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BLESSED ART THOU, O VIRGIN MARY,
BY THE LORD, THE MOST HIGH GOD,
ABOVE ALL WOMEN, UPON THE EARTH.

THOU ART THE JOY OF ISRAEL,
THOU ART THE GLORY OF JERUSALEM,
THOU ART THE HONOR OF OUR PEOPLE.

THOU ART ALL FAIR, O MARY,
AND THERE IS IN THEE
NO STAIN OF ORIGINAL SIN.



ADVENT, 2010

In November, 1988, when a small group of Catholics gathered in Chicago to form what became Coalition in Support of *Ecclesia Dei*, six Sunday Latin Masses were offered in six U.S. Dioceses under the terms of Pope John Paul II's *Ecclesia Dei*. Now, 22 years later, there are over 400 Sunday Masses in the Extraordinary Form in the United States, under Pope Benedict's *Summorum Pontificum* (in 157 of 183 Dioceses). In 50 places one or more daily Masses are said, and the number of weekday Masses grows steadily. Monthly Masses become weekly; weekday Mass schedules add Sunday Masses. Young families with many children fill the pews. We sell more Nuptial Booklet Missals than Requiem.

The Canons Regular of St. John Cantius, the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter, the Institute of Christ the King all conduct successful programs to train interested priests in how to say the Latin Mass. Excellent tutorials are available online and in DVD format. Some Bishops, especially younger ones, look favorably on doing Confirmation in the Old Rite. Please read a guest column on page 4!

All this good news is of only academic interest to you if there is no Latin Mass within 200 miles. What can be done? First, let me make a special plea that all of us redouble our prayers that the Mass become widely available for all who desire it, and that all priests who wish to say it will have cooperation and understanding from the laity. And what can **you** do if you have no Mass? Pray, sacrifice, educate yourself, family and friends. Seek out a sympathetic priest who is willing to learn the Mass. Raise funds to send him to a training session. Offer to help train altar boys, help organize a *schola* or choir, ushers committee, etc.

Your priest may be concerned about the need to prepare two sermons each Sunday because of the two calendars, old and new, with different Epistle and Gospel readings in the two forms of the Mass. An excellent new book by Fr. Kenneth Baker, S.J., *PREACH THE WORD, Homilies on the Sundays and Feasts of the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite*, may be just the thing to help him. Write us for information on how to order this book.

*Deceased

A long time champion of the Latin Mass phoned us with a great idea! It is to survey College campuses to ascertain where and when Mass is offered in the Extraordinary Form. Please help to implement such a survey. We know of three Catholic colleges with Mass every Sunday in the EF: the University of Notre Dame, Wyoming Catholic College, and Thomas Aquinas College in CA. On several other campuses there are week-day Masses scheduled at least once a month. Please send us details of the spread of the EF on campus!

It would also be very helpful to survey Seminaries. Is Latin taught to the Seminarians? Are they instructed how to offer Mass in the EF? These are our priests of the future. A call of inquiry to a Seminary may prompt some action as well as elicit information.

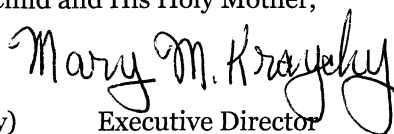
Thanks to the generosity of all who replied to our request in the last newsletter, we survived the "summer slump". Thank you!! Your prayers surely helped more than we will ever know. May God reward you! At Christmas time we again ask: for prayers especially, orders as you can, and donations if you are able. May God bless you for your faithfulness.

As you can see from the listing in the lower right column, new Masses continue to grow. Keep up the good work. Pray always. Don't let the devil's tool of discouragement hamper your efforts!

We wish you and yours a Blessed, Holy, and Merry Christmas!

Sincerely in the Christ Child and His Holy Mother,

Mary M. Kraychy
(Mrs. Stephen Kraychy)


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The following are Mass and time corrections that do not appear on the enclosed November, 2010 Flyer. They are arranged geographically. For recent changes, please visit our website: www.ecclesiaei.org. It is our most current list.

