Sunday Newsletter J.M.J.

Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus

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Part 1: Epistle & Gospel

EPISTLE (Acts 4:8-12). In those days, Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said: Ye princes of the people and ancients, hear: If we this day are examined concerning the good deed done to the infirm man, by what means he hath been made whole, be it known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God hath raised from the dead, even by him this man standeth here before you whole. This is the stone which was rejected by you the builders; which is become the head of the corner: neither is there salvation in any other. For there is no other name under heaven given to men, whereby we must be saved.

GOSPEL (Lk. 2:21). At that time, after eight days were accomplished that the child should be circumcised, his name was called Jesus, which was called by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

Part 2: Weekly Ordo & Mass Schedule

This upcoming week's TLM Mass Schedule & Parish Ordo

Date & Time	Day of Week	Mass	Color	Gloria/Credo	Preface	Commemoration(s)	Notes
1/5/2025 Noon	Sunday	Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus	White	g,c	Nativity		
1/6/2025 8am	Monday	The Epiphany of the Lord	White	g,c,	Epiphany		Proper Communicantes
1/7/2025 8am	Tuesday	Votive Mass of the Holy Angels	White	g	Common		
1/8/2025 8am	Wednesday	Our Lady of Prompt Succor	White	g,c	BVM		
1/9/2025 8am	Thursday	Votive Mass of the Holy Spirit	Red		Holy Spirit		
1/10/2025 8am	Friday	Feria after Epiphany	White	g	Epiphany		
1/11/2025 10am	Saturday	Requiem Mass RIP: Timothy Fruge	Black		Requiem		
1/12/2025 Noon	Sunday	Feast of the Holy Family	White	g	Epiphany		

Part 3: Announcements

1. More Information on Notes & Announcements

a. Please visit <u>embercatholic.com</u> to read this Sunday's Newsletter, which contains the following announcements, sermon notes, links, and Sunday Catechesis Home Lessons.

2. Epiphany

- a. Holy Mass: January 6, 2024 at 8am
 - i. Traditionally, a Holy Day of Obligation. In the USA, the obligation is currently transferred to a Sunday (in 2025, it is transferred to 1/5/2025, that is today).
- b. Epiphany Holy Water
 - i. 50 gallon container of Epiphany Water is located behind the Church
 - ii. Limit 1 gallon per family
- c. Epiphany Chalk
 - i. Will be available in Church beginning on 1/6/2025
- 3. Our Lady of Prompt Succor on 1/8/2025
 - a. Patronal Feast for the Dioceses in Lousiana
 - b. 1st Class Feast
- 4. <u>Seminarian Connor Williams:</u>
 - a. Please Send Letters & Alms to ICK Seminarian Connor Williams:
 - i. 517 Elm St. Rockford IL, 61102
 - ii. givesendgo.com/GD8EE (for online donations/messages)

Part 4: Sermon

INTRODUCTION

- 1. "His name was called Jesus." These words are taken from today's Gospel. +
- 2. Things To Learn From This Day: Reparation, Reverence, Love, & Confidence
 - a. Reparation to the Holy Name
 - i. Our Lady of LaSallete
 - ii. World War One
 - iii. Golden Arrow Prayer
 - b. Reverence towards the Holy Name
 - i. Bowing Head
 - c. Love towards the Holy Name
 - i. Christmas Season Theme: Exceeding Charity of God
 - 1. Birth, Circumcision, Naming
 - ii. How much it cost Jesus to be Jesus
 - 1. "Vulnerability"
 - 2. Only Love can repay Love
 - iii. Small Acts of Adoration to the Holy Name
 - 1. Lord, I love you, save souls
 - 2. Pray with Confidence
 - 3. Without compulsion
 - 4. Without Fear
 - d. Confidence in the Holy Name

