

Mary Help of Christians Traditional Roman Catholic Church

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Sept. 15th, 2024 † Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday, Sept. 15, HIGH MASS 9:00 am - 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Pro Populo

Mon., Sept. 16, No Mass in Springs - Ss. Cornelius, P, and Cyprian, BMm AJ Martinez (Martinez)

Tues., Sept. 17, HOLY MASS 8:15 am - Stigmata of St. Francis

Victoria Martinez (Martinez)

Wed., Sept. 18, HOLY MASS 8:15 am - St. Joseph Cupertino, C (EMBER WEDNESDAY)

Luci Martinez (Martinez)

Thurs., Sept. 19, HOLY MASS 8:15 am - Ss. Januarius & Comp. Mm Sr. Maria Raphaelle, CMD (Caswell)

Fri., Sept. 20, HOLY MASS 8:15 am - Ss. Eustace & Comp. Mm (EMBER FRIDAY)

Guardian Angels (M Fischer)

Sat., Sept. 21, HOLY MASS 9:00 am – St. Matthew, ApEv (EMBER SATURDAY)

Pro Populo

Sunday, Sept. 22, HOLY MASS 9:00 am – 18th Sunday after Pentecost Pro Populo

Serving Schedule:

Sun., Sept. 15th: Anthony Vigil, Oliver Vigil Wed., Sept. 18th: Anthony Vigil, John Fries

Fri., Sept 20th: Nick Vigil, Joseph Fries

Sun., Sept. 22nd: Alexander Vigil, Andrew Fries

Sun., Sept. 29th: Joseph Fries, Anthony Vigil

Tues., Sept. 17th: Andrew Fries, Jude Vigil Thurs., Sept. 19th: Alexander & Hugo Vigil

Sat., Sept. 21st: Tobias Vigil

"Most Sorrowful and Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us now and at the hour of our death.

Amen!" - Green Scapular prayer

Confessions: Sundays - 8:00 am and after Mass Tues. & Wed. - 8:00am

Ending Hymn: Holy God We Praise Thy Name Pg. 59 # 59

Blessing of Religious Articles: Following Holy Mass on the Third Sunday of each month.

Catechism Classes: today, Sunday, Sept. 15th, 8:15am - 8:45am

Adult Doctrine Classes: Wednesday, Sept. 25th, 6:30-7:30pm

<u>PLEASE PRAY FOR:</u> Frank Eberwein, Tom Gallegos, Mark Gilmor, Arlin Wertish, the Slusher Family, Gabriel, Alex and Xavier Trujillo, Pauline Buonocore, Maria Allie, Kyle Kaltenbacher, Elijah Nosko, Joshua Potts, Cynthia Bernard, Miller Family, Michael Micklich, our Military and Police, RIP Mary Gilmor, RIP Maria Atwood, RIP Charles Lambrecht and family, RIP Jose Raul Flores, RIP Frances Kwitek, RIP Susan Walz, RIP Malachai Miller, RIP Matias & Ben Trujillo, RIP Richard Micklich and all those in need. (Contact Sister to add to this prayer list.)

BANNS OF MARRIAGE: are announced for the second time for Matthew Isakson and Katelyn Fair. Anyone aware of an impediment is obliged to notify the pastor.

COLLECTIONS TOTALS for AUGUST: 8-4 \$719; 8-11 \$993; 8-15 \$460; 8-18 \$1419; 8-25 \$1782.

FLOWER COLLECTION: will be taken today to beautify the House of God!

EMBER DAYS: This week Wednesday, Friday and Saturday are the Ember Days. All those over 21 and under 59 are obliged to fast (only one full meal is allowed; two smaller meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken but together they should not equal a full meal). Those 7 and older are obliged to partial abstinence (meat only at the main meal) on Wednesday and Saturday, complete abstinence on Friday.

<u>CAR WASH:</u> to support the high school trip to Niagara Falls and the needs of the Academy Archery Program will be Saturday, Sept. 21st, from 10am - 3pm at the Ace Hardware on Circle and Galley. Volunteers please sign up on the sheet provided in the email! Adults to supervise are needed!!

Our Lady Rewards Those Devoted to Her Sorrows - St. Alphonsus de Liguori

The Blessed Joachim Piccolomini, who had a very great devotion to Mary, even from childhood, used to visit an image of the sorrowful Mother in a neighboring church three times a day. He also abstained from all food on Saturday in her honor. Moreover, he rose at midnight to meditate upon her dolors. But let us see how Mary rewarded him. At first she appeared to him when he was young and directed him to enter into religion in the Order of her Servants, which he did. Towards the close of his life, she again appeared to him with two crowns in her hand: one of rubies, as the reward for the compassion he had cherished for her sorrows; and the other of pearls, as the reward for his chastity, which he had consecrated to her. Finally, as his death approached, she appeared to him again, and he asked her the favor to die on the day on which Jesus Christ died. The Most Holy Virgin consoled him by telling him, "Make ready now, for tomorrow (Friday) you will die suddenly, as you desire, and tomorrow you shall be with me in Paradise." And thus it happened, for while they were chanting in the church the Passion according to St. John, at the words, "There stood near the cross of Jesus his Mother" [Stabat juxta crucem Jesu Mater ejus], he felt the weakness and faintness of death. And at the words, "And bowing his head, He gave up His spirit" [Et inclinato capite tradidit spiritum], Blessed Joachim expired. At the same moment the church was filled with a splendorous light and a most sweet fragrance.

In the city of Cesena two very bad men who were friends lived. One of them, named Bartholomew, despite his many vices practiced the devotion of reciting the Stabat Mater every day in honor of the sorrowful Virgin Mary. Once when he was saying these words Bartholomew had a vision, in which he seemed to stand with his sinful companion in a lake of fire, and he saw the Most Holy Virgin, moved by pity, offer him her hand and take him from the flames. She directed him to seek pardon from Jesus Christ, who showed Himself willing to pardon him through the prayers of His Mother. The vision ended, and shortly afterwards Bartholomew heard the news that his friend had been mortally wounded and was dead. Then he knew the truth of the vision. Quitting the world, he entered the Capuchin Order, where he led a most austere life and died in the fame of sanctity.

Fr. Engelgrave relates that a certain religious was so tormented by scruples, that at times he was almost driven to despair. But having great devotion to Mary, the Mother of Sorrows, he had recourse to her in the agony of his spirit, and was much comforted by contemplating her dolor. Death came, and the Devil tormented him more than ever with scruples and tempted him to despair. But then our merciful Mother, seeing her poor son so afflicted, appeared to him and said to him: "And why, oh my son, art thou so overcome with sorrow, thou who hast so often consoled me by your compassion for my sorrows? Be comforted, Jesus sends me to thee to console thee. Be comforted, rejoice, and come with me to Paradise." And at these words the devout religious tranquilly expired, full of consolation and confidence.