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UNITED STATES

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs - Fraser, Michigan

As the beauties of God's creation spring to life around Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, we reflect on the beauties of the sacred liturgy that is celebrated daily in our church throughout the seasons of the liturgical year. Here we enjoy the daily blessing of the traditional pre-Vatican II Mass, with traditional High Masses on Sundays and holydays.

In Holy Week, with the assistance of Father Petrizzi and two seminarians from the seminary, we had Solemn High Masses for the Sacred Triduum, as well as Tenebrae for Good Friday.

The liturgy of the week was crowned by the joys of Easter Sunday's solemn high Mass, ringing bells and organ fanfare at the Gloria, the glorious Alleluias, ending with the the singing of Te Deum accompanied by the joyful sound of the Easter bells.

We are blessed with the celebrations of the Church's holy liturgy throughout the year, thanks to the dedication of our servers,



Above: outside view of the church.

and all the faithful who keep this gem, Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, shining in the little town of Fraser, Michigan.

Queen of All Saints Mission Vero Beach, Florida

Right: altar view of the temporary altar.

The Vero Beach mission has Masses at the Vero Beach Women's Club, which has for years been an ideal place while we search for a permanent chapel.



Queen of All Saints Chapel Brooksville, Florida

Right and below: altar view on Easter Sunday.

Queen of All Saints Chapel, formerly Most Holy Trinity Seminary, is now the campus of K-12 and girls high school of Queen of All Saints Academy.



*Left:
Bishop Selway,
forty one
confirmands
and their
sponsors.*



Queen of All Saints Chapel Youngtown, Arizona

Left: chapel view down the main aisle.

Our chapel in Youngtown has parishioners from all over the Phoenix area. Masses are currently only on Sundays, First Fridays and First Saturdays.

Queen of All Saints Mission - Hammond, Louisiana

Below: Father Bayer preaching a sermon.



Hammond is within reach from the larger cities of Baton Rouge, New Orleans and the North-shore area, providing an excellent location for people from the surrounding areas, or those who may be traveling through, a convenient access to the true Sacraments.

The establishment of the mission here will authentically continue the rich history of the Catholic Faith in Louisiana region, which can only be done with uncompromising Catholic clergy who are true to the Faith.

Catholics Singles Connect - Pennsylvania

The second CSC (Catholic Singles Connect) occurred in May at our chapel in Pottstown. Young Catholics visited Gettysburg and Philadelphia while getting spiritual guidance from Father Oscar Saavedra, who was in town to be the chaplain for the event. New friends and many memories were made. If you are interested in the next CSC, contact Father Palma, as it is happening fairly soon.

Below: Father Saavedra accompanied the young adults group to Gettysburg.





Above: Father Bayer blessing the Paschal Fire.

Below: Bishop Sanborn giving a catechism class to the parish gathering after Sunday Mass.

Queen of All Saints Mission Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Below: Father Petrizzi preaching a sermon.



Queen of All Saints Chapel Pottstown, Pennsylvania

Bishop Sanborn has never seen a more active parish than this one! The wonderful enthusiasm from several parishioners to help fix up and improve the chapel, or to be engaged in the various parish activities is most edifying and wonderful to see. The current ongoing project is the installation of wooden steps and flooring to the sanctuary around the altar. One parishioner is building a wooden communion rail.

Since Holy Week there has been a noticeable surge in attendance, even from newcomers willing to drive long distances. We hope to establish an extension of QAS Academy here soon. A school always helps the growth of any parish.

Every Sunday after Mass there is a social gathering, and once a month a priest joins in to answer catechism questions.



This mission has slowly started growing in numbers, while retaining a strong core of committed parishioners. Right after Easter the newborn baby of a new family was baptized. Once a month a seminary priest will attend a parish social gathering and answer questions from the catechism.

Queen of All Saints Mission - Richmond, Texas

Right: outside view of the George Ranch Historical Park chapel.

