



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 *Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest*. We are pleased to have you join us in this venerable act of worship and invite you to return often.

*“Veritatem
Facientes
In Caritate”*

(Live the Truth in Charity)



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*For homebound or sick calls,
please contact the office
so we can schedule a time
for Canon to visit.*



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**To preserve the
Sacramental Seal
please leave
phones outside
of the confessional.**



During Lent, St. Mary Oratory will be participating in the **CHANGE for LIFE** campaign to benefit *The Pregnancy Care Center of Rockford*. Beginning on Ash Wednesday, baby bottles will be available to take home to fill with coins. They can be returned to church at the end of Lent.

Our loose change will help change lives!

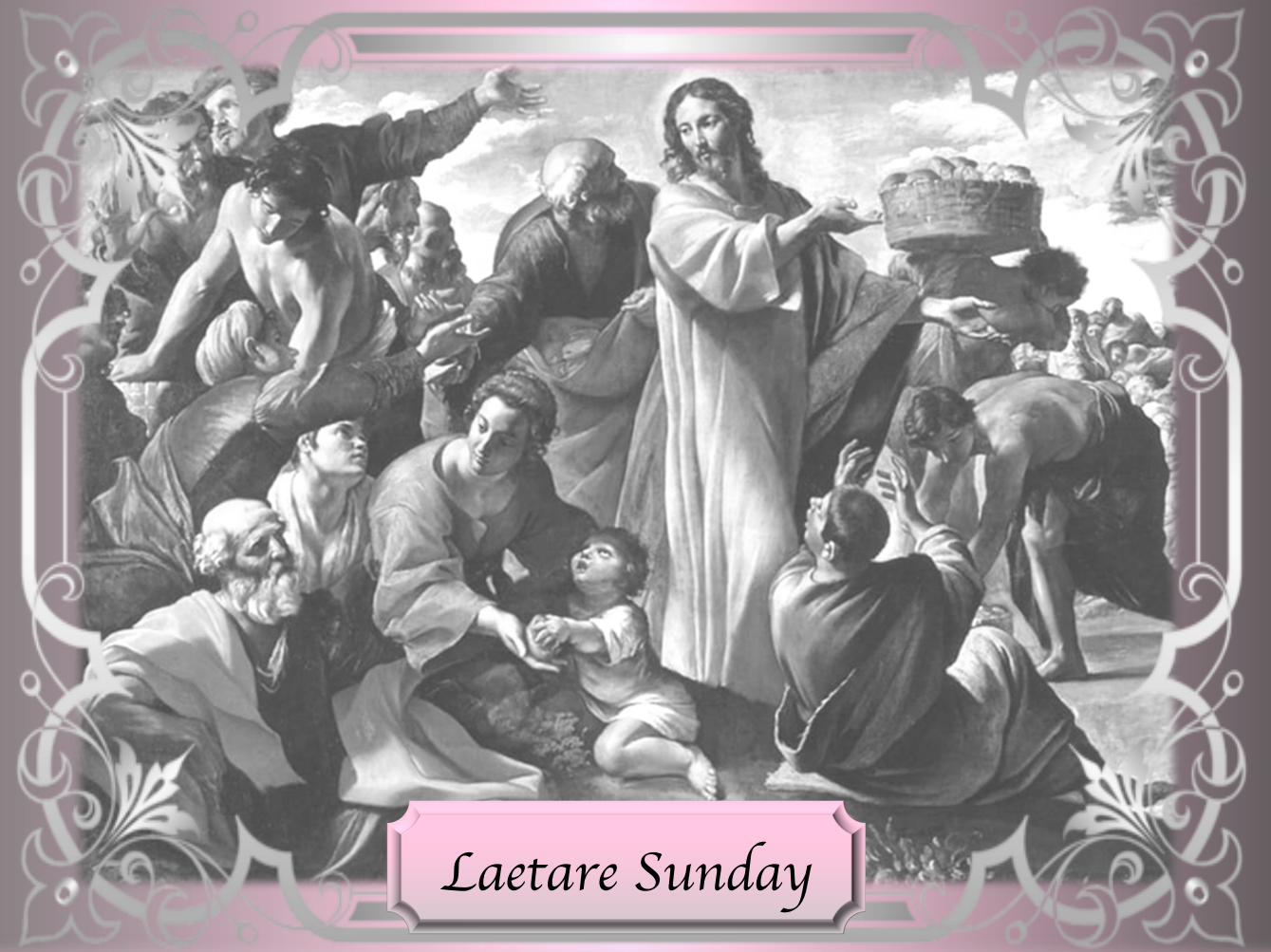
“Let us fast an acceptable and very pleasing fast to the Lord. True fasting is the estrangement from evil, temperance of tongue, abstinence from anger, separation from desires, slander, falsehood and perjury. Privation of these is true fasting.”

Homily I, St Basil the Great.

A parishioner of St. Mary Oratory is maintaining a prayer chain.

