

SAINT PIUS X PRIORY
SINGAPORE

WEEKLY BULLETIN &
MASS SCHEDULE

27 MARCH 2016
EASTER SUNDAY



SUN 27 March	EASTER SUNDAY - 1 CI	10.00 – Low Mass
MON 28 March	MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER <i>1st Class, white</i>	18.30 – Rosary 19.00 – Low Mass
TUE 29 March	TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER <i>1st Class, white</i>	18.30 – Rosary 19.00 – Low Mass
WED 30 March	WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER <i>1st Class, white</i>	11.30 – Low Mass 19.00 – Rosary
THU 31 March	THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER <i>1st Class, white</i>	7.15 – Low Mass 18.30 – Rosary 19.00 – Low Mass
 FRI 1 April	FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER <i>1st Class, white</i> <u>First Friday</u>	➔ <u>NO Stations of the Cross</u> 19.00 – Low Mass & first Rosary & Benediction & All night Adoration 22.00 – Second Rosary 23.00 – Third Rosary
SAT 2 April	SATURDAY IN ALBIS <i>1st Class, white</i> <u>First Saturday</u>	6.30 – Meditated Rosary and Benediction 7.15 – Low Mass
SUN 3 April	SUNDAY IN ALBIS <i>1st Class, white</i>	7.30 – Rosary 8.00 – Low Mass 9.30 – Rosary 10.00 – Sung Mass

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at sspxsingapore.org

Confessions: 30 min before Sun-
day Masses; on demand every day.

Children's Catechism:

Every Saturday: 14:00-15:30:
Group 1: Older Group (13-18
years)

Group 2: First Communion
14:45-15:30:

Group 1: Post Confirmation
Group 2: Post First Communion

Bible Class:
Every Sunday after the 10am Mass.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All night adoration. The faithful staying during the night could pray the rosary together, like one every hour. Here are some intentions that could be added to their own: 12am for Rome & Pope; 1am for vocations (priestly & religious); 2am for persecuted Christians; 3am for Catholic families & Catholic schools; 4am for conversion of sinners; 5am in reparation for crime of abortion.

Membership fees. Please keep up-to-date. \$60 for the whole year.

Catechism class. Next class will be on 2 April.

Next Sunday. Second collection for SSPX schools.

Wednesday 13 April. Conference by Fr. Grun at 7.45pm: *The Wedding of Cana: three stages of marriage.*

Saturday 21 May. Conference by Fr. Grun at 5pm: *The sacrament of marriage: how to live on its graces?*

Easter Duties: Catholics are bound to receive Holy Communion at Easter time (from Passion Sunday to Trinity Sunday) and confess their mortal sins at least once a year.

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THE VICTORY OF CHRIST

In the 1980s, Rod Bennett, then a Protestant, was driving through the green hills of western North Carolina, USA, when a billboard caught his attention along the road. It was advertising a tourist attraction at a place called Fields of the Wood where could be found *the world's largest Ten Commandments (spread across the face of a small mountain), the world's largest open Bible (made of concrete and twenty feet high), and an authentic walk-through replica of Christ's empty tomb at Jerusalem.*

Bennett drove there and here is what he wrote about his findings in his latest book *That Apostasy that wasn't*:

Fields of the Wood, I learned, memorializes the place where, on June 13, 1903, the one true Church of God was restored to the earth after an absence of nearly 1,600 years. Early that morning, a self-taught former Quaker named Ambrose Jessup Tomlinson climbed alone to the top of one of the Blue Ridge Mountains determined to grab hold of God and not let go. Frustrated and confused by the multiplicity of competing sects swarming over the Southern mountains in those days, A.J. Tomlinson wanted to know where was simplicity, where was certitude, where, in short, was "the church of the living God, the pillar and bulwark of the truth" (1 Tim. 3.15). And according to the stone tablet that now marks the spot, Preacher Tomlinson "prayed and prevailed".

Central to Reverend Tomlinson's claim, of course, is this idea of the "deep blackness" and the "Dark Ages." "Acts 20.29" he claimed, "foretells the great falling away, or apostasy, which would plunge the early Church into darkness." Now, as it happens, I had heard about this Great Apostasy before—heard about it and always thought it smelled fishy. Once, as a volunteer with a nondenominational missions group, I had argued for a good two hours with a pair of my fellow missionaries, two modern-day Pentecostals who told pretty much the same story about the world before the Azusa Street revival of 1906. Just as in the Tomlinson version, the Holy Ghost had withdrawn himself completely and for the better part of the entire Church Age it had been as if Christ were never born at all. What about Jesus' promise in Matthew 16, I protested—that "the gates of hell would not prevail" against his Church? What about Matthew 5: 14, where Christ tells us that a city set on a hill can never be hidden? I vividly recall being shocked that people with these kinds of opinions had been allowed into an Evangelical missionary work in the first place; their ideas sounded "cultic" to me, like something one might hear among the Mormons or Jehovah's Witnesses. And

indeed, the Great Apostasy is a foundational tenet of both the Watchtower Society and Mormonism.

As a matter of fact, there are remarkable similarities between A.J. Tomlinson's mountaintop experience of 1903 and that of Latter-Day Saints founder Joseph Smith eighty years earlier. Both men had become perplexed by the rampant denominationalism of rural America; both climbed a hill to pray; both were allegedly told to join no existing religion but to found a new one of their own—a new one that would, in reality, constitute the true restoration of the old. So the more I heard about this Great Apostasy business the less I liked it. Seventh-day Adventists taught the concept, I'd been told, and it led them to their notion that Sunday worship is the Mark of the Beast prophesied in the Book of Revelation. Even so-called liberal Christianity had a version, wherein crafty politicians and conniving clergymen had conspired together to turn the "simple message of Jesus" into that dreadful monstrosity known as "organized religion." For all their manifold differences, each of these movements had that one striking dogma in common: That the original Church founded by Christ and his apostles went bust. Thank God it has been restored by Joseph Smith/ Charles Russell/ Ellen G. White/ A.J. Tomlinson... you fill in the blank.



Intrigued, Rod Bennett decided to make his own research. Had true Christianity really been hijacked in AD325 (Council of Nicea) by a group of unworthy bishops who created, under the pressure of emperor Constantine, a monster called the Catholic Church, the whore of Babylon, that spent for centuries all its energy deceiving people in the service of the Beast, the Antichrist, until good Martin Luther set the records right?

After reading the early Fathers of the Church Rod Bennett discovered that the early Christians actually already believed what the Catholic Church has always preached and that the claim of those who affirm that the Church has failed and betrayed the message of Christ are not in the right. Eventually, overwhelmed by the truth, Bennett became a Catholic and is now promoting the traditional faith with success.

Whatever is said or done against the Church cannot destroy her because the grace of the Resurrection lives on in her until the end of the world.

Father Fabrice Loschi



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