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# THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF ST. PHILOMENA

THE SOCIETY OF SAINT PIUS X

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**May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 A.D. – Sunday after the Ascension**

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## **Gregorian Latin liturgy**

Until 1969, the various Catholic liturgies were all of apostolic origin. The Gregorian Latin liturgy, celebrated in this church, follows the tradition of Saint Peter, the first Pope, and has never undergone any essential change till the present time. Every gesture, every word has been weighed and measured with the assistance of the Holy Ghost for the greatest glory of God and the salvation of souls.

## **Welcome Visitors!**

The National Shrine of St. Philomena is part of the apostolate of The Society of Saint Pius X. The Shrine is maintained by an Association of Catholics known as “The Friends of St. Philomena, Inc.” (Code of Canon Law, N. 215). We teach the full Christian Faith and Morality. We adhere to the Traditional Roman Rites and follow the 1962 Roman Missal.

The National Shrine of St. Philomena was founded in 1988 by Father Timothy Hopkins, R.I.P.

He was a priest of the Diocese of Marsi, Italy, ordained by Mgr. Biaggio Terrinoni, O.F.M. (Cap.), R.I.P, on December 8<sup>th</sup>, 1984.

Father Hopkins was privileged to have been associated with the Priestly Society of Saint Pius X for more than 23 years.

While obedient to the One True Church, and acknowledging and praying at each Mass for His Holiness Pope Francis, and the Most Reverend Thomas Wenski, Archbishop of Miami, the Shrine is not affiliated with the Archdiocese of Miami and receives no financial or other support from it.

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# News and Announcements

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Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> is the **Vigil of Pentecost**. It is a day of fast and abstinence for the Third Order members of the SSPX. Though highly recommended for everyone, it is not obliging under pain of sin.

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**Today's second collection** will be taken up for the new Shrine of St. Philomena.

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**Easter Duty.** We have until Trinity Sunday to fulfill the yearly Easter obligation to receive Holy Communion worthily.

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**The month of May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary.** It is a special time for us Catholics to pay homage to our Blessed Mother.

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We are now able to accept **online donations through PayPal** with no charges. The link is <https://www.paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/1718855>

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**The Finding of the Body of St. Philomena.** It was on May 24, 1802 that excavators came on a chamber at St. Priscilla's catacombs that had never been opened. Apparently the chamber was exactly as it had been when the precious remains were enclosed there centuries before. The discovery was looked upon from the first as something remarkable, and the opening of the sarcophagus was marked for May 25. On arriving, the learned custodian noted that the vault was walled up with 3 terra cotta slabs on which were the symbols of martyrdom and bearing these descriptions: **PAX TECUM FILUMENA.**

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**St. Augustine of Canterbury** died on May 26<sup>th</sup>, 604 at age 62. He was a Benedictine monk who became the first Archbishop of Canterbury in the year 597. He is considered the "Apostle to the English" and a founder of the English Church. St. Augustine arranged the consecration of his successor, Laurence of Canterbury. Soon after his death, St. Augustin was revered as a saint.

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**Saint Mary Magdalene of Pazzi** (April 2, 1566 - May 25, 1607) was an Italian Carmelite nun and mystic. At age 14, she was asked to wed a young nobleman, but she advised her father of her vow, and he eventually relented and allowed her to enter monastic life. At her canonization in 1668 her body was declared miraculously incorrupt. Her relic corpse is located in the Monastery in Careggi.

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*“The LORD is in his Holy Temple;  
let all the earth keep silence before Him.”* (Hab. 2, 20)



### St. Ambrose: Concerning repentance (Number 33)

Joseph saw the fire when the woman eager for adultery spoke to him. She wished to catch him with her words. She set the snares of her lips, but was not able to capture the chaste man. For the voice of modesty, the voice of gravity, the rein of caution, the care for integrity, the discipline of chastity, loosed the woman's chains. So that unchaste person could not entangle him in her meshes. She laid her hand upon him; she caught his garment, that she might tighten the noose around him. The words of a lascivious woman are the snares of lust, and her hands the bonds of love; but the chaste mind could not be taken either by snares or by bonds. The garment was cast off, the bonds were loosed, and because he did not admit the fire into the bosom of his mind, his body was not burnt.

You see, then, that our mind is the cause of our guilt. And so the flesh is innocent, but is



often the minister of sin. Let not, then, desire of beauty overcome you. Many nets and many snares are spread by the devil. The look of a harlot is the snare of him who loves her. Our own eyes are nets to us, wherefore it is written: "Be not taken with thine eyes." So, then, we spread nets for ourselves in which we are entangled and hampered. We bind chains on ourselves, as we read: "For every one is bound with the chains of his own sins."



