

SAINT PIUS X PRIORY
SINGAPORE

WEEKLY BULLETIN
& MASS SCHEDULE

22 JANUARY 2017
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER
THE EPIPHANY

SUN 22 Jan	Third Sunday after the Epiphany <i>2nd Class, green</i>	7.30 – Rosary 8.00 – Low Mass 9.30 – Rosary 10:00 – Sung Mass
MON 23 Jan	Saint Raymond of Penafort <i>Confessor</i> <i>3rd Class, white</i> <i>St Emerentiana, Virgin & Mart. (comm.)</i>	18.30 – Rosary 19.00 – Low Mass
TUE 24 Jan	Saint Timothy <i>Bishop, Martyr</i> <i>3rd Class, red</i>	7.15 – Low Mass 17.45 – Low Mass 18.30 “Tuesday with Mary” Devotions
WED 25 Jan	Conversion of Saint Paul <i>Confessor</i> <i>3rd Class, white</i>	11.30 – Low Mass
THU 26 Jan	Saint Polycarp <i>Bishop, Martyr</i> <i>3rd Class, red</i>	18.20 – Rosary & Benediction 19.00 – Requiem Mass
 FRI 27 Jan	Saint John Chrysostom <i>Bishop, Confessor, Doctor</i> <i>3rd Class, white</i>	➔ 11.30 – Low Mass
SAT 28 Jan	Saint Peter Nolasco <i>Confessor</i> <i>3rd Class, white</i> <i>St Agnes, Virgin, Martyr (Comm.)</i>	11.30 – Low Mass
SUN 29 Jan	Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany <i>2nd Class, green</i>	➔ 7.30 – Rosary 8.00 – Low Mass 9.30 – Rosary 10:00 – LOW Mass

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday 24 & 31 January. No potluck after the talk on Our Lady.

Saturday 28 January. No catechism class.

Next Sunday. AGM of Friends of the International Priestly Society of St. Pius X after the 10am Mass. Please make sure you are up-to-date with your membership fees. >>> **10am LOW MASS**

Thursday 2 February. Candlemas. Please bring your candles to be blessed at the beginning of the Mass.

Friday 3 February. Blessing of throats after Mass.

Rosary Crusade: don't forget to place your tokens in the box

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

Children's Catechism on Saturday:

Older Group (13-18 years)
14:45-15:30

First Communion 14:45-15:30

Post First Communion 15:30-16:15

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SAINT MARTIN LUTHER?

Vittorio Messori, the famous Italian vaticanist, wrote recently (see Blog *Chiesa e post Concilio*, 16 January 2017): "I have in hands the magazine in which Bolaffi (the oldest and the largest Italian philatelic society) reveals which stamps will be issued this year. I see on the page dedicated to the Post of the Vatican City, a release that is surprising; in the article, it is stated that **the Holy See will issue a postage stamp that celebrates the five hundredth anniversary of the Reformation.** Of course, the colour picture which will be on the **Vatican stamp is none other than that of Martin Luther!**"

John Paul II, Benedict XVI and Pope Francis have never hidden their admiration for the former Augustinian monk of Wittenberg. This is quite puzzling as his doctrine is incompatible with the Catholic faith from which he wilfully rejected many tenets.

In its article dedicated to Martin Luther, the Catholic encyclopedia summarises Luther's doctrine as follows:

- The Bible is the only source of faith. Luther rejects Tradition.

- Human nature has been totally corrupted by original sin, and man, accordingly, is deprived of free will. Whatever he does, be it good or bad, is not his own work, but God's.

- Faith alone can work justification, and man is saved by confidently believing that God will pardon him whatever evil thing he does.

Here is Luther's famous quote on that topic: "**Be a sinner and sin on bravely, but have stronger faith and rejoice in Christ**, who is the victor of sin, death, and the world. Do not for a moment imagine that this life is the abiding place of justice: **sin must be committed.** To you it ought to be sufficient that you acknowledge the Lamb that takes away the sins of the world, **the sin cannot tear you away from him, even though you commit adultery a hundred times a day and commit as many murders**" (*Enders, Briefwechsel, III, 208*).

- The hierarchy and priesthood are not Divinely instituted or necessary, and ceremonial or exterior worship is not essential or useful. Ecclesiastical vestments, pilgrimages, mortifications, monastic vows, prayers for the dead, intercession of saints, avail the soul nothing.

- All sacraments, with the exception of baptism, Holy Eucharist, and penance, are rejected, but their absence may be supplied by faith.

- The priesthood is universal; every Christian may assume it.

- There is no visible Church or one specially established by God whereby men may work out their salvation.

The eagerness of the current Pope to recognise and praise Luther's legacy is rather incomprehensible as the German heresiarch was unequivocally clear when talking about Rome.

In his last work, *Against the Roman Papacy, An Institution of the Devil*, written in 1545, on the day when the Council of Trent convened, Luther vented his rage and hatred for the Catholic Church and the Roman Pontiff. Here are a few quotes taken from it:

[The Pope] is like a magician who conjures gulden into the mouths of silly people, but when they open their mouths they have horse dirt in them.

When they say "the Christian church," you must understand "the scum of all the scoundrels in Rome".

No man can believe what an abomination the papacy is.

... the pope, the damned Antichrist...

... the Roman Rascality... is moreover full of spit, pus, and excrement! ...

... they are full of all the worst devils in hell-full, full, and so full that they can do nothing but vomit, throw, and blow out devils!

[The Pope], with his Roman cardinals, is nothing but a desperate scoundrel, the enemy of God and man, the destroyer of Christendom, and Satan's bodily dwelling, who, through him, only harms both church and state...

[Such accursed villains] are lost, desperate children of the devil and also mad, crude asses in Scripture.

Is there really cause for celebration?

Father Fabrice Loschi



Pope Francis with a statue of Martin Luther in the Vatican - 13 October 2016