

Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago



Chicago Midway and O'Hare International Airports

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Week of February 16 — February 22, 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**

Administrator, Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago
Roman Catholic Chaplain, Chicago Airports Catholic Chaplaincy

Interfaith Calendar & Events

- **Losar** (Buddhist) **February 21:** Tibetan New Year (celebration lasts for three days).

Chapel Staff Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Happy Birthday to **David Pearson**, Wednesday, **Feb. 19**, who recently marked two years of full-time service at Midway Chapel.

ORD Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

- 02/15/25 4:00 p.m.** † Charles R. Smith req. by John & Susie Schneider
6:00 p.m. † Fr. Rian Clancy req. by Friends
† Don Foster req. by Rev. Leon Rezula
† Ralph Cruz req. by Laura Cruz
- 02/16/25 9:00 a.m.** † Joseph Martinez req. by Gene & Joann Gottlieb
11:00 a.m. • Appleyard Family req. by Scott DeBoer
† Yung Peter Lee req. by Daly Family
- 02/17/25 11:30 a.m.** • Adam Joab Alwyn
02/18/25 11:30 a.m. • Romig Family req. by Scott DeBoer
02/19/25 11:30 a.m. † Joseph M.B.
02/20/25 11:30 a.m. • Muse Family req. by Scott DeBoer
02/21/25 11:30 a.m. † Chanchal Sabu

MDW Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

- 02/16/25 9:00 a.m.** † Juan Pablo Alvarez req. by Rev. Daniel Flens
11:00 a.m. † Raymond Ponce req. by Maureen Ponce
† Poor Souls req. by Scott DeBoer
- Denotes Living/Special Intention † Denotes Deceased/Memorial

Mass Intentions Available for 2025

CHICAGO AIRPORTS CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY PUBLISHES MASS INTENTIONS in the O'Hare and Midway Airport Chapel bulletins each week. Requesting a Mass intention is a meaningful way to honor a deceased loved one, or to offer a thoughtful message of sympathy to the bereaved. Special intentions for the living may be requested for one who is ill, as well as to observe special occasions, such as anniversaries and birthdays, or simply in thanksgiving. "Mass Intention Offering" slips are available on the vestibule table; online at <http://www.cacc.us>; or call the chapel office weekdays at 773-686-2636.

The Archdiocese of Chicago suggests a donation of \$10.

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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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time — February 16, 2025

"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied." — Luke 6:20-21a

BLESSED

When we think of the word "Beatitude" we think of today's discourse from Luke's Gospel, or the more familiar one from Matthew (which begins "Blessed are the poor in spirit . . ."). Actually, beatitudes occur throughout the prophets and Gospels. Today in Jeremiah (with an echo in the psalm) we hear, "Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord" (Jeremiah 17:7). Following his resurrection in John's Gospel, Christ proclaims, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed" (John 20:29). The evangelists placed these sayings throughout the Gospels as short reminders about the characteristics that one will find in a



follower of Christ, characteristics that will help spread the Good News in this life and lead to eternal blessings in the next. In Latin, the saints are called the *Beati*, the "Blessed," for they are the ones who lived the "blessed" life as described by Jesus throughout the Gospels. How blest are we, when we also strive to make our own days a living beatitude!

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The one who trusts in the LORD is like a tree planted beside the waters (Jeremiah 17:5-8). **Psalm** — Blessed are they who hope in the Lord (Psalm 1). **Second Reading** — Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep (1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20). **Gospel** — Blessed are you who are poor, hungry, weeping. Woe to you who are rich, filled, laughing (Luke 6:17, 20-26).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-26; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33
Friday: Gn 11:1-9; Mk 8:34-9:1
Saturday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19
Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent years, there has been remarkable progress in drawing persons with disabilities into full celebration. Now it is generally accepted that worship places need accommodations such as ramps or elevators, large-print materials for those who are sight-impaired, and perhaps even an assisted hearing system or signing in American Sign Language. American Sign Language is not merely English translated into movement, but a distinct language with its own grammar, syntax (word order), and vocabulary. For this reason, the American Catholic bishops have approved American Sign Language (ASL) as an official language of the liturgy. Celebrating liturgy in our own language (the vernacular) means that liturgy must be accessible to all languages and cultures. The fact that Mass is celebrated this weekend in some places in total silence, but with the full participation of deaf people praising God in the movements of their hands, and sometimes even with a priest who is deaf, is nothing less than the Church being faithful to the image of Jesus, who made the deaf hear and the mute speak. Remember too that deafness is an invisible disability, and that there may well be people in your parish who are quietly yearning for Mass to be signed for them in ASL.

