



St. Anthony of Padua Mission

Bulletin for September 2005

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Mass Location: VFW Hall, 45 Plymouth Street, Fairfield, New Jersey

September Calendar

- 1 St. Giles / Twelve Holy Brothers
- 2 St. Stephen / First Friday
- 3 St. Pius X / First Saturday
- 4 16th Sunday after Pentecost
- 5 St. Lawrence Justinian
- 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary / St. Adrian
- 9 St. Peter Claver / St. Gorgonius
- 10 St. Nicholas Tolentino / Holy Name Society Day of Recollection (*Boonton, N.J.*)
- 11 17th Sunday after Pentecost / Sts. Protus & Hyacinth / Holy Name Society Induction
- 12 Holy Name of Mary
- 12-17 *Men's 5-Day Retreat (Ridgefield, Ct.)*
- 14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross
- 15 Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary / St. Nicomedes
- 16 Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian / Sts. Euphemia, Lucy, & Geminianus
- 17 Stigmata of St. Francis of Assisi
- 18 18th Sunday after Pentecost / St. Joseph Cupertino
- 19 St. Januarius & Companions
- 20 Sts. Eustace & Companions
- 21 St. Matthew the Apostle / Ember Wednesday (**fast**)
- 22 St. Thomas of Villanova / St. Maurice & Companions
- 23 St. Linus / St. Thecla / Ember Friday (**fast**)
- 24 Our Lady of Ransom / Ember Saturday (**fast**)
- 25 19th Sunday after Pentecost
- 26 Sts. John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues, & Companions / Sts. Cyprian & Justina
- 27 Sts. Cosmas & Damian
- 28 St. Wenceslaus
- 29 Dedication of St. Michael the Archangel
- 30 St. Jerome

For this cause I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom all paternity in heaven and earth is named: that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened by his Spirit with might unto the inward man: that Christ may dwell by faith in your hearts: that, being rooted and founded in charity, you may be able to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, to know also the charity of Christ, which surpasseth all knowledge: that you may be filled unto all the fulness of God.

—Ephesians 3:14-19

Sunday School

Religious education classes are divided by age as follows: pre-First Communion; First Communion; post-First Communion; Confirmation; and Apologetics (older children). Please see the sign-up sheets in the back room for new registrations. Classes are scheduled after Mass and commence after the thanksgiving silence.

The Fall/Winter schedule is as follows:

September 4 and 11 (*registration*); 18 (*class*)
October 2 and 16
November 6 and 20
December 4 and 18

Adult conferences will be conducted on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month.

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Constantine was still wavering between Christianity and idolatry when a luminous cross appeared to him in the heavens, bearing the inscription, "In this sign shalt thou conquer." He became a Christian, and triumphed over his enemies, who were at the same time the enemies of the Faith.

A few years later, his saintly mother having found the cross on which Our Saviour suffered, the feast of the "Exaltation" was established in the Church; but it was only at a later period still, namely, after the Emperor Heraclius had achieved three great and wondrous victories over Chosroes, King of Persia, who had possessed himself of the holy and precious relic, that this festival took a more general extension, and was invested with a higher character of solemnity. The feast of the "Finding" was thereupon instituted, in memory of the discovery made by St. Helena; and that of the "Exaltation" was reserved to celebrate the triumphs of Heraclius.

The greatest power of the Catholic world was at that time centered in the Empire of the East, and was verging toward its ruin, when God put forth His hand to save it: the reestablishment of the great cross at Jerusalem was the sure pledge thereof. This great event occurred in 629.



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Pastor: Rev. Fr. Greig Gonzales

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Mass Schedule

Sunday – 10:00 AM
 Holy Days – To be announced

Confession

Confessions are heard prior to each Mass.

Other Sacraments, Sick Calls, & Pastoral Visits

Please contact Fr. Gonzales at the Ridgefield retreat house (203-431-0201) for information regarding Baptism, Marriage, Confirmation, Extreme Unction, Holy Orders, and Sick Calls.

