

Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago



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Week of February 26 – March 4, 2023

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
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Interfaith Calendar & Events

→ **February 26: Ayyám-i-Há:** February 26 - March 1— Intercalary Days - Bahá'í observance for festivities, gift-giving, and charitable acts. Begins at sundown, Feb. 25.

→ **Clean Monday, February 27:** Julian calendar Lent begins.

→ The **Bahá'í Fast** begins March 2, observed from sunrise to sunset, through March 20.

→ Source: **The 2023 Interfaith Calendar, Council of Religious Leaders of Metropolitan Chicago**

Chapel Staff Birthdays & Anniversaries

→ Birthday blessing go out to **Rev. Dr. Hutz Hertzberg**, Wednesday, **March 1**, and to **John Elifson**, Friday, **March 3**.

ORD Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

02/25/23 4:00 p.m. † **Fr. Rian Clancy** req. by Friends
6:00 p.m. † **Patricia Jones** req. by Schneider Family
† **Margaret Harmon** req. by Tom Jaconetty & Judith Hamill

02/26/23 9:00 a.m. † **Timothy Koehne**
11:00 a.m. † **Robert Kichura** req. by Tom Jaconetty & Judith Hamill
• **Alwyn Joshy**

02/27/23 11:30 a.m. † **James Berardi** req. by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Brennan
02/28/23 11:30 a.m. † **Brian J. Allen** req. by Katherine L. Allen
03/01/23 11:30 a.m. † **Jerry Clark** req. by Larry & Karen Wolowiec
03/02/23 11:30 a.m. • **Nancy & Walter Bryde** req. Barbara & Stephen Ohotnick
03/03/23 11:30 a.m. † **Josephine Markech** req. by Dolores Markech
• Denotes Living/Special Intention † Denotes Deceased/Memorial

MDW Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

02/26/23 9:00 a.m. † **Mr. Hughie** req. by Anne
11:00 a.m. † **Thomas Meunissen**
† **Marge Meyers** req. by Pamela Jones
• **Victor & Ruth Rizzo** req. by Dana Potts
• Denotes Living/Special Intention † Denotes Deceased/Memorial

OUR CHAPELS OFFER A VARIETY OF BIBLES (paperback, keepsake/gift hardcover, New Testaments) Rosaries, Holy Cards, medals and other religious articles. Please visit the O'Hare Chapel Office if you would like to use a non-English language Holy Bible, the Holy Qur'an or the complete Art Scroll Siddur.

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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First Sunday of Lent, February 26

WHO WE ARE AND WHOSE WE ARE

The Lenten season is a fresh invitation to explore again who God is, who we are, and what it means to be human. We begin by hearing the tragic story of the first humans in the book of Genesis. As Paul describes in Romans, our struggles started when our ancestors broke the bond of unity with God, sought self-sufficiency, and grew apart from their true purpose and identity. In Matthew's Gospel, we see how Jesus resists the lure of living outside of unity with God. Jesus rejects false promises of possessions, power, and status. Instead, he puts his life in his Father's hands. As our model for living as a fully human person, Jesus demonstrates that we are created to live in relationship with and trust in God, and in harmony with and for all of creation. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The man and the woman ate the fruit of the one tree that God had told them to avoid, and their shame overtook them (Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7). **Psalm** — Have mercy on us sinners, O Lord (Psalm 51). **Second Reading** — Death reigned from Adam to Moses, but now grace and life abound in Christ Jesus (Romans 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]). **Gospel** — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and there he fasted for forty days and forty nights (Matthew 4:1-11).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mt 25:31-46
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19; Lk 11:29-32
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12
Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8; Mt 5:43-48
Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; 2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

OUR FASCINATING FAITH — Lent

One of the liturgical reforms mandated at the Second Vatican Council was that the focus of the season of Lent should be restored as a time of preparation for—or renewal of—baptism. The bishops at the Council were aware of the fact that the origins of Lent as a distinctive liturgical season lay in the early centuries when the Church celebrated the sacraments of Christian initiation only once a year, at the Easter Vigil. In order to prepare those who were to receive those sacraments, a special period of preparation (eventually lasting forty days) gradually developed. By the time of the Second Vatican Council, the initiatory character of Lent had long been forgotten, and it had become simply a time of penance focused on individual spiritual renewal. The introduction of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the revision of the Lectionary after the Council have changed all of that. Now the Sunday scripture readings during Lent are very carefully selected with an eye to the journey of those preparing to be initiated at the Easter Vigil. Once again, the entire community is asked to undergo penance in solidarity with the candidates for Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. Thus, in order to appreciate fully the meaning of the readings during this season, the "filter" through which they must be heard is always the knowledge that we are helping to prepare our sisters and brothers in the catechumenate for their initiation at the Easter Vigil. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



