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REPORT

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ATLANTA ADVANCES

The three year construction project for ST. MICHAEL'S in ROSWELL, a northern suburb of Atlanta, is finally drawing near to a close. The years of preparation and the year of construction have been stressful, but are more than recompensed by the magnificent new church facility for Tradition in the southeast. The complex includes not only a church to seat nearly 200 souls, but also a priest's apartment, catechism rooms, a kitchen, and a meeting area for the faithful. The official blessing will take place on Saturday September 29, and will be performed by Bishop Williamson, assisted by Father Michael Harber, the present pastor, and Father Paul Kimball, his predecessor, who originated the plan to build a new church.



A view of the exterior of the building, as it nears completion. It shows the front entrance into the parish hall area, and the side entrance, which opens directly into the back of the church area. Note that the extensive black top parking lot required by code was as then not yet completed.



The finished sanctuary of St. Michael's, with its marble altars, marble communion rail and marble floor. St. Michael's had stored these magnificent altars for ten years before being able to build a church worthy of them.



A close-up of the main altar, with the sacristy door behind.



Another view of the parking lot, with all the trees and shrubs required by Roswell city codes.



A side view of the sanctuary.

A view of the lady altar, on the Gospel side.



Looking backwards towards the cry room, baptistery and confessionals.

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Dear friends and benefactors of the Society of Saint Pius X,

Some of you may have heard of recent “news” published on the Internet, pretending once more that Bishop Fellay is expecting an imminent end to the negotiations with Rome, or even that a “deal” has been cut. There is no truth to this, and it is a typical illustration of how misleading a “news” publication can be, especially when it is instantaneously spread and is unverifiable, as are internet communications. Nothing has changed since last month’s report, and you will find in the August issue of the *Angelus* the text of Bishop Fellay’s recent letter to Cardinal Castrillon, and a recent interview, explaining how any continuing conversations must be on the doctrinal questions, and most especially on our right to contest the Catholicity of the whole orientation of the conciliar Church, as well as the doctrinal orthodoxy of the New Mass. You can be sure that any other information is false.

However, it is a good illustration of the deception that modern means of communication, and especially the Internet and television, have made all the more easy to bring about. Since I cannot deny the fact that many (alas, probably the majority) of our families have a television, and that nowadays many feel it necessary to have Internet access in their homes, I feel it my duty to issue a warning.

You will probably think immediately that such inventions are good in themselves, for *“though these advances are the result of human talent and toil, they are still gifts of God, our Creator, from Whom all good works proceed”* as Pope Pius XII said in his September 8, 1957 encyclical on Motion Pictures, radio and television (§2), and that consequently *“the Church welcomes these technological advances as soon as they come into use”* (Ib. §3).

The problem is that they are necessarily means of communication and that it is of their nature to communicate the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth, all ordered towards the highest and most necessary truth, *“the good tidings of the unfathomable riches of Christ”* (Eph 3:9). A means of communication that would fall short of this goal, that would not communicate the truth, and ultimately fail to lead towards Christ, the Way, the Truth and the Life (Jn 14:6) through the Catholic Church, would be perverted from its goal, would lack the good that is its due, and would be evil.

Pope Pius XII, in the same encyclical *Miranda Prorsus* gives us the key to resolving our questions concerning television and internet use. *“Since God is the Supreme Good, He continually bestows His gifts upon men, the object of His special love and care. Some of these gifts look to the spirit; others to the conduct of earthly life. These latter gifts are clearly subject to the former, in much the same way that the body should be subject to the soul...”* (§22). The consequence is that the *“primary aim”* of such electronic communication must be *“to serve truth and virtue”* (§44): *“to serve truth means more than simply to refrain entirely from falsehood, lies and deceit; it means shunning everything that can encourage a way of life and action that is false, imperfect, or harmful to others”* (§45). The Pope continues:

“But it is not enough that these new inventions serve truth: they must also perfect human life and morals.” (§47)

I think you can see where I am heading. The question to be asked is not whether the invention of television is evil in itself, but whether its present day use falls short of its rightful goal. Who can deny that it does, in fact, promote an entirely distorted view of truth and life, one subservient to materialism, impulse pleasure and this earthly life, without even mentioning the political and economic lies and the public immorality of which it is the vehicle? This is how Pope Pius XII put it: *“Should we not shudder when we reflect attentively that through television shows all can inhale, even within the home, the poisoned air of those ‘materialistic’ doctrines which diffuse empty pleasures and desires of all kinds...”* (§64).

