

Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago

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Week of January 19 — January 25, 2025

WELCOME TO THE INTERFAITH AIRPORT CHAPELS OF CHICAGO!



The O'Hare Airport Chapel and Midway Airport Chapel are each a peaceful oasis in a busy venue. A place to bow your head in prayer while lifting up your heart and spirit! Prayer books and rugs, rosaries, and worship materials are available, as are chaplains for spiritual counsel. You are welcome to attend Mass or Worship services and to come to the chapels (open 24/7) to pray or meditate. Know that you & your families are always in my prayers. May God bless your travels.

— **Fr. Michael Zaniolo**

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Interfaith Calendar & Events

• **Swami Vivekananda, January 21:** Hindu observance celebrating the birth of Swami Vivekananda, who brought Hinduism to America during the 1893 Parliament of World Religions, held in Chicago.

• **January 18-25: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** - Christian observance with prayer for the restoration of unity between the churches of the faith. Annual observance—January 18 (Feast of St. Peter) - January 25 (Feast Day of St. Paul) sponsored by the World Council of Churches and the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity of the Catholic Church, each year churches in a different part of the world prepare the theme and texts. The 2025 theme is based on a text from the Gospel of John: "Do you believe this?" (John 11:26). The prayers and reflections have been prepared by the brothers and sisters of the monastic community of Bose in northern Italy.

• Source: **The 2025 Interfaith Calendar, Council of Religious Leaders of Metropolitan Chicago**



CHRISTIAN UNITY WEEK

Chapel Staff Birthdays & Anniversaries

• Birthday blessings go out to **Fr. Dennis Zalecki, January 23.**

ORD Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

01/18/25 4:00 p.m. † Don Tomasiewicz req. by Judith Hamill & Thomas Jaconetty
6:00 p.m. † Virginia D. Daly req. by John & Theresa Daly
† Juan Manuel Aranda by Judith Hamill & Thomas Jaconetty

01/19/25 9:00 a.m. • Conor Lovejoy req. by Karin Lovejoy
11:00 a.m. † Edward Conley req. by Judith Hamill & Thomas Jaconetty
• World Peace In 2025 req. by D. Hill

01/20/25 11:30 a.m. † Francis & Jean Heger req. by Marcine & John Forrette, Jr.
01/21/25 11:30 a.m. † Jack Ranttila req. by Susan Schneider
01/22/25 11:30 a.m. • Jim Coslick req. by Carl Coslick
01/23/25 11:30 a.m. † Betsy Gentry req. by Karin Lovejoy
01/24/25 11:30 a.m. • Rinnert Family req. by Scott DeBoer

MDW Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

01/19/25 9:00 a.m. • Philippe Lucas req. by Ruth Palileo
11:00 a.m. • Coronado Rosay In Vayas req. by Ruth Palileo
• William Magoon req. by Dana Potts
† Michelle Gaines req. by Mary Gaines

• Denotes Living/Special Intention † Denotes Deceased/Memorial

MDW Airport Chapel

Concourse C, Mezzanine Level
(Inside Security Checkpoint)
Catholic Mass: Sundays - 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.

PROTESTANT WORSHIP:

Sundays - 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon
WEEKDAYS—MONDAY - FRIDAY, 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon and 1:30 p.m.
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ORD Airport Chapel

Terminal 2, Mezzanine Level
(Outside Security Checkpoint)
Catholic Mass: Saturdays - 4:00 & 6:00 p.m.

Sundays - 9:00 & 11:00 a.m.
Weekdays - 11:30 a.m.

Islamic Juma' Prayer
Friday: 1:15 p.m.

PROTESTANT WORSHIP—See Website for Schedule
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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time — January 19, 2025
Nations shall behold your vindication, and all the kings your glory.

