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Prepared by members of the *Una Voce Vancouver Island Association (U.V.V.I.A.)*,
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Latin Masses & Devotions in September; For latest update see our web-site.		Time	Celebrant
Friday, 2 nd September	Privileged Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus + commem. St. Stephen of Hungary	8.30 a.m.	Fr. Domotor
Sunday, 4 th September	Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost	12 Noon	
Thursday, 8 th September	Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary + commem. St. Adrian, Martyr	8.30 a.m.	
Sunday, 11 th September	Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	12 Noon	
Thursday, 15 th September	Feast of the Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary, comm. St. Nicodemus, Martyr	8.30 a.m.	
Sunday, 18 th September	Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	12 Noon	
Friday, 23 rd September	Ember Friday + commem. St. Linus, Pope & Martyr	8.30 a.m.	
Sunday, 25 th September	Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost	12 Noon	
Thursday, 29 th September	The Dedication of St. Michael and All Angels (Michaelmas)	8.30 a.m.	

PRAYER INTENTIONS:

<u>For the sick and suffering (see also Parish Bulletin):</u>		<u>Miscellaneous Intentions:</u>
Mrs. Doreen Kitchen	Mrs. Agnes Berard	For our Priest, Bishop and the Holy Father. For vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. For our Seminarians
Mrs. Christine Stornebrink	Fr. Donald Malins	
Mr. Ron Turner		

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 of Seminarians

One of the greatest works of a Traditional Latin Mass (T.L.M.) congregation is to support its seminarian(s), both financially and spiritually. About five years ago, a seminarian had to make a personal contribution of \$7,000 per year from his own resources; the actual costs of attendance being at least three times that amount. He had to raise the needed funds by engaging in work during his vacation, asking family and friends for assistance, and pleading support from traditional parishes. Since the time of Father Grealy's ordination and his assignment to the Holy Family Parish of the F.S.S.P., we have still one seminarian left to support., Abbé Julian Malinowski, who studies at the Institute of Christ the King seminary in Gricigliano, Italy. He received his calling to the priesthood while studying at the University of Victoria and also while attending the Traditional Latin Mass at our Parish. He was a very active member in the sanctuary and on the choir-loft. This year, he begins his fifth year of study in the six-year programme to train for ordination to the sacred priesthood.

Our support for our seminarian(s) consists of sending \$1,000.00 in January and again in September. through the Vancouver Traditional Mass Society (V.T.M.S.). Our contributions come from you, our T.L.M. supporters, by your Sunday donations in the collection box which is situated on the refectory table in the hall. Those contributions are sent regularly to the V.T.M.S. In August, we contributed our coffee money collection of \$550. We thank all contributors for their generous support of our seminarian fund.

2. Special donations in support of seminarians.

The Church has always depended on generous people who can afford to make donations in larger amounts in support of her needs. In our T.L.M. congregation there are also some people who are able to send a cheque to the V.T.M.S. in larger amounts, (e.g., \$20, \$100, or \$1,000. Each of them will therefor obtain a tax receipt from the V.T.M.S., which is registered with the Canadian Revenue Agency (C.R.A.) as a charitable organisation. Such donors can direct the V.T.M.S. to add the amount to the general seminarian's support account or directly to given seminarians seminarian for their personal needs. The latter needs include personal care items such as clothing and travel expenses, or payment for the cost of vestments or sacred vessels as they approach the time of ordination.

Apart from payments by cheque, there is a second way in which you can make donations; namely, by sending money directly into the VTMS account through so-called *Interac transfer*. This is a cheap and easy way and it can be done on-line from your home computer. In next month's Newsletter we will provide details on how to make such payments to the V.T.M.S.

3. Next Board of Directors meeting

Members on the Board of Directors (B.O.D.) of the *Una Voce* Vancouver Island Association (U.V.V.I.A.) will have their next meeting on Sunday, 4th September. It will begin about twenty minutes after the noon-hour Mass has ended. All members are urged to attend this important meeting, including the new members who signed up at our last election meeting on 3rd April.,. Should circumstances require a postponement in that date then members will be notified of the new date by telephone or e-mail of the new date. An agenda will be made available at the meeting.

LITURGY

The month of September is especially dedicated to the **Seven Dolours of our Lady**, the feastday of which is 15th September. On our website will be posted devotional prayers and booklets for this feastday and for the following:

Thursday, 8th September is the feastday of the **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**,

Wednesday, 14th September is the feastday of the **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**.

Thursday, 15th September is the feastday of the **Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary**.

