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Mass Times

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. Low Mass
10:15 a.m. High Mass
Monday-Friday: 7:45 a.m. Low Mass
Saturday: 8:30 a.m. Low Mass
Holy Days: *please consult the bulletin*

Confessions

30 minutes before Mass every day

Regular Devotions

Every Thursday: Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m.
First Friday: Additional Mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by Devotions & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
First Saturday: After Mass, Adoration with Holy Rosary, 15-minute meditation & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

January 19th 2025

Second Sunday after Epiphany

Masses this Week

Sunday, January 19th

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo

10:15 a.m. - Barbara Nelson Gliha
requested by Mary L. Nelson

Monday, January 20th

Saints Fabian & Sebastian

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Edward Reyen
requested by Gary & Diana Burt

Tuesday, January 21st

Saint Agnes

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Marian Atkins
requested by the Larry & JoEllen Pline

Wednesday, January 22nd

Saints Vincent & Anastasius

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Colleen McGrory
requested by Mario & Maureen Ciardiello

Thursday, January 23rd

Saint Raymond of Pennafort

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

Friday, January 24th

Saint Timothy

7:45 a.m. - ✠ Danylo Begej
requested by Irene Morgan

Saturday, January 25th

Conversion of Saint Paul

8:30 a.m. - ✠ Sam Vendetti
requested by June Vendetti

Sunday, January 26th

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

8:30 a.m. - Pro Populo
10:15 a.m. - ✠ James & Alice McMahon
requested by Paul McMahon



Upcoming Events

January 15th to 22nd

Canon Altiere will be away visiting his parents
Daily Mass and confession as usual

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

Sunday, January 19th

No Vespers or Benediction

Thursday, January 23rd

Holy Hour & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 26th

The bishop has requested a special second collection for the California fire victims

Wednesday, January 29th

FEAST OF SAINT FRANCIS DE SALES

High Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Plenary indulgence – Institute patron

Saturday, February 1st

FIRST SATURDAY

Devotions & Benediction after Mass at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, February 2nd

PURIFICATION OF OUR LADY {Candlemas}

Blessing of Candles before High Mass at 10:15 a.m.

Monthly coffee hour – please sign up!

Monday, February 3rd

SAINT BLAISE'S DAY

Blessing of throats after Mass at 7:45 a.m.

Friday, February 7th

FIRST FRIDAY

Additional Mass at 6:00 p.m., followed by Sacred Heart devotions & Benediction

Saturday, February 8th

First Holy Communion Catechism class at 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday, February 11th

Adult Theology class at 7:00 p.m. in church hall
"The Sixth & Ninth Commandments"

CHAIR OF UNITY OCTAVE: January 18th to 25th

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.



INTENTIONS FOR THE CHAIR OF UNITE OCTAVE

January 18: The union of all Christians in the one true faith and in the Church

January 19: The return of separated Eastern Christians to communion with the Holy See

January 20: The reconciliation of Anglicans with the Holy See

January 21: The reconciliation of European Protestants with the Holy See

January 22: That American Christians become one in union with the Chair of Peter

January 23: The restoration of lapsed Catholics to the sacramental life of the Church

January 24: That the Jewish people come into their inheritance in Jesus Christ

January 25: The missionary extension of Christ's kingdom throughout the world

We welcome you 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 for our next coffee hour. 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 7 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. Everyone is kindly reminded that all conversations should be held 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.

ABBÉ CHARLES OUTTIER, REST IN PEACE

With great sadness, we commend to your prayers the repose of the soul of Charles Outtier, a French seminarian of the Institute of Christ the King in Gricigliano, who was killed on January 15 in a tractor accident on the seminary grounds while he was performing his duties. Charles Outtier was a deacon preparing for priestly ordination this coming July. His unexpected and tragic death has plunged the seminary into mourning.

Deacon Outtier edified the whole community with his joyful demeanor and his fervent devotion to his duties, his studies, and his Catholic faith. He was full of promise for his future priestly ministry. But the good Lord, who alone knows the day and hour, has called him on ahead of us. He was anointed and received the Apostolic Blessing at the moment of his death.

Please pray for Deacon Outtier's soul, for the superiors of the Institute who must bear the loss of one of their spiritual sons, for all of his dear brothers at seminary, and for his family during their time of unspeakable grief.



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