— *Isaiah 62:2*

A VISIBLE GOD

We find it difficult to convey ideas to people unless we can actually show them something, demonstrate what we mean. God, who is invisible and truly beyond human understanding, apparently faces the same difficulty. People want to see, not just listen to an idea. So God gave us Jesus Christ, God made visible in the world. During these past weeks we have seen how Jesus was revealed as an infant to the shepherds and the magi, and then began his adult "public life" at his baptism by John. Today's Gospel reading tells us of his "first sign," providing wine for the wedding guests at Cana. Of course, even Jesus,



God made visible, was not always easily understood in his own day, nor is he even now. So we have to ponder what we see: the poverty and simplicity of his birth, his humility and openness before John the Baptist, his kindness and compassion toward people in their ordinary problems, such as running short of wine at a wedding. Yet it is in coming to know Jesus that we come to know God.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride, so God rejoices in the chosen ones (Isaiah 62:1-5). **Psalm** — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96). **Second Reading** — All the varied gifts in the Christian community are from one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11). **Gospel** — Rejoicing at a wedding celebration in Cana, Jesus replenishes the wine supply (John 2:1-11).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9, 10; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 3:1-6 or, for the Day of Prayer, any readings from the Mass "For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life" (Lectionary for Mass Supplement, 947A-947E), or the Mass "For Peace and Justice" (887-891)
Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Mk 3:7-12
Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18
Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The cause of church unity is commended to Christians for prayer and action every year around this time. This week is not so much to focus on the many divisions within the Christian family, but on bonds of faith and mission. Even though Christians have always shown an inclination to fracture, spin off, and mutate into new expressions, recent history shows some new points of convergence and agreement. Catholics are more firmly rooted in the word of God, for example, and many Protestants are more likely to celebrate Communion than in years past. Some denominations are merging and pooling resources, and people from various traditions are collaborating on projects. The call of this week is to be mindful of the diversity of our traditions and customs while treasuring what we hold in common. The old advice to "lighten up" is good medicine, because sometimes our differences are delightful and amusing. If someone says, "Let us pray," a Catholic might close the eyes, bow the head and fold hands; a Protestant reach out and clasp hands with the person in the next chair; and someone belonging to an Orthodox tradition might stand up with eyes wide open. Each has taken a different path, but the goal is always the same. This is a week not for focusing on the well-worn paths of divergence, but for mutual delight in a common goal. —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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This Week in the Life of the Church — Feast Days and Notable Events in Church History

Sunday, January 19, 2025

+ We Remember: ST. WULFSTAN OF WORCESTER, a Benedictine monk of Anglo-Saxon parentage, enjoyed a reputation as a pious and good administrator, which led to his appointment as bishop of Worcester. Just four years after his appointment, William the Conqueror defeated England's Anglo-Saxon forces and took control of the country. Bishop Wulfstan saw the writing on the wall and gave the new ruler fealty, and King William respected and trusted him. As a result of his foresight, St. Wulfstan was one of the few Britons allowed to retain his see. He was a learned man and made Worcester an important center of learning. He often would translate Latin readings into English for his congregation and at his dinner table as well. He developed a great reputation with the poor people of his diocese. He accomplished this by baptizing their children free of charge as opposed to the regular clerical practice of fee. He often distributed food to the needy and trained his students to do the same, but saw to it that they did so with grace and humility. Wulfstan rebuilt his cathedral at Worcester c. 1086, but he loved the old edifice which had to be demolished. "The men of old," he said, "if they had not stately buildings were themselves a sacrifice to God, whereas we pile up stones, and neglect souls." He died in 1095. (*The Radical Tradition*, edited by Gilbert Markus)

Monday, January 20, 2025

+ We Remember: ST. FABIAN, POPE, MARTYR; SEBASTIAN, MARTYR: ST. FABIAN (c. 250), and St. Sebastian (c.288), are honored on the same day because their names were linked together in the Calendar of 354. Eusebius tells us that Fabian was a stranger and a layman who happened to be present when the election of a new pope was being held. A dove flew in and settled on his head, which was regarded by the electors as a mark of divine choice. Nor were they mistaken. **St. Cyprian**, the great bishop of Carthage, praised Fabian's holiness. He served about 14 years, 236-250, years of peace, organization and missionary effort for the Church, and Fabian was zealous and wise. He supported Origen against accusations of heterodoxy, and commissioned several renowned bishops for the evangelization of the Gauls. He was a victim of the persecution of Decius (249-251). More widely known and venerated than St. Fabian is **ST. SEBASTIAN**; the record of his martyrdom is one of the best literary compositions of the fifth and sixth centuries. He was a native of Milan, born of Christian parents, and a model soldier. Though disinterested in a military career, he was drafted into the army and eventually became captain of the guard of Maximian at Rome. In this capacity he helped many Christians who were arrested during the persecution of Diocletian. Eventually, the truth that Sebastian was Christian was revealed, and he too was martyred under Diocletian. His body was made a target for Roman archers, and he was clubbed. In 367, **Pope Damasus** built a basilica over his tomb on the Appian Way, and this is now one of the seven principal churches of Rome. (S,B,V)

