

O.L.F. Year For Catholic Devotions June 2011 - June 2012

July is dedicated to devotion to The Most Precious Blood

The first words of our "basic text" for learning about and practicing the new things in the Mass are these.

From "*Conversations about the Roman Missal*": "On November 27, 2011, **[all] Catholics in the United States will begin** praying with the third edition of the Roman Missal when they celebrate the First Sunday of Advent. Give yourselves **time to get used** to the new words you will hear and pray."

All pastors have the obligation to be educating and training their congregations in the intricacies' (both the whats and the whys) of the changes. If they are not now fulfilling this obligation, they soon will be.

To those who are insisting that no other parish in the Diocese is using the "Latin" as we are, I invite you to get hold of the DVD of Bishop Mark's Ordination and Instillation Mass in the Cathedral, where-in you will hear them singing in Latin **all the parts of the Mass which we sing in Latin...** *I must say not quite as well as we do ... but none the less, in Latin.*

O JESUS

IN UNION WITH YOUR
MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD
POURED OUT ON THE
CROSS AND OFFERED IN
EVERY MASS, I OFFER YOU
TODAY MY PRAYERS,
WORKS, JOYS, SORROWS
AND SUFFERINGS FOR THE
PRAISE OF YOUR HOLY NAME
AND ALL THE DESIRES OF YOUR
SACRED HEART; IN REPARATION
FOR SIN, FOR THE CONVERSION OF
SINNERS, THE UNION OF ALL CHRISTIANS
AND OUR FINAL UNION WITH YOU IN
HEAVEN.



God the Father sent His son to tell the Good News and He in turn commanded His disciples to go out to all the world and tell about the resurrection and eternal life with the Father.

MISSIONARY COOPERATIVE at OLF AUGUST 27-28

The Benedictine Fathers of Saint Vincent Arch abbey, Latrobe, PA will be with us this year asking for our prayers and alms for their missions in Brazil and Taiwan. They also educate foreign seminarians expanding their mission work to all of those countries where they will work. Please be generous and help them reach out to the world in their mission work. The monks of St. Vincent Arch abbey are helping people all over the world. Your prayers. are requested for an increase of. Vocations to the priesthood and religious life throughout the world.

Mon. 7/25 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Cancer**
Feast St. James, Apostle
8:00 AM Mass Theresa M. McCall, Ann., Ray F. McCall, Jr.

Tues. 7/26 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Heart Diseases**
Feast SS Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Mother
8:00 AM Mass Louis Miller, B/Day, Joanne Miller & Family

Wed. 7/27 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Arthritis**
Feast Weekday
8:00 AM Mass Don Cassarly, Paul & Adaline Cassarly

Thur. 7/28 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Nervous Disorders**
Feast Weekday
8:00 AM Mass Stanley Wilinski, Helen Pufka

Fri. 7/29 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Emotional Disorders**
Feast Saint Martha
8:00 AM Mass Bill Conrad, Son, Joseph and Family

Sat. 7/30 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Diabetes**
Feast Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
4:30 PM Mass Al Seinkiewicz, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Hennigan

Sun. 7/31 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Addictions**
Feast Eighteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time
9:00 AM Mass Poor Souls in Purgatory, Colleen Sheehan
11:00 AM Living & Deceased members of Our Lady of Fatima

*Lord
Jesus
Christ
Son
Of
God
Have
Mercy
On
Me
A
Sinner*

Happy Birthday:

7/25 Judy Burr
7/30 Kelly Benton
7/31 Joan Heverly
7/31 Baylee Scalise

The Cathedral Parish Summer Festival will take place August 5, 6, and 7, from 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM. Friday and Saturday and from 5:30 PM to 10:00 PM Sunday. In the Parish Hall: Friday will be Irish Night; Saturday, Polish Night; and Sunday, Italian Night; each featuring ethnic food and live entertainment. Under the Big Top there will be games, a Children's Area, Bake Sale and the Concession Stand with all the traditional Festival favorites. Bingo will be played in the Seton Suite. Raffle prizes and other donated gifts will be awarded Sunday night: Grand Prize, \$1,000.00. *(OLFers—please support our nearest neighbor!)*

MONEY MATTERS
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (July 17, 2011)
213 people Celebrated Liturgy at O.L.F. contributing \$2,297.30 of which \$ 275.00 accounted for visitor contributions.

