

## LITURGYNOTES – FOR OCTOBER 2014

THANK YOU! - LITURGY DAY: SEPTEMBER 27, 2014

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**New Webpage: Liturgical Formation**  
<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litformation.htm>

My deepest thanks to the many people who made our *Liturgy is Life!* conference such a success: our speakers, Dr. Tim O'Malley and Eleanor Kiel; the young readers from St. Mary in Iowa City; the “Apostles of Hymn” music ensemble from St. John Vianney; members of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission and Diocesan Staff; the people at St. Patrick's In Iowa City; and, of course, Bishop Amos.

I am especially grateful to all the participants who took time out of their busy schedules to make this day a priority. Even though we lost two of our breakout speakers to flight cancellations (due to the fire in the air traffic control center in Aurora), I hope that you found the keynote and other breakout sessions to be a blessing.

DVDs of the conference talks are available for parishes that might want to use them as part of their formation efforts. Please contact me if you would like a copy.

-Deacon Frank Agnoli

### **FROM THE USCCB**

In light of "countless requests from every part of the world," Pope Francis has approved putting Sts. John Paul II and John XXIII on the church's universal calendar of feast days. Called the General Roman Calendar, it is the universal schedule of holy days and feast days for the Latin rite of the Catholic Church. The two saints' feast days, both of which have the ranking of an optional -- not obligatory -- memorial, are Oct. 11 for St. John XXIII and Oct. 22 for St. John Paul II.

The liturgical texts for St. John Paul II are found on our website at:

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/Resources/litJPlltext.pdf>.

There are no approved proper texts for St. John XIII in English or Spanish; the Common of Pastors will need to be used if you want to celebrate it this year. The liturgical texts for St. John XXIII in Latin are found on the Vatican website at:

[http://www.vatican.va/roman\\_curia/congregations/ccdds/documents/rc\\_con\\_ccdds\\_doc\\_20140912\\_testi-liturgici-gxxiii\\_lt.html](http://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/ccdds/documents/rc_con_ccdds_doc_20140912_testi-liturgici-gxxiii_lt.html).

Once English texts are approved we will post them on our website as well.

See the USCCB website for more information on recent additions to the liturgical calendar in the US: <http://www.usccb.org/about/divine-worship/liturgical-calendar/index.cfm>

#### FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FDLC

#### RCIA

The annual meeting of the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions focused on the RCIA. We began by hearing from CARA on a recent survey of parishes concerning practices in the RCIA. Once that data is available for review, I will provide a link. Fathers Ron Lewinski and Paul Turner provided pastoral and theological commentaries on the findings, respectively. Once their presentations are posted, I will provide links to them as well. Some concerns:

- the liturgical rites are not being celebrated as intended; too often, certain rites are being omitted or used at the inappropriate time
- children of catechetical age are not being fully initiated
- the distinction between candidates (those already baptized) and catechumens continues to be blurred
- we continue to treat the RCIA as a “program” and follow (inappropriately) a school-year calendar that focuses almost exclusively on passing on information rather than seeing it as a process that unfolds over *at least* an entire liturgical year that focuses on conversion (knowing Jesus Christ), a process that is punctuated by significant liturgical rites

We also spent a good deal of time looking towards the future; a number of changes are on the horizon:

First, the Latin *editio typica* will need to be retranslated according to the new rules for translation.

Second, the US Bishops will need to request which (if any) US adaptations they want to see in the second edition of the Rite. Currently, these are the US adaptations/additions that are *not* part of the Latin original:

- The US version rearranges the order of certain paragraphs; for example, moving the introductions to the individual sections rather than having a single introduction at the beginning of the book (if you look in the RCIA, the small numbers in the margin refer to the paragraph number in the Latin original)
- The various 1-page outlines contained throughout the ritual book
- Any of the sections that have “USA” in the margin, such as:
  - Rite of Sending Catechumens to the Rite of Election
  - The optional rites for baptized but uncatechized adults (Part II, Chapter 4)
  - The combined rites (Appendix I)

Third, the National Statutes will be revised (Appendix III). These are the laws that govern the specific application of RCIA in the US. We spent almost an entire day going through the statutes and providing feedback to the Bishops as they undertake this work.

