



# ST. GREGORY THE GREAT COMMUNITY

*Celebrating the Traditional Latin Mass*

**September 26, 2021**

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Volunteers are needed.

Practice is held on  
Wednesday.

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

### **A New Sin to Burn in Hell For?**

In addition to the ecological sins against the great mother Pachamama, it seems our illustrious pope has yet another claim to fame. He has found yet another sin for us to burn in hell for. Now I thought it was our job as clergy to "lift a finger to help" you, not to burden you further under a load that is already so unbearable.

But with that question set aside, let us look at this newest and darkest of sins "that can mortify the patient's of God."

Speaking of the two year synod, Pope Francis says, "Synodality expresses the nature of the church, its form, its style, its mission, ... The Greek word synod means 'walking together.' [Acts of the Apostles] teaches us that remaining static cannot be a good condition for the church and that movement is a consequence of docility to the Holy Spirit, who is the director of this history in which all are restless protagonists, never static."

He continues to give a lot of pretty words about movement, openness, docility, knocking down walls, breaking chains, freeing frontiers, opening doors and windows and other such inspiring words. It is all about change and "moving forward."

What he is referring to in his own fashion is that this movement and change needs to happen so that we can be more united to and in sync with the world and the times we live in. We have been stuck in the past. We are backwards and behind the times. We need to get with it and parallel the world at best if not actually join them on the same path.

Notice all the ways the pope and bishops are falling into the traps of the world? They are all caught up with climate change, immigration, getting the vaccine, social justice, (false) ecumenism, money, power, sex (and other perversions), honoring Pachamama and so much more. They want to get along with the world and have the world like them. But that is not what Jesus calls us to. He said that the world will hate us because of His Name. We should be about bringing this to fruition. We need to act according to the Name and thus cause the world to hate us. If the world likes us, or worse, if the world loves us, then we are doing something terribly wrong. The pope and bishops seem to be constantly playing footsie with the world, trying to share in their affection, power and money.

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## This Weeks Schedule

- Sun: 18 Sunday after Pentecost  
Open 7:15 am - 12 noon  
Mass 8 am +Louis DeMarco  
10 am Parish
- Mon: SS Cosmas & Damian  
Open 11 am - 1 pm  
Mass 12:10 pm - +Khris Robertson
- Tue: St. Wenceslaus  
Open 5 pm - 7 pm  
Mass 6:30 pm - Geraldine DeMarco
- Wed: Dedication of St. Michael the Archangel  
Open 7:30 am - 11 am  
Mass 8 am - Kathy Miles
- Thur: St. Jerome  
Open 5 pm - 7 pm  
Mass 6:30 pm - Madonna House
- Fri: Feria  
Open 7:30 am - 11 am  
Mass 8 am - Lori Klein
- Sat: Holy Guardian Angels  
Open 8:30 am - 11 am  
Mass 9 am - Poor Souls
- Sun: 19 Sunday after Pentecost  
Open 7:15 am - 12 noon  
Mass 8 am Lori Klein  
10 am Parish

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### 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.

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### 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 marriage prep process can take 9 or more 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

#### This Week

2 Volunteers today Please

#### Next Week

Greg Snitgen  
Jim Miller

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### Last Sunday's Collection

# Of Contributions	16 + Cash
Sunday Total	\$ 280
Capital Campaign	\$ 1918

**Thank you for your generosity**

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### Meetings

Pastoral Council	– Nov 9
Security Council	–
Men's Group	– Oct 21
Woman's Group	– Oct 14
Church Cleaning	– Oct 2

The pope and bishops need to learn that the world is using them and that once they have what they want, they will throw the church aside and treat us like China does the church. We will become nothing more than their puppet and will be only tolerated if we bend our knee to them before God.

Now that I have said all that, let us look more into the direction to pope wants to go.

He says, "it may be necessary for us, too, to change direction and overcome convictions that hold us back and prevent us from moving and walking together."

Moving and walking together WHERE? What is the end point, the goal, the final destination of this journey where we are walking together? Is it the narrow path? Is it toward Christ? Is it toward Truth? Or is it about moving more towards the ways of the world.