Contact Us:

24-hour information: (973) 954-7350
 Web: <http://www.latin-mass.net>

Administrative Notes

Bookstore

The parish bookstore will be open each month. This month's bookstore dates are **Sept. 4** and **Sept. 18**. Please support our chapel as your source for Catholic books, religious items, and gifts. All proceeds benefit our parish!

Mass Intentions & Stipends

To have Masses offered for the intentions of living or deceased persons, the requestor must contact and contract with the desired priest personally. (The USA District set Mass stipend is \$15 per Mass request, which is only a suggested offering for the priest; more can be given if desired, or if one cannot legitimately afford the set offering, a lesser amount/service can be arranged with the priest.)

Donation Checks

You may make out your donation checks to "St. Anthony of Padua Mission—SSPX."

Envelopes for Cash Donations

If you are making a cash donation, please use a donation envelope (provided at the rear of the VFW Hall) and fill in the lines for name, address, date of contribution, and donation amount. This will allow the accountant to retain your envelope as a "receipt" for the donor records.

NOTE: you do not need to use an envelope when making a donation by check.

VFW Hall

Volunteers (to set up and clean up the hall) are welcome! All who wish to do so are encouraged to help out in the team effort.

Choir

New voices are always welcome in the choir! Please see Mr. Dan Kabana in the "Choir Corner" to lend your voice.

Pastoral Meetings (after Mass) – September 2005

1st Sunday of month

Altar Servers
St. Joan of Arc Society
Eucharistic Crusaders

2nd Sunday of month

Holy Name Society

3rd Sunday of month

Young Adult Gathering (*formative meeting in September*)

4th Sunday of month

Women's Sodality of Our Lady of Sorrows
Archconfraternity of Christian Mothers

Eucharistic Crusade — Monthly Intentions

September That the Lord will call many to labor in His Vineyard

October That Our Lady may be better loved

November That Catholics will give more thought to avoiding Purgatory

Please remember these holy intentions in your daily prayers and at every Mass.

~ Immaculate Heart of Mary, pray for us ~

Planning Outlook

This is a new section of the Chapel bulletin. In Planning Outlook, we will bring to your attention events that are "on the horizon" — things that you should keep in mind as you plan your calendars for the next few months. As events grow closer, detailed announcements will be promulgated either in the bulletin and/or from the pulpit.

This list will change regularly, so be sure to check the bulletin each month for updates.

Oct. 8: Altar Servers – Day of Recollection (Boonton, N.J.)

Oct. 10-15: Women's 5-Day Retreat (Ridgefield, Ct.)

Oct. 22: Women's Sodality & St. Joan of Arc Society – Day of Recollection (Boonton, N.J.)

Oct. 24-29: Men's 5-Day Retreat (Ridgefield, Ct.)

Oct. 30: Feast of Christ the King / Harvest Supper

Nov. 1: Feast of All Saints (holy day)

Nov. 2: All Souls' Day

Nov. 12: Eucharistic Crusaders – Day of Recollection (Boonton, N.J.)

Nov. 14-19: Women's 5-Day Retreat (Ridgefield, Ct.)

Nov. 27: Advent begins

Dec. 8: Feast of the Immaculate Conception (holy day)

Dec. 12-17: Men's 5-Day Retreat (Ridgefield, Ct.)

Dec. 25: Nativity of Our Lord (holy day)

Jan. 1, 2006: Feast of the Circumcision (holy day)

Jan. 23, 2006: Right-to-Life March (Washington, D.C.)

Holy Name – Day of Recollection (Sept. 10)

All men of the parish are strongly encouraged to attend the Holy Name Day of Recollection on Saturday, September 10, from 10 AM to 2 PM at the oratory in Boonton, New Jersey. The day will begin with Confessions and Holy Mass. The purpose of the day is to introduce the men of the parish to the programs and activities of the Holy Name Society. New members will be inducted into the Holy Name Society at Mass on Sunday, September 11.

Homeschooling Tutorials

Homeschooling families who wish to participate in the homeschooling tutorials are reminded to contact Fr. Gonzales. The purpose of the tutorials is to provide homeschooling parents with help and information as they educate their children. For a copy of the tutorial schedule, please contact Fr. Gonzales.