Obviously, this is an extensive project and will take a significant amount of time to complete. There are no official “end dates” in mind, but we are probably looking forward to at least 2020-2025.

See below for information concerning an RCIA workshop next summer!

In the meantime, here is an article in *America* that may challenge all of us:

<http://americamagazine.org/issue/more-authentic-way>

### Rite of Celebrating Matrimony

We also discussed the upcoming promulgation of the revised Rite for Celebrating Matrimony. First, the rite as approved by the US Bishops is currently in Rome, awaiting the *recognitio*. While it is impossible to predict when it might be given (the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments is currently without a Prefect), all indications are that it is forthcoming. It is still unknown which, if any, US adaptations will be approved. The following adaptations were requested:

- the continued use of the alternate form of consent
- the use of the arras, laso, and veil from the Spanish-language Rite
- the option to move the nuptial blessing to the conclusion of the intercessions at Mass
- the use of the Litany of the Saints after the Liturgy of the Word

So, what do we do once we have an approved Rite?

First, as with the Roman Missal, the FDLC and US Bishop’s Committee on Divine Worship (BCDW) will be offering regional workshops. You may want to note the following nearby places and times:

- May 5: Kansas City, KS (our region)
- May 15 & 16: Hoffman Estates, IL (Archdiocese of Chicago)
- May 29: Rochester, MN (Diocese of Winona, MN)

The intended audience for these workshops includes clergy, liturgists, music ministers, marriage preparation teams, high school religion teachers, and campus ministers. Registration will be handled through the FDLC website.

Second, the FDLC and BCDW will publish a “kit” as they did for RM3 that dioceses (or parishes) can use to provide their own workshops. We will certainly do so here, as we did with the Missal. The kits will include PowerPoint slides and script, forms for use in preparing the wedding liturgy, lists of suggested music, best practices, and information for the couple.

Third, the FDLC and BCDW are planning to publish a “Pastoral Companion” to assist with the implementation of the new Rite.

Finally, parishes will need to plan to purchase the new ritual book. Currently, the USCCB is the only publisher but conversations are ongoing with other publishers to see if they will also be producing ritual texts.

Needless to say, we will revisit diocesan policies and resources once we have the new Rite in hand.

### Liturgy of the Hours

The process for preparing the second edition of the Liturgy of the Hours in English is underway. There are a number of aspects to this project:

- The second edition in Latin was promulgated in 1985, so changes made there (for example, having gospel canticle antiphons on Sundays for each of the three lectionary cycles) will need to be included.
- The section on hymns is being changed to include only those hymns in the Latin edition
- The 1992 Supplement will need to be updated; the Latin edition currently includes only those saints added to the *general* calendar up to 2004.
- The Grail Psalms (as currently translated by the monks of Conception Abbey) are slated to be used in the LOH and in all liturgical books and the next edition of the New American Bible, but conversations continue regarding which specific version of these psalms (those approved by the US Bishops, those as changed and approved by Rome, or some other combination).
- The Old Testament, New Testament, and Gospel Canticles: the Bishops have been asked to approve the versions prepared by the monks at Conception Abbey as part of the Grail Psalter project.

It is hoped that the US Bishops will complete their work by 2018 and we would have the new LOH in hand by 2019-2020.

### Other Rites

*Confirmation*: in Rome, awaiting approval

*Dedication of a Church and Altar*: at the “gray book” stage; will be voted on this November at the USCCB meeting

*Exorcism*: also at the “gray book” stage and awaiting vote in November; there is talk of also producing a “pastoral directory” to guide the proper use of this Rite

*Misal Romano 3*: the Spanish text of the new Missal is pending approval in Rome; the *Misal* uses as its base text the Missal from Mexico, and adds US adaptations, chants, and the patronal feasts from Spanish-speaking countries

*Leccionario*: as previously noted here, this project is delayed because of problems discovered after the text was approved; but – the USCCB website is to have the readings in Spanish posted soon

### USCCB Website:

<http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/index.cfm>

A reminder that the USCCB website is a wealth of information on the Mass, the other Sacraments, and other rites of the church. A new section on funerals has been added (a video is still pending) and sections on sacred art and sacred music are in the works.

