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THE SOCIETY OF SAINT PIUS X

March 23rd, III Sunday of Lent

Mass Times and Feasts From Mar. 23rd - Mar. 31st, 2025

Confessions start 1 hour before Friday - Sunday Masses.



Hospitality

"Let the charity of the brotherhood abide in you and hospitality do not forget; for by this some, being not aware of it, have entertained angels." (Heb. 13, 1-2) "Wherefore receive one another, as Christ also hath received you unto the honor of God." (Rom. 15, 7)

Welcome, Visitors!

We thank you for coming. Whether you are just visiting us for a brief time, looking for a spiritual home, are returning to the practice of Catholic faith or are interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church; we are happy to have you here, as you are.

Please take time to read this bulletin, to meet with the priest after Mass and to socialize.

Enter the Holy Temple of the Good Lord to worship Him. Pax vobis! Peace be with you!



Date Time Devotion **Feast Day** 7:30am Low Mass Sunday, 23rd 10:00am **High Mass III Sunday of Lent** 4:00pm Low Mass Monday after the Monday, 24th Third Sunday of Lent **Annunciation of the** Tuesday, 25th **Blessed Virgin Mary** Our Lady of Wednesday after the Wednesday, 26th 6:30pm Pompeii **Third Sunday of Lent** Devotions Thursday after the Thursday, 27th **Third Sunday of Lent** 11:00am Requiem Mass (Dorris Burk) Friday after the 5:30pm Confessions/Rosary Friday, 28th 6:00pm No Mass/Fr. prays Stations of Cross **Third Sunday of Lent Distribution of Holy Communion** 6:30pm 8:00am Saturday after the Confessions Saturday, 29th **Third Sunday of Lent** 9:00am Low Mass 7:30am Low Mass **IV Sunday of Lent** Sunday, 30th **High Mass** 10:00am (Laetare Sunday) 4:00pm Low Mass Monday after the Monday, 31st **Fourth Sunday of** Lent

Gregorian Latin Liturgy

Until 1969, the various Catholic liturgies were all of apostolic origin. The Gregorian Latin liturgy, celebrated in this church, follows the tradition of Saint Peter, the first Pope, and has never undergone any essential change till the present time. Every gesture, every word has been weighed and measured with the assistance of the Holy Ghost for the greatest glory of God and the salvation of souls.

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Fr. Christopher Leith, FSSPX - Chaplain

News and Announcements

Easter Mass Schedule is available online at fsspx.today and also on our St. Michael the Archangel/Our Lady of Pompeii website.

Stations of the Cross: During Lent, Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 5:20 PM. The faithful are encouraged to attend.

Visiting Priests: Please welcome Fr. Thomas back to St. Michael the Archangel who is standing in for Fr. Leith today.

Father Debris is traveling from France to Florida in April 10-13. If any of our faithful could assist Father Debris with 2 bedroom/2 bathroom accommodations near or in St. Augustine, please contact **a.allaire@pompeiirising.org**

Feast of St. Joseph: Please join us for the potluck and bread baking contest today after the 10 am Mass.

Raffle tickets are on sale for the statue of St. Joseph in the vestibule. One for \$5 or five for \$20.

Children's Catechism: Please note, the next time the children meet for catechism will be on March 30th to accommodate for the St. Joseph Celebration today.

Holy Year Pilgrimage to Rome: Join Father Romain Pons and Father Marc Vernoy on pilgrimage, June 26th—July 3, 2025. Spaces are very limited. Reserve by March 30th. See the poster in the portable for more information.

Pompeii Rising Updates

GOAL: \$5,495,000



Plans have been submitted to the city for permitting. Please double your prayers!

Children's Rosary Crusade: Rosaries said in February: 1,020. Total number of Rosaries offered: 6,204

Crusader Parents: please submit the number of Rosaries offered by midnight, Sunday, March 30.

Pompeii Rising.org



Housekeeping & Reminders

Pascua Florida Pilgrimage: Pascua Florida Pilgrimage April 22-27. Please consider **sponsoring the many priests and seminarians** to carry your intentions to Our Lady of LaLeche.

- † **2025 Ignatian Retreat:** Men's retreat June 23-28, Women's retreat July 7-12, and an additional Men's retreat will be held July 14-19. Please contact retreats@stmpa.net for registration information.
- † Pray for our Vocations! Br. John the Evangelist and Sr. Maria Raffaella.
- † Altar Server Training takes place on the 3rd Sunday of each month after the 10am High Mass.

"I urge you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship." Rm 12:1

Out of respect for Our Lord Jesus Christ and for the edification of our neighbor, we beg all to appear in Church decent in deportment and modest in dress.

However, no one has the right to question others, especially visitors. It belongs to the parish priest alone to instruct the laity when they repeatedly dress or deport below expectation.

For gentlemen and lads: Neither shorts, T-shirts nor sneakers meet the norms of modesty.

