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UNITED STATES

Queen of All Saints Chapel - Brooksville, Florida



Christmas began with carols, in which the Sisters of St. Thomas Aquinas joined with the school students in sung praise of Our Lord's Nativity. Midnight Mass followed in the beautifully decorated chapel, and the Christmas season began. We are pleased to announce that two of our parishioners were married in January, and several newborn

children were baptized. A solemn procession adorned the Mass for the Feast of the Purification of Our Lady. The mechanism supporting the sanctuary lamps was repaired, and a bookstore was opened near the chapel. Father Marshall was Ordained here on December 14th, 2024.

Queen of All Saints Mission - Vero Beach, Florida



Our Vero Beach mission, now in its tenth year, continues to serve the faithful residing on the eastern side of Florida. We are very grateful to have the use of an excellent facility at a convenient location to provide the sacraments for the faithful residing there. We are happy to announce that two children recently received their first Holy Communion, and several more are preparing to receive the same.

Queen of All Saints Chapel - Youngtown, Arizona

Queen of All Saints Chapel in Youngtown, was established in December of 2018 by Father Palma. Since then it has grown significantly. It has around seventy parishioners. Some of its families attend Queen of All Saints Academy run by the Sisters of Saint Thomas Aquinas, who visit the parish whenever it is possible. Father Gregory Barnes is currently its Pastor. Because of our ever growing apostolate and other places demanding the presence of priests, weekday Masses have been temporarily reduced.



Queen of All Saints Chapel - Pottstown, Pennsylvania



The faithful from a year-old mission in the King of Prussia area are blessed to now have a proper church building. Purchased in August, 2024, it was open for its first Sung Mass two weeks later. Now, the church has been repainted, adorned and proper ecclesiastical furniture has been acquired.

Queen of All Saints Mission - Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

This mission was the first Sunday mission established by the Seminary after relocating to the State of Pennsylvania. Mass was inaugurated on Christmas Day, 2022. This mission has retained a very constant and faithful attendance. The goal is to acquire a proper church building as its sister mission in Pottstown did.



Our Lady Queen of Martyrs - Fraser, Michigan



Here we enjoy one of the most beautiful traditional churches in the United States. The majority of our parishioners are devoted attendants from the last fifty years, bringing along with them all the experience of the churches before Vatican II. Celebrating Christmas 2024 with our outstanding and talented organist and choir director engaging the beautiful choir singing for Midnight Mass, parishioners enjoyed a taste of real Catholicism and worship.

On a visit to our church several years ago, Stephen Heiner, who interviews Bishop Sanborn, remarked, at the Christmas party (not exact quote): "You don't have just a mission here, you have a fully functioning Catholic church that was so prevalent before Vatican II". Yes, the parish does enjoy a wonderful Catholic life with a good number of activities and events that take place throughout the year, with the vigilant care of Father Saavedra. With the several recent young adult marriages, it is not uncommon to see infants being passed around among the adults in choir. This friendly parish is a welcoming sight to anybody wanting to live a virtuous Catholic life, a secure escape from the chaos that exists outside of it.

EUROPE

Chapelle du Christ-Roi - Nantes, France



The chapel of Christ the King was the first traditional Mass center established in Nantes, France, once it was no longer possible to find the true Faith and the true sacraments in the parishes. This building has been remodeled and decorated by Father Guépin over many decades, to become the beautiful chapel it is now. Father Chappot de La Chanonie has care of this chapel, which has now become the center of our activities in France.

Chapelle Notre-Dame des Dons -Treillères, France



This historical place of pilgrimage had been destroyed during the French Revolution. Father Guépin restored it to its former glory. Just outside of Nantes. This chapel serves as an extension of the Nantes Mass center. The clergy regularly organize processions and pilgrimages there.

Chapelle Saint-Maurice -Montauban-de-Bretagne, France



This chapel, rebuilt at the end of the seventeenth century, is dedicated to Saint Maurice, the Roman general of the Thebean Legion of martyrs. A relic of the saint is here kept and venerated. The Chapelle Saint-Maurice has been developed as a vibrant traditional parish, serviced by religious sisters, the Daughters of Wisdom of the Maison-Sainte-Anne. The property serves every summer as a retreat house.

