# More Honors for Christ, His Blessed Mother and Saints

Continuing our coverage of the festivities recently held at some of our chapels for the Feast of Christ the King, the International Rosary March, and the Feast of All Saints, we present some more highlights from these events.

### **MINNESOTA**

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On the Feast of Christ the King, the faithful of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in ST. PAUL, were delighted to host Fr. Yves le Roux and seminarians from St. Thomas Aquinas Seminary in WINONA, who traveled south to the Twin Cities to assist with the celebration of a Solemn High Mass and public procession.

The faithful benefitted from seeing the ceremonies in their full splendor thanks to the efforts of the seminarians who fulfilled the various liturgical offices, from the ministers (minus the pastor, Fr. Gerard Beck, who was the deacon) to the schola. The seminarians also benefitted from participating in the Liturgy in

its intended public setting, for the Mass (that within a parish), and for the procession (in the streets for all to see).

The day was blessed with a warm sun that took the chill out of the usual frigid Minnesota weather, which was welcomed during the Eucharistic Procession from the church and through the streets that symbolized the obligation to see that Our Lord reigns not only within church walls, but also in families and in society.

Following the ceremony, the parish ladies hosted a magnificent feast at a local hall, followed by songs and skits performed by the Immaculate Heart of Mary Academy students followed by the seminarians with an excellent concert of their own. All in all, a beautiful day that will be long remembered by the grateful faithful in St. Paul!

Fr. Le Roux extends the offer to all of the USA District's chapels should they be interested in hosting the seminary for any other such future events.



As the royal procession of the Eucharistic King makes its way through the streets of St. Paul, all are struck with the reality of what it means to be a loyal subject.



Another view as the long line of chanting seminarians rounds the corner followed by canopy accompanying the Blessed Sacrament and the over 300 faithful of the parish.



Pausing at an outdoor altar prepared on the side of the church, Fr. Le Roux blesses all with the Blessed Sacrament before processing into the church for a final blessing.



A view of the seminarians in the choir loft singing the Mass of Christ the King.



One of the skits that the older students put on.



Another by younger students including such props as a boat, waves, surfs and stars.



And finally, some children dance to a French song, Sur le Pont, in attempt to impress the French seminary rector!



After the student's skits, Fr. Le Roux introduces the seminary musicians before they perform to the delight of the parish.

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

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and many blessings for the New Year.

At this time of year it is not uncommon for people to take or at least consider taking New Year's resolutions. Some do so to improve their physical health, others hope to overcome some weakness in their character, while still others hope to improve their surroundings. Some actually carry through with their resolutions, but many more find them too difficult and give up soon after starting. Nor is this an uncommon occurrence in life-whether it be New Year's resolutions, retreat resolutions or simply the promptings of conscience to lead a better life-we find them difficult to put into practice.

The reason why we have such difficulty is that the dispositions of our powers of intellect, will and passions are not properly ordered in relation to our human nature. We have allowed certain bad habits to form which have caused disorder among these powers, preventing them from harmoniously working toward the same goal. As habits they are difficult to overcome.

Because our tendencies have a character of universality, we are not only capable of but we need habits for efficient action. Our mind seeks all truth but because we do not possess it as God does we can choose which truth to seek. Our wills seek all good but because we do not possess it as God does we can choose which good, real or apparent, we will seek. Likewise our sense appetite tends towards all the pleasures of the body. In order to act efficiently in the attainment of any truth or good we require a certain ease in the direction of our powers. A child trying to be generous with his toys will look anxiously from the treasured possession to the other child, to his mother and back again, all the while struggling with the desire to keep it to himself. He hesitates then slowly hands it over and often as not quickly snatches it back or begins to cry. If every free decision in life required as much effort it would be quite an intolerable burden for us. Habits help us to avoid being frequently frustrated in the face of the multitude of truths and goods that surround us by making our free choices easy.

Therefore before we can efficiently choose to do good in any and all circumstances we must acquire habits. If a farmer tried to irrigate his fields with a bucket, his efforts would not only be highly inefficient but most likely his fields would never produce the abundant harvest he hopes for. But if his initial labors are spent digging a ditch or laying a pipe, he will efficiently provide a path which will allow an abundant flow of water to his fields. Habits (specifically operative or active habits) are like an irrigation ditch which easily directs the powers of our intellect, will or sense appetite to a definite kind of action. Thus, for example, if someone wants to tell the truth in any and all circumstances he must acquire the habit of truthfulness.