+BL. RICHARD ROLLE (c. 1300-49), English hermit and author of biblical commentaries and didactic treatises on prayer, asceticism, and mystical experience. Rolle was an enormously popular English mystical writer in the late Middle Ages. His works include his letters to those under his spiritual direction and his Latin treatise *Incendium Amoris* ("Fire of Love") - which can still be found at religious bookstores. (E) • **January 20** is also the *Eve of St. Agnes*, celebrated in poetry by John Keats (1795-1821), and the civic observance of **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**.

Tuesday, January 21, 2025

+ We Remember: ST. AGNES, VIRGIN, MARTYR (c. 304), martyred at the age of 12 on January 21, is attested by the most ancient Roman Calendar (354) and the early Roman Sacramentaries. She is also mentioned by some of the Fathers of the Church: **St. Ambrose** (who described her martyrdom and wrote a hymn in her honor), **Prudentius**, **St. Jerome** and **St. Augustine**. One of the most illustrious martyrs of the Church, Agnes is mentioned in the Roman Canon of the Mass and in the Greek Calendar of saints. Her heroic Christian witness in the midst of terrible torture and her spontaneity in going to her martyrdom with full awareness are among the reason for widespread devotion. Her death took place towards the end of Diocletian's persecution. (V,S)

+ ST. MEINRAD (861), patron of the famous abbey of Einsiedeln in Switzerland, one of the few which have preserved unbroken continuity since Carolingian times. Meinrad was ordained a priest at the Benedictine abbey at Reichenau, but he pined for solitude and the opportunity of devoting himself entirely to contemplation. He consequently sought out a spot in a forest, and there with the permission of his superiors, he settled about the year 829. The fame of his sanctity, however, brought him many visitors, and he found it necessary to move still farther; the place he finally took up his abode is now called Einsiedeln (i.e., *Hermitage*). There he lived 25 years, until this day in 861, when two robbers, who thought Meinrad had treasure hidden away, visited him. Though he knew their purpose, he courteously offered them food and hospitality. In the evening they smashed his skull with clubs, and finding no valuables, took flight. (L,B) • In 1276, the accession of **POPE BL. INNOCENT V** to the Chair of Peter. He was the first Dominican elected pope. (W) • In 1918, **CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF CHICAGO** was officially established by Cardinal George Mundelein. The movement was actually begun during the preceding winter by a group of Chicago businessmen, who started collecting, donating, and giving food and clothing to the suffering poor. The Archdiocese then took this operation under its aegis to help foster its growth.

Wednesday, January 22, 2025

+ We Remember: USA: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. ST. VINCENT, DEACON, MARTYR: (+304) Protomartyr of Spain. "The more I witness your fury, Dacian, the greater is my pleasure. Do not lessen in

any way the sufferings you prepare for me so that I can make my victory shine more resplendently." Such were Vincent's words, recorded in the *Acts of the Martyrs*, to the governor of Spain. Though he went to his death on this day more than 1700 years ago, we still recall this deacon of the Church who was born in Huesca, Spain, educated by Bishop **St. Valerius of Saragossa**, and after he was ordained by him, commissioned to preach. Vincent and Valerius were arrested and imprisoned in Valencia during Maximian's persecutions; though Valerius was exiled, Vincent underwent terrible tortures. He had resisted turning over the Church's sacred books and sacrificing to false gods. Widely venerated in the Western Church, especially popular in medieval times, Vincent was honored in the writings of **St. Augustine**, **St. Leo** and **Prudentius**. (B,D,S) **+ ST. VINCENT PALLOTTI (1798-1850)**, Founder of the Society of the Catholic Apostolate. Born in Rome to a well-to-do grocer, St. Vincent began his organized work for conversion and social justice with a group of clergy and laypeople. To a young professor he wrote, "*You are not cut out for the silence and austerities of Trappists and hermits. Be holy in the world, in your social relationships, in your work and your leisure, in your teaching duties and your contacts with publicans and sinners. Holiness is simply to do God's will, always and everywhere.*" (L)

