaise -** Throat Blessings after 7am Mass
- Sat. Mar.4.....**Holy Hour for Life** after the 8am Mass
- Sat. Mar. 18.....First Communicants morning confessions with Canon O'Connor
- Sun. Mar. 19.....*Sacrament of First Holy Communion at the 10:30am High Mass*

Liturgical Calendar

- Sunday, January 15**
Second Sunday after Epiphany
8:00am - Parents of Miguel & Griceida Herrera
10:30am - Warren Myers, RIP
- Monday, January 16**
St. Marcellus I
12:05pm - Fatima Alvarez
- Tuesday, January 17**
St. Anthony the Abbot
7:00am - Maria Miranda
- Wednesday, January 18**
St. Prisca
7:00am - Brenner Family
- Thursday, January 19**
Ss. Marius, Martha, Audifax, & Abachum
7:00am - Luke Lyter
- Friday, January 20**
Ss. Fabian & Sebastian
7:00am(Mass with organ) - Donald R. Wampler, RIP
- Saturday, January 21**
St. Agnes
8:00am - Jeremy John Cotter, RIP
- Sunday, January 22**
Third Sunday after Epiphany
8:00am - Livolsi Family & Unborn Children
10:30am - Monika Pieper, RIP

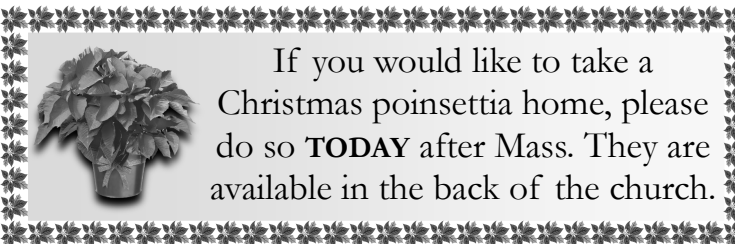


A Sung Mass of Requiem will be offered for the repose of the soul of Pope Benedict XVI on Tuesday, January 31, at 12:00pm.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY (WEDDING FEAST AT CANA)

“St. Matthew, the Evangelist of the Humanity of our Lord, has received from the Holy Ghost the commission to announce to us the Mystery of Faith by the Star; St. Luke, the Evangelist of Jesus' Priesthood, has been selected, by the same Holy Spirit, to instruct us in the Mystery of the Baptism in the Jordan; but the Mystery of the Marriage-Feast was to be revealed to us by the Evangelist John, the Beloved Disciple. He suggests to the Church the object of this third Mystery, by this expression: *This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and He MANIFESTED His glory* [St. John, ii. 11]. At Bethlehem, the Gold of the Magi expressed the Divinity of the Babe; at the Jordan, the descent of the Holy Ghost and the voice of the Eternal Father proclaimed Jesus, (known to the people as a carpenter of Nazareth) to be the Son of God; at Cana, it is Jesus himself that acts, and he acts as God, for, says St. Augustine, He who changed the water into wine in the waterpots could be no other than the same who, every year, works the same miracle in the vine. Hence it was, that, from that day, as St. John tells us, *his disciples believed in him* [Ibid.], and the Apostolic College began to be formed.”

From: The Liturgical Year by Dom Guéranger



If you would like to take a Christmas poinsettia home, please do so **TODAY** after Mass. They are available in the back of the church.

The 55+ GROUP is having a breakfast meeting Saturday, Jan. 21, at 9:30am at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Academy, 3445 Elmwood Road, Rockford, IL 61101. **Please bring your favorite breakfast dish.** Coffee will be provided. Everyone 55 (and older) is invited to help plan future events for our group. Please come and bring your ideas! For more details contact Adrienne Majewski at 815-601-1816.

AMDG Traditional Catholic Homeschool Co-Op is sponsoring a *Morning of Bowling* for all Oratory homeschoolers and friends. Bowl with us at Park Lanes in Loves Park from 10am-noon, Wed. Jan 25, 2023. The cost is \$5.50 per hour (shoe rental included.) Come for 1 or 2 hrs. of fun, friendship, and bowling. All ages welcome! (Bumpers will be up for little ones.) **For more information and to RSVP,** please call Wendy Caccia at 815-621-8494 or email us at AMDGTLMCOOP@gmail.com

Catechism Corner

The Resurrection and Life Everlasting
Lesson 14 from the Baltimore Catechism
"I believe in ... the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting."

176. What is meant by "the resurrection of the body"?
By "the resurrection of the body" is meant that at the end of the world the bodies of all men will rise from the earth and be united again to their souls, nevermore to be separated.

Behold, I tell you a mystery. We shall all indeed rise again. (1 Corinthians 15:51)

177. Why will the bodies of the just rise?

The bodies of the just will rise to share forever in the glory of their souls.

178. Has the body of any human person ever been raised from the dead and taken into heaven?

By the special privilege of her Assumption, the body of the Blessed Virgin Mary, united to her immaculate soul, was glorified and taken into heaven.

179. Why will the bodies of the damned also rise?

The bodies of the damned will also rise to share in the eternal punishment of their souls.

180. What is the judgment called which will be passed on all men immediately after the general resurrection?

The judgment which will be passed on all men immediately after the general resurrection is called the general judgment.

And he charged us to preach to the people and to testify that he it is who has been appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. (Acts 10:42)

181. What is the judgment called which will be passed on each one of us immediately after death?

The judgment which will be passed on each one of us immediately after death is called the particular judgment.

For it is easy before God in the day of death to reward everyone according to his ways. (Ecclesiasticus 11:28)

182. If everyone is judged immediately after death, why will there be a general judgment?

Although everyone is judged immediately after death, it is fitting that there be a general judgment in order that the justice, wisdom, and mercy of God may be glorified in the presence of all.

Then shall the just stand with great constancy against those that have afflicted them and taken away their labors. These seeing it, shall be troubled with terrible fear, and shall be amazed at the suddenness of their unexpected salvation. (Wisdom 5:1-2)

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SAINT MARY ORATORY'S CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Tickets are available **TODAY** after Mass and in the office Mon-Fri 9am to 1pm

Sunday, January 22, 2023:
please return all ticket stubs & proceeds

Sunday, January 29, 2023:
drawing held after 10:30am High Mass

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE ORATORY RESTORATION PROJECT

Thank you for your help to Restore the Oratory!

Registration for Confirmation classes are now open. Please contact the office if you have a 7th grader (or older) ready to be confirmed.

Classes will begin once the hall reopens.

WEEKLY COLLECTION GOAL: \$7,258

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:

TOTAL: \$5,091

ACTUAL - FISCAL YTD: \$176,336

GOAL - FISCAL YTD: \$203,224

Please contact the office if you would like a copy of your 2022 Tax Statement