If the great Pope of 45 years ago advocated the limited and upright use of these means with *“prudence, self-control and sense of responsibility”*, the application of his very same principles, demonstrates that this is no longer effectively possible. For the spirit of secular society’s turning against God, and the rebellion against the truth of the moral law, is now so far advanced, and the Church has so little influence in society, that the little good that can be gained is far outweighed by the impossibility of this means of attaining its true end. Who can deny that in practice television has become the devil’s instrument in *“the iniquitous campaign that the impious lead everywhere to harm the shining souls of children. Not even the age of innocence has been spared, for, alas, there are not lacking those who boldly dare to snatch from the mystical garden of the Church even the most beautiful flowers, which constitute the hope of religion and society.”* (Pius XII *Ingruentium malorum* §5).

If you value your family and your children, and if you have not already done so, eliminate the television. If it remains in your home it will rule, especially by the vain curiosity that it promotes, the fascination with images that prevents all serious thought and reflection, the unreality of its images that dulls the senses and the mind and causes us to be bored with the real world that God made, its concentration on quantity at the expense of quality, beauty, goodness and being, its destruction of all creativity, and a schizophrenic separation of daily life from our Faith. It is not without good reason that Archbishop Lefebvre forbade the television in our priories, and also for all our Third Order members. It is because its use is incompatible with the interior life, with the recollection of a life of prayer, and, these days, quite simply with the love of the truth.

The same principles need to be applied to the Internet. It is true that it has become a more necessary means of communication, especially in the realm of scientific endeavor, in which quantity is important. But used for entertainment, it has also entered the home, and become even more dangerous than the television. The immorality that is spread on the Internet is legion. However, the communication of error is even worse, for it is based upon

complete freedom to communicate equally, without any control, the most perverse and false ideas. The end result is skepticism, indifference, the refusal to believe in the capacity of the human mind to know the Truth. Its interactive nature has made it all the more compulsive and addictive. As useful as it can be professionally and in seeking for information, so dangerous can it be when it enters into family life.

Sometimes, we are asked why there are so few vocations in our traditional families. There are many reasons, but one of the most important is without a doubt the use of television and internet by children. Their innocence is sullied by the contact with the world and its materialism, and this not just on a moral level, but also because the secularism of the absence of God in such means of communication destroys the purity of intention of serving God only, and produces an artificial division in life, which is incompatible with priestly and religious vocations.

The Church will reap what parents sow. If you sow compromise with the world, you will reap the rebellion, division, and disrespect of the world. If you radically refuse this spirit, by raising your

children in the harmony and peace of the truth, and this consistently and at all times, without the contradiction of the television and internet poisoning your homes, then the Church will reap many vocations, for teenagers will no longer be infatuated, lured, and paralyzed by the false maxims of the world, and will love wisdom, that centers our minds, hearts and wills in God alone.

Living in the world is certainly difficult. But do not make it more difficult than it already is, by allowing the screen to bring the world into your home. Let the enthroned image of the Sacred Heart, accompanied by the Immaculate Heart of your heavenly Queen rule your homes, and not the images of the world, and you will experience the peace that is a preparation for eternity.

Yours faithfully in the Sacred and Immaculate Hearts,

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REGIONAL REPORT



WISCONSIN

ST. THERESE'S in MADISON (actually a country location called Waunakee, just 10 miles outside of Madison) celebrated this year for the first time the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, on the Sunday

following the feast, namely June 17. The High Mass was followed by a procession in honor of the Blessed Sacrament, Benediction on a outdoor altar and final Benediction back inside the chapel. The whole ceremony was followed by a potluck celebration.



Father James Peek carries the Blessed Sacrament, preceded by the Eucharistic Crusaders and children throwing flower petals before their Divine Lord.



The altar boys lead the procession to the parking lot to the altar of repose on the nearby grass field.



Father Peek and the faithful of St. Therese's sit down to a pot luck dinner after the Procession in honor of the Blessed Sacrament.



Benediction prayers recited at the outdoor altar.



NORTH CAROLINA

The faithful of **ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA** in **MT. HOLLY**, near Charlotte, rejoiced on Saturday June 2. The Pontifical blessing of their new church by H.E.

Bishop Richard N. Williamson, bringing to a completion the efforts to convert this former protestant church building into a Catholic church and home for the Holy Sacrifice and the Blessed Sacrament. Neither Father Kenneth Novak, the pastor's, enthusiasm, nor the mens' hard work was in vain.