The enthusiasm from several families in this part of Texas shows a promising growth to this new monthly mission. New parishioners are willing to drive several hours to get to Mass and the unchanged Sacraments. Our promise is to seek a way to increase the Mass frequency once more priests are ordained that can help, and ultimately set up a permanent chapel.



EUROPE

France, Spain & Portugal

In the first half of 2025, our apostolate in France was marked by a great pilgrimage to Sainte-Anne-d'Auray, commemorating the 400th anniversary of the apparitions and the miraculous finding of the statue of St Ann by Yves Nicolazic, on March 7th, 1625. It must be said that Saint Ann is the cherished patroness of Brittany, and that Sainte-Anne-d'Auray has naturally become the national capital of devotion to the grandmother of Christ. Close to two hundred hundred people gathered for this pilgrimage, which consisted of prayers, devotions, canticles, and conferences about St. Ann.

On April 12th, we organized a outdoor way of the cross, in Pontchateau, following the imposant life-sized stations, up to the calvary originally built by saint Louis-Marie de Montfort. The Sacred Triduum was solemnly celebrated in our main chapel of Christ the King, in Nantes, thanks to the help of a couple of seminarians coming across the Atlantic Ocean from Most Holy Trinity Seminary. On Holy Saturday, four adults were baptized, as well as two babies on Easter Sunday.



*Above: pilgrimage to the shrine of
Sainte Anne d'Auray*

Among other activities, our French clergy has been developing their apostolate on the internet. In addition to our website (notredamedesdons.fr) and our YouTube channel of conferences and sermons (@NotreDamedesdons), we have reached a great following on our Telegram channel (t.me/NotreDamedesDons). An important aspect of our doctrinal combat is now being accomplished by means of regular instructions and commentaries published through our dedicated YouTube channel (@FoiIntégrale), which has started to shake things up in the French-speaking traditional world.

Father Dutertre continues to go to Portugal every other month to bring the sacraments to a few Catholics from Spain and Portugal.

Right: Pilgrimage prays the Via Crucis at Sainte Anne d'Auray.

Below: Father de La Canonie & Father Dutertre recording a video interview.



On the feast of Our Lady of Good Counsel, we organized a little retreat day for first communicants. Thirteen little boys and girls were prepared by our clergy and our sisters to receive for the first time Christ in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar. This was a great consolation.

Below: Triptic showing Father Gilchrist and Father de La Chanonie processing to the Altar of Repose on Holy Thursday.





IHS Events - Pilgrimage to France

Left: Father Bayer and the pilgrimage group to Lourdes.

IHS Events helped organize the first ever European trip for the RCI in April. Father Tobias Bayer accompanied the faithful to Lisieux, Lourdes, and Reims, as well as many days in Paris visiting churches and the remains of saints, to say nothing of enjoying the culture and gastronomy of the Eldest Daughter of the Church. If you are interested, trips to Mexico City, Santa Fe, and Rome are already planned and available for booking at this time. Visit ihsevents.org to learn more.

Our Lady Queen of Poland Kraków, Poland

Right: sanctuary of the chapel.

The lovely chapel of Our Lady Queen of Poland has been located on Sarego Street 18/2 in Krakow since March 2006.



Saint Andrew Bobola Warsaw, Poland

Left: altar prepared for Mass.

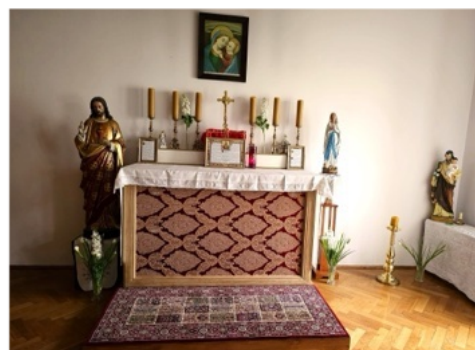
The chapel of St. Andrew Bobola in Warsaw has existed since August 2017, and relocated to Poznańska Street 14-23 since March of 2023.



Saint Joseph Patron of the Church Wrocław, Poland

Right: sanctuary of the chapel.

