

LITURGYNOTES – FOR JUNE 2012

THE NEW ROMAN MISSAL

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LITURGICAL BOOKS BEING UPDATED

The USCCB has announced that it is in the process of updating two ritual books in light of the third edition of the Roman Missal.

An English-only revised edition of *Sunday Celebrations in the Absence of a Priest* will be published in the coming months, and will include the updated texts as well as some adjustments in the rubrics to clarify various options.

In addition, *Communion and Viaticum by an Extraordinary Minister* (in Spanish and English) will also be published shortly. It will include the longer and shorter rite of distributing Communion to the sick as well as the rite of *viaticum* for use by a lay minister.

NEW TRANSLATIONS COMING

The USCCB has also announced that ICEL is beginning the process of translating the second edition of the Rite of Marriage and retranslating the first edition of the Rite of Confirmation. “Green Books” will be going to the bishops this summer, with the hopes that final drafts (“Gray Books”) might be completed by 2013.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

THE YEAR OF FAITH

Pope Benedict has called the Church to observe a “Year of Faith” from Oct. 11, 2012 (the 50th anniversary of the opening of Vatican II) to Nov. 24, 2013 (the Solemnity of Christ the King). For resources and more information, please visit our new webpage :
<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/yearoffaith.htm>.

Faith is not just assent to doctrinal propositions, but a living encounter with the author of our salvation, Christ. It is hoped that we will all grow deeper in that relationship during this special year, and proclaim Christ more boldly to others as we evangelize the culture.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DIOCESAN LITURGIES

Fortnight for Freedom

Bishop Amos and his fellow Bishops have set the period of June 21 to July 4 as a fortnight of “prayer, study, catechesis and public action” for religious freedom. To that end, Bishop Amos will celebrate a Holy Hour for Religious Freedom at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Thursday, June 21, beginning at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to take part.

Resources for the observation of this Fortnight are posted on the Liturgy Events page (<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litevents.htm>). The direct links are:

Letter from Bishop Amos:

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/Temporary/litClergyLetter-FreedomFortnight.pdf>

Resources for the Fortnight:

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/Temporary/litResources-FreedomFortnight.pdf>

Sample Holy Hour:

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/Temporary/litHolyHourforReligiousFreedom.pdf>

Ordination to the Presbyterate

Deacon Corey Close will be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, June 23, at 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Please join us for this special celebration. In the meantime, please include Corey in your prayers. For example:

For Corey Close, and for all preparing to serve the Davenport Diocese as Priests; we pray to the Lord.

For Corey Close and for all our seminarians; that they be drawn ever-closer to Christ the Good Shepherd. We pray to the Lord.

Installation as Acolytes

The current class of candidates for the diaconate will receive the ministry of Acolyte on Sunday, July 8 at St. Mary Church in Fort Madison. Mass is at 11:00 a.m. Please join us for this special rite on the journey to ordination. Parishes are also encouraged to keep these men, and their families, in their prayers:

For those preparing to serve our diocese as Deacons; that as they receive the ministry of Acolyte they may be faithful in their service at the altar. We pray to the Lord.

For the Deacon candidates receiving the ministry of Acolyte this summer and for their families; we pray to the Lord.

CONTINUING FORMATION

“For You and For Many” (June 18-21, 2012)

Fifty years after the opening of the Second Vatican Council in 1962 and in our first year implementing the new English missal, the Collegetown Conference on Music, Liturgy and the Arts looks at cultural diversity (how do we include ‘the other’?), generational diversity (where are the youth?), liturgical diversity (are we going backward or forward?), and diversity in architectural and musical styles. How is the Holy Spirit holding “the many” of us together? Please see the attached flyer or visit the Liturgy Events webpage for details.

“Priest, Victim and Head: Rediscovering *In Persona Christi Capitis*”

This “liturgical retreat for priests” will be held at Mundelein Seminary from June 24 to 29. More information and registration is available at www.liturgicalinstitute.org or by calling 847-837-4542/4545.

