We're blessed to have such a great parish here at \_\_\_name of parish\_\_\_ -- but there's one thing missing that could add so much to our liturgical life: the Extraordinary Form of the Mass (the "Traditional Latin Mass" or "TLM ").

What's so great about the traditional Latin Mass? It's the form of the Roman rite that's nourished not only the greatest Saints and Doctors, but our very own Catholic ancestors. Imagine worshiping in almost the exact same way St. Joan of Arc and St. Francis of Assisi did! Imagine going to church and knowing that your great-great-great-great-grandmother worshiped as you are now.

It's *beautiful* liturgy, with more incense, Gregorian chant, classic hymns, bells, sacred silence, a profound sense of the sacred, a greater emphasis on the sacrificial aspects of the Mass -- all offered with the mysterious and lovely sounds of Latin, a language that allows for true diversity by allowing Catholics from all over the world to worship *together* instead of at Masses *separated* by vernacular languages ("Spanish Mass at 9:00; English Mass at 10:00").

I am asking you to join me in forming a group -- "The Holy Innocents Traditional Latin Mass Society" -- for the purpose of establishing the TLM in our parish. Making this happen might require some work on our part, but I'm hoping you'll be willing to make the necessary sacrifices to reclaim our spiritual and ancestral heritage and the traditions that have served so well to create strong Catholic families and rich inner lives.

**What you can do:**

* *Want* to make the presence of the traditional Mass at this parish a reality and *commit* to making it happen by becoming a member of the group being formed to achieve this goal. I have created a "Yahoo Group" for this cause so we can all keep in touch and work together easily.
* Write a letter expressing your desire for the TLM, have all Mass-going members of your household sign it, and send it to me to copy and to send to Father at the proper time
* Be prepared to possibly pitch in to purchase training for Father to learn how to offer the TLM, if necessary, and to acquire the appropriate vestments, liturgical vessels, altar arrangements, etc.

Can we count on you?

If so, please: write your letter as described above; write down your contact on the attached page; and hand or mail both of them to me. My contact information:

Name
Address
Phone number
E-mail address

Yes, I would like for the Extraordinary Form of the Mass to be offered at \_\_\_name of parish\_\_\_. I will write a letter to Father and send it to you, along with my contact information, in the attached, pre-addressed envelope. If I provide my email address below, I will expect an invitation to join a Yahoo Group set up to facilitate our arranging to establish the traditional Latin Mass at our parish.

My contact information:

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Number of people in my household who would be attending the Extraordinary Form of the Mass if offered at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(name of parish)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ parish: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_