

Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago Chicago O'Hare & Midway International Airports

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Dear Friend of Chicago's Airport Chapels,

A surprising and unexpected grace is often a part of our experience at the Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago. Recently, as Pastor Dave Pearson was greeting people who came for his 1:30 p.m. service at Midway, he met a man coming into the chapel. He said to Pastor Dave, "I'm face-timing with my mother. Would it be okay if she attends too?" Of course, it was, and Pastor Dave welcomed them.

At the end of the service, as he invited people to mention any special prayer intentions, the man's mother asked to speak. "I am grateful to be included in your prayers. I live in Ukraine!" she said. The people assembled in the chapel that day all prayed for peace, and end to war, and the grace to persevere.

Each person who works at or travels through our airports carries their own joys and challenges, their sufferings and hopes. The airport chapels give them a space to pray and find God's hope and the support of others. Truly, this is holy ground.

As we approach Thanksgiving and count our blessings, I invite you to share from your blessings to support the mission and ministry of the O'Hare and Midway Airport Chapels. They are so important for travelers and workers. Know that you will have the gratitude of those who come to the chapels. You will also have my deep gratitude for your generosity.

Be assured that we will pray for you in our chapels. Please pray for me and all my colleagues who serve at the chapels—Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, and Muslim. Pray, too, for all the people who work and pass through our Chicago Airports.

May God always bless you and your loved ones,

Rev. Fr. Michael G. Zaniolo, STL, CAC
Administrator

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