Because habits are the key to efficient action it is important to know what causes them. There are basically three causes of habits: nature, human activity and God.

Our human nature helps us to acquire active habits by either providing certain knowledge through our senses or by providing the beginnings of habits through our appetitive powers in the way of certain dispositions or temperaments. Good eyesight or hearing can help us to easily acquire knowledge. Specific temperaments may give inclinations to patience, purity or anger. Nature gives man his first push towards natural virtue.

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Usually when we speak of God as the source of habits we speak of

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the infusion of the supernatural habits of Faith, Hope and Charity, which elevate our natural powers to be capable of leading the divine life. But it is also possible to find natural operative habits which have been infused by God. Such would be the case of someone obtaining the intellectual habit of a particular language which they have never naturally learned.

The principal cause of operative habits on the natural level is human activity. Repeated acts of the same kind form habits. Each act is another shovel full of dirt forming the ditch which helps the power of our will flow easily in the right direction and difficult to flow any other way. A truthful man easily tells the truth but finds it hard to tell a lie. And just as the ditch can be widened or filled in, to increase or decrease the flow of water, so habits can grow or diminish. The former is done by more frequent and intense acts of the habit already established while the latter by either acting contrary to the habit or by ceasing to use it.

However, efficiency in action is not our only concern in life since we can just as efficiently wreck our lives as make them successful. Habits differ in morality. If a habit inclines us toward a morally good action it is called virtue. Virtue helps us to move efficiently towards God by properly ordering our powers of intellect, will and sense appetite. This perfects our humanity and increases our likeness to Him. If a habit inclines us towards a morally bad action it is called vice. Vice wounds our humanity by putting disorder between our powers. This decreases our likeness to God and reduces us to the level of beasts.

Since we lose or attain our true happiness by our human actions, our habits and their morality are of great importance to us. We should take serious the formation of virtue in ourselves and in the children God has placed in our care. The apparent lack of virtue today's youth is evidence that many do not take it seriously (e.g., the lack of respect, responsibility and resourcefulness name a few). If we do not help our children to form good habits the tendency will be for them to form vices, which will only help them to move efficiently away from God.

This formation must start from the cradle and continue throughout our lives. We should take the time to reflect on our activities and the habits being formed by them in ourselves and our children. Some people turn a deaf ear when their priest speaks against television, video games, modern "music" or immodesty. But what habits do these actions form in us? Can we truly say that they help us to form virtues that perfect our intellects and wills? Or that they help to bring our passions into control? Do they help us to move closer to God by helping us to become more God like? The evidence proves they do not and is the reason they are often spoken against.

If we wish to live a truly human life, virtue is necessary. On the natural level to help perfect us as men, while on the supernatural level to perfect us as children of God and heirs to heaven. Because the world is built on truth and filled with goodness we are offered innumerable opportunities for knowledge and love. Virtue allows us to use our human powers properly to embrace these, perfecting the same powers and enabling us to successfully act in conquering the world for ourselves and ourselves for God. This alone can lead to true happiness.

Sincerely in the Holy Family, Le. John D. Telleston

Fr. John D. Fullerton

### **CALIFORNIA**

Following are some images from St. Joseph's and Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in **COLTON**, of its Eucharistic Procession on the Feast of Corpus Christi and its participation in the International Rosary March held on Sunday, October 6th.



At an outdoor altar prepared on a parish family's lawn, Fr. Nichols takes a break to incense the Blessed Sacrament before giving a blessing with the Bread of Angels and proceeding back to the church.



A view of the faithful following their Savior.



The march took place in downtown Colton, circling a shopping center, during which all 15 decades of the rosary were recited, punctuated by Latin hymns before each set of mysteries. Rosaries and prayer cards (including ones explaining the importance and how to pray the rosary) were passed out by parishioners.



Pastor Fr. David Nichols carries Our Eucharistic Lord in procession through the streets of Colton.



As attested by the palm trees, it was very blustery weather, but that didn't deter young or old from making the public march in honor of Our Lady.

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#### **CALIFORNIA**

During this past August, St. Aloysius Gonzaga Retreat Center in LOS GATOS hosted one of the 2 priests' retreats that are annually offered in the United States District, during which 29 priests attended, 22 from this district,

2 from the Mexico District and 5 independent priests.

