

SAINT PIUS X PRIORY
SINGAPORE

WEEKLY BULLETIN
& MASS SCHEDULE

26 MARCH 2017
FOURTH SUNDAY
OF LENT

SUN 26 March	Fourth Sunday of Lent <i>1st Class, violet or rose</i>	7.30 – Rosary 8.00 – Low Mass 9.30 – Rosary 10:00 – Sung Mass
MON 27 March	Feria <i>3rd Class, violet</i> <i>St. John Damascene, Confessor (comm.)</i>	18.30 - Rosary 19:00 – Low Mass
TUE 28 March	Feria <i>3rd Class, violet</i> <i>St. John Capistrano, Confessor (comm.)</i>	17.45 – Low Mass 18.30 - “Tuesday with Mary” Devotions
WED 29 March	Feria <i>3rd Class, violet</i>	7.15 – Low Mass 11.30 – Low Mass
THU 30 March	Feria <i>3rd Class, violet</i>	7.15 – Low Mass 18.20 – Rosary & Benediction 19.00 – Low Mass
 FRI 31 March	Feria <i>3rd Class, violet</i> <i>Day of Fast and Abstinence for SSPX Members</i>	7.15 – Low Mass 18.20 – Stations of the Cross 19:00 – Low Mass
SAT 1 April	Feria <i>3rd Class, violet</i> <i>First Saturday</i>	10.45 – Meditated Rosary & Benediction 11.30 – Low Mass
SUN 2 April	Passion Sunday <i>1st Class, violet or rose</i>	7.30 – Rosary 8.00 – Low Mass 9.30 – Rosary 10:00 – Sung Mass

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thursday 30 March. Latin class by Fr. Wailliez after the evening Mass.

Sunday 2 April. Second collection for SSPX schools.

Thursday 24 August. Confirmation ceremony by Bp Fellay at 18.30.

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

➡ **Please note the change of money box for payment of books and offerings for the SSPX. The money box is next to the statue of Saint Peter in the vestibule.**

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Donations to SSPX by cheque: make it payable to “Friends of the International Priestly Society of St. Pius X”

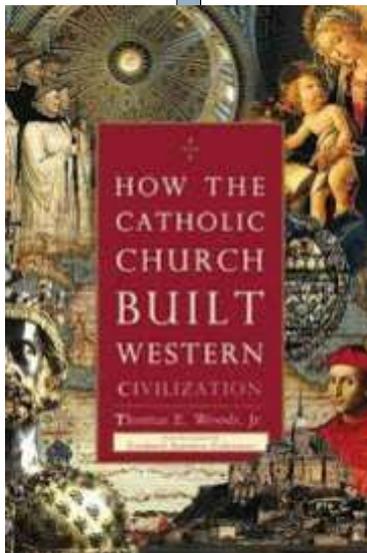


LOVE THE CHURCH

I wish all of you could read the book by Peter Woods, *How the Catholic Church built the Western World*, Regnery History, 2012.

Here is how the author justifies writing his book:

“Philip Jenkins, distinguished professor of history and religious studies at Pennsylvania State University, has called anti-Catholicism the one remaining acceptable prejudice in America. His assessment is difficult to dispute. In our media and popular culture, little is off-limits when it comes to ridiculing or parodying the Church. My own students, to the extent that they know anything at all about the Church, are typically familiar only with alleged Church “corruption,” of which they heard ceaseless tales of varying credibility from their high school teachers. The story of Catholicism, as far as they know, is one of ignorance, repression, and stagnation. That Western civilization stands indebted to the Church for the university system, charitable work, international law, the sciences, important legal principles, and much else besides has not exactly been impressed upon them with terrific zeal. Western civilization owes far more to the Catholic Church than most people—Catholics included—often realize. The Church, in fact, built Western civilization.”



If it is true that many Catholics today, and even many Churchmen do not live according to the Church’s moral standards, and thus place in the shadows the grandeur of the Church, the Church nevertheless remains the Divine institution she always was in the mind of her founder, Our Lord Jesus Christ, and her infinite power of regeneration remains intact. One day, as it happened in the past, her glory will be manifested to all again.

The Church worked wonders throughout history and, though we have forgotten it, the society in which we live with its high degree of development is a direct fruit of the Catholic Church's influence on human life. Schools, Universities, Hospitals, Modern sciences and technology are achievements that found their origin in the bosom of the Church.

As a illustration of the fecundity of the Church, Peter Woods enumerates inventions authored by Catholic priests, some of them still being part of our daily life: **“The first clock of which we have any record was built by the future Pope Sylvester II for the German town of Magdeburg, around the year 996;”** Wood writes.

The main goal of the Church is to save souls, but as Jesus said: **“Seek ye therefore first the kingdom of God, and his justice, and all these things shall be added unto you.”** [Mt 6.33] Technical and social progress is a consequence of God's promise.

In his book on St Peter, *Peter, Keys to following Jesus*, Ignatius Press, 2016, Tim Gray goes to the root of the matter: **“Why did Jesus die?”** Most people, on first thought, would probably answer that Jesus died to save us from our sins. The problem with this answer is that it reduces the entire mission of Jesus Christ to doing just one thing...

While his Death was certainly the climax of his life, you cannot take it out of the context of his entire life without diminishing that event itself. Such an approach minimizes the importance of his teachings, his miracles, and the many things that he needed to accomplish before his Death—including the significant event of establishing the kingdom on Peter, ‘the rock.’

What does Christ say? ‘You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church’ [Mt 16.18]. **Jesus didn’t come only to die but to build his kingdom.”**

Jesus’ kingdom on earth is the Catholic Church.

In reading Peter Woods’ book, you will have a glimpse of what the Church went through in the darkest hours of civilisation, and you will see that she always rose from the challenges she faced more beautiful and more glorious than she was before. Against terrifying odds and with Divine assistance, the Church overcame all obstacles.

This truth is the reason for our hope and our optimism.

Father Fabrice Loschi

TUESDAYS WITH MARY

18.30: Meditated Rosary

19.00: Conference

4 April: *Seven Sorrows of Our Lady* by Fr. Loschi

11 April: *Meditation of Our Lord’s Seven Last Words* by Fr. Wailliez

18 April: *Our Lady on Holy Saturday* by Fr. Stehlin

25 April: *Mary and new life in Christ: stories of conversions* by Fr. Laisney