- i. Indulgences
- ii. Last Rites
- iii. "The Wonders of the Holy Name" By Fr. Paul O'Sullivan O.P.
- iv. St. Bernadine and helping end family feuds
- v. Eastern Catholic "IHS" prayer
- e. I think the best way to instill a desire for repetition, reverence, love, and confidence toward the Holy Name is to hear what scripture says:

3. Old Testament

- a. I will give you glory, O God my King. I will bless your name forever. I will bless you day and day and praise Your Name forever." ~ Psalm 144:1-2
- b. "O God, save me by Your name. By Your power uphold my cause." \sim Psalm 53:1
- c. "I will praise You, Lord my God, with all my heart and glorify Your name forever."~

 Psalm 85:12
- d. "O God, our Savior, come to our help. Come for the sake of the glory of Your name. O
 Lord, our God, forgive us our sins. Rescue us for the sake of Your Name." ~ Psalm
 78:9

- e. "So I will praise Your Lord among the nations: I will sing a psalm to Your name." \sim Psalm 17:50
- f. "So I will praise Your Lord among the nations: I will sing a psalm to Your name." ~

 Psalm 17:50
- g. "And it shall come to pass that all who call upon the name of the Lord shall be delivered." \sim Joel 2:32

4. St. Paul

- a. "That at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." ~ Philippians 2:10-11
- b. "Everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved." \sim Romans 10:13
- c. "And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." ~ Colossians 3:17
- d. "No one can say "Jesus is Lord' except by the Holy Spirit." ~ 1 Corinthians 12:2
- e. "So great is the most holy name of Jesus that God highly exalted Him and gave Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus, every knee should bend."~ Phillippians 2:9

f. "How great is Your name O Lord, our God, through all the earth!"~ Psalm 8:2

5. New Testament

- a. "In my name, they will cast out demons. They will speak in new tongues." \sim Mark $16{:}17$
- b. "Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask anything of the Father, he will give it to you in my name. Hitherto you have asked nothing in my name. Ask and you will receive, that your joy may be full." ~ John 16:23-24
- c. "She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save His people from their sins." \sim Matthew 1:21
- d. "And there is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved." \sim Acts 4:12
- e. "That you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God: and that believing, you may have life in his name." \sim John 20:31

6. St. Francis de Sales

a. "To live Jesus is to have the name of Jesus engraved on one's heart." ~ St. Francis de Sales

Part 5: Weekly Catechism Home Lessons

The Holy Man of Tours: Leo DuPont

https://theholyface.com/team-view/leo-dupont/

Leo was born in the 19th century. From childhood he was very devout and thought that God was possibly calling him to become a priest. He was unable to gain admittance to the seminary however because of a physical defect on his hand. Instead, he studied law. He became a very good and honest lawyer, always remaining true to his Faith. He married and had one daughter. After the early death of his wife, he moved to Tours, France. Leo's heart was pierced with sorrow when he saw the unhappy condition to which the French villages had been reduced on account of the atheism of the French Revolution. He entreated Our Lord to show him how to repair these outrages. He began by becoming more fervent in his own faith, praying more and practicing mortification. He also became a defender of the Holy Name of God, seeking to instruct people about what they were really doing when they used the name of the Lord in vain.

Leo had become acquainted with the Carmelite Monastery in Tours and not only offered his services as a legal advisor but was also a friend and benefactor. In 1843, he was told by the Mother Prioress that a certain Sister, Mary of St. Peter, then a novice, had received a special and important mission from Our Lord. Our Lord desired that reparation be made for the terrible sin of blasphemy. He told her: "My Name is everywhere blasphemed. Even children blaspheme!" Our Lord gave Sr. Mary of St Peter the Golden Arrow Prayer to repair the wounds inflicted upon Him by the poisoned arrow of blasphemy. For Our Savior made her understand that "this frightful sin, more than any other, grievously wounds Him. By blasphemy the sinner curses Him to His Face, attacks Him openly, annuls redemption and pronounces his own condemnation."

