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### Christ on the Altar

Rt. Rev. Louis De Goesbriand, D.D.,  
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St. Luke, vii.,11-16, relates the beautiful and touching story of the widow of Naim... The Gospel which has been read places before our eyes a disconsolate widow following to the grave the remains of her only son. The whole city participated in her sorrow... The sight of this afflicted mother moved the heart of Our Blessed Lord to mercy. He commanded the dead man to rise; at His voice he who was dead came to life, and He gave him to his mother...

In many instances during His life on earth Our Lord Jesus Christ manifested His interest towards afflicted families... The sick whom He cured, those possessed by devils whom He made free, the dead whom He raised to life, in almost every instance, became the objects of His compassion, when requested by a father or mother or sisters to have mercy on those afflicted ones. At this we should not be surprised, for He Himself formed the Christian family, with those admirable intimate relations which make it a strong, happy, harmonious body. His first miracle was at the wedding of Cana, when He sanctified the family in its very origin; and He willed that His presence at Nazareth with Mary and Joseph should be remembered by future generations as a model of obedience for children, and of solicitude and devotion towards their children for parents.

In the Old Law, Almighty God had frequently commanded parents to love and instruct their children, and children to honor their father and mother; but in the New Law, the marriage state, the Christian family is elevated to a higher dignity, surrounded with a far greater glory. With us, Jesus Christ blesses the union of man and wife, and teaches them how holy the relations existing between them, and those between children and parents, should be.

Today, as usual, we shall turn our eyes towards the Blessed Eucharist, and endeavor to demonstrate that happiness in the family that has its origin in devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

What will become of a family which has been formed without the blessing of God? If we were permitted to relate our experience of more than forty years, we would answer that such families are destined to disappear from the world. The extinction of a family is considered by all as a misfortune, for nature itself has implanted in the hearts of parents a desire to live in their children. But what will become of their souls? This is the principle point. Surely they who have no recourse to God on the day of their marriage will not be mindful of Him during their married life, and "except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it." They therefore cannot hope for a blessing.

In the Catholic Church the Holy Eucharist is not forgotten by those who prepare to enter the married state. Masses are offered at the request of devoted parents for their sons and daughters who are about to marry; they who about to enter that new state of life prepare for it by a good confession and the reception of the Eucharist; and oh, how blessed are the bridegroom and the bride who can say to each other on the day of their marriage: I offer you a soul which loves God above all things; I offer you a body uncontaminated by vice, sanctified by the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ! Through the Sacraments of Marriage and Holy Communion the Christian couple have received the gift of a strong, holy, mutual affection; and the sentiment continually in their minds that their partner in life is a friend, a brother, or a sister of Jesus Christ, adds daily strength to that conjugal affection. The effects of Holy Communion being to diffuse the life of Jesus Christ in the communicants, and enable them to fulfill their obligations as Our Lord would have fulfilled them in their position, it follows that the life of two persons united in marriage, who continue to receive Communion and to hear Mass, must be a life of constant blessedness.

But the time will come when the Christian wife knows that she will become a mother. In this condition she will not, she cannot, forget the Blessed Sacrament. She will remember that the infant in her womb was redeemed by the Blood of her God; that He condescended



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#### HOLY MASS

Sundays: 7:00 & 10:00 am  
Weekdays: 8:00 am

#### CONFESSIONS

##### Sundays

6:40—6:55 am  
9:15—9:55 am

##### Weekdays

7:40—7:55 am  
and by appointment

#### HOLY ROSARY

Sundays: 9:40 am  
First Saturdays: 8:00 am

Thank you very much again, for your donations for the painting collection. Please continue your generosity. This month I will include a Holy Mass for all who donated. Thank you.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **FROM Fr. Rodriguez:**

I have Mass intentions until September 21, and I'm making a new list for Bishop Morello also. You can see the list placed in the vestibule.

### **PAINTING THE CHAPEL**

We should say thank you to Mr. Bouton, Thomas Mendes, and Joe Rotunda Jr. for repairing the walls in the Chapel before painting.

They also did the little path along the driveway

Thank you.

### **Remember that during School Year the Mass**

will be at 8:00 am. Monday to Friday. School starts this Tuesday Sept. 8, 2015 so this Monday is the last Mass at 7:00 am.

### **Annual O.R.C.M Meeting**

The annual meeting will be held this year on Sunday, September 27th at 12 noon in the basement of the Chapel. All O.R.C.M. members are urged to attend.

to dwell nine months in the womb of His mother; that He was born and dwelt amongst men, in order that men might have power to become the sons of God! But the Son of Mary, our Redeemer, is present in the tabernacle of her parish church. He there offers Himself every day as a victim at Mass; He is there inviting her to come and receive Him. These sweet interior invitations, the Christian wife, soon to become a mother, will not pass unheeded. You will see her often at Mass, at Communion, or visiting the Holy Sacrament; and oh! who can tell how many blessings she obtains for the child of her womb!