### NEW POLICY ON WORSHIP IN THE ABSENCE OF A PRIEST

The 2007 *Policies Relating to Sunday Celebrations in the Absence of a Priest, Weekday Celebrations of the Liturgy of the Word, and Lay Preaching* has been replaced with *Policies Relating to Gathering for Worship without a Priest* and *Policies Relating to Lay Preaching*.

Experience in the diocese since the 2007 policy was promulgated has shown that SCAP is almost never used – and in those rare instances it is used, it is almost always in an emergency. Only a few places celebrated a SCAP more than once a year. Therefore, while the conditions for holding these celebrations have not been changed, we are no longer requiring that every parish have 2 laypersons ready to celebrate the rites in SCAP; those parishes that anticipate having the need to celebrate the rite more than once a year should have ministers trained to lead a SCAP (using the updated 2012 ritual book); otherwise, the more familiar rite for distributing communion outside of Mass in the context of a liturgy of the word (from the ritual book *Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside of Mass* - as is often used in jails/prisons and nursing homes) may be used.

However, this does not mean that parishes are exempt from preparing for the possibility of a priest's absence, especially in an emergency. In addition to planning for this possibility (preparing ministers as well as a procedure to follow), parish catechesis is required; parishioners need to be aware of the difference between Mass and Communion and what exactly the Sunday Obligation entails. Parishes need to have the appropriate ritual books, and should consider having pre-printed worship aids for these rites. Finally, a list of neighboring parishes with their Mass times ought to be kept in the sacristy – since the first step in holding one of these rites is to inform the assembly that the alternate rite does *not* fulfill the Sunday obligation and if they are able ought to attend Mass elsewhere.

The Liturgy Library webpage will be updated with the new policy and liturgy planning forms. If a parish wishes to have ministers trained to lead SCAP, please let me know and we will arrange for an appropriate workshop.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

See the Liturgy Events webpage at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litevents.htm>.

### CONTINUING FORMATION FOR LITURGY / LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Diocesan Choral Festival: Sunday, November 16, 2014

In anticipation of the Memorial of St. Cecilia, we are inviting parishes and schools to send their choirs to a choral festival at St. Mary parish in Iowa City, from 3pm to 5pm. Each choir will be asked to present one piece of their choice, and then everyone will sing a common piece together.

If you are at all interested in participating, please let me know by e-mail ([agnoli@davenportdiocese.org](mailto:agnoli@davenportdiocese.org)) or phone (563-888-4257) by no later than October 20. We will need to know the following information:

- How many choir members will be attending?
- Will you be using the organ (tracker) or piano?
- Will you be using any other instruments?
- What piece will you be sharing with us?

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Even if you have let me know of your interest in the past, please confirm that you will be attending (and send me your answers to the above questions). We will send the “common” piece as soon as that selection is made and I hear from you.

### TeamRCIA: Save the date – August 14-15, 2015

We are working on getting TeamRCIA to come to the diocese next year to present on “Making Disciples.” This 2-day conference aims to help participants

- \*Discover how the RCIA is a powerful conversion process
- \*Learn how to apply the core principles of the RCIA to any faith formation process
- \*Acquire the skills to build an evangelizing parish that involves the entire community in the RCIA
- \*Know how to recruit and build a thriving RCIA team
- \*Learn how to grow a pool of passionate, engaged sponsors

The conference is set for August 14-15 of next year; please keep reading the *LiturgyNotes* and checking the Liturgy Events webpage for updates.

### Notre Dame Vision for Liturgical Music Ministers: July 13-17, 2015

Held with Notre Dame Vision for High School Students and Notre Dame Vision for High School Students and Notre Dame Vision for Campus and Youth Ministers, this new retreat program invites liturgical music ministers to spend a week on Notre Dame's campus contemplating the beauty of their vocation in order to live it ever more fully. Together, participants will deepen their understanding of what it means to respond to God's call as faithful disciples and liturgical music ministers. For more information, please visit their website: <http://liturgy.nd.edu/events/liturgical-music/>.

