



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT COMMUNITY

Celebrating the Traditional Latin Mass

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Volunteers are needed.

Practice is held on
Wednesday.

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

A little more Good News

St. Gregory has now taken his proper place in the altar. Things are happening, just a little at a time. You will also be happy to note that the Altar Rail has started also. Nothing you can see yet, but give us time. And lastly, I hope to give the go ahead to commission the carving of St. Catherine of Siena this Wednesday. She will be a welcomed addition to the altar.

Quit that Lallygagging and Dig that Hole!

It is the tradition in the church that we show the greatest respect for the Holy Eucharist. It is God after all and should be treated with the utmost dignity. Not only Jesus in the Eucharist, but all holy things should be treated with the greatest of care.

One of the ways we do this is with a thing called a sacrarium. This is a special sink found in the sacristy. Rather than dumping into the sewer, it goes directly into the ground so the holy things can return to the earth.

As you can imagine, this church does not have one as it was a protestant church before we took it over. WE NEED ONE. So I have arranged for a few of our young men with good strong backs to dig a hole 4 foot by 4 foot by 6 foot deep. They will be hard at it this Saturday. Say a special prayer for them as it will be a lot of work.

Once the hole is dug, we will install the special drain bed for it and the necessary plumbing. They will then fill the hole back in.

My back hurts just thinking about it. This is no small deed that they are doing for the parish and for God. They tell me it is going to cost pizza, lots of pizza. That scares me as I have seen how some of these young men eat. It might have been cheaper to call an excavator.

3rd Order Carmelites

Most of you may not know this, but I am the spiritual assistant to a group of 3rd Order Carmelites in Saline. They are also called Secular Order of Carmelites. Using the term "3rd" is older and more traditional language.

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This Weeks Schedule

- Sun: 20 Sunday after Pentecost
Open 7:15 am - 12 noon
Mass 8 am Stephanie Papic
10 am Parish
- Mon: Maternity fo the BVM
Open 11 am - 1 pm
Mass 12:10 pm - Madanna House
- Tue: Feria
Open 5 pm - 7 pm
Mass 6:30 pm - Joseph Papic
- Wed: St. Edward
Open 7:30 am - 11 am
Mass 8 am - Madanna House
- Thur: St. Callistus I
Open 5 pm - 7 pm
Mass 6:30 pm - Lori Kline
- Fri: St. Theresa of Avila
Open 7:30 am - 11 am
Mass 8 am - Janice DuFlouth
- Sat: St. Hedwig
Open 8:30 am - 11 am
Mass 9 am - Sarah Papic
- Sun: 21 Sunday after Pentecost
Open 7:15 am - 12 noon
Mass 8 am Stephen Papic
10 am Parish

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 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

Ben Schnieder
Linda Cremer

Next Week

Julie Snitgen
Renee Irre

Last Sunday's Collection

Of Contributions 21 + Cash
Sunday Total \$ 2182.25
Capital Campaign \$ 60

Thank you for your generosity

Meetings

Pastoral Council – Nov 9
Security Council –
Men's Group – Oct 21
Woman's Group – Oct 14
Church Cleaning – Nov 6
Schola – Every Wednesday @ 6pm

Emergency Pastoral Council Meeting

Tuesday @ 7 pm

I think we need about 1 hour to cover a few questions

Special Schola Practice

Sunday 17 & 24 after the 10 am Mass

To prepare for the Christ the King Mass on Oct 31

Led by Sipkje Price

As this is a special practice, it is not mandatory but for those members who want to canter at the Christ the King Mass.

I spend time with them every 2nd Saturday of the month for their monthly meeting. Yesterday was no different in that respect, but what was different was that we had a recruitment meeting where people were invited to come and see who we are and what we are about.

There is also a 3rd Order Carmelite in Lansing. They meet at the cathedral. In fact, I am the founding member of it. A lady by the name of Sue Burns and I started it when I was stationed at Resurrection. When I was transferred, I had to cut back on some of my travels so I resigned from the Lansing group and stayed with the Saline group. I think I have been with them since about 2001 or 2.

In any case, let me tell you who we are. First, we are not a club, but it is a vocation like the the priesthood, monks and nuns. In other words there is a discernment process by both you and the Carmelites to see if you have a calling from God or not.

There is a beautiful history to their origins that goes back well into the old testament back to the Prophet Elijah. Unfortunate, it is too long for me to go into here now.

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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

You do not need to participate in the holy card exchange, but if you intend to...

Please RSVP by Oct 15 if you want to participate in the holy card exchange part of the evening. Chrissy will contact you with the number of participants for the exchange.

Schola

God gave you a voice - SHARE IT!

Please consider joining the Schola. They meet on Wednesday nights at 6 pm.

As a goal, we have a Missa Cantata on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month.

Rather, let me pick up the story with St. Simon Stock. For any of you who wear the Brown Scapular, you should know his name. He was at Mt. Carmel in Israel when our Blessed Mother appeared to him and gave him the brown Scapular with the promise that who so ever shall die wearing this scapular shall not see the fire of hell.

From here, the Brown Scapular became a big part of the charism of the Carmelite order. They eventually extended the use of the brown scapular to the laity. That is why you wear that small square piece of brown cloth around your neck today.

Jump some more in history and there are two great saints, St. John of the Cross and St. Theresa of Avila. They are soon to meet and do great things that will influence the spiritual life of many in the Catholic Church.

But first, John is stationed in a monetary that is very corrupt. They partake of the comforts of life. John speaks out about this, so much so that they impression him in the monetary in a closet. He eventually escapes and goes to St. Theresa of Avila. They then start the offshoot of the Carmelite order known as the Discalced Carmelites.

They will go on to form many other saints, more than any other order.

A Secular Carmelite (OCDS) is one who lives a modified religious life. They still live in the world, work, get married, have children and all of that, but they also take on a modified life of prayer and study. In particular, they study the writings of St. John of the Cross and St. Theresa of Avila. Add to the the writing of St. Theresa the little flower and many others, including a few American Carmelite saints. They are required to make monthly community

meetings where they study and pray together and help each other grow in the spiritual life.

While I never went on to make my final promises in the OCDS, I still live the spirit of the Carmelite way of life. It is very powerful and very demanding. It is not for the faint of heart. The two Dark Nights are very painful and can last for years. But it is worth it. As one moves from meditation to contemplation, they find a whole new world in the spiritual life and a love for God that they never thought possible.

If you are interested in a more formalize, more contemplative life without becoming a monk or nun, talk to me. I would be happy to discuss it with you. If you do have a calling, I could connect you to the Lansing group of OCDS.

With Much Love - Fr. Robideau



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