With truly lamentable results, our age, casting aside all restraint in its search for the ultimate causes of things, frequently pursues novelties so ardently that it rejects the legacy of the human race. Thus it falls into very serious errors, which are even more serious when they concern sacred authority, the interpretation of Sacred Scripture, and the principal mysteries of Faith. The fact that many Catholic writers also go beyond the limits determined by the Fathers and the Church herself is extremely regrettable. In the name of higher knowledge and historical research, (they say), they are looking for that progress of dogmas which is, in reality, nothing but the corruption of dogmas. These errors are being daily spread among the faithful.

—Pope St. Pius X in *Lamentabili Sane*
(The Syllabus of Errors), July 1907

Mary: The Power of Her Name

by *St. Alphonsus de Liguori*

Richard of St. Laurence states “there is not such powerful help in any name, nor is there any other name given to men, after that of Jesus, from which so much salvation is poured forth upon men as from the name of Mary.” He continues, “that the devout invocation of this sweet and holy name leads to the acquisition of superabundant graces in this life, and a very high degree of glory in the next.”

The Abbot Francone, speaking on this subject, says, “there is no other name after that of the Son, in heaven or on earth, whence pious minds derive so much grace, hope, and sweetness.” After the most sacred name of Jesus, the name of Mary is so rich in every good thing, that on earth and in heaven there is no other from which devout souls receive so much grace, hope, and sweetness.

Hence Richard of St. Laurence “encourages sinners to have recourse to this great name,” because it alone will suffice to cure them of all their evils; and “there is no disorder, however malignant, that does not immediately yield to the power of the name of Mary.” The Blessed Raymond Jordano says, “that however hardened and diffident a heart may be, the name of this most Blessed Virgin has such efficacy, that if it is only pronounced that heart will be wonderfully softened.” Moreover, it is well known, and is daily experienced by the clients of Mary, that her powerful name gives the particular strength necessary to overcome temptations against purity.

In fine, “thy name, O Mother of God, is filled with divine graces and blessings,” as St. Methodius says. So much so, that St. Bonaventure declares, “that thy name, O Mary, cannot be pronounced without bringing some grace to him who does so devoutly.” ... grant, O Lady, that we may often remember to name thee with love and confidence; for this practice either shows the possession of divine grace, or else is a pledge that we shall soon recover it.

On the other hand, Thomas a Kempis affirms “that the devils fear the Queen of heaven to such a degree, that only on hearing her great name pronounced, they fly from him who does so as from a burning fire.” The Blessed Virgin herself revealed to St. Bridget “that there is not on earth a sinner, however devoid he may be of the love of God, from whom the devil is not obliged immediately to fly, if he invokes her holy name with a determination to repent.” On another occasion she repeated the same thing to the saint, saying, “that all the devils venerate and fear her name to such a degree, that on hearing it they immediately loosen the claws with which they hold the soul captive.” Our Blessed Lady also told St. Bridget, “that in the same way as the rebel angels fly from sinners who invoke the name of Mary, so also do the good angels approach nearer to just souls who pronounce her name with devotion.”

Promises

Consoling indeed are the promises of help made by Jesus Christ to those who have devotion to the name of Mary; for one day in the hearing of St. Bridget, He promised His most holy Mother that He would grant three special graces to those who invoke that holy name with confidence: first, that He would grant them perfect sorrow for their sins; secondly, that their crimes should be atoned for; and, thirdly, that He would give them strength to attain perfection, and at length the glory of paradise. And then our Divine Savior added: “For thy words, O My Mother, are so sweet and agreeable to Me, that I cannot deny what thou askest.”

St. Ephrem goes so far as to say, “that the name of Mary is the key of the gates of heaven,” in the hands of those who devoutly invoke it. And thus it is not without reason that St. Bonaventure says “that Mary is the salvation of all who call upon her.” “O most sweet name! O Mary, what must thou thyself be, since thy name alone is thus amiable and gracious,” exclaims Blessed Henry Suso.

Let us, therefore, always take advantage of the beautiful advice given us by St. Bernard, in these words: “In dangers, in perplexities, in doubtful cases, think of Mary, call on Mary; let her not leave thy lips; let her not depart from thy heart.”