Thursday 29th September is the feastday of **St. Michael the Archangel**.

Devotion to the Seven Dolours is the result of two separate developments which were later fused into one Mass and Office and one set of meditations, although the two feastdays assigned to this devotion each has a distinct character. The first devotion to our Lady's Sorrows was expressed in 1221 with a dedication of an Altar to our Lady, *Mater Dolorosa*, at the Cistercian Abbey of Schönau. This dedication concentrated on the sufferings of our Blessed Mother at the foot of the Cross, as foretold by the Prophet Simeon, and on her afflictions at the Deposition of Jesus from the Cross and His burial in the tomb, after which our Lady sorrowed and wept until the Resurrection. In 1423, the Synod of Cologne [Köln] established a local feast for this devotion. In 1727, Pope Benedict XIII moved this feast to Passion Friday, the Friday preceding Good Friday. That way, the spirit of the devotion was made manifest in the calendar: just as our Blessed Lord was crucified on Good Friday, our Lady was crucified in heart before and when He finally died on the Cross. The grandest expression of the *Mater Dolorosa* is perhaps Michelangelo's *Pietà*, which was completed in 1499.

Meanwhile, in 1232, the Order of the Servant Friars of Mary, or Servites, was founded. In 1237, the Order adopted our Lady's dolours as its principal devotion. The Servites established in popular piety the Seven Sorrows as we have them today. They were depicted in paintings as seven swords which pierce the Heart of Mary (sometimes reduced to one sword to figure the Prophecy of Simeon, which includes them all). A proper Servite feast for this was inscribed in their calendar in 1668. In 1817, Pius VII moved this feast to the third Sunday in September and, in the next year, he approved meditations for these sorrows. Pope St. Pius X took the view that feasts of this rank should not be held on Sundays, as Sunday is the Lord's Day. Therefore, he moved it to 15th September in 1912. That day is the octave day of the Feast of the Nativity of our Lady, for our Lady was born into this world to help Jesus in His redemptive suffering and Sacrifice. It is also the day following the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Both feasts honour the same seven Sorrows of our Lady. However, the Passiontide one concentrates more intensely on the Cross and *Pietà*; whereas the Servite one in September refers almost as much to our Lady's earlier dolours; namely, the Prophecy of Simeon, the Flight into Egypt, and the Loss of Jesus at the Temple.

Devotions to our Lady of Sorrows include three Litanies, a Chaplet of the Seven Dolours, and the black Servite scapular of Our Lady of Sorrows. There is also a special novena which begins on 6th September. It is centred on the *Via Matris*, which commemorate the Seven Dolours, then the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, and then our Lady as perpetual Mother of Sorrows.

DEVOTIONS

The main devotion for this month we strongly recommend is a fine 36-page booklet titled *Devotions to Our Lady of Dolours*. You can read it from our web-site or down load a copy onto your computer, mobile phone, or ipad. The following text is from the Introduction (page i) of this booklet.

INTRODUCTION

About the devotion to Our Lady of Sorrows

The Feast of Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows is observed on 15th September

The Blessed Virgin Mary revealed to St. Bridget of Sweden (1303-1373) that the following seven graces would be granted to the souls who honour her daily by saying seven *Aves* and meditating on her tears and dolours.

- 1) I will grant peace to their families.
- 2) They will be enlightened about the divine mysteries.
- 3) I will console them in their pains and I will accompany them in their work.
- 4) I will give them as much as they ask for as long as it does not oppose the adorable will of my divine Son or the sanctification of their souls.
- 5) I will defend them in their spiritual battles with the infernal enemy and I will protect them at every instant of their lives.
- 6) I will visibly help them at the moment of their death; they will see the face of their mother.
- 7) I have obtained [this grace] from my divine Son that those who propagate this devotion to my tears and dolours will be taken directly from this earthly life to eternal happiness, since all their sins will be forgiven and my Son and I will be their eternal consolation and joy.

St. Alphonsus de Liguori testifies to complementary revelations given by Our Lord to St. Elizabeth of Hungary (1207-1231) in which Jesus further promises four special graces to those dedicated to the sufferings of the co-redeeming mother. He promises

1. that those who, before death, invoke the Blessed Mother in the name of her sorrows should obtain true repentance of all their sins;
2. that He would protect in their tribulations all who remember this devotion, and that He would guard them especially at the hour of death;
3. that He would impress upon their minds the remembrance of His Passion, and that they should have their reward for it in Heaven;
4. that He would commit such devout clients into the hands of Mary so that she might obtain for these souls all the graces she wanted to lavish upon them.