North American Forum on the Catechumenate

The Forum will be returning to the Diocese of Davenport on July 6-7 to present a workshop on Evangelization. For more than the immediate RCIA Team, this event will deepen participants’ passion for evangelization and present practical approaches to this essential ministry. See the Liturgy Events webpage for details.

The Forum will also be in the Archdiocese of Dubuque on July 27-28, at St. Stephen the Witness, Cedar Falls. The focus will be the content of the weekly session with catechumens and candidates. Msgr. Michael Clay and Sr. Donna Stephen will be the speakers for the two-day institute called, “Echoing God's Word.” Register as soon as possible because this will be announced nationally and draw in people from the Midwest. Go now to www.naforum.org to register and click on “register for an institute”.

For more opportunities, see the Liturgy Events webpage at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litevents.htm>.

LITURGY PREPARATION

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Anniversary of Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Amos

The anniversary of the episcopal ordination of Bishop Amos, observed as a Feast in the Diocese, will be celebrated on June 7 this year. The Mass “For the Bishop” (Masses for Various Needs and Occasions I. For the Church 3. For the Bishop) with its appropriate readings should be celebrated. It would also be appropriate to include a particular petition for the Bishop as part of the Prayers of the Faithful on the weekend of June 2-3; for example: “For Bishop Amos on the celebration of his 11th anniversary as a bishop; that the Lord will continue to bless him and guide him as he shepherds us. We pray to the Lord.”

Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus & World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests

Observed on June 15, the World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests calls Catholics around the world to prayer on behalf of priests – that they would be holy men, conformed to Christ. To that end, we invite parishes to include intercessions for priests on the Sundays before and after this feast, as well as on the Solemnity itself. For example (based on Pope Benedict's Prayer for Priests):

That all who are ordained to the ministerial priesthood would be ever more conformed to Christ, the Good Shepherd. We pray to the Lord....

For our priests; may they preach the Gospel with pure heart and clear conscience. Let us pray to the Lord.

That priests would be shepherds according to Christ's own Heart, single-minded in service to Christ and to the Church, and shining examples of a holy, simple and joyful life. We pray...

For additional information and resources, please visit: <http://worldpriestday.publishpath.com/>.

Feast of the Transfiguration

The Feast of the Transfiguration is celebrated on August 6 – which is also the anniversary of the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima, when nature itself was transfigured in mockery. Perhaps as we gather for Eucharist or pray the Hours this day we would do well to pray for peace and that the horrors of that August 6 sixty-seven years ago will never be repeated.

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Solemnity of the Assumption, celebrated on August 15, falls on a Wednesday this year. The Vigil Mass (with its proper readings) is celebrated on Tuesday evening. One of the popular traditions associated with the Assumption is the Blessing of Fruits and Herbs (*Directory on Popular Piety*, #181). In the United States, the rite for use within or outside of Mass may be found in the *Book of Blessings*, ch. 59: "Order for the Blessing of Food or Drink or Other Elements Connected with Devotion." A rite for use at home can also be found in *Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers* (1st ed. p. 170; 2nd edition p. 312).

Rite of Election

There will be a single Rite of Election celebrated in the Diocese of Davenport next year – at St. Patrick in Iowa City on the First Sunday of Lent (February 17, 2013) at 3:00 p.m.

Chrism Mass

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Cathedral in Davenport on Monday, March 18, at 5:00 p.m.

Easter Vigil 2013

Next year, the Easter Vigil falls on March 30, and the earliest it may begin is 8:15 p.m.

INTERCESSIONS

- (1) “Intercessions for Life” (in English and Spanish) may be found on the USCCB website at:
<http://www.usccb.org/prolife/liturgy/wolarchive.shtml>
- (2) Intercession for vocations (in English and Spanish) linked to the Lectionary cycle may be found at the For Your Vocation website:
<http://www.foryourvocation.org/vocation-directors/liturgical-resources.cfm>
- (3) Lectionary-based intercessions focused on social justice can be found at the Center of Concern website:
<http://www.coc.org/ef>
- (4) The Center for Liturgy website offers general intercessions for each Sunday as well:
http://liturgy.slu.edu/index_sunday.html

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