Sanding of the church floor before it could be refinished.



After tearing out the protestant stage, the men work on building a platform and predella for the altar.



Men of the parish erected the wooden altar, salvaged and brought down from Minnesota.

Bishop Williamson begins outside the long ceremony of the bishop's blessing of a church.



The bishop and the altar boys. The church rectory can be seen in the background.



The faithful line up to follow the pontiff into their new church.



The bishop leads the faithful into the new St. Anthony's church, as it is about to be blessed on the inside.



The bishop kneels before the altar during the singing of the *Litany of the Saints*.



The blessing of the interior walls.



Administration of the sacrament of Confirmation followed the blessing of the church. Father Novak can be seen wiping the sacred chrism from the forehead of one confirmand as the next candidate kneels before the bishop to receive the sacrament.



After the ceremony, the confirmands and their sponsors pose with the bishop on the front steps of the church.

In the church basement, after the ceremony and a luncheon, the young people of the chapel put on a play entitled *The Bishop of Oz*, a take on *The Wizard of Oz*, much to the amusement of Bishop Williamson and Father Novak, in the front row.





MISSOURI

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL in KANSAS CITY, together with the District Office and Angelus Press at Regina Coeli House, were honored by a special visit of H.E. Bishop Bernard Tissier de Mallerais, for the feast of Corpus Christi, Thursday June 14. The night before the Bishop blessed the new grotto in honor of Our Lady of Grace, built upon the grounds of the Regina Coeli House.



The bishop blesses the statue of Our Lady in the Regina Coeli House grotto.



The members of the community recite the Rosary with the bishop in front of the grotto, after the blessing.



The Rosary as seen from the roof of the Regina Coeli House.



After the Solemn High Mass on the feast of Corpus Christi, Bishop Tissier de Mallerais carries the Blessed Sacrament out of St. Vincent's church, for the outdoor procession to the Regina Coeli House.



The procession proceeds along the Paseo and through Troost Park.





The faithful arrive at Regina Coeli House to adore their Eucharistic Lord on the altar set up on the grass. The girls of St. Vincent's Academy had made the sawdust ground image in honor of the Holy Eucharist, saying *Gloria tibi Domine*.



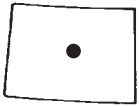
Fr. Kenneth Dean and girls of St. Vincent's Academy working on the sawdust image the evening before.



The faithful, and their five priests, were delighted to assist at the reception afterwards in the parish hall, in the basement of St. Vincent's Academy, in honor of Bishop Tissier de Mallerais.



The bishop honors the faithful with a few words of wisdom and souvenirs of Archbishop Lefebvre.



COLORADO

The faithful of **ST. ISIDORE'S** in **WATKINS** (near Denver) welcome H.E. Bishop Tissier de Mallerai for his first visit to the mile high city.

He came for the Confirmation of 37 children and young adults, which ceremony was performed in the new church, still incomplete, but useable. Finishing work continues to

go ahead at great speed, with the marble altars and communion rail now in place. After the ceremony of Confirmation the faithful held a picnic in the shadow of the massive new church, after which the Bishop was able to visit the nearby shrine of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, in the Rocky Mountain foothills near Golden, CO.



The faithful assist at the bishop's Mass in the new church. The altar is a temporary one, and there are no pews, but the magnificent crucifix, reconditioned by Brother Marcel, is already erected high in the transept.



An exterior view of the church, showing the service road leading to it, that parallels I-70.



The bishop and the confirmands in front of the church portico.



The picnic afterwards, conducted under picnic tents to protect from the sun, but not from the wind.



Bishop Tissier de Mallerai offers his blessing to the faithful as he processes out of church.



The very small chapel of Our Lady Help of Christians in Denver, which is a marked contrast to the magnificent church in Watkins. Sunday Masses are for the time being still being celebrated at Our Lady Help of Christians.



The bishop celebrates a weekday Mass at the chapel of Our Lady Help of Christians, in Denver.

Father Joseph Pfeiffer, the pastor, together with the faculty and students of Our Lady Help of Christians Academy in Denver.



Fr. Joseph Pfeiffer and the faithful of St. Isidore's invite you to the Solemn Consecration of their new church, to take place on Saturday August 18, starting at 7:00pm.