Chapelle des Saints-Cœurs-de-Jésus-et-Marie - Saint-Sulpice-en-Pareds, France



Chapelle Sainte-Anne -La Baule Escoublac, France



This is a small Mission in the South of Brittany, which we use to extend our presence in the West of France. It is under the patronage of St. Ann, grandmother of Christ, and the Patron Saint of Brittany. This Mass center hosts the mission in the Vendée, where thousands of Catholics fought and died for their Faith and for their King during the French Revolution. The courage and faith of former times still inspires young generations, who learn to fight the aftermath of the Revolution, and imitate their ancestors by refusing any compromise with the modernist clergy

Saint Edmund Mission - Reading, England



The Saint Edmund's Mission continues to expand in its activities, Mass being offered more frequently than ever before. Years previously, Mass was offered only once a month or every six weeks when priests from the continent could go over to England. Now that Saint Edmund's mission has Father Gilchrist as resident priest, all that has changed, and Mass is now offered every Sunday.

Santiago Misión - Vigo, España



Father Dutertre travels to Portugal or Spain every two months to bring the sacraments to a small group of faithful there. Spain has been a deeply Catholic country for centuries. We must, therefore, keep therein the light of faith burning.

Our Lady Queen of Poland -Kraków, Poland



The lovely chapel of Our Lady Queen of Poland has been located on Sarego Street 18/2 in Krakow since March 2006. His Excellency Bishop Donald Sanborn visited and conferred many confirmations in the Summer of 2023.

Saint Andrew Bobola -Warsaw, Poland



Chapel St. Andrew Bobola in Warsaw has existed since August 15th, 2017, and relocated to Poznańska Street 14-23 since March of 2023. Father Trytek is the pastor for both Polish chapels.

ASIA AND AUSTRALIA

Mary Help of Christians Chapel - Greater Melbourne, Australia



Located in the eastern suburbs of Australia's second-largest city, Mary Help of Christians Chapel was established in 2017 to provide for the spiritual needs of the faithful in Australia as a whole, and particularly for the congregation in the greater Melbourne area, now numbering about eighty persons. Serving both as the primary chapel and a residence of the priests, with Masses on Saturdays and Sundays.

Mary Help of Christians Mission - Sydney, Australia

Since its inception the fastest-growing of the Australian Mass centers, Sydney now has a congregation of around thirty persons, a marked increase from the original group of four, who in July of 2018, asked for a priest to offer Mass for them. Sydney was the location chosen for the inaugural "CSC" (Catholic Singles Connect) in August 2024, which drew young Catholics from all over the world. (See picture below)





Mary Help of Christians Mission - Wangaratta, Australia

rural Mass center in Wangaratta, which was set up as mission hub in January of 2018.

Three hours' drive north of Melbourne is the Originally visited one weekend a month, there are now two Sunday Masses in Wangaratta each month, for a congregation of almost sixty persons.

Mary Help of Christians Mission - Brisbane, Australia



Currently the northernmost Mass center in Australia, the Mass center in Brisbane was set up in November of 2017. There are Sunday Masses twice a month in Brisbane, for a congregation of just over fifty persons.

Mary Help of Christians Mission -Hanoi, Vietnam



The most recent addition to the apostolate serviced from Australia, the inaugural Mass in Vietnam was offered in the city of Ha Long during March, 2024. In late September, 2024, Mass was also offered near Saigon, for the growing congregation there.

Mary Help of Christians Mission - Adelaide, South Australia



Since February 2018, the priests have also visited Adelaide as frequently as possible to offer Mass for a small group of the faithful there. Masses are offered as announced.

Mary Help of Christians Mission - Singapore



After many catechism lessons taught remotely by Father Eldracher, and after several delays, Father Palma was at last able to visit and offer Mass for the small group of faithful there in April, 2024.

While the group is currently small, Singapore has great potential to serve as a central gathering point for the faithful in Southeast Asia.