

St. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHAPEL † Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
Requiescat in Pace, Father Paul Wickens
July 13, 2008 – July 20, 2008

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Sunday, July 13 **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

7:30 ✕ *Abigail Diaz*
9:00 ✕ *Poor Souls in Purgatory*
11:00 ✕ *Patrick O'Boyle*

Monday, July 14 St. Bonaventure
9:00 am Fr. Timothy Hopkins

Tuesday, July 15 St. Henry
7:00 pm Doris De Young

Wednesday, July 16 **Our Lady of Mount Carmel**
9:00 am Nancy Stabinski

Thursday, July 17 St. Alexis
9:00 am Poor Souls in Purgatory

Friday, July 18 St. Camillus de Lellis
9:00 am ✕ Lee Kubrak

Saturday, July 19 St. Vincent de Paul
9:00 am ✕ John Jasso

Sunday, July 20 **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**

7:30 +Fr. *Wickens, priests & faithful of St. Anthony*
9:00 ✕ *Lois Wells*
11:00 ✕ *Julius Banas*

Announcements

ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1-SATURDAY, AUGUST 2
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Our generous volunteers are starting to prepare for it at this time. The kitchen area will be available again by August 15th. Thank you for your cooperation.

THANK YOU

I thank wholeheartedly the altar boys who served and the choir and schola members who sang on the Day of Recollection and during Father Wickens' Anniversary Requiem Mass.

God reward you for your kindness and generosity!

JULY 16, FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT
CARMEL
THE BROWN SCAPULAR

A **scapular** is a piece of cloth worn on top of a religious habit suspended across the shoulders whence it received its name (Latin, *scapula*, shoulder). It reaches almost to the feet in front and behind. The non-religious do not wear but a miniature version of it.

The Brown Scapular is a habit, Our Lady's habit. She appeared in it to Saint Simon Stock.

"The Brown Scapular of our Lady of Mount Carmel," associated with the Carmelite Order, is the best-known scapular.

On **July 16th 1251**, Our Lady appeared to **Saint Simon Stock** in Cambridge, England after he prayed for help for his Order. She appeared to him vested in it and presenting one to him, saying,

*"Take, beloved son this scapular of thy order as a badge of my confraternity and for thee and all Carmelites a special sign of grace; **whoever dies in this garment, will not suffer everlasting fire.** It is the sign of salvation, a safeguard in dangers, a pledge of peace and of the covenant."*

In 1322, **Pope John XXII** declared in a bull that the Mother of God appeared to him giving him the following promise now commonly known as the "Sabbatine Privilege". The Most Blessed Virgin assured she would **descend into purgatory on the Saturday** after their death **to liberate her devotees** and conduct them into heaven.

The Conditions for the gaining of the privilege are of such a kind as justify a special trust in the assistance of Mary:

1. Be enrolled or vested with the Brown Scapular by any priest who has faculties
2. wear the Scapular in good faith;
3. be chaste according to your state in life;
4. daily recite the Little Hours of the Blessed Virgin or in addition to the commanded days, abstain from meat on all Wednesdays and Saturdays of the year (except when Christmas falls on one of these days) N. B. The priest commonly commutes the fourth condition into another pious work (f. ex. three Hail Marys daily)

By wearing the Brown Scapular, you become a member of the Carmelite Family and therefore share into its prayers and good works.

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From the desk of the Rector

My Dear Faithful,

Do you remember last week's story about Saint Maria Goretti? What became of the young criminal?

Alessandro Serenelli was captured shortly after Maria's death. Originally he was going to be sentenced to death, but since he was a minor at that time the sentence was commuted to thirty years in prison. He remained unrepentant and uncommunicative for three years until the local bishop visited him in jail. Alessandro later wrote a thank you note to the Bishop asking for his prayers and telling him about a dream. In this dream he related that Maria Goretti gave him fourteen lilies signifying the fourteen times he stabbed her which immediately burned into his hands.

After his release Alessandro Serenelli visited Maria's mother, Assunta, and begged her forgiveness. She forgave him saying that if Maria had forgiven him then she couldn't do less, and they attended Mass together the next day receiving, Holy Communion side by side. Alessandro prayed daily to Maria Goretti and referred to her as "my little saint." He later became a Capuchin lay brother, working as the convent's receptionist and gardener until he died peacefully in 1970.

Maria Goretti becomes *Saint Maria Goretti*: - unusual Canonization!

On the evening of the beatification ceremonies in Saint Peter's, April 27, 1947, Pope Pius XII approached "Mamma Assunta", Maria's mother, who almost fainted. "When I saw the Pope coming, I prayed, Madonna, please help me. He put his hand on my head and said, **'Blessed mother, happy mother, mother of a Blessed!'**" Both the Successor Petri and the little Italian Mamma had eyes wet with tears.

Three years later on June 24, 1950, Pope Pius XII canonized Blessed Maria Goretti as a virgin and martyr saint, the "Saint Agnes of the 20th century." Mamma Assunta was again present at the ceremony along with her four remaining sons and daughters. She was the first mother ever to attend the canonization ceremony of her child. Alessandro Serenelli, Maria's repentant murderer, was also present.

Owing to the huge crowd present, the ceremonies associated with the canonization of Blessed Maria Goretti were held outside of the Basilica of Saint Peter in the Piazza San Pietro. Pope Pius XII spoke, not as before in Latin, but in Italian. **"We order and declare that the blessed Maria Goretti can be venerated as a Saint, and We introduce her into the Canon of Saints."**

Some 500,000 people, among them a majority of youth, had come from around the world. Pope Pius XII asked them, **"Young people, pleasure of the eyes of Jesus, are you determined to resist any attack on your chastity with the help of grace of God?"** The resounding **"yes"** echoed through Saint Peter's Square. This "yes" to Holy Purity ever resounds throughout the centuries until the Divine Bridegroom of souls returns. In the face of a hedonistic and immoral world we shout our "yes" which is an embrace either of "First or of Second Purity".

Anyone who at some point lost this splendid white lily must replace it by the fair, red flower of penance. When in Confession Divine Grace and contrition wash away any stain of sin, then "second purity" is obtained. How sad to desecrate the body, the temple of God! What a pity to break the friendship with God. Nevertheless, sometimes a love that is found again is stronger and deeper than an unbroken friendship. Blessed and happy are you pure of heart, for you shall see God!

Yours very truly in Christ the King and Mary Immaculate,

Fr. Andreas Hellmann