



## **Una-Voce Springfield March Newsletter**

**Praying for the restoration of the Latin Mass in Springfield**

### **Taken from the Liturgical Ordo of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter**

The last two weeks of Lent form the season of *Passiontide*. During this time all crucifixes and sacred images are veiled in violet. Holy Thursday Mass is celebrated in the evening between the hours of 4:00 and 9:00 P.M. The tabernacle must be emptied with enough hosts consecrated for both Holy Thursday and Good Friday. At the end of Mass, there is no final blessing and no last Gospel. After the procession to the altar of repose (*Pange Lingua*), the altar is stripped (*Psalm 21*) of everything except Cross and candlesticks. The Blessed Sacrament must be venerated at the altar of repose until midnight.

On *Good Friday*, the liturgy is celebrated in the afternoon at about 3:00 P.M. and in any event before 6:00 P.M. *Good Friday* is a day of fast and abstinence.

The *Vigil of Easter*, white vestments are worn for the Procession and *Exultet*, renewal of baptismal promises and the Mass itself. The Blessing of New Fire, Blessing of the Paschal Candle, Procession and *Exultet*.

April 15 is Divine Mercy Sunday. A plenary indulgence is granted to those who take part in the prayers and devotion held in honor of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or in the tabernacle, recite one *Our Father* and the *Creed*, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus. Those who for a just cause cannot get to a church can gain the same indulgence by reciting one *Our Father*, the *Creed* and a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus before an image of the Divine Mercy.

April 24 is the Anniversary of the Installation of His Holiness, Benedict XVI as Supreme Pontiff of the Universal Church.

### **That Too Much Familiarity Is To Be Shunned**

*Lay not thy heart open to every Man; but treat of thy affairs with the wise and him that feareth God. Converse not much with young people and strangers. Flatter not the rich; and before great personages appear thou not willingly. Keep company with the humble and the simple, with devout and the virtuous; and confer with them of those things that may edify. Be not familiar with any woman; but in general commend all good women to God.*

Desire to be familiar with God alone and His Angels, and avoid the acquaintance of men. We must have charity towards all, but familiarity with all is not expedient. Sometimes it falleth out, that a person unknown to us waxeth bright from the good report of others; yet his presence darkeneth the eyes of the beholders. We think sometimes to please others by our company, and we begin rather to displease them with the wickedness which they discover in us.  
(The Imitation of Christ by Thomas á. Kempis Book 1, Chapter 8)

### Una-Voce News and Events

**February 21 meeting:** We met at the Library Center on Campbell to pray on the Luminous Mysteries of the rosary then to consider the ancient tradition of the four senses of Scripture in the Church. The literal sense is always primary and fundamental. Yet in God's continuous plan of salvation, we recognize spiritual senses. An allegorical sense points to types. Isaac carrying the wood for his own person to be sacrificed clearly points to Christ carrying the cross. St. Paul in Galatians 4:22-31 anticipates the use of this added sense so commonly loved by the early Fathers of the Church. The moral sense is what we are to do with this passage of Scripture to enhance our spiritual life. Sermons apply scripture in this way. The anagogical sense leads us up to our final destiny. Consider the word Jerusalem as prayed in the Psalms. It is literally a place, yet spiritually signifies the Church, the soul, and finally the heavenly Jerusalem. Mary as virgin yet mother is a type of our ongoing church. Reflections of this kind help us to discern what we have received, how we can act, and where we are destined to be

**March 25 meeting:** We will meet at a new location for our monthly meetings by moving from the Springfield Library Center to the home of Maria VanderPutten, with her chapel available for continued meditation and prayer. The meetings will be organized on various Sundays at 2:00 P.M. to continue the spiritual knowledge of our Sunday worship after mass. At this first meeting in our new location, we shall pray and meditate on the Sorrowful Mysteries of the rosary. Then we shall take up the three stages of meaning to be found in each of the four gospels.

**\*\*\*NOTE\*\*\*** Please bring a "Bible" and "The Catechism of The Catholic Church" for reference. Any questions or information concerning *Una-Voce* Springfield contact Richard Holland 933-2248

### PRESS RELEASE– March 11, 2007

UVA Launches Priest Training Workshops

Joint Effort with FSSP to Train Priests to Celebrate the Traditional Latin Mass.

Una Voce America is pleased to announce a collaborative program with the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter (FSSP) designed to provide training for any priest interested in learning how to celebrate the Traditional Latin Mass. "This program may be the most important effort we've undertaken," said UVA director Jason King recently. "We're grateful to the Fraternity for its generous support of this project." Training will take place in June 2007 at Our Lady of Guadalupe seminary in Denton, Nebraska, which is located in the diocese of Lincoln. The workshop will last for one week and will be repeated three times (the first, second and fourth weeks of June). Each session will begin on a Monday at noon and end

Friday at noon of that week. A priest need only attend one of the three sessions, as the same material will be covered in each one.