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Be at peace with your own soul; then heaven and earth will be at peace with you. Enter eagerly into the treasure house that is within you, and so you will see the things that are in heaven; for there is but one single entry to them both. The ladder that leads to the kingdom is hidden within your soul. Flee from sin, dive into yourself, and in your soul you will discover the stairs by which to ascend.

—St. Isaac the Syrian, *Bishop of Nineveh late in the seventh century*

Rev. Fr. Michael G. Zaniolo, STL, CAC — Administrator/Catholic Chaplain

Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago

Mr. Qazi M. Biabani — Imam Khateeb/Muslim Chaplain

Muslim Community Center of Chicago

Rev. Dr. Hutz H. Hertzberg — Protestant Chaplain

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Mrs. Susan E. Schneider, CAP — Office/Business Manager/Fund Raiser

Mr. Michael Brennan — Bulletin Editor



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

Sunday, Feb. 16, 2025

✦ **We Remember: ST. ONESIMUS**, a slave who robbed Philemon, his master, and then ran away. Philemon was a notable person in the city of Colossae and had been converted to the faith by **St. Paul**. Onesimus then met with St. Paul, a prisoner for the faith at Rome, who converted and baptized him, and entrusted him with his canonical letter of recommendation to Philemon. It seems that Philemon pardoned Onesimus for his thievery, set him free, and sent him back to St. Paul, whom he faithfully served. With Tychicus, Onesimus was the bearer of the epistle to the Colossians, and afterwards, according to St. Jerome and other Fathers of the Church, this one time slave became a preacher of the Gospel and a bishop. St. Onesimus died a martyr about the year 90. ✦ In 1977, the martyrdom of **JANANI LUWUM (1924-1977)**, Anglican Archbishop of Uganda. Initially criticized for trying to maintain friendly relations with the dictator Idi Amin, Luwum ultimately found he could not remain silent when the paranoid Amin circulated rumors that the country's bishops were plotting to overthrow him. On this day Luwum, the Anglican bishops and other religious leaders were summoned to the presidential palace and shown a cache of weapons supposedly confiscated from the archbishop. Everyone except Archbishop Luwum was released. The next morning it was announced that he had been killed in a car crash; in fact, Luwum had been shot in the face by Amin, who was enraged when Luwum failed to sign a confession and instead began to pray, realizing his death was at hand. (AS)

Monday, Feb. 17, 2025

✦ **We Remember: THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS OF THE SERVITE ORDER** were seven men from prominent Florentine families in the 13th century - two married, two widowed and three unmarried - who, as they progressed in the spiritual life and became more detached from the world, were led to form a new religious order, the Servants of Mary or Servites. In due time, all but one of the seven founders was ordained to the priesthood. They were all canonized by **Pope Leo XIII in 1888. (S)**

Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2025

✦ **We Remember: COLMAN OF LINDISFARNE** was born about 605 in Connaught province, Ireland. He was an important prelate and monastic founder of the early Irish Church who led the Celtic party at the crucial **SYNOD OF WHITBY (664)**, held by the church of the Anglo-Saxon kingdom of Northumbria to decide whether to follow Celtic or Roman usages. He died **Aug. 8, 676**. Although the great English historian **VENERABLE BEDE** disapproved of the Celtic customs, he had high praise for Colman in his famous *Ecclesiastical History of the English People*. (B, E) ✦ In 999, the death of the **first German pope, GREGORY V**. In the spring of 996, German King Otto III, 16, marched into Rome to help Pope John XV, who had been unpopular with the Roman clergy and had taken refuge in Tuscany. But John had died in March before help arrived. Otto needed someone to serve as the new pope who would share his dream of a revived "Roman" Empire, and he arranged for the election of his 24-year old cousin Bruno - a young man but a priest of first-rate education. Taking the name **Gregory V** (in admiration of Gregory the Great), this first German pope crowned Otto emperor and named him protector of the church. Gregory V died of malaria before reaching 30. (E,P) ✦ In 1455, the death of Dominican **FRA ANGELICO**, Florentine painter of the early Renaissance. His importance lies in his unparalleled use of color to create naturalism of pictorial space and atmospheric effects. He was called to Rome at the end of 1445 by Pope Eugene IV (died Feb. 23, 1447) where he worked through 1450. Many frescoes he created at the Vatican were destroyed when St. Peter's was rebuilt, but much of his work survives.

✦ In 1546, **MARTIN LUTHER (1483-1546)** died at Wittenberg and was buried at Wittenberg Castle. Spiritual leader of the **REFORMATION**, a movement that ultimately led to a break between Protestantism and Catholicism in the Western Church, Luther is one of the pivotal figures of Western civilization, as well as of Christianity. A biblical scholar and linguist, his actions and writings precipitated a movement that was to yield not only one of the three major theological units of Christianity (along with Roman Catholicism and Eastern Orthodoxy) but was to be a seedbed for social, economic, and political thought. Later in his career he translated both the Old and New Testaments into New High German, a language he virtually created, and composed 41 hymns, for which he wrote both words and music. The most memorable, still sung everywhere, is "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God." ✦ In 1564, the death of **MICHELANGELO BUONARROTI**, Italian High Renaissance painter, architect, sculptor and poet, the most famous and most accomplished Catholic artist in history. (E)

Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2025

✦ **We Remember: ST. GABINUS** was a Roman Christian and martyr related to the emperor Diocletian, brother of **Pope St. Gaius** and father, in the legend, of the martyr **St. Susanna**. He is said to have died in 296. (B) • In 1588, the first Japanese diocese was established by Pope Sixtus V in Oita, Japan. (W) • In 1790, the closing of **Cluny Abbey** in Burgundy, France. With the onslaught of the French Revolution and its anti-Catholic sentiments, the Church decided to shut down this famous abbey. At one time, it was the leading Benedictine monastery in all Europe and had 1,200 smaller houses under its illustrious patronage. Many of its abbots are canonized saints and it always enjoyed a reputation for reform and renewal of religious life. (W)

Thursday, Feb. 20, 2025

✦ **We Remember: ST. ELEUTHERIUS (456-532)**, born at Tournai, became bishop of that town, defended the doctrine of the Incarnation against heretics who, as he was leaving church one day, inflicted on him wounds from which he died. (B, L) ✦ **St. EUCHERIUS (c. 743)** led a holy life from earliest childhood. Born at Orleans, he entered the **Abbey of Jumièges** about the year 714. When his uncle Soavaric, Bishop of Orleans, died, the senate, people and clergy of the city asked Charles Martel, mayor of the palace (and grandfather of Charlemagne) to appoint Eucherius to the vacant see. A devoted and exemplary pastor, Eucherius fell out of favor with Martel when he opposed the confiscation of church revenues to finance war-making. Martel exiled him to Cologne and later a fortified place at Liège. Eucherius ended his life in prayer and contemplation at the monastery of Saint-Trond near Maestricht, much loved by all. (L) ✦ In 1431, death of **POPE MARTIN V**. His election at the **Council of Constance** ended the Great Western Schism (1378-1417), a period of crisis in the Church in which two and then three rival popes claimed papal authority. He entered a devastated Rome three years later, rebuilding churches and public buildings, and restoring order to the Papal States. (E)