He wants to do all this listening to dioceses, Bishops, priests, the faithful and I heard even from non catholics. He prefaced this with all of us listening to the Holy Spirit first, so that is good. But how many even know who the Holy Spirit is or how to truly listen to Him? There has been so much horrible teaching on Him and on prayer that people think that whatever they feel (from their own thoughts or intentions) is from the Holy Spirit. And most people are caught up in the world, so is their input of any value or will it take us in wrong directions? Or even form bishops and priests, they are messed up too. Do I even care about the opinions of bishop Baron or Fr. Martin. Heck no! Or even this pope who asks who he is to judge between wright and wrong. We are seriously messed up as a church. Perhaps we are called to get back to the basics and re-embrace the Faith the Apostles handed down to us again and look at the first 20 Dogmatic Ecumenical Councils that teach the faith. Return to the Church Fathers and Doctors of the Church. Reintroduce ourselves to the FULL Magisterium of the Church and not just the opinions of the men in office today who are subject to error, especially as they have strayed from the FULL Magisterial and biblical teachings that are the roots and bedrock of our Faith.

Before we move forward, perhaps we need to



## All Saints Day Mass and Party

**Come celebrate the Mass of the Ages for All Saints**

**Join us after Mass for a pot luck  
and holy card exchange**

*Saint costumes are encouraged*

**Saint Gregory the Great @6:30PM**

**Monday, November 1**

**If interested, please contact Chrissy at  
mrs@pfhawkins.com**

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look back first to reground ourselves in the dignity of our CATHOLIC identity as free children of God rather than slaves of the world.

There was a lot of change and figuring things out in the early Church as shown in the Acts of the Apostles. But as all the elements were figured out, they became tradition and so fixed. The faith became dogmatized and even anathematized if you dare tried to changed it. Practices and liturgical rites were formulated and written down and held to with deep devotion and profound respect. And even as this happened, there was still much development and further understanding that took place. None of these were ever static, not 100%. But changes and additions were cautious and they took their time on

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formulating change and making the changes.

Change, especially to accommodate the world is not always a good thing, perhaps even seldom a good thing. We are not here to accommodate the world. Scripture is clear on this point. We live in the world, but we are not of the world. We are here just to learn to love God and each other and then to move on to our eternal reward.

When you have something as good as what the Apostles have given us, why would you want to change it? Especially if change means corrupting it with the world.

And yet this seems to be what the pope and bishops want to do. They want to create a whole new church. But this time, a secular church to replace the sacred church God gave us. They want to fashion it after man rather than God. This statement may go a bit too far, but it is not completely untrue.

Anyway, for those who want to hold on to the church the Apostles received and handed on to us, the pope said, "There can be a rigid way of considering things, that can mortify the patience of God...the God who looks far, the God who has no haste. Rigidity is a sin against the patience of God."

I am very familiar with this term "rigid." I was called this many times in seminary and as a priest. I wear it as a badge of honor as what it means to me is that I am Catholic and darn too-ten proud of it. What they really mean by it though is that they hate us, they are intolerant of us because we will not let them have the church their way. We are in their way. We upset them. We hurt their feelings. They do not understand how it is that we can hang on to the old ways. They think us to be backward thinkers.

I wonder if the pope has ever thought of this for one of his new sins, "There is a radical progressiveness that can mortify the patience of God...the God who looks at all He has done and calls it good, the God who took His time over 2000 years to build His Bride carefully and not in hast. Progressivism is a sin against the patience of God."

If not, I offer it to him. He can even have the credit for it.

Change in the world and change in the church are two different things. The world changes fast, the church changes slow. The world does not change the church, but the church should change the world.

The other point, quickly. The pope says "movement is a consequence of docility to the Holy Spirit." Why is movement the only consequence to docility to the Holy Spirit? Can the Holy Spirit inspire us to rest in what is and find comfort and peace rather than restlessness and a need to change and upset the apple cart. After all St. Augustin said that his heart would only rest in God. Some of us have found this rest and have come to need it and depend on it. NO! Change is not the only consequence.

Resting like this in the arms of the Holy Spirit, we come to a deeper love, appreciation and understanding of the faith. When we move and change and dart about, we miss the depth of the Love of God and get caught up with nothing more than the flavor of the day. Fade! Novelty! Fluff!

And my last comment - perhaps the change the Holy Spirit is calling for is not change of the physical church or her mission but the change of ones heat.

With Much Love - Fr. Robideau

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