The preacher of the retreat was the Second Assistant to the Superior General, Fr. Alain Nely, (in the States to acquaint himself with the United States District), who focused on the sanctification of the priest, and the manner in which to become good and holy priests through friendship with Our Lord and God the Father. Fr. Nely particularly sought to convey what Archbishop Lefebvre's goal was in implementing the dream he had in the cathedral of Dakar as related in the preface of his book, *Spiritual Journey*:

...The dream was to transmit, before the progressive degradation of the priestly ideal, in all of its doctrinal purity and in all of its missionary charity, the Catholic Priesthood of Our Lord Jesus Christ, just as He conferred it on His Apostles, just as the Roman Church always transmitted it until the middle of the twentieth century.

Hence, Fr. Nely's conferences centered on the virtues of the priesthood based upon the imitation and teachings of



After the retreat, the various priests and others happily pose for a picture.

Our Lord in order that the priest may bear more fruit in his ministry for the restoration of the priesthood, while the meditations were focused on the sacerdotal character and the functions and duties of the priesthood.

The retreat was well received, reinvigorating the veteran priests with the grace of the ideal of holiness that they first received at their ordination and uplifting them with encouragement and zeal to carry on in their priestly duties in this hostile and pagan world.

### **GEORGIA**

St. Michael the Archangel Church in ROSWELL (ATLANTA), prepared for the Feast of Christ the King with a vigil of all night adoration, with parishioners adoring the Blessed Sacrament through the night. Sunday morning saw a large attendance for the Mass and procession, which made its way on the chapel's property and the road bordering the rear. In a clearing in the woods, there was a large, 600 sq. ft. white canopy erected over an ornately decorated altar of repose. It was here that the procession briefly paused to pray before the Eucharistic King with the rosary, the Litany and Consecration of the Human Race to the Sacred Heart, and some other prayers. Afterwards, the choir resumed leading several hymns as the procession made its way back to the church, where Benediction at the main altar concluded the beautiful festivities.

On the Sunday following All Saints' Day, the chapel had its annual party in which the children dressed as particular saints and recounted (some even in verse!) the stories of the respective saints' lives, to the delight of all the parishioners gathered in the parish hall. Afterwards, the children participated in a variety of games for prizes. A very creative entry this year was Miss Theresa Sheppard, who as St. Therese of Lisieux was in turn dressed as St. Joan of Arc, as St. Therese herself once did for a play amongst the nuns inside the Carmel.



A shot of the Blessed Sacrament exposed on the high altar during the Eucharistic vigil.





The pastor, Fr. Christopher Danel, proudly poses with some of his parish's "saints", including on the second from the right, St. Joan of Arch, that is, St. Therese!



After the High Mass, the Christ the King procession is made through the complex's scenic property on its way to the altar of repose.

Fr. Danel incenses the Bread of Angels at the outdoor altar before returning to the church for the closing ceremonies.



#### **MICHIGAN**

St. Anne's Church in **REDFORD** (**DETROIT**), celebrated two important events in 2007 for Sister Charles Christine, who for several years taught lower grades at St. Anne's Academy, helped to prepare First Communicants at the parish and looked after the sacristy's laundry needs. She grew up in Royal Oak, literally in the backyard of the famed National Shrine of the Little Flower, whose

construction she witnessed as a child, while her pastor was none other than the "Radio Priest", Fr. Charles Coughlin, who founded and built the beautiful art-deco shrine. In 1930, Sister Charles Christine entered religious life by joining the Dominican Order of nuns in nearby Adrian, MI, a congregation that was founded in 1879 and derived from the Newburgh, NY branch.

As many may recall from the July 2007 issue, it was from the Detroit area that one of the first requests was made to Archbishop Lefebvre in Ecône, Switzerland to have SSPX priests sent to the United States, hence many parishioners, including Sister's sister, Arlene Uhnazy, became well-acquainted with His Excellency which led Sister to attend the traditional Roman Mass at St. Anne's rather than the *Novus Ordo Missae* at the convent. In the 1980's, Sister Charles Christine received permission to reside outside of the convent in order to care for her ailing mother, and subsequently her father too. This turned out to be doubly providential, for while it allowed her to care for her parents, it also safeguarded her from the modernization of religious life. A teacher since she entered the convent, it was only natural that in time she would lend her talents to St.



Sr. Charles Christine happily poses with parishioners of St. Anne's in front of her birthday cake.

Anne's Academy, though she was recently forced to give up this important apostolate owing to major back surgery.

Of the celebratory events, the first was for her 90th birthday (on the feast of the martyr-priest, St. Valentine), for which the parish turned out in jubilation with cake, cards, gifts, pictures and songs, while the second was on November 3rd for Sister's 70th anniversary as a religious, though due to her humility, the parish was unaware of it! Many congratulations and more years to you, Sister!