If you would like to join this list or have a prayer petition, please email:

*stmaryrockford@institute-christ-king.org
and we will forward your request.*



Laetare Sunday

Saint Mary Oratory

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday:
9:00am - 2:00pm
Friday - Sunday & Holy Days: CLOSED

GROTTO HOURS

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

MASS SCHEDULE

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

CONFESSIONS

Monday & Wednesday-Friday:
11:15am-11:45am
Saturday: after 8:00am Mass
Sunday: 7:15am & 9:45am

OTHER SACRAMENTS & ALL APPOINTMENT

**PLEASE CONTACT
THE OFFICE**

**For baptisms, please contact the office a month before the baby is due. Baptisms should be done within 1 to 3 weeks after the baby is born*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Friday during Lent:
Holy Hour 6pm - 7 pm

TODAY - Special Second Collection for the Institute's "Many Apostolates, One Mission"
TODAY - First Communion Class in the Grotto from 9:30am to 1030am
Sun Mar 24 - No Altar Server practice
(unless you are on the Triduum Schedule)

INSTITUTE SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY

"Many Apostolates, One Mission"

Please use the blue envelopes
(available near the bulletins)
for this important cause.

Help the Institute continue to restore
Catholic life and culture in the USA!



PLEASE JOIN US THIS

LENT FOR

HOLY HOUR

ON FRIDAYS (except Good Friday)
FROM 6:00PM - 7:00PM



His Eminence Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke has announced a nine-month Novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe, beginning on March 12 and lasting until December 12, feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

The purpose of this novena is to gain the protection of Our Blessed Mother in this time of disease, war, and deep spiritual confusion. Let us join His Eminence in reciting the special novena prayer during this period! More information is available here:

novena.cardinalburke.com

Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

Fourth Sunday of Lent-Laetare Sunday

Mr. & Mrs. T. Westerman

Larry & Kathryn Hogard

MONDAY, MARCH 11

Feria

Herra Family

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

Feria/St. Gregory the Great

Hilby Family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

Feria

Stanek & Haskin Family

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

Feria

Celine Pribble

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

Feria

David Kascir & Ralph Lauwagie

SATURDAY, MARCH 16

Feria

Najdowski Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

Passion Sunday

Bratt & Feehan Deceased Family

Phyllis Monty, RIP



WEEKLY COLLECTION GOAL: \$8,022

LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTION:

TOTAL: \$8,770

ACTUAL - FISCAL YTD: \$228,132

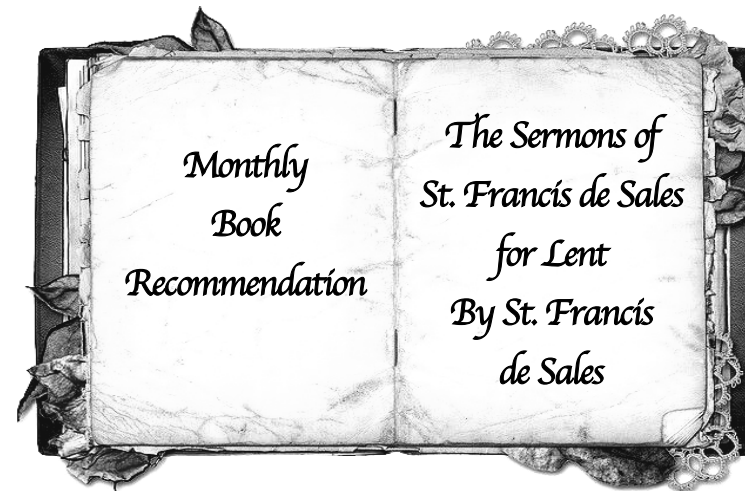
GOAL - FISCAL YTD: \$288,792

MAY GOD REWARD YOUR GENEROSITY!

LAETARE SUNDAY -
FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

"This Sunday, called, from the first word of the Introit, *Laetare* Sunday, is one of the most solemn of the year. The Church interrupts her Lenten mournfulness; the chants of the Mass speak of nothing but joy and consolation; the Organ, which has been silent during the preceding three Sundays, now gives forth its melodious voice; the Deacon resumes his Dalmatic, and the Subdeacon his Tunic; and instead of purple, Rose-coloured Vestments are allowed to be used. These same rites were practised in Advent, on the third Sunday, called *Gaudete*. The Church's motive for introducing this expression of joy in to-day's Liturgy, is to encourage her Children to persevere fervently to the end of this holy Season. The real *Mid-Lent* was last Thursday, as we have already observed; but the Church, fearing lest the joy might lead to some infringement on the spirit of penance, has deferred her own notice of it to this Sunday, when she not only permits, but even bids, her children to *rejoice!*"

Excerpt from: The Liturgical Year
by Dom Guéranger



Monthly
Book
Recommendation

The Sermons of
St. Francis de Sales
for Lent
By St. Francis
de Sales

THE COMPENDIUM

CREDO

Part One-The Profession of Faith-
Section Two

The Profession of the Christian Faith
The Creed
The Apostles' Creed

CHAPTER ONE

I Believe in God the Father
The Symbols of Faith

33. What are the symbols of faith?

The symbols of faith are composite formulas, also called "professions of faith" or "Creeds", with which the Church from her very beginning has set forth synthetically and handed on her own faith in a language that is normative and common to all the faithful.

34. What are the most ancient symbols (professions) of faith?

The most ancient symbols of faith are the baptismal creeds. Because Baptism is conferred "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19), the truths of faith professed at Baptism are articulated in reference to the three Persons of the Most Holy Trinity.

35. What are the most important symbols of the faith?

They are the Apostles' Creed which is the ancient baptismal symbol of the Church of Rome and the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed which stems from the first two ecumenical Councils, that of Nicea (325 A.D.) and that of Constantinople (381 A.D.) and which even to this day are common to all the great Churches of the East and the West.

* EASTER FLOWERS *



Anyone wishing to help
defray the cost of Easter
flowers, please use the
special envelopes in the
pews. Thank you.