# Envelopes In Circulation	211	# Used	93	# Unused	118
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*Our Lady of Fatima Pleaded That we pray the Holy Rosary Daily
At O.L.F. before each Mass and privately from 8:30am to 7:00pm*

Special Graces and Indulgences are attached to praying before the
Blessed Sacrament

"Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead!"

Rear Adm. David G. Farragut

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Ignoring twenty-four years of being pelted with *rumor-torpedoes* threatening the imminent sinking of their Catholic community, the Our Lady of Fatima Parish Council committed to energetically living in the present while optimistically moving into the future ... full speed ahead. One of the younger members articulated well the sentiments of the whole Council when he said: "We are asked to **give (not invest)** our time, talent, and treasure to Christ's Church. If we're not doing it here, we'll be doing it somewhere else; giving, giving, and giving with no guarantee or even any expectation of any earthly return. OLF is where we are now! OLF is where we should give, give, and give, now!

Another member sagely observed: "Every priest we've had here has said we are **a family**. Where is it written that when hard times come along, you break up the family? If the current crisis is not enough priests, the solution is not to *torpedo* the churches and breakup the families. The solution is doing whatever you have to do to get more priests, or better distribute the tasks of the ones you have until you get what you need.

Of course Father Z reiterated his new drum beat: "If O.L.F. sinks, so does the Fifth Ward. Jesus said: "without me [my Real Presence] you can do nothing."

[Father Z's observations: As a temporary stop gap, until such time as we can have at least one fulltime priest in every parish, we could conceivably cut in half [roughly] the number of weekend Masses said in the Diocese and ask as many priests who would be willing to do it, to hear Confessions and say Mass and anoint the sick in as many as three parishes each weekend and return home to the parish to which they are assigned as pastor or assistant pastor for the rest of the week. Surely we can make better use of the nearly forty Deacons we have in the Diocese as Ordained temporary administrators (to handle the day to day administrative work in those parishes that (temporarily) don't have resident pastors (Canon Law implicitly frowns upon a non-Ordained person even giving the appearance or impression of a Catholic community leader, which role is explicitly reserved to one in Holy Orders.) Repeat. This is a stop gap solution to keeping parishes open and would be in play only until we achieved the goal of having at least one fulltime resident priest in every parish. Obviously, a whole lot of time, energy, prayer and money must go into attracting men into the priesthood. Personally, I think our Diocese should be targeting widowers and older single well educated professionals more aggressively via the internet with the Whole World being our candidate pool instead of just the eight counties in central PA.

While in this discussion we probably should shoot down two too often advanced *solutions* to the priest shortage. Orthodox Catholic Theology teaches us that once Ordained one in Sacerdotal Holy Orders (i.e. priests and bishops, not deacons) is given the unique Graces to conform, and assumes the personal obligation of, conforming himself [totally] to Christ as Christ exists. Christ [totally] exists as a Spirit filled male, celibate, heterosexual person responding to the call of paternal [not maternal] ministerial service. This why no woman can (or ever will) be Ordained a priest or bishop. This is why a validly Ordained man cannot get married (without giving up active ministry and being liaised.) Yes, there are some validly married validly Ordained priests, particularly in the Eastern Church. But, they have had to have been married before they were Ordained and once Ordained, should the wife die (or in the Eastern Orthodox church, divorce him) the priest may not remarry. None of those Churches claiming (and proving) Apostolic Succession let their already Ordained men marry (as distinct from the fact that it can happen that a married man could be Ordained.) It may appear a bit *unfair* that the Catholic priest up the block can't get married, but the married Methodist Minister down the street – if he converts to Catholicism – could be Ordained a Catholic priest. To keep a balanced mind through all this it is imperative to remember that the exception must never be viewed as the norm. Or, as some say: the exception proves the rule. What about Ordaining homosexuals?

Here is the Vatican response to that question re-issued in 2005 approved and signed by Pope Benedict.

"In the light of such teaching, this Dicastery, in accord with the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, believes it necessary to state clearly that the Church, while profoundly respecting the persons in question, cannot admit to the seminary or to holy orders those who practice homosexuality, or present deep-seated homosexual tendencies or support the so-called "gay culture".