For ladies and girls: Neither shorts, slacks, sleeveless, short nor low-cut dresses meet the norms of modesty.

Furthermore, according to apostolic custom or Church law, gentlemen are bareheaded in church, and ladies are requested to cover their heads.

Thank you for your charity.

Sanctuary Lamp Intention



This week's sanctuary lamp is dedicated for the intention of **Lori Jo Merced**. Please contact info@stmichaelcatholic.org if you are interested in dedicating the Sanctuary Lamp for a special intention. Donations for the 8-day candle are \$20.00.

On Concealing Sins In Confession

"And he was casting out a devil, and the same was dumb." LUKE xi. 14.

SERMONS OF ST. ALPHONSUS

The devil does not bring sinners to hell with their eyes open: he first blinds them with the malice of their own sins. "For their own malice blinded them." (Wis. ii. 21.) He thus leads them to eternal perdition. Before we fall into sin, the enemy labours to blind us, that we may not see the evil we do and the ruin we bring upon ourselves by offending God. After we commit sin, he seeks to make us dumb, that, through shame, we may conceal our guilt in confession. Thus, he leads us to hell by a double chain, inducing us, after our transgressions, to consent to a still greater sin the sin of sacrilege.

In expounding the words of David "Set a door O Lord, round about my lips," (Ps. cxl. 3) St. Augustine says: "We should keep a door to the mouth, that it may be closed against detraction, and blasphemies, and all improper words, and that it may be opened to confess the sins we have committed." Thus," adds the holy doctor, "it will be a door of restraint, and not of destruction." To be silent when we are impelled to utter words injurious to God or to our neighbour, is an act of virtue; but, to be silent in confessing our sins, is the ruin of the soul. After we have offended God, the devil labours to keep the mouth closed, and to prevent us from confessing our guilt. St. Antonine relates, that a holy solitary once saw the devil standing beside a certain person who wished to go to confession. The solitary asked the fiend what he was doing there. The enemy said in reply: "I now restore to these penitents what I before took away from them; I took away from them shame while they were committing sin; I now restore it that they may have a horror of confession." "My sores are putrefied and corrupted, because of my foolishness." (Ps. xxxvii. 6.) Gangrenous sores are fatal; and sins concealed in confession are spiritual ulcers, which mortify and become gangrenous.

Courage, then! expel this viper which you harbour in your soul, and which continually corrodes your heart and destroys your peace. Oh! what a hell does a Christian suffer who keeps in his heart a sin concealed through shame in confession! He suffers an anticipation of hell. It is enough to say to the confessor: "Father, I have a certain scruple regarding my past life, but I am ashamed to tell it." This will be enough: the confessor will help to pluck out the serpent which gnaws your conscience. And, that you may not entertain groundless scruples, I think it right to tell you, that if the sin which you are ashamed to tell be not mortal, or if you never considered it to be a mortal sin, you are not obliged to confess it; for we are bound only to confess mortal sins. Moreover, if you have doubts whether you ever confessed a certain sin of your former life, but know that, in preparing for confession, you always carefully examined your conscience, and that you never concealed a sin through shame; in this case, even though the sin about the confession of which you are doubtful, had been a grievous fault, you are not obliged to confess it because it is presumed to be morally certain that you have already confessed it. But, if you know that the sin was grievous, and that you never accused yourself of it in confession, then there is no remedy; you must confess it, or you must be damned for it. But, lost sheep, go instantly to confession. Jesus Christ is waiting for you; he stands with arms open to pardon and embrace you, if you acknowledge your guilt. I assure you that, after having confessed all your sins, you shall feel such consolation at having unburdened your conscience and acquired the grace of God, that you shall for ever bless the day on which you made this confession. Go as soon as possible in search of a confessor. Do not give the devil time to continue to tempt you. and to make you put off your confession: go immediately: for Jesus Christ is waiting for you.

Please pray for the faithful departed of St. Michael's

Louis Selthoffer, Teresa Courtney, Joe Courtney, Mary Newland, Jim O'Brien, Mac Mruz, Ruth Mruz, Elizabeth Coughlin, Bill Crowley, Harry Nevin, Angela Berger, Terry Rice, Lucille Nichols, Sally Grounds, Brady Bower, Fern Brower, Russel Bucca, Mamie Bucca, Kenneth Hollis, Ila Jo Hollis, Jeffery Smith, Coburn Walker, Lillian Walker, David Walker, June Roberts, Philip Graham, George Spositi, Roy Hatten, Eric Webber, Neil Ortagus, Stephanie Lorenzana, Asuncion Salazar Mella, Patricia Hays, Wilma Allen, Jerry Nichols, Marty Kelly, Joseph O'Meara, Joan Piperno, AnnaMaria Sicuranza, Jim Nichols, Robina Robertson.



"The LORD is in his Holy Temple; let all the earth ke