

Newsletter – Issue 114: August, 2022 Prepared by members of the *Una Voce Vancouver Island Association* (U.V.V.I.A.), for the Traditional Latin Mass community, in the Diocese of Victoria, B.C., Canada

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Latin Masses & Devotions in August		Time	Celebrant	
Friday, 5 th August	Privileged Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus + commem. Dedication of the Archbasilica of Our Lady of the Snows.	8.30 a.m.	Fr. Domotor	
Sunday, 7 th August	Ninth Sunday after Pentecost	Noon		
Friday, 12 th August	Feast of St. Clare, Virgin.	Cancelled		
Sunday, 14 th August	Tenth Sunday after Pentecost	Noon		
Monday, 15 th August	Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	<mark>No Mass</mark>		
Friday, 19 th August	Feast of St. John Eudes, Confessor.	Cancelled		
Sunday, 21 st August	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost	Noon		
Monday, 22 nd August	Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary	Cancelled		
Friday, 26 th August	Feast of Pope St. Zephyrinus, Martyr	Cancelled		
Sunday, 28 th August	Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	Noon		
PRAYER INTENTIONS:				

Miscellaneous Intentions:				
For our Priest, Bishop and the Holy Father.				
For vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life.				
For our Seminarians				

R.I.P. Please remember in your prayers the faithful departed:

Fr. Michael Birch, Irene Domotor, Roger Brown, Earl & Elsa Morrison, Bernard & Nova Wauthy, Louis Berard, Marcellina Baldauf, Patricia Gould, Mary Lawson and Lorna Cue.

NEWS

1. Support for our seminarians

This is a reminder that, at the beginning of next month, the Vancouver Traditional Mass Society (V.T.M.S.) will be sending the Canadian seminarians studying at the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter (F.S.S.P.) and the Institute of Christ the King Sovereign Priest (I.C.R.), their semi-annual cheque of \$1,000. This will pay for a small part of the total cost of their annual studies (perhaps no more than about twenty-five percent), which seminarians are expected to contribute themselves. A seminarian may often need to find financial support by asking for donations from relatives and friends. In many cases, there may be, of course, donors from among those attending Mass at the Parishes where seminarians received their vocations. Therefore, if you are able, please make a contribution to our Seminarian Fund. After each Sunday Mass, a collection box for this can be found on our refectory table in the downstairs hall.

2. Proper Scores posted on our web-site

For the benefit of the choristers singing at the Traditional Latin Mass (T.L.M.), we have now provided the complete set of music scores for the **Propers of the Mass** for all the Sundays in the liturgical year.

They are available for downloading from our website in p.d.f. format and have been rendered in font size 12. To acquire larger font sizes, or for WINDOWS 10 format, please contact Mr. Peter Stornebrink. Choristers who do not have access to the internet can request copy from our choir director, Mrs. Ellie Raeder.

Music Scores for the **Ordinaries** of the Mass that are sung at certain times of the year can also be downloaded from our website. Additional chant documents will be posted on the website in the future, including the six sequences and some frequently sung traditional chants.

3. Brown Scapular Blessing and Enrolment

To our surprise, only a single person showed interest in being invested in the Brown Scapular. Perhaps the two benefits of wearing the Brown Scapular may not be known, or understood, by many of our parishioners. Those benefits include the promise of our Lady to St. Simon Stock that she will assist the devotee of the Brown Scapular at the end of life with all the graces necessary for obtaining eternal salvation. Blessing, enrolment and investiture can be done at any time of the year.

4. Interview by Calx Mariae with Dr. Joseph Shaw (continued)

On page 4 of this issue, we bring you the eighth and nineth Question and Answer session (Q.&.A.-8&9) from an interview of Dr. Joseph Shaw by *Calx Mariae*. Threse are the last ones from that interview. Those who have read the whole series will have gained a good understanding of the world-wide organization that promotes and supports the Traditional Latin Mass.

Calx Mariae is a British organisation which, as posted on its website <u>https://voiceofthefamily.com/</u>, is 'A lay initiative formed to defend Catholic Teaching on the Family'.

Dr Joseph Shaw is well known to the readers of 'Voice of the Family' as a regular contributor to the Digest. In October, 2021, Dr Shaw was elected President of the **Una Voce Federation**, a lay movement that promotes and defends the Traditional Latin Mass worldwide. Dr Shaw holds a doctorate in Philosophy from Oxford University, where he also currently teaches. He has published on Ethics and Philosophy of Religion and has edited <u>The Case for Liturgical Restoration</u>: <u>Una Voce Position Papers on the Extraordinary Form</u> (Angelico Press). He is the Chairman of the Latin Mass Society of England and Wales and the father of nine children.