The Society's Superior General, H.E. Bishop Bernard Fellay, will perform the ceremony



MINNESOTA

Spring brought with it some imposing ceremonies for the faithful of **IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY** in **ST. PAUL**. On the first Sunday of May 13



Father Brendan Dardis, the pastor, on the steps of Immaculate Heart of Mary church together with the 13 children who had just received their First Holy Communion on Sunday May 6.

Sunday June 3rd was graduation day, and marked the largest graduation class to date from Immaculate Heart of Mary Academy, which is located in Oak Grove some forty miles north of the Twin Cities. Five 12th graders received their diploma of graduation from the Academy. Matthew Stafki was awarded this year's Adam Kopec Memorial Scholarship, and will receive a full tuition scholarship to IHM Academy for 9th grade.



Graduation day in front of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. The 12th grade graduates are on the left, the 8th grade graduates on the right, and the kindergarten graduates in front, together with all the students of Immaculate Heart of Mary Academy.

young boys and girls received Our Lord in Holy Communion for the first time. The following weekend they helped to lead the May crowning ceremony, attended by some 200 faithful.



Mrs. Mary Bourbeau, Assistant Principal of Immaculate Heart of Mary Academy, directs the Academy girls for the singing of the High Mass from the choir loft on First Communion Sunday.

Sunday June 10th, feast of the Holy Trinity, was Confirmation day, and the 23 confirmands were honored by the presence of H.E. Bishop Richard Williamson who administered this sacrament. After the Confirmation ceremony there was a reception for everyone at the Academy, with a luncheon followed by a conference delivered by the Bishop.



Bishop Williamson, Father Dardis, and the 23 confirmands who had just become soldiers of Jesus Christ.

Y.A.G. WEEKEND

Father Joseph Pfeiffer is again organizing the Young Adult Group weekend in the Colorado Rockies (Estes Park), an opportunity for young traditional Catholic adults to form true friendships, sharing Catholic principles. A series of conferences and activities will fill the time from Friday August 24 at 3:00 p.m. to Monday August 27 at 5:00 p.m. All those interested in participating may contact Mrs. Sylvia Leacock for additional information at (480) 961 9159 or Sylvia.Teresa@juno.com.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

INDIA

Father Thomas Blute, the Society's superior in India, sends us the following update:

"We established the St. Pius X Boys' Hostel and made it through our first year, ending with 12 boys from several different chapels under our care. By urging our faithful to send their boys, we have increased our strength to 18 this year. The older boys now have their own section, downstairs, and the younger boys crowd into the upstairs sleeping place... This year I am particularly pleased with the mix of boys in the Hostel. There are certainly some vocations amongst them – you can see how diligently they say their prayers, and how readily they go to assist at Mass. Last night, I had a group of them insisting that we priests teach them Latin. And French! And Music! May God give us the grace to utilize well this opportunity.

During the month of March, and April, we were able to buy some land... Now we have a half-acre behind the Catholic cemetery, and 5 acres just outside of town. The large plot is for development in the long term. This next month, we will begin marshalling our forces for erecting a priory, and chapel for our headquarters...

There are more and more people coming to Tradition, especially in Goa. I also am renewing our friendship with our old friends in Bassein, at the Gonzalo Garcia Orphanage, north of Bombay. If you have followed our mission work closely for the last decade, you will remember that many times we were invited to say Mass there, at the orphanage. On the 500th anniversary of the martyrdom of St. Gonzalo Garcia we made a great splash there, inviting Bishop Lazo and all the priests from the district to celebrate the occasion with a Solemn High Mass in one of the ancient churches still standing in the ruins of Bassein. About 1000 people came, and were edified by the whole occasion. Now we are resuming our friendship with the orphanage, for the building up of Tradition. Mr. Norbert, the owner, has been carrying on this work of charity since his brother, the founder, passed away two decades ago. I truly admire his Faith in God's Providence, for he really lives in a spirit of poverty. There are no institutions, no trust funds, no regular income, no guarantees for the future for him to lean upon. He has 55 children, now, under his care, and every month is a struggle to feed, clothe, house and school them. Norbert is strongly attached to Tradition, so much so that he does not receive even one rupee from the diocesan bishop."

Donations for India or for St. Gonzalo Garcia Orphanage may be sent via the District Office. However, include a special note that it is for Gonzalo Garcia orphans, if this is your intention, to make it clear.



Some of the orphans of Gonzalo Garcia Orphanage outside their school building.



The girls sit on the floor to eat their meager fare.



The whole orphanage salutes the flag at morning roundup.