Please help us to maintain accurate listings. We spent much time checking parish websites and bulletins, and made many long distance phone calls to verify information. We found that several other internet listings, local and national, are often incomplete, out-of-date or inaccurate.

Our website is corrected weekly, and contains week-day and some occasional Masses. Our 15 page Directory (with addresses) is printed monthly. The Flyer, summarizing Sunday Masses, appears quarterly.

TIME CHANGES

MA Boston Newton Upper Falls Mary Imm., Sun:10:30 am
Boston Bellingham St Brendan 2nd Sun: 12:30 pm
DC Washington Gaithersburg MD St John Neumann Sun: 1:30 pm
SC Charleston Taylors Prince of Peace, Sun: 12:15 pm
MI Lansing Jackson St Joseph/Worker, Sun: Noon
TX Dallas Irving Mater Dei, Sun: 9:00 & 11:30

DISCONTINUED

WV Wheeling/Charlestown St. James, Charlestown was Sun
NC Charlotte Winston/Salem, St Benedict was 2nd Sun
IL Peoria Princeville, St Mary was Sun
LA Lafayette Centerville, St Elizabeth was Sun

Act of Consecration of the Human Race to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Issued on October 17, 1925 by His Holiness Pope Pius IX, for the annual consecration of the human race to the Sacred Heart on the Feast of the Kingship of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Most sweet Jesus, Redeemer of the human race, look down upon us, humbly prostrate before Thy altar. We are Thine and Thine we wish to be; but to be more surely united with Thee, behold each one of us freely consecrates himself today to Thy Most Sacred Heart

Many, indeed, have never known Thee; many, too, despising Thy precepts, have rejected Thee. Have mercy on them all, most merciful Jesus, and draw them to Thy Sacred Heart. Be Thou King, O Lord, not only of the faithful who have never forsaken Thee, but also of the prodigal children who have abandoned Thee; grant that they may quickly return to their Father's house, lest they die of wretchedness and hunger.

Be Thou King of those who are still involved in the darkness of idolatry or of Islamism, and refuse not to draw them into the light and kingdom of God...Grant, O Lord, to Thy Church assurance of freedom and immunity from harm; give peace and order to all nations, and make the earth resound from pole to pole with one cry: Praise to the divine Heart that wrought our salvation; to It be glory and honor forever. Amen.

Please remember this Christmas Season that our Infant Savior is King of the world, King of us all, even those who do not believe and who would dishonor Him. Christmas is Christ's Birthday. Let us honor Him, wish everyone a Merry Christmas, send religious cards, keep special Advent customs in our homes and Parishes. KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS!

NEW MASSES since early November, 2010

WV Wheeling Thomas, St Thomas, 3rd Sun: 7:30 am
OH Cincinnati, Old St Mary Church, Sun: 9:15 am
IN Lafayette, St Anne Shrine, 3rd Sun: 2:30 pm
IN South Bend U. of Notre Dame, Alumni Hall
St Charles Borromeo Chapel, Sun 9:00 am
WI Marquette **New Diocese**
Stephenson, Precious Blood, Sun: 7 am
WI Madison Platteville, St Mary, Sun: 11:00 am
WI Madison Roxbury, St Norbert, Sun: 11:00 am
WI Madison Sauk City, St Aloysius, Sun 6:30 am
WI LaCrosse WI Rapids, SS Peter/Paul 1st Sun: 4pm
MO KC/St Joseph St Joseph, St James Sun: 12:30pm
SD Sioux Falls, St Mary Church, Sun:1:30 pm
replaces St. Joseph Cathedral
OK OK City Edmund, St Damien, Sun: 8 & 10:30 am
(& Daily) replaces Bishop McGuinness HS
CA San Francisco, St Finn Barr, 2nd Sun: 5:30 pm
CA San Francisco, Holy Name/Jesus 3rd Sun: 7:15 pm
CA San Diego Escondido, St Mary, Sun: 3:30 pm
OR Baker **New Diocese**
Bend, St Francis/Assisi, 3rd Sun: 1:30 pm
WA Seattle Bremerton, OL Star/Sea, 1st Sun: 7 pm

The Tilma of Juan Diego

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On Tuesday, December 12, 1531 when Juan Diego let fall from his tilma a shower of beautiful flowers he had gathered from the frosty crest of Tepeyac Hill, he thought these were the heavenly sign the bishop had requested. Moments later he discovered that a far more excellent sign, a miraculous image of Our Lady, had been imprinted on the tilma itself.