Leo agreed wholeheartedly that the work of Reparation should be begun. Following further revelations of Our Lord to the humble Carmelite, Leo became actively involved and asked the Bishop of Tours to print the prayers that Our Lord had dictated in order to propagate the devotion; but he was refused. However, Our Lord continued to make known to Sr. Mary of St. Peter His wishes in regard to this work, telling her that the sensible object of this devotion would be His Holy Face since it is the mirror and expression of the Divinity. Following these revelations, Leo and the Prioress and a few other friends compiled an Abridgment of Facts, which contained Sr. Mary of St. Peter's revelations, and submitted it to the Archbishop. His Excellency agreed to allow 50 copies to be distributed, which Leo promptly did. Unfortunately, the pamphlet angered some of the politicians, who

complained to the Diocese, whereupon the Archbishop commanded the Carmel and Leo to maintain complete silence on the work.

After the death of Sr. Mary of St. Peter in 1848, to the surprise of Leo, the Archbishop of Tours placed an interdict on her writings. No one was allowed to write or speak about the revelations she had received. Our Lord's words to the humble nun had indeed come true: "I shall permit the demon to cross My Work, thereby to test the confidence of my servants."

In January, 1849, His Holiness Pope Pius IX, ordered that public prayers be offered in all the Churches of Rome to ask for God's mercy upon the pontifical states. This order was given in Gaeta where the Holy Father had been forced to flee, because of revolutions. The Relic of Veronica's Veil was exposed for public veneration. On the third day, "through another veil of silk which covers the true relic of Veronica's Veil, and absolutely prevents the features from being distinguished, the Divine Face appeared distinctly, as if living, and was illumined by a soft light; the features assumed a death-like hue, and the eyes, deep-sunken, wore an expression of great pain." Copies of the True Image were made and distributed. Some were given to the Prioress of the Benedictines at Arras. She, knowing of the revelations to Sr. Mary of St. Peter, sent a few copies of the Image to the Carmel of Tours. Upon receiving them, the Prioress immediately sent two of them to Leo Dupont. His reaction was one of hope that the Devotion to the Holy Face as given to Sr. Mary of St. Peter would be able to spread. The picture was a very striking one, for in looking at the picture, we can get a true idea what our sins and malice cost the Divine Redeemer. But even more than this, one realizes that it is not the spittle and the bruises that made His agony so fierce. This picture shows the shame and the confusion He endured at being so inhumanly insulted. Here is revealed the Savior's mental agony. Indeed, one is irresistibly drawn to love and console Our Sweet Savior when we contemplate His Face. For He sought for one to comfort Him and not one could He find.

Leo hung the Image in His parlor and lit a lamp in front of it because it was Holy Week. Little did he know that the Image would show forth its miraculous character time and again and that his humble lamp would burn continuously to the end of his days.

Only a couple of days after Leo had hung up the Image a client came to see him. Leo asked her to wait a few minutes while he finished some other business and noticed that she was frequently rubbing her eyes. She told him that they caused her great pain and didn't know how to lessen it. He suggested that she should pray before the

Holy Face and ask Our Lord to help her, after Leo finished his previous business, he then joined her in prayer. He also suggested that she anoint her eyes with oil from the lamp. "The oil has no curative powers," he said. "The anointing simply expresses exterior faith, and is an act of piety." When the young woman anointed her eyes she was instantaneously cured. Thus began a stream of pilgrims to this private study where hung the Image of the Holy Face. By the end of the year, Leo could no longer keep track of how many people had been cured after praying the Litany to the Holy Face and being anointed with the oil. Even though there was no indication that the interdict on the revelations of Sr. Mary of St. Peter would be lifted so that he could publicly propagate the devotion, Leo nevertheless continued to open His house to all those who sought healing of body, mind or spirit. It was not until Leo was on his deathbed that he had the consolation of seeing the interdict lifted by the newly appointed archbishop. "The most beautiful work under the sun" truly was going to be established and it was Leo Dupont, the Holy Man of Tours, who had kept the devotion alive in his humble parlor on Rue St. Etienne.