LITURGY

The entire month of August is dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of our Lady. The two important feastdays in August are the Solemn Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on 15th August, and the feast of her **Immaculate Heart** on 22nd August, exactly one week later.

The dogma of the Assumption was declared by Venerable Pope Pius XII on 1 November, 1950. Following this declaration, the Pope was blessed by witness to a miracle. Read more about this from our website under the web-page entitled *Resources*.

DEVOTIONS

Devotions to the two Marian feastdays will be posted in our website.

The following prayers may be added this month to your daily offerings.

1. Almighty and eternal God, Who hast taken up into the glory of Heaven, with body and soul, the immaculate Virgin Mary, Mother of Thy Son: grant, we beseech Thee, that we may always strive after Heavenly things, and thus merit to share in her glory. Amen.

2. The next excerpt from a longer prayer for the Assumption, given in St. Alphonsus Liguori's classic work The Glories of Mary, is also quite moving:

O most sweet Lady and our Mother, by the merits of thy happy death obtain for us holy perseverance in the divine friendship, that we may finally quit this life in God's grace; and unite with the blessed spirits in praising thee and singing thy glories as thou deservest. Amen.

3. And lastly, we offer the following powerful novena prayer for the Feast of the Assumption, prayed from August 9th to 14th August:

O Mary, Queen Assumed into Heaven, I rejoice that, after years of heroic martyrdom on earth, thou hast at last been taken to the throne prepared for thee in Heaven by the Holy Trinity.

Lift my heart with thee in the glory of thine Assumption above the dreadful touch of sin and impurity. Teach me how small earth becomes when seen from Heaven. Make me realise that death is the triumphant gate through which I shall pass to thy Son, and that, someday, my body and soul shall reunite in the unending bliss of Heaven.

From this earth, over which I tread as a pilgrim, I look to thee for help. I ask for this favour: (Mention your request).

When my hour of death has come, lead me safely to the presence of Jesus to enjoy the vision of my God for all eternity together with thee. Amen.

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Q&A-8&9

CM-8: The uncompromising tone adopted by *Traditionis Custodes*, and then by the directives for the diocese of Rome, took many people by surprise but what is the appropriate response to it? What should the bishops, priests and laity do, each on their own level?

JS: The Federation re-published the <u>Canonical Guidance</u> that I put together at first for the Latin Mass Society, with input from some experienced Canon lawyers, to try to thrash out exactly what room for manoeuvre it allows. To those bishops and priests who believe, as we do, that it would be pastorally harmful to close down celebrations, to ignore needs expressed by the Faithful and the desire of priests to make the older Mass part of their spiritual lives, we are able to say that *Traditionis Custodes* is not as prescriptive as may at first appear. Life can go on, without entering into conflict with the Pope or the law of the Church.

Pope Francis himself seemed to be eager to dampen down concerns that *Traditionis Custodes* was an aggressive and destructive act, when he spoke to a Spanish radio station, COPE, in September, and when he spoke to some French bishops on an *ad limina* visit more recently.

It is more difficult for priests who have a hostile bishop. These must find ways to negotiate whatever complex situations they find themselves in. We would like to emphasise, nevertheless, that Pope Francis has not claimed to have abrogated the older Missal, and private celebrations remain perfectly legitimate. To say otherwise is just an unfortunate misunderstanding.

CM -9 How can people find out more about the Una Voce Federation?

JS: We have a website (fiuv.org) and a magazine (*Gregorius Magnus*, twice a year). Every two years we have a General Assembly, usually in Rome, but online in 2021 due to Covid, part of which is open to the public.

Those who wish to can become "Friends" of the Federation, and we have regular Masses said for our benefactors, both living and dead.

I would encourage everyone to get involved in their local Una Voce or Latin Mass Society groups, making sure they are affiliated to the Federation, and to establish new local groups if necessary. Priests who celebrate ancient Mass, whether they are diocesan clergy or members of the Traditional Institutes, need the support of the laity: not just their money, but informed laity in stable associations doing practical things to support the Mass on the ground, consistently representing to bishops their pastoral needs. It is essential not to limit one's activism to arguing on social media. The Una Voce movement gives us an opportunity to make a practical difference for good, and at the same time to gain an understanding of how things work in the Church: the relationships, the ideology, and the politics. With our feet firmly grounded in the complex realities of Church life at the local level, and sustained by the ancient liturgy itself, we can make a difference for good.