This chapel in Wrocław has existed since 2006, We have there about 30-40 people, who are mostly young persons.



Saint Edmund Mission - Reading, England



Left: Father Gilchrist and parishioners.

The mission continues to grow with new faces every month. We have had many baptisms of young children and adults from all backgrounds. We are very blessed by the growing spiritual family full of piety, joy and devotion.

ASIA AND AUSTRALIA

Mary Help of Christians Chapel - Greater Melbourne, Australia

With the help of a very generous benefactor and the support of the faithful, we were able to purchase a "real" church building just after Christmas. The purchase of our first church building is a major milestone for the Apostolate, giving us security with many opportunities for growth and expansion. Lent saw a Day of Recollection for men, and another for women, as well as the Holy Week ceremonies and our first Sung Masses in the new chapel.

Below: altar prepared for principal Sunday Mass.



Mary Help of Christians Mission Adelaide, South Australia

Right: altar prepared for Mass.

Father Eldracher visited Adelaide again at the end of January, with plans for another visit there later this year to bring the Sacraments to the small group of the faithful there.



Mary Help of Christians Mission Sydney, Australia

Right: Father Eldracher celebrating Mass.

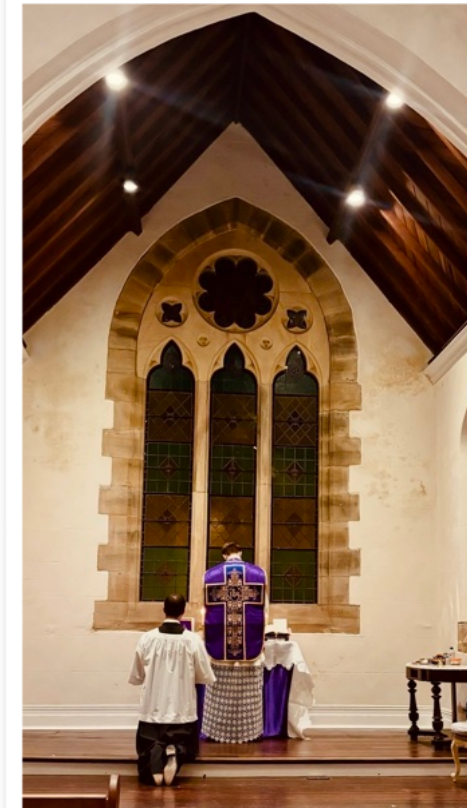
In Sydney, preparations have begun to again host the CSC (Catholic Singles Connect) in Sydney from 31st July - 3rd August. This year also marked the first time that Masses were offered on Easter Sunday in three different Mass Centers in Australia, and our first Easter Sunday Mass in Sydney.

Mary Help of Christians Mission Hanoi, Vietnam

Below: Father Palma poses with parishioners.



Father Palma visited Vietnam at the end of February, this time visiting the area around Saigon, to provide Mass and the Sacraments to the faithful there. Father Eldracher will be returning to Vietnam in early July.



Mary Help of Christians Mission Brisbane, Australia

The Lenten Days of Recollection both for Men and for Women in Brisbane were very well attended; so was the Easter Sunday Mass, a rare opportunity for those in missionary settings.

Below: Father Eldracher giving a conference.





Mary Help of Christians Mission Japan

Left: Father Palma poses with parishioners.

Father Palma had visited Tokyo shortly after Pentecost last year, to bring the Sacraments to a small group of the Faithful there. Father Eldracher will be visiting Tokyo again at the beginning of July this year.

Mary Help of Christians Mission Singapore

Right: Father Palma administering Baptism.

February saw another whirlwind mission trip to Southeast Asia, with Father Palma traveling to Singapore for a baptism, and then on to Vietnam.



Mary Help of Christians Mission Wangaratta, Australia

Left: Father Eldracher just gave two First Holy Communions.

January saw First Holy Communions in Wangaratta, while Lent included Days of Recollection both for men and for women. These were well attended by more than forty people coming from different parts Australia.



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