



Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest

St Paul's Oratory

XVII Sunday after Pentecost: September 15th, 2024

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Sunday Sep. 15th: XVII Sunday after Pentecost: 2nd Class

8:00am: Low Mass: *Pro Populi.*

10:30am: High Mass: *Steven & Tricia Rust.*

5:30pm: Vespers.

Monday Sep. 16th: St. Cornelius & Cyprian: 3rd Class.

7:30am: Low Mass: *Delaney Lindburgh.*

Tuesday Sep. 17th: Imprinting of the Holy Stigmata.

7:30am: Low Mass: *Mary Anderson.*

Wednesday Sep. 18th: Ember's Day: 2nd Class.

7:30am: Low Mass: *Gregory & Michelle Backstrom.*

Thursday Sep. 19th: St Januarius & his companions: 3rd Class

7:30am: Low Mass: *Ryta Smith. †.*

Friday Sep. 20th: Ember's Day: 2nd Class.

7:30am: Low Mass: *Edward W. Pacek. I. †*

5:00-7:00: Adoration & Confessions.

Saturday Sep. 21st: St. Matthew: 2nd Class.

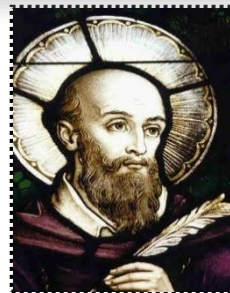
9:00am: Low Mass: *Helen Pacek. †*

Sunday Sep. 22nd XVIII Sunday after Pentecost: 2nd Class

8:00am: Low Mass: *Pro Populi.*

10:30am: High Mass: *St Paul's Altar servers.*

5:30pm: Vespers.



"Man is the perfection of the universe, the spirit is the perfection of man, love that of the spirit, and charity that of love."

St. Francis de Sales.

Events coming soon...

September 19th: *Children Catechism resumes*

September 21st: *Campus & Cemetery cleaning.*

September 27th: *Adult Catechism: the Gift of Intelligence.*

October 14th: *appreciation day of local religious vocations.*

October 27th: *First Communion (2nd batch...)*

On October 14th at Overlook Farm, there will be an appreciation day of local religious vocations. St Paul's parishioners are encouraged to invite 1-2 clergy in the area.

The Event will take place at the home of Mark and Leanne Ledoux in Brookfield from 11:30 - 3:30 PM on Monday October 14.

Food will be provided for guests and adults. There will be a general call for dessert/baking experts.

Please send your RSVP # attending to:

eulegal@aol.com and owenf@hey.com

Hymns & Kyriale for the Mass.

Processional: *Love divine, all loves excelling* #470

Asperges Me. #132

Kyriale: VIII. #114

Credo: III. p.30

Recessional: *I sing the mighty power of God* #616

Confessions half hour before each Mass.

St Paul's Oratory Donations:

Last Sunday's Collection: \$ 2.188.10

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Ember's Day.

Church celebrated Ember Days four times each year. They were tied to the changing of the seasons, but also to the liturgical cycles of the Church.

The origin of the word "ember" in "Ember Days" is not obvious, not even to those who know Latin. According to the Catholic Encyclopedia, "Ember" is a corruption (or one might say, a contraction) of the Latin phrase *Quatuor Tempora*, which simply means "four times," since the Ember Days are celebrated four times per year.

The adoption of Ember Days by Christians happened so early that Pope Leo the Great (440 to 461) considered wrongly the Ember Days (with the exception of the one in the spring) to have been instituted by the Apostles. By the time of Pope Gelasius II (492 to 496), the fourth set of Ember Days had been instituted. Originally celebrated only by the Church in Rome, they spread throughout the West (but not the East) in the fifth century. (But arrived in Milan only with St Charles Borromeo...)

The Ember Days were celebrated with fasting and abstinence. As always, such fasting and abstinence have a greater purpose. Through them and through prayer, the Ember Days are used to "thank God for the gifts of nature... teach men to make use of them in moderation, and... assist the needy."

They are optional today: the Catholic Church left the celebration of Ember Days up to the discretion of each national conference of bishops. They are still commonly celebrated in Europe, particularly in rural areas.

In the United States, the bishops' conference has decided not to celebrate them, but individual Catholics can, and many traditional Catholics still do, because it is always needed to do penance for our sins, and those of the whole world. And God knows that today, more than ever, we need a lot of fasting and other penance.

By the way, this week, there will be only two days, since the Apostle St. Matthew takes precedence...

The wisdom of St. Francis de Sales for a troubled world - 9

Unfortunately, how easily does it degenerate into what Dietrich von Hildebrand called "ecumenitis", that is a systematic "dethronement of truth", a victory of dictatorial relativism, that arrogantly declares that there is no objective truth, and that everyone is entitled to his own religious views, but none can claim to be "the truth".

Bishop Fulton Sheen (whose life and writing are being examined for a possible canonization) has also, while Bishop of Rochester, made decisions which are troubling. I need not add my praise to the one of innumerable people who have known him, admired him, benefited from his talks and books, who looked up to him as a remarkable thinker and a very holy man, who never missed for one single day a full hour of adoration in front of the Blessed Sacrament.

But while Bishop of Rochester, he made two decisions which, should be deplored. One of them is that he gave his placet not only to introduce sex education in all Catholic schools in his diocese, but moreover, I was told, endorsed the choice of a Sex Education Program known to be one of the most "daring" offered at the time. Dietrich von Hildebrand was the first (possibly not the only first) to vociferously raise his voice against these innovations. One key reason being was that there was very little "education" and detailed "information" totally inappropriate for grammar school children. The reasons which he expounded in articles and a small booklet (with Dr. William Marra) called *Sex Education: The Basic Issues* (The Wanderer Press) are that the mysterious and intimate sphere of "sex" should never be an object of public discussion. The intimate parts of our body are "our secret" and should never be publicly unveiled. In God's marvelous plan, this "unveiling" is only to be shared and unveiled in the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony when, with God's permission the Spouse gives to her husband a key to this mysterious domain, trusting that he will approach it with trembling reverence and as an expression of spousal love. For sex is not and cannot be understood apart from the love between husband and wife.

To be continued...
Dr. Alice von Hildebrand