# INTERNATIONAL NEWS



Following up on the Mexico Medical Mission held in May 2007 and reported in the September issue, we present another such charitable mission made to the PHILIPPINES in August. On August 8th, six American women journeyed from the eastern side of the United States to the Tuna Capital of the West, General

Santos City, located on the island of Mindanao in the southern portion of the islands that comprise the Republic of the Philippines, completing their trip to *Gensan* (the local nickname) two days later.

Joining up with the talents and efforts of the ACIM (Association Catholique des Infirmieres et Medecins) and members of the local SSPX chapel of St. James, the object of the "Rosa Mystica Mission" was to provide medical, dental and even more importantly, spiritual assistance to the area's poor and suffering. Comprised of a team totaling more than 50 members, the mission's staff included doctors, nurses, dentists and a host of other highly qualified lay helpers.

From August 12-17, the missionaries conducted their work in 3 local elementary schools in *Gensan* and for the final 2 days in the remote Andrade Subdivison, and were kept busy with such tasks as pulling teeth and cleaning dental equipment, assessing patients and prescribing medications, gathering medication and even water, as well as handing out rosaries and scapulars.

In all, the mission received more than 2,000 patients in 5 days of relatively good weather (despite the humid heat), during which the Catholic medical professionals (including persons from the Philippines, South Korea and France) were able to meet amongst each other and benefit from the presence of Frs. Daniel Couture (Asian District Superior) and Roy Dolotina, who worked tirelessly to tend to the spiritual needs of both the patients and the mission workers. The American missionaries were not only happy recipients of the Filipino's famed hospitality, but also of a conference by Fr. Couture on the Holy Shroud of Turin and a dinner in Manila hosted by the SSPX's Oblate sisters.

The American members of the medical missionary team wish to extend their gratitude to those who contributed both financially and spiritually to their efforts.



A view of the medical staff hard at work accessing patients.

From left to right, some of the mission's staff: Dr. Eun Mi Kim (of South Korea), Dr. Elizabeth Phelan (North Carolina), Misses Ana Alexander (Massachusetts), Mary McGinley (Pennsylvania), and McKenzie Armstrong (North Carolina).





Another two unmentioned Americans shown here while visiting a local orphanage were from left to right: Miss Bridget McGinley (Pennsylvania) and Mrs. Susana Andrada, a Filipino native, but now living in Virginia.



At shot of the mission workers, both corporal and spiritual, during the Fellowship Dinner that was held in conjunction with the Shroud of Turin conference.

## CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

These are the dates for the chapels in the United States of America District

### BISHOP RICHARD WILLIAMSON

Sunday, April 6 Phoenix, AZ
Monday, April 14 El Paso, TX
Wednesday, April 16 Veneta, OR
Thursday, April 17 Portland, OR

Friday, April 18 Bismarck (Mandan), ND

Sunday, April 20 Post Falls, ID Tuesday, April 22 Anchorage, AK Saturday, April 26 St. Mary's, KS

### BISHOP BERNARD TISSIER DE MALLERAIS

Saturday, March 1
Sunday, March 2
Monday, March 3
Wednesday, March 5
Sunday, March 9
Monday, March 10
Tuesday, March 11
Cincinnati, OH
Chicago, IL
Akron, OH
Tulsa, OK
Orlando, FL
Ft. Myers, FL
Buffalo, NY

## EUCHARISTIC CRUSADE

### **MONTHLY INTENTIONS**

January For Christian governments.

February For the revival of the Christian

spirit and especially the spirit

of the Cross of Jesus.

*March* For the propagation of the

Catholic Faith.

#### U.S. DISTRICT TREASURE-October 2007

Daily Offering	9776
Masses	5444
Sacramental Communions	4399
Spiritual Communions	9205
Sacrifices	14,041
Decades of the Rosary	42,341
Visits to the Blessed Sacrament	3841
15 minutes of silent meditation	3320
Good Example	8733
Number returned	365

# Regina Pilgrimages

(accompanied by a SSPX priest)

### LENTEN PILGRIMAGE TO ETERNAL ROME

A 10-day Pilgrimage visiting Vatican City, the Major Basilicas and Relics, and the Catacombs

#### FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 8, 2008

This unique pilgrimage is ideal for both the first-time visitor and the experienced traveler. Enjoy time to thoroughly visit the Catholic treasures of Rome you fve been wanting to see. Learn more about the great saints who were the cornerstones of our civilization. Discover the history of the Catholic Church and its impact on society. Gain spiritual blessings from praying at the major shrines of Christendom.