RETREAT SCHEDULE

August - November 2001

ST. IGNATIUS RETREAT HOUSE

**209 Tackora Trail,
Ridgefield, CT 06877
(203) 431 0201**

Men's 5 day Ignatian: Aug. 6-11 & Oct. 8-13
Women's 5 day Ignatian: Sept. 10-15 & Nov. 12-17
Women's 5 day Marian: Sept. 24 - 29
Men's & Women's Society
schoolteachers' Seminar: Aug. 16-18
Men's Seminar: Oct. 26 & 27,
to be followed by the blessing of Christ the King Church by
H.E. Bishop Alfonso De Galarreta.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS RETREAT CENTER

**750 E. Baseline Road,
Phoenix, AZ 85040
(602) 268 7673**

Men's 5 day Ignatian: Oct. 8-13 & Nov. 12-17
Women's 5 day Ignatian: Oct. 22-27 & Nov. 26-Dec. 1
Men's & Women's 3 day Matrimony retreat: Nov. 8-11

ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA CAMP & RETREAT CENTER

**19101 Bear Creek Road
Los Gatos, CA 95030
(408) 354 7703**

Men's 5 day Ignatian: Aug. 20-25, Sept. 24-29,
Oct. 22-27 & Nov. 12-17
Women's 5 day Ignatian: Sept. 10-15 & Oct. 8-13

EUCCHARISTIC CRUSADE

MONTHLY INTENTIONS: August - October 2001

August For greater use of the exercises of St. Ignatius
September For the ecclesiastical hierarchy, and especially for the bishops
October The recitation of the Rosary in families

U.S. DISTRICT TREASURE - MAY 2001

Treasure sheets returned	269
Morning offerings	7669
Masses	2645
Sacramental communions	2390
Spiritual communions	5875
Sacrifices	16,991
Decades of the Rosary	35,220
Visits to the Blessed Sacrament	3239
15 minutes of silent meditation	3623
Good examples	11,627

The 23 active chapters for May 2001 were, in order of the greatest number of treasure sheets returned, down to the least: St. Mary's Academy, St. Mary's, KS; Our Lady Immaculate, Oak Park, IL; St. Thomas Becket, Veneta, OR; Immaculate Conception, Post Falls, ID; St. Vincent de Paul, Kansas City, MO; St. Peregrine's, Cleveland, OH; St. Therese's, Nicholville, NY; Our Lady of Lourdes, Honolulu, HI; St. Joseph & Immaculate Heart of Mary, Colton, CA; St. John Fisher, Ft. Wayne, IN; Our Lady of Sorrows, Girard, OH; Jesus and Mary, El Paso, TX; St. Michael's, Bakersfield, CA; Our Lady of Fatima, Salt Lake City, UT; Our Lady of the Rosary, Buffalo, NY; St. Peter Chanel, Hilo, HI; St. Michael's, Mandan, ND; St. Lawrence, Hartford, CT; St. Jude's, Philadelphia, PA; St. Pius X, Cincinnati, OH; Our Lady of the Rosary, Albuquerque, NM; Corpus Christi, Seattle, WA; St. Ignatius, Ridgefield, CT.

SOUTH AMERICAN PILGRIMAGE DECEMBER 2001

Globus Travel is organizing this tour on behalf of the Society of Saint Pius X, which will have as its high point the solemn ceremony of consecration of the Basilica church of the Seminary of Our Lady Coredemptrix in La Réjã, Argentina. The pilgrimage will depart on November 30, and will pass by Santiago, Vina del Mar, Puerto Montt, Puerto Varas and Bariloche, Chile, followed by Buenos Aires and La Reja, Argentina. Flyers available from the District Office describe the whole tour. Cost is \$3,390. Further information can be obtained by calling (800) 290 3876 or by e-mail at info@globusvacations.com. If interested, contact Globus Travel soon (this month if possible), since the pilgrimage will have to be canceled if there is not enough interest.

2002 PILGRIMAGES

Saint Pius X Pilgrimage Co. is organizing the following pilgrimages for next year:

Holy Land: April 17-27

Italy: June 30-July 12. The theme is "Eucharistic Miracles in Italy", and it will include Loretto, Lanciano, San Giovanni Rotondo and Rome

Mexico: October 14-19. The theme is "Our Lady of Guadalupe", and it will include Mexico City.

If interested in more information, call (203) 261 1133 or e-mail st-pius-x-pilgrimage@snet.net.