Christian Initiation of Adults

God doesn't want our deeds; God wants the love that prompts them. —St. Teresa of Ávila

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

Sunday, February 26, 2023

✠ **We Remember: ST. ALEXANDER OF ALEXANDRIA (c. 250-328)**, Patriarch of Alexandria, Egypt, was responsible for confronting one of his own priests, **Arius**, who in his teaching denied the divinity of Christ. Though Alexander condemned this false teaching, the *Arian heresy* spread and caused much turmoil throughout the Church. Alexander was also responsible for recognizing the great gifts of Athanasius, whom he made his deacon and right hand man. Both of them attended the Council of Nicea (325), where Arius was again condemned. Alexander died shortly after his return to Alexandria; Athanasius succeeded him as patriarch of the city and went on to become of the four great Greek Doctors of the Church, the *Father of Orthodoxy* and *Champion of Christ's Divinity*, whose life work was the defeat of Arianism. [Feast of St. Athanasius is **May 2.**] (B)

Monday, February 27, 2023

✠ **We Remember:** Julian Calendar Lent begins; **ST. GREGORY OF NAREK** (c. 945-1003): Grigor Narekatsi was an Armenian mystical and lyrical poet, monk, and theologian. He is venerated as a saint in the Armenian Apostolic and Catholic Churches and was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Francis in 2015. ✠ **ST. ANNE LINE (+1601)** was an Englishwoman hanged at Tyburn for harboring priests during the persecution of the Church. She was beatified in 1929 and canonized in 1970 as one of the **Forty Martyrs of England and Wales**.

✠ **ST. GABRIEL OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS (1838-1862)** was born at Assisi and educated at Spoleto by the Jesuits. Francis Possenti joined the **Passionists**, taking the name above. Consumed with love and veneration for the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady, today's saint, like St. Teresa of the Little Flower, died at the age of 26 of tuberculosis. *He attained perfection by heroic self-denial in small things*, and was canonized in 1920. (R,B)

• In 280, **CONSTANTINE THE GREAT** was born in Naissus, Moesia [now Niš, Serbia]. • In 380, the **EMPEROR THEODOSIUS** issued an edict regarding the Catholic faith, suppressing Arianism and promoting unity. • In 1509, the **INQUISITION** was ended in France by order of the King's Great Council, and all those accused or imprisoned were absolved and freed. (W)

Tuesday, February 28, 2023

✠ **We Remember: ST. HILARY (Hilarus) (+468)** was "a Sardinian by birth who was given high office in the Roman curia by St. Leo the Great, who sent him as his legate to the *Robber Synod of Ephesus*, from which he escaped with difficulty (449)." He was made pope in 461 and worked energetically to consolidate the Church and combat heresies; "he was a great benefactor to the churches in Rome."

✠ Also remembered today are four great medieval women in the church: **BL. ANGELA OF FOLIGNO (1309)**; **BL. HEDWIG OF POLAND** (also called *Jadwiga*) (1399); **BL. ANTONIA OF FLORENCE (1472)**; and **BL. LOUISA ALBERTONI (1533)**.

Wednesday, March 1, 2023

✠ **We Remember: DAVID OF WALES (+600)**, principal patron saint of Wales, founded a monastery at Mynyw (Menevia), which became a veritable nursery of saints. He founded a dozen monasteries and many miracles are attributed to him; his relics still survive and are enshrined in the cathedral. (B) "His feast is not on the General Roman Calendar, but is celebrated by the Church of England and the Episcopal Church in the USA on this day," says McBrien. (LS) ✠ In 1562, **Huguenots were massacred** at Vassy, France, provoking the first war of religion in that country.

✠ **BLESSED GIOVANNAMARIA BONOMO (1606-1670)** was "a controversial mystic who was severely punished by her local bishop," says Gallick. A Benedictine nun who began experiencing visions and ecstasies soon after making religious vows, she incurred the bishop's wrath for "her belief that salvation could come only through abandoning oneself completely to God." He ordered her to burn all her writings, and "for seven years she was not allowed to write to her father or speak to anyone outside the monastery. Nonetheless, her community elected her abbess in 1652 and, like many of the great mystics, she proved to be an outstanding manager. She received many gifts and contributions, and distributed the best of them to the needy, saying: "Does it seem right to give the worst to the poor?" After her death, a representative of the bishop tried to break up the crowds who had gathered to venerate her, furious that people were calling her a saint. "What saint? She is a nun like all the others." The crowd threatened to stone him and forced him to flee. She is buried at the church is named for her in Asiago, Vicenza, Italy. (BB)