Names of Jesus and Mary

In every danger of forfeiting divine grace, we should think of Mary, and invoke her name, together with that of Jesus; FOR THESE TWO NAMES ALWAYS GO TOGETHER. O, then, never let us permit these two most sweet names to leave our hearts, or be off our lips; for they will give us strength not only not to yield, but to conquer all our temptations.

“The invocation of the sacred names of Jesus and Mary,” says Thomas a Kempis, “is a short prayer which is as sweet to the mind, and as powerful to protect those who use it against the enemies of their salvation, as it is easy to remember.”

Hour of Death

Thus we see that the most holy name of Mary is sweet indeed to her clients during life, on account of the very great graces that she obtains for them. But sweeter still will it be to them in death, on account of the tranquil and holy end that it will insure them.

Let us then, O devout reader, beg God to grant us, that at death the name of Mary may be the last word on our lips. This was the prayer of St. Germanus: “May the last movement of my tongue be to pronounce the name of the Mother of God”; O sweet, O safe is that death which is accompanied and protected by so saying a name; for God only grants the grace of invoking it to those whom He is about to save.

Father Sertorius Caputo, of the Society of Jesus, exhorted all who assist the dying frequently to pronounce the name of Mary; for this name of life and hope, when repeated at the hour of death, suffices to put the devils to flight, and to comfort such persons in their sufferings.

“Blessed is the man who loves thy name, O Mary” exclaims St. Bonaventure. “Yes, truly blessed is he who loves thy sweet name, O Mother of God! for,” he continues, “thy name is so glorious and admirable, that no one who remembers it has any fears at the hour of death.” Such is its power, that none of those who invoke it at the hour of death fear the assaults of their enemies.

St. Camillus de Lellis urged the members of his community to remind the dying often to utter the holy names of Jesus and Mary. Such was his custom when assisting people in their last hour.

Oh, that we may end our lives as did the Capuchin Father, Fulgentius of Ascoli, who expired singing, “O Mary, O Mary, the most beautiful of creatures! let us depart together.”

Let us conclude with the tender prayer of St. Bonaventure: “I ask thee, O Mary, for the glory of thy name, to come and meet my soul when it is departing from this world, and to take it in thine arms.”

Pope St. Pius X on Restoring the Dominion of Christ

excerpted from **E Supremi (On the Restoration of All Things in Christ) – October 1903**

As might be expected we find extinguished among the majority of men all respect for the Eternal God, and no regard paid in the manifestations of public and private life to the Supreme Will — nay, every effort and every artifice is used to destroy utterly the memory and the knowledge of God.

When all this is considered there is good reason to fear lest this great perversity may be as it were a foretaste, and perhaps the beginning of those evils which are reserved for the last days; and that there may be already in the world the “Son of Perdition” of whom the Apostle speaks (*II Thess.* 2, 3). Such, in truth, is the audacity and the wrath employed everywhere in persecuting religion, in combating the dogmas of the faith, in brazen effort to uproot and destroy all relations between man and the Divinity! While, on the other hand, and this according to the same apostle is the distinguishing mark of Antichrist, man has with infinite temerity put himself in the place of God, raising himself above all that is called God; in such wise that although he cannot utterly extinguish in himself all knowledge of God, he has contemned God’s majesty and, as it were, made of the universe a temple wherein he himself is to be adored. “He sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself as if he were God” (*II Thess.* 2, 4).

Verily no one of sound mind can doubt the issue of this contest between man and the Most High. Man, abusing his liberty, can violate the right and the majesty of the Creator of the Universe; but the victory will ever be with God — nay, defeat is at hand at the moment when man, under the delusion of his triumph, rises up with most audacity. Of this we are assured in the holy books by God Himself. Unmindful, as it were, of His strength and greatness, He “overlooks the sins of men” (*Wisd.* 11, 24), but swiftly, after these apparent retreats, “awaked like a mighty man that hath been surfeited with wine” (*Ps.* 77, 65), “He shall break the heads of his enemies” (*Ps.* 67, 22), that all may know “that God is the king of all the earth” (*Ib.* 46, 8), “that the Gentiles may know themselves to be men” (*Ib.* 9, 20).