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

## **RESOURCES**

### LTP ANNUAL RESOURCES

LTP has announced that its annual resources are once again available. You may order your materials directly from LTP, 800-533-1900 or from Religious Supply Center in Davenport. Religious Supply is willing to provide the parishes with discounted prices. For details or to place your order, call Jim, 563-324-0669 or 800-292-0052, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., M-F and 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday. Resources will be delivered to the Clergy Overnighter in November.

### OCTOBER: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. In 2002, the US Bishops released *When I Call for Help: A Pastoral Response to Domestic Violence Against Women*. They began with an unequivocal condemnation of violence against women:

*As pastors of the Catholic Church in the United States, we state as clearly and strongly as we can that violence against women, inside or outside the home, is never justified. Violence in any form—physical, sexual, psychological, or verbal—is sinful; often, it is a crime as well.*

*We have called for a moral revolution to replace a culture of violence. We acknowledge that violence has many forms, many causes, and many victims—men as well as women.*

In this document, they called upon the Church in the United States to reach out to both victims and perpetrators of domestic violence. Among the recommendations that they made is to use opportunities within the liturgy and in sacramental preparation programs to draw attention to violence and abuse.

Their statement, and further resources and recommendations, may be found on the USCCB website: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/marriage/domestic-violence/>.

In addition, resources are available on our website: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/dcn/dcnacademics.htm#DomViolence>.

### **LITURGY PREPARATION**

#### NEW LITURGY PREPARATION FORMS

The PDF versions of our liturgy preparation forms have been updated; you can now fill them out as electronic forms. Just download the document, save it to your computer, fill in the fields (they are light blue-gray), save it, and e-mail it back to me as an attachment.

#### LITURGICAL CALENDAR

#### Liturgical Calendar for the Diocese of Davenport, 2014-2015

The liturgical calendar for this coming year is also being sent out with this edition of *LiturgyNotes*. Please let me know if you have any questions or notice anything that needs correction.

#### When may the Funeral Mass be Celebrated?

Funeral Masses may be celebrated on any day *except* on Solemnities of Precept (Holy Days of Obligation; if the obligation is lifted, then a funeral Mass is permitted – as is the case on All Saints this year); Sundays of Advent, Lent, and Easter Season; and Holy Thursday and the Triduum. There are further restrictions on other Masses for the Dead, such as memorial Masses. For details, see the following resources on our Liturgy Events webpage:

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/Calendar/litCalendarRestrictions.pdf>  
and  
<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/Calendar/litHolyDayRules.pdf>

#### All Saints/Souls **CORRECTED**

The USCCB's BCDW had previously approved the table that I published in previous editions of the *LiturgyNotes*. However, they have since clarified the norms for the Saturday evening Mass. If there is *usually* an anticipated Mass on Saturday night, it is to be the Mass of All Souls. If there is no such Mass normally scheduled, a Mass for All Saints may be scheduled if pastorally appropriate. Sorry for the confusion.

	Morning Prayer	Mass before 4pm	Mass after 4pm	Evening Prayer
<b>Friday, October 31</b>	Friday, Week II (30 <sup>th</sup> Week in OT)	Weekday	All Saints (Gloria & Creed) (white)	EP I of All Saints
<b>Saturday, November 1</b>	All Saints	All Saints (Gloria & Creed) (white)	<i>If Mass usually scheduled: All Souls (anticipated)</i>	EP II of All Saints
		<i>No ritual Masses (e.g. weddings) permitted.</i>	<i>If Mass is not usually scheduled: may celebrate All Saints</i>	
<b>Sunday, November 2</b>	Private recitation: 31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday OT  Public Celebration: <i>may use All Souls</i>	All Souls (NO Gloria; Creed is said) (white, purple, or black) [since white is usually used for funerals here, white is recommended]		Private recitation: 31 <sup>st</sup> Sunday OT  Public Celebration: <i>may use All Souls</i>

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) keyed to the lectionary cycle may be found at the Diocese of Arlington website: [http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/vocations/voc\\_intercessions.aspx](http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/vocations/voc_intercessions.aspx)
- (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/>
- (5) 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>
- (6) See also our website for prayer resources in times of crisis: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litlibrary.htm#Prayers>

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