The FSSP will be responsible for curriculum and instruction, while UVA will assume primary responsibility for funding and promoting the program. Over a year in the making UVA's board of directors began actively discussing the concept of priest training in early 2006, King said. Preparations accelerated last fall amid speculation that Pope Benedict XVI was planning to grant greater freedom for celebration of the Mass according to the 1962 Roman Missal. "We felt this presented a historic opportunity for the nation's largest lay organization supporting the traditional Latin Mass -- Una Voce America -- to collaborate with a clerical religious institute whose priests actually use the 1962 Missal -- the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter," King stated. He explained that most if not all American seminarians study only the modern liturgy that became normative following the Second Vatican Council. This has left a gap in knowledge of preconciliar liturgy that the priest training program will begin to address.

According to King, both Una Voce and the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter view the faithful's devotion to the Latin liturgical tradition as a "unique charism in support of the new evangelization championed by Pope John Paul II -- a charism that is ever ancient, yet ever new. "Week-long intensive training at Nebraska seminary The Rev. Calvin Goodwin, FSSP, will be the Fraternity's contact point for interested clergy. He explained that the seminary has prepared a detailed curriculum (with books and an instructional DVD/CD) and has designated priests and deacons to teach and assist. According to Fr. Goodwin, the workshops will cover not only the rubrics but also the liturgical principles underlying the rubrics.

"Priests will learn not only how far to raise their hands and how to pronounce the Latin, for example, but how the various gestures and prayers fit into the liturgical prayer of the Church, and reflect the Faith itself," Fr. Goodwin said. "No prior experience with the traditional Mass is needed, and the course is open to all priests regardless of their level of Latin proficiency," he emphasized. "In fact, our instructors are eager to work even with those priests who have no previous Latin training at all." Fr. Goodwin added that the curriculum, although very intensive, was designed specifically to accommodate today's busy clergy. "It's often difficult for priests to learn these things from a video or book in their spare time -- they're pulled in a thousand different directions in their parishes," Fr. Goodwin explained. "Here at the seminary, without distractions, they will be able to ask questions and get the answers and encouragement they need. "Cost for the program will depend on the number of participants, but is estimated at \$300 per priest. This sum will cover all course materials, which the priest may keep, as well as room and board for the week of the priest's stay. Una Voce America has offered to help any priest who needs financial assistance. "Una Voce America is committed to raising sufficient funds to enable every interested priest to receive instruction on the proper celebration of the traditional Latin Mass," King said.

Una Voce America and the Priestly Fraternity expect to offer the PTP sessions on a periodic basis in the future. They also will establish a waiting list for priests who are unable to attend one of the June 2007 sessions or who cannot be accommodated by the limited space available in the initial sessions.

UVA is calling on its chapters, affiliates, and individual members to support this effort with prayers and financial contributions. Those who wish to support this program financially can send donations to

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Checks should be designated for "priest training." Program will support Vatican initiative Although the priest training program was inspired in part by numerous reports that Pope Benedict XVI intends to free the traditional Latin Mass from the restrictions that now prevent its widespread celebration, UVA doesn't want to "presume too much on his decision," commented R. Michael Dunnigan, chairman of the organization. Nonetheless, he added, "The Holy Father has been a courageous and eloquent defender of the traditional Mass, and if his will is to grant wider access to it, then we certainly want to do our part to promote the conditions that will help to achieve this goal." Some bishops and other critics have opposed freedom for the traditional Mass, expressing concern that priests lacking adequate training may celebrate the Mass improperly. Dunnigan believes that these fears are misplaced. "In addition to being sacramental ministers, priests are skilled professionals who take pride in their work," he said. "As a result, very few would be inclined to celebrate this Mass in public before they are fully prepared to do so." In any event, Dunnigan pointed out that the priest training program sponsored by UVA and the FSSP is a cause that both proponents and critics of the traditional Mass can support. "To the extent that the critics argue in favor of proper training, the traditionalist community fully supports this goal," Dunnigan said. "In fact, the very mission of the priest training program is to ensure that every priest who wishes to celebrate this Mass will receive the instruction that he needs to do so properly and reverently." To receive more information or to make a reservation, interested priests should contact Fr. Goodwin at (402) 797-7700 or email: [seminary@fsspolgs.org](mailto:seminary@fsspolgs.org) or write to:

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