**OF YOUR CHARITY, PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Pope Francis, Archbishop Thomas Wenski, Fr. Davide Pagliarani and the Society of St. Pius X, vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

**The Sick:** Michael Varela, William Muir, Gordon Pennington, Nelly Pérez, Melba Pérez, Maura Laguna, Santos Chong, Adilia Varela, Mirta Fernández, Beatriz Contreras, Dulce M<sup>a</sup> Soler, Lenore Crewe-Jones, Zoila Arroyo, Ruth Martínez, Néstor Seda, María del Carmen Alvarado, Daniel Robles-Smithson, Sheila Tiernan, Deirde Tiernan

**The Faithful Departed:** Fr. Timothy A. Hopkins, Fr. Enrique Rueda, Fr. Sergio Heredia, Blanca Seda, Geraldine Wilson, Lydia E. Guethon, Toña Villamizar, Barbara Fabula, Lorenzo Valdivia, Hugo Pérez Morales, Luz Marina López, Francisco Pérez, Mariana Lam-Leo, Oscar Velázquez, Ada Velázquez, Eva Velázquez, Nancy Zaldívar, Estela Guilarte, Josefa Leon, Gladys Marín, Santiago Miranda, Marianne Eubanks, Lazaro Gonzalez, Carlos Suárez, Peter Steeger, Ralph Ledesma, Carlos Vázquez, Carlos Valdes, Orestes Isa, Henry Pérez, Rita Marvez, Nilda Padrón, Elsa Albuerno, Joe Katz, Arthur Neri, Edward & Doris Schepis, Isabel Delgado, Edward Orlowski, Margaret Doswell, Antolín Reyes, Geraldine Graves, Gerardo Guzmán Alvergue, Charles Mauro, Margarita Force, Lucille & Dorothy Tremblay, Joseph H. Tiernan III, Sor Catherine Doyle, Maryrose Dewey, Sue Sorensen, Anne St. Laurent, Maria Altamirano, Gerard Mehr, Pilarcita, Fanny & Luis Baquerizo, Luis Baquerizo Jr., Eladio Armesto-García and all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, especially those with no-one here on earth to pray for them.

“I urge you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship.” Rm 12:1

Out of respect for Our Lord Jesus Christ and for the edification of our neighbor, we beg all to appear in Church decent in deportment and modest in dress.

However, no one has the right to question others, especially visitors. It belongs to the parish priest alone to instruct the laity when they repeatedly dress or deport below expectation.

**For gentlemen and lads:** Neither shorts, T-shirts nor sneakers meet the norms of modesty.

**For ladies and girls:** Neither shorts, slacks, sleeveless, short nor low-cut dresses meet the norms of modesty.

Furthermore, according to apostolic custom or Church law, gentlemen are bareheaded in church; and ladies are requested to cover their heads.

**Thank you for your charity.**

**Mass Times and Feasts from May 24<sup>th</sup> to June 1<sup>st</sup>**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Devotion</b>	<b>Chapel</b>	<b>Feast Day</b>
Sunday, 24 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 am 7:30 am 10:30 am 12:30 pm	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Davie Davie Davie W Palm Bch	<b>SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION</b> <b>The B.V. Mary Help of Christians</b>
Monday, 25 <sup>th</sup>	_____	_____	_____	<b>Discovery of St. Philomena’s Body</b> <b>St. Gregory VII, Pope &amp; confessor</b> <b>St. Urban I, Pope &amp; martyr</b>
Tuesday, 26 <sup>th</sup>	_____	_____	_____	<b>St. Philip Neri, Confessor</b> <b>St. Eleutherius, Pope &amp; martyr</b>
Wednesday, 27 <sup>th</sup>	_____	_____	_____	<b>St. Bede the Venerable, Conf., &amp; doctor</b> <b>St. John I, Pope &amp; martyr</b>
Thursday, 28 <sup>th</sup>	_____	_____	_____	<b>St. Augustine of Canterbury, Archbishop &amp; confessor</b>
Friday, 29 <sup>th</sup>	6:30 pm	Holy Mass	Davie	<b>St. Mary Magdalen of Pazzi, Virgin</b>
Saturday, 30 <sup>th</sup>	10:00 am	Holy Mass	Davie	<b>Vigil of Pentecost</b> <i>((Day of fast and partial abstinence))</i>
Sunday, 31 <sup>st</sup>	6:00 am 7:30 am 10:30 am 12:30 pm	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Davie Davie Davie W Palm Bch	<b>PENTECOST</b> <b>The Queenship of the B.V. Mary</b>
Monday, 1 <sup>st</sup>	_____	_____	_____	<b>Monday in the Octave of Pentecost</b> <b>St. Angela Merici, Virgin</b>