Artists have many times represented the sweet subject of Jesus blessing children. All the mothers of the Holy Land did not have the privilege of presenting their children to Our Lord. Then again, in those days the redemption had not been accomplished, the Gospel had not been preached, the world did not yet know the worth of the child, his glorious, immortal vocation!

See the Christian mother kneeling before the Holy Eucharist with the children, whose bodies Divine Providence (she knows not how) formed in her womb Her voice is not a voice of distress, of agony, as was the wailing of the widow of Naim. Her heart, however, is full, in the presence of Him Who loveth the children, in the presence of those dear little ones whom she knows to be immortal, and who are her own flesh and blood, her children! Let it not be said that the devotion of a father and mother will have no influence upon the mind and heart of the child. Is it not true that a child never feels so much respect and affection towards his parents as when he sees them kneeling before the altar? We say it without hesitation, as long as all the members of the household are devout to the Blessed Sacrament, there is to be found in that house the greatest happiness which can be found this side of the grave.

Can there be any event in the life of a family as delightful as the first Communion of the oldest son or daughter? For many years the pious mother has taught them concerning this great Holy Communion which was to unite their soul most intimately to their God. During that time they had continually before their eyes the importance of keeping from sin in order to please and honor Our Lord on the day of His first entrance into their heart. Their mother had asked all her friends and relatives to pray for their children, who were to receive their first Communion; perhaps they had been sent to some pious community in order to prepare more properly for the most important action of their life. That day is a day of joy for Christian parents on which a dear child, after

receiving his first Communion, returns home with heaven in his heart, reflecting in his very features the peace and glory connected with the possession of the Holy Sacrament, and, as a consequence of this action, fully determined to accomplish all Christian duties, but particularly to love and obey his venerable parents. It is not Holy Communion alone which is a bond of union in families: every Mass heard, every moment spent by a member of this family in the presence of the Holy Eucharist, contributes to the happiness of all, to an increase of affection in all the members of the household. The peace of God reigns in such families; they remind us of the household of Nazareth, which it sufficed a disconsolate person to behold in order to recover lost peace!

Unfortunately, however, all the children of a family do not always retain their innocence. A day may come when a son or daughter will begin to stay away from the Communion table. The poor mother will go to the parish church unaccompanied by him or her whose salvation she had so much at heart. Too often, alas! a change takes place in the interior disposition of those children. Their affection towards their mother, their veneration towards their father, have disappeared. They have lost their affection for their sisters or brothers, they prefer to be absent from home; and they who some time ago would have died rather than disobey their parents, have no longer any regard for their commands or their feelings.

They have deserted the Holy Communion table, with this their own happiness and that of the whole family have disappeared. The sorrow of the widow of Naim when she had lost her son was immense. She had lost the light of her eyes, the comfort of her old age, the hope of her posterity; but the sorrow of a Christian mother at the spiritual death of her children has a much more mournful character. If she weeps for herself because she was disobeyed and perhaps dishonored; if she weeps for the ingratitude of a dear child who cost her many tears; if she weeps for the temporal death which will soon perhaps be the consequence of their excesses- she weeps still more for the sins which they commit, for the sad state of their immortal souls, for the danger they are under of being punished in eternity by an angry God. Ah, what has become of the time which followed their baptism, when they stood round her table, beautiful as angels of heaven!... What will the desolate parents do now? Where shall they go for comfort? To parents tried in this manner by the ingratitude of their children we say: If you are not Christians yourselves, if you do not believe in the Holy Eucharist, I know of no remedy for you;

# MASS SCHEDULE

<b>SUNDAY</b> September 6	XV Sunday After Pentecost	G	7:00 am 10:00 am	Special Intention Missa pro Populo.
<b>MONDAY</b> September 7	Ferial Day Votive M. of the H. Trinity Requiem Mass for the Poor Souls	W B	7:00am 7:00 pm	Robert DiCecco, R.I.P. <u>Requiem Mass &amp; Holy Rosary for the Poor Souls</u>
<b>TUESDAY</b> September 8	Nativity of Our Lady St. Hadrian, M	W	8:00 am	Our Lady of the Rosary School
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> September 9	St. Stephen, King of Hungary , C	W	8:00 am	Sr. Bernadette Mary
<b>THURSDAY</b> September 10	St. Pius X, PC	W	8:00am	James
<b>FRIDAY</b> September 11	Ferial Day, Sacred Heart	W	8:00 am	Fr. Hugh Thwaites, R.I.P.
<b>SATURDAY</b> September 12	St. Lawrence Justinian, BpC	W	7:00 pm.	Danielle, Michael, Sarah Bishop
<b>SUNDAY</b> September 13	XVI Sunday after Pentecost.	G	7:00 am 10:00 am	Superior's Intention Missa pro Populo