• In 1588, the **Roman Curia**, the governing body of the Church, was founded by **Pope Sixtus V** and its rules set in his bull *Immensa*. (W)

Thursday, January 23, 2025

+ We Remember: ST. JOHN THE ALMSGIVER (c. 560-619), was born to the governor of the island of Cyprus. He married at a young age. When his wife and child died, he entered religious life, gave his considerable wealth to the poor, and became widely known for his holiness and charity. In 608 he became patriarch of Alexandria. Upon arrival, John ordered an exact list to be taken of his "lords and masters." Asked to whom he was referring, John explained that he meant the poor, because they had such power in the court of Heaven to help those who had been good to them on earth. Their number amounted to 7500, and he placed them under his special protection; one of his first episcopal acts was the distribution of 80,000 pieces of gold to hospitals and monasteries, a policy he followed systematically till his death. When his close friends observed that certain fake beggars were exploiting him, he only replied that they themselves were much too inquisitive. In 614, he helped refugees from Syria and Jerusalem fleeing the marauding Persians. John visited the sick, built churches and worked to alleviate onerous taxes. He labored to end the heresy of monophysitism - a claim that, after the Incarnation, Christ had only one (divine) nature - and restored orthodoxy peacefully. As the Persians drew near to Alexandria, he was forced to leave, and headed for Constantinople to visit the emperor. But a vision of his impending death made him return to his native Cyprus, where he died Nov. 11. (L,B,P)

• In 1789, the first Catholic College in the U.S., **GEORGETOWN COLLEGE** in Washington, D.C., was established. It opened Nov. 15, 1791.

+ In 1999, an Australian missionary, **GRAHAM STEWART STEINS, AND HIS TWO SONS** were burned alive in the eastern Indian state of Orissa as minority Christians were attacked throughout India.

Friday, January 24, 2025

+ We Remember: ST. FRANCIS DE SALES (1567-1622) lived in the turbulent decades following the Protestant Reformation. He obtained a doctorate in both civil and canon law, and became bishop in Calvinist Geneva. Francis related well to both Protestants and Catholics, gave much spiritual guidance on the "devout life" to the laity of his day, and insisted on self-discipline, prayer and kindness. Together with **St. Jane Frances de Chantal** he founded the Visitation nuns. Francis organized conferences for the clergy and directed them to teach the catechism in simple words. He insisted on unadorned straightforward preaching, and established a seminary. **Pope Pius IX** declared him a **Doctor of the Church** in 1887, the first Frenchman to receive this honor. **Pope Pius XI** named his **patron saint of journalists** in 1923. He remains a most helpful spiritual guide. (V,S,B) • **ALSO ON JANUARY 24: In 1059**, the accession of **POPE NICHOLAS II** to the papal throne. A great reformer of abuses against both the Church and marriage laws. He had to fight wealthy families who had many married priests in powerful positions. (W) **+ In 1590**, the death of **ARCHBISHOP LUIS ZAPATA Y CARDENA, OFM**, in Bogota, Columbia. A former Spanish soldier, he joined the Franciscans in Spain and came to South America as a missionary. He was appointed Archbishop of Bogota and was a strong advocate of native rights. Taking a great risk to himself from Spaniards opposed to freedom for natives, he established a native clergy by ordaining over 100 Creole and Mestizo men. (W) **+ In 1964**, two missionaries in the Congo, **IRENE FERREL AND RUTH HEGE**, were attacked by guerillas while awaiting evacuation by helicopter. Irene died of an arrow in the neck, but Ruth pretended to be dead and eventually escaped. They were among many Protestant and Catholic missionaries who suffered during the 1960's Congolese turmoil. (On this Day, Robert J. Morgan).

Saturday, January 25, 2025

+ We Remember: THE CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL The conversion of Saul, persecutor of the Church, was of pivotal importance for the worldwide development of Christianity. Paul means much for our faith and for the New Testament. Today we commemorate that significant event on the road to Damascus. (V)

• In 1959, **POPE JOHN XXIII**, who had been pope just three months, went to the Basilica of St. Paul Outside the Walls, Rome, at the conclusion of the ecumenical devotion, the *Chair of Unity Octave*. He chose this occasion to announce his decision to call an ecumenical council, update the Code of Canon Law, and call a diocesan Synod for Rome.

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