Such persons, in fact, find themselves in a situation that gravely hinders them from relating correctly to men and women. One must in no way overlook the negative consequences that can derive from the ordination of persons with deep-seated homosexual tendencies.

Different, however, would be the case in which one were dealing with homosexual tendencies that were only the expression of a transitory problem - for example, that of an adolescence not yet superseded. Nevertheless, such tendencies must be clearly overcome at least three years before ordination to the diaconate."

Answering the question: "What do you do with the homosexual who made it through the system and got Ordained?" is way above my pay grade.

Last Sunday our Parish Council committed to:

- 1 Resurrecting our OLF 5th Ward Ecumenical Lawn Party under the Tent on Sunday Aug. 28, noonish
- 2 Organizing volunteer work groups to plan and build a permanent Pavilion in our yard, usable by early next Spring. All kinds of uses came pouring out such as having regular "allowed to smoke" Bingo nights to providing a venue for startup bands and entertainers needing exposure (concert goers would sit on the bank). It could be used (rented?) also for rehearsal dinners, inexpensive wedding receptions, Baptismal, First Holy Communion and Graduation parties etc. Preference would always be given to parishioners. I didn't tell the Council that I would name the Pavilion after the single person or single family name, designated by the first person who hands me a single check for \$5,000 made out to Our Lady of Fatima Church. Smaller (three figure) contributions will be acknowledged on a weather proof plaque. Volunteer Laborers – volunteer now. Else wise, our goons will come to your house and rearrange your knees.–Just a little Union humor! It's happening! Measurements have been made, hardware needs are being assessed, rough sketches are being turned into detailed drawings, and enthusiasm is building. It's happening. Brian Starr is the Superintendant – General of the project. If you don't see him at Church, on the Street, or up from a stretcher, try his answering machine. Tell him how you want to help.
- 3 At the request of several parishioners we've had a professional artist sketch how the Sanctuary might look were we to remove the mosaic behind the Resurrected Christ Crucifix (which itself would be hung on the back wall to be seen as one exits the Confessional) and replace it with the Ss. Peter and Paul's beautiful large Crucifix. Since 95% of the time my back is to mosaic I don't really have feelings regarding it. But I do have at least one thought about it. I don't get the resurrected Christ still being "on the Cross." Our theology says Christ transcends the Cross by his Resurrection and Ascension which is so beautifully depicted in the Stain Glass window now obscured by the mosaic. I have had not just a few, but many people tell me that for years they have found the busyness of the mosaic distracting during worship and diverting during personal private prayer and meditation. If we do this, it too will be an all volunteer work force. Whether or not we do it, will be determined by the vote of registered active parishioners. (Look for a weekly report.)

During each of the Months remaining in 2011 as well as all of the months 'til June in 2012 we will be having special devotions, usually but not always or exclusively, after each weekday and each weekend Mass, according to the schedule shown to the right of this announcement.

Often there are varying versions of these devotions or even different devotions. The pastor is open to reviewing any favorites any parishioner may have.

Month	Dedication / Devotion
January	The Holy Name of Jesus
February	The Holy Family
March	St. Joseph
April	The Holy Eucharist
May	The Blessed Virgin Mary
June	The Sacred Heart of Jesus
July *	The Precious Blood of Jesus
August	The Immaculate Heart of Mary
September	The Seven Dolours of The Sorrowful Mother
October	The Holy Rosary
November	The Holy Souls in Purgatory
December	The Immaculate Conception

OLD GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth,
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise
you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord
God; Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on
us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
. . . receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Here is a dramatic example of how much of the LATIN content and context was left out when the "Dynamic Equivalency" people translated the Latin into English. Turn to page 183 in your Missalette where you will see the Latin Text. Even an amateur Latinist can see how the "new" Gloria is closer to the old Latin.

NEW GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and **on earth peace to people of good will.**
We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
We glorify you,
we give you thanks **for your great glory,** Lord
God, heavenly King,
0 God, Almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, **Only Begotten Son,** Lord God,
Lamb of God, **Son of the Father,** you take away
the **sins** of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the
Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.