

September 2010



**THE TORONTO
TRADITIONAL MASS SOCIETY
A CHAPTER OF UNA VOCE**

Dear Members,

Annual General Meeting

Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite Mass at 1:00pm
Followed by the Meeting in the Church Hall
light refreshments will be served

Sunday October 24th, 2010

Following the 1:00pm Mass

St. Theresa's Parish

2559 Kingston Road, Scarborough
(corner of Midland Ave. and Kingston Rd.)

**Please renew your membership with the attachments enclosed
And encourage others to join!!

Hoping to see large numbers at the Annual General Meeting. There will be no official guest speaker this year. We instead hope to gather with one another to visit and exchange ideas about next steps for the Society. But more importantly, we wish to take this opportunity to **welcome Father Steven Szakaczki**, who has been assigned by Archbishop Collins to say the Sunday E.F. Mass at St. Theresa's parish and has been serving us since just after Easter 2010.

A brief review of keys dates and events within the last 12 months:

Sunday Feb. 21/10

Announcement from Father Venette that "the FSSP would be leaving Toronto".

Both the Vancouver Traditional Mass Society (the Canadian National organization for Una Voce – known as Una Voce International Canadian Association -- **UVICA**) and the International Una Voce Federation (FIUV) were made aware of this development.

Monday Feb. 22/10

UVICA wrote a letter to Father Flood (North American District Superior for the FSSP) respectfully requesting more information as to how this decision came about.

Tuesday Feb. 23/10 Father Flood replies: (see excerpt below):

..In the end, the situation in Toronto for a Mass location and for a residence for a priest of the FSSP was not what the Fraternity and the Archbishop had hoped it would be by this time. This is due to many reasons, but the primary concern for the FSSP revolves around the well-being of its priests by providing them a life in common according to our Constitutions.

The Fraternity of St. Peter has agreed with the Archbishop to look at the situation again when a more fitting arrangement can be found.

Sunday Feb. 28/10

A Petition to His Grace, Archbishop Collins, was signed by 155 faithful in attendance at Father Venette's last mass.

"We the undersigned humbly and respectfully request, in accordance with **Article 5 and Article 7** of the Motu Proprio "SUMMORUM PONTIFICUM" of His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI, that a provision be made in the east end of Toronto (east of Yonge Street to Scarborough) for the daily celebration of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass according to the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite (typical edition of 1962) which includes the provision of Sung Mass on Sundays and Feasts and Solemnities, weddings and funerals and other sacraments; and that these celebrations of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass take place in the same parish in order that a fully integrated parish life may be experienced by those Catholics who attend the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite"

"In order to accommodate these needs, we also respectfully request that Your Grace appoint a Chaplain as foreseen in **Article 10** of the Motu Proprio "SUMMORUM PONTIFICUM", (or a Pastor as Your Grace sees fit to oversee the pastoral care of this community."

"We further request with all humility and respect that under the provision of the Motu Proprio SUMMORUM PONTIFICUM **Article 9 and Canon 518**, the eventual establishment of a "personal parish".

Monday, Mar. 1/10

The TTMS delivered this petition to His Grace, Archbishop Collins, and submitted a proposal outlining possible short and long term strategies.

Tuesday, Mar. 9/10

His Grace, Archbishop Collins replies (see below for full content of letter)

With the decision by the Fraternity to leave the archdiocese, I am presently arranging a permanent replacement for Father Venette, and I deeply appreciate Father Gavigan's willingness to fill in in the interim, which I do not anticipate to be lengthy. I will do my best to provide easy access to the Extraordinary form in all regions of the diocese, but we do face practical limitations of personnel and facilities.

Sept. 4-6, 2010 Pilgrimage

Toronto Traditional Mass Society once again led the '**Toronto Chapter**' in the 3 day 103km pilgrimage in Quebec, which starts from the village of Lanoraie and ends at Notre Dame Du Cap.

This year the number of participants from Toronto were 12 faithful. This was the 7th Annual Pilgrimage - which is a North American version of the famous Chartres pilgrimage in France. The Extraordinary Form of the Mass was offered each day by the Fraternity of St. Peter priest who also accompanied the pilgrims on the trek.

Three days of Prayer, Penance, Fraternal Charity and many graces obtained. What a beautiful expression of our Holy Catholic Faith -- to participate in such an event.

See you at the Annual General Meeting

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