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### PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE

To Commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the Apparitions at Lourdes

A 12-day Pilgrimage visiting Lourdes, La Salette, Paris, Chartres, Lisieux, Nevers, Ars, and more

OCTOBER 17-28, 2008

We are organizing a pilgrimage to France to join the international event that the SSPX is having in Lourdes, France this October 2008, in commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady to St. Bernadette. Come and join this special pilgrimage, visiting Lourdes for three days to render homage to Our Lady, in union with faithful of the Society of St. Pius X from around the world!

Also included will be Our Lady of La Salette, Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal, Our Lady of Laus, St. Bernadette, St. Therese of Lisieux, St. John Vianney, St. Catherine Laboure, St. Vincent de Paul, and more! Take advantage of ths unique opportunity to visit these major Marian shrines and saints of France, with an escorted pilgrimage accompanied by an SSPX priest. Attend daily Holy Mass and have the opportunity to gain priceless graces and indulgences!

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Oct. 13-18, Dec. 15-20

WOMEN: Mar. 24-29, May 26-31, July 21-26,

Sept. 8-13, Nov. 17-22

### ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA CAMP & RETREAT CENTER

19101 Bear Creek Road, Los Gatos, CA 95033 (408) 354-7703

**MEN:** Feb. 25-Mar. 1, Mar. 31-Apr. 5, May 12-17, June 30-July 5, Sept. 29-Oct. 4, Dec. 11-14 (Weekend)

**WOMEN:** Feb. 4-9, Mar. 10-15, Apr. 21-26, June 2-7,

Sept. 8-13, Oct. 20-25, Dec. 4-7 (Weekend) MIXED: Nov. 10-15 (Third Order Retreat)

### OUR LADY OF SORROWS RETREAT CENTER 750 E. Baseline Road, Phoenix, AZ 85042 (602) 268-7673

<u>MEN</u>: Mar. 10-15, Apr. 28-May 7 (10-day), Jun. 9-14 (Vocation), Oct. 8-11 (3-day Virtue), Oct. 22-25 (Matrimony)

**WOMEN:** Feb. 18-23, Nov. 10-15, Dec. 15-20,

May 28-31 (3-day Virtue)

**MIXED:** Dec. 27-Jan. 2, 2009 (Marian–tentative dates)

Please contact the retreat house in question to ensure availability before making any travel plans





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### **HOLY LAND**

(Back by great demand...Our 4th annual Lenten Holy Land Pilgrimage!)

February 16-27, 2008

We will visit the Holy Places from the Annunciation in Nazareth, to Bethlehem to Mt Beatitudes, to the Sea of Galilee, to Mount Tabor, to the first Miracle of Jesus in Cana, to Mount Nebo where Moses died, to Petra the lost City, one of the Seven Wonders of the World, we will renew your baptismal promises on the Jordan River, to the Mount of Temptation in Jericho, to the raising of Lazarus in Bethany, we will follow Jesus through the streets of Jerusalem from the Palm Sunday road to the Garden of Gethsemane to the Via Crucis to Golgotha and more. This is living the Passion with our Lord Jesus Christ.

Price includes roundtrip airfare accommodations, pilgrimage transportation, hotels, three meals a day, lunch and dinner with bottle water, tips, fares for the Galilee boat, cable car, taxi to Mt. Tabor, *etc.*: \$2650.

### IRELAND, ENGLAND

June 15-24, 2008

Cashel, Our Lady of Knock, Slane, Dublin in the footsteps of St. Patrick, the Book of Kells, the Church of St. Valentine, Ladywell, York, London, The Tyburn Martyrs Convent (Edmond Campion), Alysford (the Chapel of Our Lady of Mount Carmel where Our Lady gave St. Simon Stock the Brown Scapular), St. Jude's Shrine, Canterbury (where St. Thomas Beckett was martyred), and more.

Price includes round trip airfare from Newark, accommodations, pilgrimage transportation, 3 meals a day, lunch and dinner with bottle water and wine /beer, tips, admissions. \$3375.00 per person

# 150TH ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

October 22 - 28, 2008

We are rescheduling our previously planned September 2008 pilgrimage to Turkey to accommodate the 7-day international pilgrimage we are organizing with the SSPX in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady at Lourdes and the Feast of Christ the King. More details coming soon or contact us directly. Price: \$1925.00 all included from New York.

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