



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT COMMUNITY

Celebrating the Traditional Latin Mass

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Fr. Robideau - What will he say next? I can't wait!

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Mission Statement

We have a nice blank spot in the bulletin to put such a thing... if we had one.

Hint, hint pastoral council

RRM priest update meeting. You may remember my horror at the last meeting. I told you then not to expect much good to come from this. The same remains true from the last meeting. They are not willing to look at the real reason why people are leaving the church or are simply just not participating anymore. They think personnel changes, structure changes and silly programs are going to fix the problem. Which they wont. Not this problem at least.

Parts of the new plan are still confidential so I cannot give too many details. What I can say is that what I have already said remains their goal, but wait— — it gets worse. Clustering and closing of parishes is still the goal. In the first phase at least, it looks like they will try not to close any, but with their plan the way it is, it is inevitable.

They are going beyond simple clustering. They plan on doing some kind of “solidarity” thing that has no current meat as to what that really means. So expect a lot of confession when they implement it. I see many many problems coming down the pipeline on that one point alone.

I cannot share the maps, but yes the maps for the clustering are already drawn up. I am sure they will tweak them a little yet, but at the same time, I am sure they are pretty much what will be.

How does this affect us here at St. Gregory the Great? The good news is that they seem to be leaving us out of it. I assured them that this was a good thing. We would not be a good fit in any kind of clustering or solidarity as our vision of God, church, family and life is so radically different. Our Mass and liturgical calendar are just too different. We just would not fit into what they want to do. I may have also said that we do not play well with modernist or some thing to that effect. The whole thing is just such a blur :).

I guess, at this point, we just let them do what they are going to do. I think I have done my part. I have let them know on a few occasions the problems with what they are doing and I have written the bishop and told him. It is clear, that they do not want to hear what we have to say. At the same time, they are going to at least leave us alone. They will just have to learn the hard way.

When their little experiment goes deep south, perhaps it will have

This Weeks Schedule

- Sun: 4th Sunday after Pentecost
Open 7:15 am - 12 noon
Mass 8 am Silvano Alvarado and Family
10 am Parish
- Mon: St. Aloysius Gonzaga
Open 11 am - 1 pm
Mass 12:10 pm Alexis Loebig
- Tue: St. Paulinus
Open 5 pm - 7 pm
Mass 6:30 pm - Kiah & Gabriella Hester
- Wed: Vigil of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Open 7:30 am - 11 am
Mass 8 am Minor children of the George Family
- Thur: Nativity of St. John the Baptist
Open 5 pm - 7 pm
Mass 6:30 pm - +Alfred Martin
- Fri: St. William
Open 7:30 am - 11 am
Mass 8 am Kiah & Gabriella Hester
- Sat: SS. John and Paul
Open 8:30 am - 11 am
Mass 9 am +Christine Martin
- Sun: 5th Sunday after Pentecost
Open 7:15 am - 12 noon
Mass 8 am Parish
10 am +Hudson Deweese

Confessions

Confessions are available Monday - Saturday during open hours outside of Mass times.

You may also call to make an appointment outside of these times.

Weddings

Please call me as soon as you can after the engagement so we can get things started.

Do not schedule a date or rent a hall until church matters are cleared first (That will take 1-2 months)

The whole marriage prep process requires a minimum of 9 months of prep.

Please pray for:



**Oh Lord,
hear our
prayers for
our family
and friends
in need.**

Tim Copernoll
Amy Sobie
Rachelle Koenigsknecht
Ed Reichstetter
Melissa Dorbeck
JoAnn Brock
Chuck Campanella
Hal Schneider
Timothy McLin
Dean Lind
Rhoda Greenhoe
David Makara
Sharon Etzel
Bob Wilson

Money Counters

I almost have the counting room ready.

I am now working on the cabinets.

As soon as it is complete, we will have a training session.

More information to come.

Last Sunday's Collection

# Of Contributions	20 + Cash
Sunday Total	\$ 2121
Capital Campaign	\$ 1690

Thank you for your generosity

Meetings

Pastoral Council	– July 13
Security Council	–
Men's Group	– July 15
Woman's Group	– July 3

the same effect as when they closed the churches for COVID. Many wonderful people came to us. Many are still here, enriching us with their love and friendship. We only got better from the whole experience.