✠ In 1643, the death of **Girolamo Frescobaldi** in Rome. A noted composer and expert organist at St. Peter's Basilica, many of his compositions became favorites with later composers who wrote transcripts and themes based on them — among them Bela Bartok and Ottorino Respighi. Frescobaldi wrote more than 65 works for his beloved instrument in addition to many for voice. (W)

Thursday, March 2, 2023

✠ **We Remember: ST. CHAD (+673)** was educated at Lindisfarne under **St. Aidan**, and in Ireland. He returned to England as an abbot, became a bishop in York and then Mercia, where he died; his relics are preserved in the cathedral dedicated to him in Birmingham (England). (B) ✠ **JOHN WESLEY (1703-1791)** died on this day. Anglican priest (1728), evangelist and founder of **Methodism**, Wesley was influenced by Moravian teaching, experienced a conversion, and devoted the rest of his life to preaching. Churches were closed to him, so he preached in the open, traveling an average of 8,000 miles a year on horseback. Although he wanted the movement to remain with the **Church of England**, by 1784 the Methodists had removed themselves from it. Wesley's journeys took him to Ireland and Scotland; at his death, there were more than 71,000 members in Great Britain and 43,000 in America. (F) • In 1983, **POPE JOHN PAUL II** flew to Central America, visiting each country there. He said Masses before a total of 2.5 million people, including 500,000 Indian people of Guatemala. He was also harassed while preaching at a Mass in Nicaragua.

Friday, March 3, 2023

✠ **We Remember: World Day of Prayer; BL. KATHARINE DREXEL (1858-1955)**, religious foundress of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored People, was 96 when she died on this date in 1955. A daughter of privilege, she joined the Sisters of Mercy in 1889, but anxious to do missionary work among blacks and Indians, she left and two years later founded — of necessity, since no existing order fit the vision — her own order. **Pope John Paul II**, who beatified her on Nov. 20, 1988, said, "In her day, American Indians and blacks in the United States suffered great injustices as a result of racial prejudice. Seeing clearly the evil of the situation, she set out with determination to combat it and overcome it." By the time of her death, her order staffed 66 schools in 23 states, including predominantly black Xavier College in New Orleans, and many schools in Indian communities in the Southwest. (B)

Saturday, March 4, 2023

✠ **We Remember: ST. CASIMIR (1458-1484)**, whose father was King of Poland and Grand Duke of Lithuania, died today, a 26-year-old victim of consumption. He was an intelligent, generous young prince. Always joyful, he showed deep concern over national affairs. But above all he was devoted to prayer, to the Blessed Sacrament and the poor. (V)

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Thinking About the Meaning of Lent

LENT IN A VERY SPECIAL WAY reminds us that we are pilgrims. For seven weeks we walk with Christ, in response to his invitation, "Let us go up to Jerusalem." The penances, the fasting, and all the other aspects of Lent are the hardships of the journey. The Church gives us the cross of ashes on Ash Wednesday to show that we have pledged ourselves to **walk with Christ** during Lent. Robert Claiborne's *Roots of English* tells us that the word "LENT" derives from the Latin *longus*, the Germanic *long*, whence *LENGTH*, *LINGER* (*stay a long time*) and the proto-Germanic term for Spring, *lantinaz*, "a time of lengthening (days)," whence **LENT**. For Christians, this period is traditionally seen as a time for reflection, prayer and penance, an occasion to concentrate on non-worldly concerns and to reject purely material values. Lent is a six and one-half week period from **Ash Wednesday** to **Easter Sunday**. During Lent, for 40 days, excluding Sundays, fasting is recommended for all Catholics according to the laws of the fast. This is reminiscent of the 40 days of our Lord's unbroken fast (**Mt. 4:3-4**). The entire period of Lent is also a time of spiritual preparation for the passion, death, and resurrection of Christ. The liturgy of the Church reflects the significance of this period of spiritual preparation: each day has a special Mass assigned to it; those Masses date back to the seventh and eighth centuries; there are no feasts observed on Sundays; purple vestments are the daily color (except Laetare Sunday); the Gloria and Alleluia are omitted, and a special Preface of the season is said; the solemnization of marriage is forbidden. Sources: *The International Dictionary of Religion* by Richard Kennedy; *The Catholic Encyclopedia* by Robert Broderick; and the *Catholic Almanac* by Felician A. Foy, O.F.M.