All this, Venerable Brethren, We believe and expect with unshakable faith. But this does not prevent us also, according to the measure given to each, from exerting ourselves to hasten the work of God — and not merely by praying assiduously: “Arise, O Lord, let not man be strengthened” (*Ib.* 9, 20), but, more important still, by affirming both by word and deed and in the light of day, God’s supreme dominion over man and all things, so that His right to command and His authority may be fully realized and respected. This is imposed upon us not only as a natural duty, but by our common interest. For, Venerable Brethren, who can avoid being appalled and afflicted when he beholds, in the midst of a progress in civilization which is justly extolled, the greater part of mankind fighting among themselves so savagely as to make it seem as though strife were universal? The desire for peace is certainly harbored in every breast, and there is no one who does not ardently invoke it. But to want peace without God is an absurdity, seeing that where God is absent thence too justice flies, and when justice is taken away it is vain to cherish the hope of peace. “Peace is the work of justice” (*Is.* 32, 17). There are many, We are well aware, who, in their yearning for peace, that is for the tranquillity of order, band themselves into societies and parties, which they style parties of order. Hope and labor lost. For there is but one party of order capable of restoring peace in the midst of all this turmoil, and that is the party of God. It is this party, therefore, that we must ad-

vance, and to it attract as many as possible, if we are really urged by the love of peace.

But, Venerable Brethren, we shall never, however much we exert ourselves, succeed in calling men back to the majesty and empire of God, except by means of Jesus Christ. “No one,” the Apostle admonishes us, “can lay other foundation than that which has been laid, which is Jesus Christ.” (*I Cor.* 3, 11) It is Christ alone “whom the Father sanctified and sent into this world” (*Jn.* 10, 36), “the splendor of the Father and the image of His substance” (*Heb.* 1, 3), true God and true man: without whom nobody can know God with the knowledge for salvation, “neither doth anyone know the Father but the Son, and he to whom it shall please the Son to reveal Him.” (*Matt.* 11, 27). Hence it follows that to restore all things in Christ and to lead men back to submission to God is one and the same aim. To this, then, it behoves Us to devote Our care — to lead back mankind under the dominion of Christ; this done, We shall have brought it back to God. When We say to God We do not mean to that inert being heedless of all things human which the dream of materialists has imagined, but to the true and living God, one in nature, triple in person, Creator of the world, most wise Ordainer of all things, Lawgiver most just, who punishes the wicked and has reward in store for virtue.

Now the way to reach Christ is not hard to find: it is the Church. Rightly does Chrysostom inculcate: “The Church is thy hope, the Church is thy salvation, the Church is thy refuge.” (*“Hom. de capto Euthropio,”* n. 6.) It was for this that Christ founded it, gaining it at the price of His blood, and made it the depository of His doctrine and His laws, bestowing upon it at the same time an inexhaustible treasury of graces for the sanctification and salvation of men.

Prayer to Our Lady of Sorrows

O Mary! I beseech thee by the sorrows thou didst experience in beholding thy divine Son dying on the cross, procure for me a good death; obtain for me that, having loved Jesus and thee, my most tender Mother, here on earth, I may love you both and bless you eternally in heaven. Amen.

Directions to St. Anthony of Padua Mission (VFW Hall, 45 Plymouth Street, Fairfield)

From I-80 eastbound (Morris County & points west): Exit 47B (The Caldwell/Montclair) to US-46 East. Take jughandle for Clinton Rd/Plymouth St.

From I-280: Exit 1 (New Rd.) to US-46; right onto US-46 East. Take jughandle for Clinton Rd./Plymouth St.

From I-287: North/South to I-80 East. Follow directions for I-80 eastbound.

From I-80 westbound (Bergen/Passaic Counties): Exit 52 (The Caldwell/Fairfield) to US-46 West. Approx. 4 miles past Willowbrook Mall, right turn onto Plymouth St.

From Garden State Parkway: Exit 153B, then NJ-3 to US-46 West. Approx. 4 miles past Willowbrook Mall, right turn onto Plymouth St.

From N.J. Turnpike: Exit 16W, then NJ-3 to US-46 West. Approx. 4 miles past Willowbrook Mall, right turn onto Plymouth St.