In *The Wonder of Guadalupe* Francis Johnson writes: "...The tilma of Juan Diego comprises two straight lengths of ayate fiber sewn together in the center and woven so coarsely that when viewed close up it appears to be almost transparent...the life-span of the ayate fiber is approximately twenty years. Yet after four hundred and fifty years, the tilma still shows not the slightest sign of decay. Its colors remain as vivid and fresh as when they first materialized before Bishop Zumarraga's astonished gaze. And despite the fact that for over a century the sacred image hung unprotected even by glass in a damp, open-windowed chapel the size of an average living room, where it was directly exposed to ceaseless smoke and incense, burnt perfumes and myriads of votive candles flickering beneath it." (pp.116-117)

An incident which occurred in the Basilica on Sunday, November 14, 1921 further highlights the remarkable preservation of the tilma. At 10:30 A.M. a powerful bomb concealed in a vase of flowers and placed beneath the sacred image exploded, ripping out chunks of marble from the sanctuary and shattering the stained glass windows of the church. The image of Our Lady and its thin protective glass covering were, however, completely unharmed. By contrast, an iron cross on the altar was twisted like a pretzel by the blast and is today displayed in the new basilica for the edification of the faithful and the consternation of the skeptic. (cf. *The Wonder of Guadalupe*, p.119)

Subjected to scientific investigation, the image itself has provoked even more wonder than the preservation of the tilma. In 1936 Richard Kuhn, a German Nobel Prize winner in Chemistry, thoroughly examined two fibers from the image. Francis Johnson made the following

summary of Doctor Kuhn's conclusions: "There was no coloring of any kind in the fibers. The materials used to produce what resembled colors were unknown to science, being neither animal, vegetable nor mineral dyes. The use of synthetic coloring was ruled out since that was developed three centuries after the creation of the sacred image." (p. 121)

In 1981 the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) published *An Analysis of the Tilma under Infra Red Radiation* by Dr. Philip Serna Callahan, a biophysicist at the University of Florida. Doctor Callahan discovered human additions on the image whose purpose, he believes, was to cover up water damages at the bottom and around the edges of the tilma. He nevertheless states: "The original figure, including the rose robe, blue mantle, hands and face...is inexplicable. In terms of this infrared study, there is no way to explain either the kind of color pigments utilized, or the maintenance of color luminosity and brightness over the centuries. Furthermore, when consideration is given to the fact that there is no underdrawing, sizing or over-varnish, and that the weave of the fabric is itself utilized to give portrait depth, no explanation of the portrait is possible by infrared techniques. It is remarkable that after four centuries there is no fading or cracking of the original figure or any portion of the ayate tilma which—being unsized—should have deteriorated centuries ago." (p. 18)

By comparison to miraculous cures whose effect can be known to future ages only by testimony, the tilma of Juan Diego has been observed by 17 generations of witnesses. It has been examined by experts who maintain that its continued existence is an exception to the physical laws of science and who cannot explain according to those same physical laws either how the image was painted or what materials were used to paint it. The certitude which rests upon the testimony of reliable witnesses is called moral certitude but the certitude derived from the tilma is physical because the evidence can be acquired through one's own senses. †

U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops Meets *Sancta Missa*

In thankful response to Pope Benedict XVI's *Motu Proprio, Summorum Pontificum*, the Canons Regular of St. John Cantius, based in the Archdiocese of Chicago, initiated a comprehensive educational program in July 2007 entitled *Sancta Missa*. Its purpose is to instruct priests, seminarians, consecrated religious, as well as the laity, in the Extraordinary Form. This has included the creation of workshops and retreats for priests and laity, the establishment of a publishing company, Biretta Books, Ltd., and the setting up of a multi-media website, www.SanctaMissa.org. In the past three years, over 750 priests have received personal training in the use of the 1962 *Missale Romanum* at the *Sancta Missa* Workshops. In the same period, the Canons have held workshops, seminars and retreats for over 6,000 lay persons and consecrated religious sisters in order to help them mine the spiritual riches of the ancient Latin Mass.