## MASS TIMES AT ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

1520 Delaware St, Paulsboro, New Jersey 08066

September 6	9:30 am.	Fr. Bachtinger
September 13	5:00 pm.	Fr. Rodriguez
September 20	9:30 am.	Fr. Bachtinger
September 27	5:00 pm.	Fr. Rodriguez

Other Services: During school days, Holy Communion will be distributed for those who work early, after 7:00 am, after you have finished your Rosary.

We will have Mass on Monday evening, September 7, at 7:00 pm followed by the Rosary



### NOTICE TO NEWCOMERS

Founded in 1973 in the wake of the disastrous Second Vatican Council, the mission of Our Lady of the Rosary Chapel is to maintain and restore as far as possible the traditional faith, values and liturgical practice of the Roman Catholic Church, and to provide a haven of sanctity where men and women of good will may grow in love for God and their neighbor.

Please don't hesitate to introduce yourself and ask questions. After Mass come to the Social Hall, and join us for coffee and refreshments.

We hope your visit with us is a pleasant one, and we look forward to seeing you again and welcoming you as a member of Our Lady of the Rosary.

**We welcome Spanish-speaking guests, and confessions are heard in Spanish and English every Sunday and by appointment with the pastor.**

your life in your old age will be a life of bitterness. You have abandoned Your God, the very source of light and life, and all the wealth and ingenuity of men will not restore to you the affection of your children.

To parents who have faith in the Eucharist we say: "Be not desolate, as they who have no hope." Remember the widow of Naim. Our Lord had witnessed her sorrow a short time only, He was moved with compassion, and He restored life to her son. Is He not the sweet Savior Who blessed the children, and says to all the afflicted: "Come to Me, all you that labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you"?

Alas! we know that He blessed your children in their infancy; there was a time when He loved to come and dwell in their hearts, but they have revolted against Him, they have despised all His mercies! But they still bear in their souls the sacred character of baptism; and those children are your offspring, and you have remained true to the Holy Eucharist! Pray at Holy Mass; pray after Communion; pray with perseverance, and you will obtain what you ask. There is no parallel between the case of a stranger and that of a parent when they pray for a stray child. God has given the children to their parents. They have the charge of making them servants of God on earth, of leading them to eternity, and they can say to God in the very language of Our Lord: "Thine they were, and to me Thou gavest them." Almighty God has given you a right not merely to pray for, but to obtain, the conversion of your children.

Some will tell us: We have already prayed for so many years,

and have obtained nothing. But do you continue to pray, do you continue to offer your Communions for your children? Do you endeavor for love of them and for love of God to correct your vices, and do penance for your sins?

Let Christian parents remember that "a great prophet is risen up among us: and God hath visited His people." We have near us in the Holy Sacrament Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of the poor, the consoler of all the afflicted. Inspire all your children with a sincere devotion towards the Holy Eucharist. As long as you and they practice this devotion, there will be happiness in your house. But should any of your children go astray, do not despair. Pray with much fervor to Him Who came to call sinners to repentance, and He will touch their hearts with His grace, and restore them to you, reconciled to Himself and qualified to reign with Him in heaven!

To fervent prayers to Our Lord in the Eucharist parents should not forget to add frequent invocations to Our Blessed Lady to implore her intercession for their stray children. Her heart also was much afflicted on Calvary at the foot of the Cross. It was not alone the sight of her Divine Son that made her sorrow deep as the sea: she knew of the sons of all men, she knew the sins of your children; she knew that many would lose their souls notwithstanding all the sufferings of Her Son; but since she held in her arms the lifeless Body of her Son, think you not that she is all-powerful by her prayers? Let Christian parents pray most fervently to Our Savior through His sorrowful Mother, and they will not be rejected!

**IMPORTANT: Those who need Confirmation or conditional Confirmation, please see Mr. Vincent Ferro, and start your Catechism, please.  
Fr. Rodriguez.**

**Sal Fama will be retiring from leading the Rosary on Sundays before the 10:00 Mass. We would like to thank him for preparing us these past 40 years to celebrate the Mass each Sunday. Sal has been very dedicated, to the Rosary and to our Chapel, and we will say a Mass for him. Thank you very much Sal.**

### VISIT US ON THE WEB

For up-to-date information, such as last-minute changes to the Mass schedule, special prayer requests, and other breaking news, refer to our website at:

[www.rosarychapel.net](http://www.rosarychapel.net)