At the same time, I do not want to see people hurt to where they feel lost, excluded or eliminated from their parish. I would not wish that on my worst enemy. I do not care how many parishioners we would gain from it. But I see the writing on wall. I will welcome the displaced sheep with the love of Christ and see to their care with the same love and affection that I have for you. That is the beauty of love, you can never really run out.

SECOND ISSUE

The next thing I took away from the meeting was a discussion I had with our Bishop. Two points from this: The first is that he said he is happy with what is happening here.

The second is that I asked him about the Pope taking away Sumorum Pontificum. He said he was not sure that was going to happen. I further asked but what if it did, would you give me the indult to say it. He answered it like a bishop (politician) but I was left with the impression of yes, he would.

God Bless, Fr. Robideau



Parish Picnic

July 17

2-5 pm

Please start thinking about what you will be bringing for food and beverages.

As usual, we will provide the hamburgers and hotdogs and buns

I also need a volunteer to coordinate the event. I am very busy taking care of all you sinners.

Father's Day

A very happy and blessed Father's Day to all our Dads out there.

Fatherhood is a very huge responsibility. To image God the Father to your family is a humbling experience. I know it has been for me as priest. We have huge (infinite) shoes (sandles) to fill. I tell you what, and you know this already, it is tiring but nothing gives me more life.

I think of the article from last week about the role of men, how we are to be the first to live the 4th commandment in our submission to God the Father in Heaven and our Heavenly Queen. The better we do this, the better Fathers we will be and better men we will be too.

Manhood in general and Fatherhood in particular begins with the Father and ends with Him (Alpha & Omega).

Children (that means all of us), support and appreciate your Fathers and encourage them to to be the masculine men God calls them to be.

Religious Ed

I know school just ended, but we need to start looking at next year.

I sat down the other day with our two Religious Ed (RE) teachers and debriefed on how things went last year. We had a few hiccups, but not too bad over all for our first official year.

With that, I officially invite you to look at having your children join us this Fall.

We have two classes:

The first is our sacramental prep. It is for those children who are ready to make their first confession and first Holy Communion. They need to be in 2nd grade and 7 years of age for this class. This class takes place between the 8 and 10 am Mass on Sunday.

The second is our High School Religious Ed Class. They will need to be in the 8th grade or higher to attend this class. There will also be a few books they will need that you can get on Amazon. If you are not able to afford the books, we will get them for you. This class takes place after the 10 am Mass.

Confirmation is part of the High School RE. They will be given extra assignments for the confirmation portion.

There are no other costs to either class.

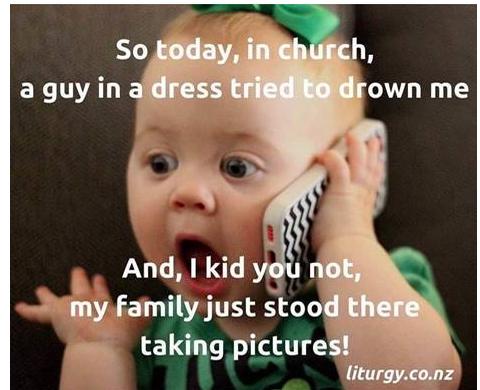
In the future, I would like to offer more education for children from grades 3-7. If you have any idea on how to do this, please let me know.

That leaves me with the adults. RCIA is the program to bring in converts in to the Church. If

you are interested in becoming Catholic or know someone who is, please contact me soon so that I am able to get you ready for that process. It is a bit more involved that the RE program.

I will have our two teachers each write up a brief description and invitation to their class in upcoming bulletins.

Knowing the Faith is paramount to being Catholic. St. Thomas Aquinas reminds us that you cannot love that which you do not know. Since it is our desire to love God, we had better know Him. RE is there to be an aid to you as parents and first teachers of your children to help them know the God we have come to know and depend on so much in our lives.



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