

LITURGYNOTES – FOR NOVEMBER 2016

LITURGY NEWS

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Year of Mercy:

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/YearOfMercy.htm>

INSTRUCTION: AD RESURGENDUM CUM CHRISTO

The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith has published a new Instruction, *Ad resurgendum cum Christo*, regarding the burial of the deceased and the conservation of the ashes in the case of cremation. Links to the Instruction, and to additional resources, are posted on our website:
<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/liturgy-policies#Policies-Funerals>.

SUPPLEMENTS TO EXISTING LITURGICAL BOOKS

Liturgy of the Hours

In 1992, a *Supplement* to the LOH was published to account for the Saints and Blesseds added to the calendar since the LOH was first published. In 2014, the USCCB approved a new *Supplement* to update the LOH once again. The text is currently awaiting confirmation from the Holy See.

The Lectionary for Mass

The current edition of the Lectionary (2nd edition; 4-volumes) was published in 1998-2000. Since then, a number of Saints and Blesseds have been added to the Calendar and the Congregation for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments has published a number of updates. As a result, the USCCB has now prepared a

Lectionary for Mass Supplement to account for these additions and emendations. It should be published in 2017. This is a good time to make sure that you have all four volumes of the Lectionary, and that you make plans to acquire the *Supplement* when it becomes available.

HYMNALS AVAILABLE FROM ST. AMBROSE

St. Ambrose is getting new hymnals for Christ the King Chapel, which leaves them with what to do with our old ***Gather Comprehensive*** hymnals when they change over to the new ones. The approximately 300 hymnals are in good condition, though they do have a "St. Ambrose University/Christ the King Chapel" imprint on the front of them. They have some choral and accompaniment books as well. These were printed before the most recent edition of the Roman Missal, so the Order of Mass and Mass Settings are out of date. Still, the psalms, hymns, and other songs are still usable. These hymnals do have the readings in them as well. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Chris Clow at clowchristopherj@sau.edu or 563-333-6189.

UPCOMING EVENTS

See the Liturgy Events webpage at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/liturgy-events>.

DIOCESAN LITURGIES

Celebrating the Year of Mercy

The Doors of Mercy are to close on Sunday, November 13 (they will close in Rome the following Sunday). At the Cathedral, the closing of the doors will be celebrated at the 4pm Mass on Saturday, November 12, with Bishop Amos presiding.

CONTINUING FORMATION FOR LITURGY / LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Order of Celebrating Matrimony Workshops

Workshops to introduce the new *Order of Celebrating Matrimony* and present updates in marriage preparation in the diocese are being held in each deanery. The schedule of remaining workshops is:

- Nov 5 = St. Joseph, DeWitt
- Dec 2 (Friday) = Chancery, Davenport
- Dec 3 = Chancery, Davenport

Register at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/ocm-workshop-registration>. Policies and other information/resources at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/new-order-of-celebrating-matrimony> (**Please note:** Policies have been updated; please make sure you have the version dated 11/1/16.)

National Gathering on Christian Initiation

With great joy and excitement, Liturgy Training Publications announces the first **National Gathering on Christian Initiation** (NGCI) conference to be held on July 5-6, 2017 in Chicago, Illinois.

Please consider attending this first annual event where Catechumenal ministers and pastoral leaders from around the country will gather to explore the vision of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* and its implementation in the 21st Century. The NGCI is organized into two tracks for:

- parish leaders and initiation ministers
- regional or diocesan leaders and trainers

Evangelization, liturgy, and catechesis are the foundational elements of the event as a whole and in all of its elements. The event will employ principles and methods of adult formation, including opportunities for participants to share their knowledge and experience. In addition to theoretical and theological topics, the two tracks will separate to discuss the practical skills of their ministry: [1] what skills are needed in parish ministry? or [2] how do I best return home after the NGCI and encourage and form initiation ministers in my diocese or region?

By participating in a variety of interactive sessions, meetings, and prayer opportunities, participants will understand more deeply that the vision of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* is the vision of the parish as a community of disciples. Furthermore, we will explore one's call to discipleship and discuss how the baptismal catechumenate serves as the process for forming disciples in our parish churches.

The event will take place one block west of Lake Michigan at the Sheraton Grand Chicago, overlooking the Chicago River in the heart of the city. We invite you to take advantage of the exceptional room rate of \$149.00 per night and explore Chicago before or after the conference. The opening reception is on Tuesday evening, July 4, 2017, with a view of the fireworks from Navy Pier. Event hours are from 9:00 am until 5:00 pm on July 5 and from 9:00 am until 4:30 pm on July 6. Registration information (including costs, presenters, topics, and incentives) will be available by early December 2016. All updated information can be found at www.NationalGatheringonChristianInitiation.org.

For more opportunities, see the Liturgy Events webpage at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/liturgy-events>.

LITURGY PREPARATION

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Please note that Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 am on November 6 – set your clocks back an hour!

November 26: Christ the King

Support materials from the USCCB are being sent along with this issue of *LiturgyNotes*.

December 8: Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation; only the Mass of the Day is permitted. Ritual Masses (i.e., marriage, confirmation) and funeral Masses are prohibited. Marriages celebrated during Mass on that day must use the readings and orations of the holy day. A marriage or funeral may be celebrated outside of Mass using the texts from the Rite of Marriage or the Order of Christian Funerals.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity: January 18-25

During this week, the whole Christian community throughout the world is invited to pray in communion with the prayer of Jesus “that they all may be one” (John 17:21). The theme for this year’s Week of Prayer is “Reconciliation – The Love of Christ Compels Us” (2 Corinthians 5:14-20). For more information and for resources, please go to <http://www.geii.org/>.

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children: Monday, January 23

January 22 has been designated by the U.S. Bishops as a particular day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life. Because January 22 is a Sunday this year, the Day of Prayer is moved to Monday, January 23.

In the third edition of the Roman Missal, two options are given from the Masses for Various Needs and Occasions: (1) For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life (#48/1; white vestments) or (2) For the Preservation of Peace and Justice (#30; with violet vestments). Resources for observing this day are available on the USCCB website: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/>.

The optional memorial of St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr, or St. Marianne Cope, Virgin, may be observed at the Liturgy of the Hours but not at Mass.

INTERCESSIONS

Here are resources for the Universal Prayer:

- (1) Intercessions for various life issues may be found on the USCCB website at:
<http://usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/prayers/intercessory-prayers-for-life.cfm>
- (2) Intercession for vocations (in English and Spanish) keyed to the lectionary cycle may be found at the Diocese of Arlington website:
http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/vocations/voc_intercessions.aspx
- (3) The Center for Liturgy website offers general intercessions for each Sunday as well:
<http://liturgy.slu.edu/>
- (4) The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops offers intercessions and homily ideas as part of their Pastoral Initiative for Life and Family:
<http://www.cccb.ca/site/eng/church-in-canada-and-world/catholic-church-in-canada/life-and-family/3296-documents-and-activities-proposed-by-the-ccb>

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