

that Francis wants to erase the work of Benedict XVI – this is an evil agenda. The Church, as the mystical body of Christ, cannot cause evil. The pope, acting as the Vicar of Christ, cannot be instructed to say or do evil by Christ. The pope as a man, however, while redeemable, remains sinful and fallible. Any evil we encounter is attributable to him as a man; we should not pretend there is no evil, when clearly there is, just to avoid the mistake of criticizing God. The sins of the man need not diminish one iota our faith in Christ or His holy Church. God's gifts are innumerable nonetheless!

Thank you for your continued support,

- Fr. Rob Novokowsky, FSSP

*Daily Compass; Seewald: Francis to Erase Benedict's Legacy; by Nico Spuntoni; 27 Dec. 2023.



Announcements

- Welcome to the Parish.** If you'd like to become a parishioner, fill out a census form on the back table and place in red folder. Thank you.
- St. Aloysius' Choir:** Thank you to Miriam Aycho for taking charge once again. We are attempting to establish a good music program. We will need your support. Please audition: 289-929-2792. *Thank you.*
- Parish Christmas Party:** Thank you to all who made our gathering a lovely occasion. May your reward be great on earth and in heaven!
- Coffee after High Mass Sundays:** Come down to the basement hall for coffee (and whatever) on most Sundays.
- Lenten Days of Recollection:** for Men and Women: first two Saturdays in Lent, 17 and 24 February respectively. (Ash Wed. is 14 Feb.)
- Pope's Prayer January Intention:** "For the Gift of Diversity in the Church: We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church."
- YouTube:** Visit: *TLM in Thorold South* for a live stream of the Mass.
- In your charity, please pray for:** Clare P., Fr. Richard K., +Fr. James Buckley, FSSP, Nathalie G., +James Bailey, +Henry Braun, +Fr. Charles Moser, Gabriella P., +Maria Sekiw, +Richard K., Andrew R., Richard B., Colette G., Noelle M., our expectant mothers, Sandi K., Jim H., Marie P, Claire C., Pierre B, Fr. J. Jackson, FSSP.

Saint Aloysius Parish

Bulletin of Information

7 January 2024

*Traditional Latin Mass
Apostolate of the
Diocese of St. Catharines
Served by the
Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter*



Sunday Mass Times: 9 am, 11 am

Weekday Masses — Please see inside cover for current times and intentions.

Confessions: 20 minutes before each Mass; Saturdays 8:30 – 8:55 am or by appointment.

Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Fridays 12 pm to 7 pm; Benediction at 6:45 pm.

Baptism: Contact the office one month prior to proposed date.

Marriage: Contact the office six months prior to proposed date; preparation is required.

Legion of Mary: Wednesdays 6:30 pm.

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Schedule of Masses and Intentions



Shepherd's Corner

Date	Liturgy	Masses, Confession, Intentions, 'Requested by'
Sun 7 Jan 2024	Holy Family, 2nd cl.	9 am YT Pro Populo 11 am YT + Joseph Saranchuk Rb Manon Kawula
Mon 8 Jan 2024	Feria of the Epiphany, 4th cl.	No Mass
Tues 9 Jan 2024	Feria of the Epiphany, 4th cl.	7 pm YT + Krzysztof Smaka Rb Patrick Smaka
Wed 10 Jan 2024	Feria of the Epiphany, 4th cl.	7:30 am YT McDonald Family Rb M & A Braun
Thurs 11 Jan 2024	Feria of the Epiphany, 4th cl. St. Hyginus	7:30 am YT Private Rb Lara Huynh
Fri 12 Jan 2024	Feria of the Epiphany, 4th cl.	11 am YT +JP & MP&M Monast Rb Marie M-H 7 pm YT Helena & Felix Pflaum Rb D. Pickering Adoration 12 pm—7 pm
Sat 13 Jan 2024	Comm. Baptism of the Lord, 2nd cl.	9 am YT +Brian Cullen Rb Eileen Cullen
Sun 14 Jan 2024	2nd Sunday after Epiphany, 2nd cl.	9 am YT Pro Populo 11 am YT Protection of the FSSP Rb the FSSP

Dear Parishioners,

Ordinary men are sometimes forced into the extraordinary. Peter Seewald, famous for the *Ratzinger Report*, and three other book-length interviews with his friend, who has been studiously moderate, now finds it necessary to criticize Pope Francis. In a stunning admission, he thinks the current pope wants to eradicate his predecessors legacy. *Extracts below; please read the whole article.* *

“The differences between Benedict XVI and his successor were great from the start. In temperament, culture, intellect and above all in the direction of the pontificates. ... Benedict trusted Francis. But he was bitterly disappointed several times.”

“As a South American and a Jesuit, he has erased much of what was precious and dear to Ratzinger. Decisions were mostly made autocratically by a small circle of followers. Suffice it to recall the ban on the Tridentine Mass. Benedict had built a small bridge to a largely forgotten treasure island, which until then had only been accessible through difficult terrain. It was a matter close to the German Pope's heart and there was really no reason to tear down this bridge again.”

Recently, three of Benedict's close collaborators, Archbishop Gänswein, Bishop Strickland, and Cardinal Burke, were publicly humiliated and mistreated. Seewald admitted: “It is difficult to recognize the Christian fraternity in all this.”

“The problem with Francis in the past has been ... making ambiguous statements, contradicting himself repeatedly and causing considerable confusion. In the case of a document like *Fiducia Supplicans*, ... no one thought about the fact that such an important document was not - as was customary under Benedict XVI - discussed and approved by the Plenary Assembly of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, but was simply decreed autocratically.”

“The Argentinean [Card. Victor Manuel Fernandez] is not qualified [to be Prefect of the DDF], except for one thing: he is the protégé of an Argentinean Pope....Even before taking office, Fernández had announced a kind of self-demonization of the Catholic Church. He wanted to change the catechism, relativize Bible statements and question celibacy.”

“The way we treat the liturgy,” [Benedict XVI] explained, “determines the destiny of the faith and the Church”. Francis, on the other hand, described the traditional forms as a “nostalgic disease”. ...

The Pope Emeritus remained hopeful and repeated often: “In the end, Christ will prevail!” * —>

Are we allowed to criticize the pope? Yes, however, we must be slow to speak, and slow to anger. Further, we must distinguish 3 entities: the man, the office, the Church. The pope can speak for all three. If Seewald's thesis is right –



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