The Canons Regular attended the Fall, 2009 meeting of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops in order to introduce the Bishops to the *Sancta Missa* initiative, distributing to them the *Sancta Missa* training DVDs of Low Mass and High Mass, the Explanation of the Prayers and Ceremonies of Holy Mass by Guéranger, etc. Thanks to a generous gift from the Coalition in Support of *Ecclesia Dei*, the Canons also distributed English/Latin and Spanish/Latin Booklet Missals, copies of *Summorum Pontificum* and *Veterum Sapientiae*, among other important resources. This introduction to *Sancta Missa* was effective with the Bishops, and several Bishops sent priests to the Canons Regular for training.

The Canons Regular returned to the USCCB meeting in November 2010, now with the intent of providing materials directed at training the Bishops themselves in the Pontifical ceremonies of the Extraordinary Form. With a generous donation from the Paulus Institute, the Canons Regular were able to donate to each Bishop DVDs of the Pontifical Mass from the Throne, as recorded by EWTN at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception last April. The Canons Regular also provided the Bishops with a DVD mini-documentary which explains the rubrics for the Rite of Confirmation according to the 1962 *Pontificale Romanum*.

Thanks to EWTN, the Canons Regular also replicated for the Bishops DVDs of the Pontifical Mass from the Faldstool. This Mass in the Extraordinary Form was celebrated in 2008 by the Most Rev. Joseph Perry and the Canons Regular at Mother

Angelica's Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament. To these audio-visual materials we added printed materials on the rubrics and ceremonies of the Pontifical Liturgies according to the Extraordinary Form.

With the use of a jumbo-screen TV and a state-of-the-art sound system, the Canons Regular played the DVDs of the Pontifical Liturgies repeatedly throughout the USCCB's weeklong meeting. Using modern media to instruct the Bishops on the ancient rite of Mass met with great success, inspiring Bishops to approach the Canons Regular information desk. Entering into discussion with Bishops, whether one on one, or in small groups, the item of greatest interest to the Bishops seemed to be the documentary instructing them on the Rite of Confirmation (1962 *Pontificale Romanum*). Remarkably, a number of the Bishops indicated to us their desire to celebrate the Extraordinary Form for the people of their respective dioceses. Since they have not known where to begin, this has not yet been actualized. With the introduction to *Sancta Missa*, hopefully this will begin to change.

As Bishops and priests begin to master the external ceremonies of the Old Mass with accuracy, the Canons Regular wish to help them further discover the rich treasury of grace, which lies within those ceremonies like blood coursing through our veins. Once the clergy have embraced "the most beautiful thing this side of heaven" with both their intellects and spirits, then they will be able to pass on this knowledge and love to the laity who await to be transformed by its inestimable beauty, so that they then will be able to pray the Mass with greater attention, devotion and fervor.

The Canons Regular of St. John Cantius thank almighty God for blessing this initiative, dedicated to the restoration of the sacred, through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We thank also His Holiness, Pope Benedict XVI, whose love for the Church's liturgical treasury is restoring a genuine sense of the sacred before the Altar of God. The Canons Regular of St. John Cantius recognize the public support our Founding Bishop, His Eminence Francis Cardinal George, O.M.I., has given for this apostolic work. Grateful for the innumerable volunteers and benefactors who have contributed to *Santa Missa*, let us now pray for our Bishops as they begin bravely to restore the sacred through the Sacred Liturgy. †

by a Priest of the Canons Regular of St. John Cantius