

St. Gregory the Great Community

Celebrating the Traditional Latin Mass

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Fr. Robideau – What will he say this time?
I can't wait !

Bishop Earl Boyea has implemented a new policy on the Human Body As a Constitutive Aspect of the Human Person.

The heart of the document teaches:

The Church teaches that our differences as male and female are part of God's good design in creation, that our bodies—including our sexuality—are gifts from God, and that we should accept and care for our bodies as they were created. In fact, "being man' or 'being woman' is a reality which is good and willed by God" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 369). A person cannot change his or her sex. A person should accept and seek to live in conformity with his or her sexual identity (sometimes called "gender identity") as given by God. The human person is a body-soul union, and the body—created male or female—is a constitutive aspect of the human person.

Therefore, the Catholic Church teaches that the removal or destruction of healthy sexual and reproductive organs is a type of mutilation and thus, intrinsically evil. Procedures, surgeries, and therapies designed to assist a person in "transitioning" his or her sex are morally prohibited. "Everyone, man and woman, should acknowledge and accept his or her God-given biological sex and the sexual identity that corresponds with that gift. Physical, moral, and spiritual difference and complementarity are oriented toward the goods of marriage and the flourishing of family life. The harmony of the couple and of society depends in part on the way in which the complementarity, needs, and mutual support between the sexes are lived out." See Catechism of the Catholic Church ("CCC"), 2333. "Each of the two sexes is an image of the power and tenderness of God, with equal dignity though in a different way." See CCC, 2335. Having a proper understanding of the human body—and more generally, of the moral law—enhances, rather than restricts, man's freedom. As St. John Paul II stated in his encyclical Veritatis Splendor, "[T]here can be no freedom apart from or in opposition to the truth." (Veritatis Splendor, 96.)

Can you say WOW!! That is pretty good.

From this teaching, he is establishing the following policies:

This Weeks Schedule

Sun: 1st Sunday of Lent
Open 7:30 am - 12 noon
Mass 8 am +Josh and Britteny Paptic
10 am Parish

Mon: Chair of St. Peter
Open 11 am - 1 pm
Confession 11 am - 12 pm
Mass 12:10 pm Maraloy Thomas

Tues: Feria
Open 5 pm - 7 pm
Confession 5 pm - 6:15 pm
Mass 6:30 pm +Daniel Krzyzaniak

Wed: St. Matthias
Open 7:30 am - 11 am
Confession 8:45 am - 11 am
Mass 8 am +Daniel Krzyzaniak

Thur: Feria
Open 3:30 pm - 6 pm & at 11 pm
Confessions 5 pm - 6:15 pm
Mass 6:30 pm Silvano

Fri: Ember Friday
Open 7:30 am - 11 am
Confessions 8:45 am - 11 am
Mass 8 am +Menchie
Stations of the Cross 6:30 pm

Sat: Ember Saturday
Open 8:30 am - 9:30 am
Mass 9 am Jessie & Eric Kabdebo

Next Sun: 2nd Sunday of Lent
Open 7:30 am - 12 noon
Mass 8 am Holy Souls
10 am +Menchie

Meetings

Pastoral/Finance Council -- March 2
Security Council --
Men's Group -- March 18
Woman's Group -- March 6



Oh Lord, hear
our prayers
for the
members of
our family in
need.

Please Pray for:

Ed Reichstetter
Tom Roof
Kathy Miles
Ron Albert
Melissa Dorbeck
JoAnn Brock
Chuck Campanella
Hal Schneider
Timothy McLin
Dean Lind
Rhoda Greenhoe
David Makara
Sharon Etzel
Bob Wilson

Last Sunday's Collection

of Contributions – 27
Sunday Total – \$ 3422
Capital Campaign – \$ 840

Thank you for your generosity

Money Counters

We need to reimplement money counters.

If you are interested in helping to count the Sunday collections after the 10 am Mass, please let Fr. Robideau know.

We will have a training session soon.

Pastoral Council Meeting March 2 @ 7 pm

Please think about a regular meeting time every 2 months. Something like the first Tuesday of every even month or whatever. What works for you?

1. It is the policy of the Diocese of Lansing that all Catholic parishes, schools, institutions, departments, entities, charities agencies, juridic persons, or other affiliated entities, and any subdivision thereof, shall respect the biological sex of the human person as given by God and shall apply all policies and procedures in relation to that person according to that person's God-given biological sex.
2. All clergy, employees, and volunteers shall conduct themselves in accord with their God-given biological sex.
3. Diocesan schools partner with families to educate and form students consistent with the teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ and His Church, and so families are expected to live in accord with Gospel values, particularly regarding actions and behaviors that are public. Students and parents (or legal guardians) shall conduct themselves in accord with their God-given biological sex.

These are not just good policies for the institutional part of the church, but are good policies for us ALL and ALL mankind. In fact, for us to live anything less than this would be a sin.

The Diocese also provided a commentary on the teaching and policies. It says that "while the church has a duty to teach the truth about the human person and human sexuality, and incorporate this teaching into her policies and procedures, the Church has compassion and empathy toward all her members who experience confusion about their identity, including their sexual or gender identity."

The fact is, we have compassion and empathy on all who struggle with sin and evil in their life. This too is Church teaching and should be incorporated into our life in all relationships and social interaction.

God Bless
Fr. Robideau

CONFERENCE

**Mass – Side by Side
By Fr. Jeffrey Robideau**

March 6 – 10 am
(9 am for 1st Saturday Mass)

Cost – Free

Location – St. Gregory the Great

There are 3 types of people:

1. Those who have never been to a Traditional Latin Mass
2. Those who have and are confused
3. Those who go to it and love it.

This conference is for all three groups.

Since most people today are familiar with the new Mass said in English, it becomes useful to use it as a model to understand the Traditional Latin Mass. This conference will lay the two Masses side by side so that you can see and understand each in it's own Rite.

We will also discuss the history and development of Liturgy, your role in the Mass, how you can better take a full and active participation in the Mass and two other major points that Vatican II made about liturgy. There will also be time for Q&A.

Coffee and refreshments will be served.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

March 7
Parish Social - 11 am

We will be celebrating our 1 year anniversary of moving into our new church. It has been an interesting year, to say the least. In any case, our new home has served us well and we have grown by many new wonderful families. That is reason to celebrate.

LENTEN FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT & Anniversary Day

March 12 – 6:30 pm

Pizza, Popcorn, Beverages, “OH MY”

Cost - \$10 per family

We hope to make this a regular thing.

40 Days for life

40 Days for life begins Wednesday, February 17 and goes to March 28.

The goal is to get people outside the Planned Parenthood at Frandor 7 days a week from 7am through 7pm, but we are especially focused on the weekdays when they are open!

We are asking people to volunteer one hour every week for the duration of the vigil to stand and pray outside the abortion (murder) clinic. Many simply pray the 15 decades of the rosary, but you may pray other prayers or any prayer you like.

While you do not need a sign, one can be provided if you want or need one.

Our parishioner, Britteny Paptic, is available to help you or answer any question you may have. She can also pair you up with a partner if you want one. Being there in pairs is recommended for safety reasons.

Please call Britteny @ 248-917-1225 or Brent @ 517-894-4334

Contributions and Donations are greatly appreciated

As a parishioner or visitor, you may contribute in the following ways:

- You may use the donation box in the back of Church if you want to use cash or check.
- You may contribute electronically with a credit card by going to
 - www.continuetogive.com/gregorythegreat
 - Or by scanning this QR code.