Friday, Feb. 21, 2025

✦ **We Remember: ST. PETER DAMIAN (1007-1072)**, Cardinal, Doctor of the Church. A professor who became a Benedictine monk, by his austere life and writings he fought against the feudal corruption which characterized his century. Born at Ravenna in Italy, he was the youngest of many children. His parents died and he was left in the care of a married brother, who mistreated him, and sent him to herd swine. Fortunately, another brother was more charitable, rescuing Peter and paying for his education. Peter soon joined the Benedictines. Earnest in all his undertakings and manifesting unusual intellectual gifts, he became a model monk and was chosen abbot. In 1057 he was summoned to Rome and created cardinal-bishop of Ostia. He served successive popes in various missions: as a legate to Germany, to France and to Lombardy; as a papal representative to many synods and councils; and as a visitor to bishoprics and abbeys. Meanwhile, he wrote unceasingly, mostly theological or ascetical works, but also poetry, his Latin verse being among the best of the Middle Ages. His surviving work includes more than 170 letters, 53 sermons and seven *Lives*. He died **Feb. 22, 1072**, worn out by his labors; he was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1828. In *The Divine Comedy*, Dante places St. Peter Damian in the seventh heaven, among the contemplatives. He worked zealously to overcome the two principal vices of the clergy of his time: simony and immorality. Called "One of the most glorious lights of the Church in the 11th century." (D,V,B,S) ✦ In 1595, the death of **St. Robert Southwell** in London, England. He was tried and condemned for being a Catholic priest. St. Robert was hung this day at age 33 and was canonized as one of the 40 Martyrs of England and Wales by Pope Paul VI. (W)

Saturday, Feb. 22, 2025

✦ **We Remember: CHAIR OF ST. PETER, APOSTLE**, is found in the oldest Roman calendar of 394, assigned to **Feb. 22**, the day on which the Romans commemorated their dead. The most ancient date for the celebration of this feast in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome is the middle of the fifth century, and it was preceded by a night vigil over which the pope presided. Soon thereafter, its observance spread throughout Europe. The feast of St. Peter's election as Head of the Church and first Bishop of Rome recalls how the Galilean fisherman was named by Christ the Shepherd of the entire flock of Christ. On this day we meditate on the special role of Peter among the Apostles and in the first generation Church, and we reflect on the role of Peter's successor, the pope and bishop of Rome. (V, S) ✦ **St. MARGARET OF CORTONA (1247-1297)**, born a farmer's daughter at Tuscany, became an unmarried mother who lived with her lover for nine years. Margaret saw a judgment from heaven in his sudden death. She publicly confessed her sins in the church of Cortona (attracting to herself other penitents hungry to divulge, including, it was said, **Dante Alighieri**) and placed herself under the direction of the Franciscans (becoming a tertiary). She founded a convent, hospital, and a refuge in Cortona for poor women and their children. She subsisted for years on bread, nuts, uncooked vegetables and water. "I want to die of starvation to satiate the poor," she said, but in a vision heard Christ entreat her: "*Love yourself because I love you.*" (B) ✦ In 1513, the death of **Pope Julius II**. Serving in the critical period just prior to the Protestant Reformation, he strengthened the Papal States and secured the independence of the Church from foreign powers. He was a renowned Renaissance patron of artists such as **Michelangelo, Raphael and Bramante**, he commissioned plans for the new (present-day) St. Peter's Basilica. Called the **Warrior Pope**, he succeeded the dissolute **Innocent VIII** and **Alexander VI**, who had let the papacy sink to new depths of worldliness, nepotism, unbridled sensuality and anarchy in the Papal States. (E) ✦ In 1943, the deaths of **HANS AND SOPHIE SCHOLL**, *Martyrs of the White Rose*. This brother and sister astonished the citizens of Munich in the summer and fall of 1942 by circulating leaflets, inspired by their Christian faith, condemning the Nazi regime. "They believed that the struggle against Hitler was a battle for the soul of Germany, and thus a duty for all Christians," writes Ellsberg. Apprehended by the Gestapo along with fellow Christian **Christopher Probst**, they were beheaded on this day. (AS)

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