

Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago



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Week of April 26—May 2, 2020

DUE TO THE CORONAVIRUS PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY, the O'Hare and Midway Chapels will follow the directives issued by government officials and the Archdiocese of Chicago: *Group Worship Services and Public celebration of Mass are suspended until further notice.* The Chapels will remain open for personal prayer 24/7. I



ask that you please pray for our airport workers and travelers and their families during these uncertain and difficult times. Please also pray for health care workers and their loved ones.

Please check our website, www.airportchapels.org or call 773-686-2636 and press 3 for any updated information. Know that you & your families are always in my prayers.

May God bless you always,

Fr. Michael Zaniolo

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Interfaith Calendar & Events

→ **Maidyozarem Gahambar** is a Zoroastrian midsummer festival in honor of the celestial universe that takes place **April 30-May 4**. (The 2020 Interfaith Calendar, Council of Religious Leaders of Metropolitan Chicago)

Since there are no public Masses being celebrated at the Chapels during the month of May, your intentions will be celebrated by the priests privately; the times were as originally scheduled.

ORD Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

05/01/20 (11:30 a.m.) † Patricia C. Jones req. by Ida Zaniolo
05/02/20 (4:00 p.m.) † Josephine & Marie Dorsey req. by Family
(6:00 p.m.) † Marilyn Hepp req. by Chris Haas

MDW Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

05/01/20 (11:30 a.m.) † Patricia Jones req. by Family
05/02/20 (4:00 p.m.) • John & Helen Dominici req. by John Dominici

• Denotes Living/Special Intention † Denotes Deceased/Memorial

Chapel Staff Birthdays & Anniversaries

→ Birthday blessing go out to **Thomas Havlicek** and **Evelyn Pearson**, **Apr. 26**, and **Thomas Trubiroha** Monday, **Apr. 29**.
→ **Fr. Mark Kalema** (1986) and **Deacon Luis Trevino** (1993) observe their anniversary of ordination **May 1**.

Jubilee Holy Year on the occasion of The Centenary of the Proclamation of Our Lady of Loreto as Patron Saint of Aviation December 8, 2019 – December 10, 2020

Why is the Church celebrating this Jubilee? The Holy House, which according to an ancient pious tradition was carried by angels in flight, inspired the aviators of the First World War to rely on the Blessed Virgin of Loreto. At that time, in fact, airplanes were popularly called "flying houses". Thus Pope Benedict XV, on 24 March 1920, declared the Blessed Virgin Mary of Loreto "principal patroness to God for all aircraft". The centenary of the proclamation is therefore the occasion of this Jubilee. For more information, visit <http://www.cacc.us/Jubilee100.pdf>



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Third Sunday of Easter — April 26, 2020

You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence. — Acts 2:28

GOD'S PLAN

Saint Peter speaks to us twice today. In the first reading, we hear an excerpt from his sermon on Pentecost; in the second, part of his first letter. Once a frightened, uneducated fisherman who often said just the wrong thing, now Peter is speaking what he knows to be true. Everything Jesus had said now makes sense. His death and rising were all part of God's plan, and our faith and hope can be centered on God.



Today's Gospel tells the story of Jesus' walk to Emmaus with two of the disciples. Frightened, sad, and confused, the two of them don't recognize Jesus, who tells them what we heard Peter say above: All this had to happen as part of God's plan. In the end, these disciples recognize Jesus as we are to recognize him—in the breaking of the bread.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — God has raised the crucified Jesus, who now pours forth the Holy Spirit upon us (Acts 2:14, 22-33).

Psalms — Lord, you will show us the path of life (Psalm 16).

Second Reading — Our faith and hope are in God, who raised Jesus from the dead (1 Peter 1:17-21).

Gospel — Through his words and in the breaking of the bread, the risen Christ made himself known to two disciples on their way to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35).



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51 – 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59, or, for the memorial, Gn 1:26 – 2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 90:2-4, 12-14, 16; Mt 13:54-58
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 23:1-6; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10

Six years ago, **April 27, 2014**, Pope Francis will presided at the canonization of two of his predecessors, **Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II**. "John XXIII was courageous, a good country priest, with a great sense of humor, and great holiness. He was a man who let himself be guided by the Lord," said Pope Francis. "Regarding John Paul II, I would say he was 'the great missionary of the Church': he was a missionary, a man who carried the Gospel everywhere...and to canonize them both together will be, I believe, a message for the Church: these two were wonderful, both of them."

Chicago's Cardinal George said: "The canonization of blessed Popes John XXIII and John Paul II will be a joyful moment. The history of the Church is the story of holiness. It is a centuries long saga of disciples growing ever closer to the Lord. Both Popes now join the great chorus of those recognized publicly as friends of the Lord, witnesses to the transforming power of God's grace active in human lives. This canonization will encourage everyone to stay on the path of discipleship."

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

Third Sunday of Easter, April 26, 2020

✠ **We Remember:** On this day, the Church remembers her third pope, **ST. CLETUS**, a Roman converted by **St. Peter** who was elected pope c. 79 and suffered martyrdom, probably in Rome; Eusebius states that he died in the twelfth year of Emperor Domitian's reign (81-96) - that would be some **1900 years ago**. It is possible he had been a slave, and he is also known by the Greek version of his name, Anacletus, which means "**blameless**." Cletus is commemorated in the ancient canon of the Mass.

✠ We also commemorate **ST. MARCELLINUS (+304)**, another pope who guided the Church from **293-304**, martyred during the persecution of Diocletian. (D) ■ In **1214**, the birth of **St. Louis IX**, King of France, in Poissy. He built the beautiful **Sainte-Chapelle** in Paris, founded the French navy and allowed citizens to appeal their law cases to the crown. (W) ■ In **1874**, the birth of **ABBOT FREDERIC DUNN, OCSO**, in Ironton, Ohio. He was fifth Abbot of the famed **Gethsemani Trappist Abbey** in Kentucky and the first American to hold that position.

Monday, April 27, 2020

✠ **We Remember:** Though **ST. ZITA** died in **1278**, her Christian witness of servanthood, charity and integrity inspires us still. Born in **1218** into "a humble household, as pious as it was poor," she had a special devotion to criminals under sentence of death, on whose behalf she would spend hours in prayer. In such works of mercy and in divine contemplation she spent the evening of her life." Zita died peacefully at age 60, having spent 48 years serving the same family. To this day her body lies in the church of San Frediano at Lucca, which she had attended so regularly throughout her life. (L) • In **1875**, the first Catholic priest to be elevated to the **cardinalate** was **JOHN McCLOSKEY (1810-1885)**, who was named cardinal by **Pope Pius IX** and invested in the cathedral on Mott Street, New York. (W)

Tuesday, April 28, 2020

✠ **We Remember:** **ST. PETER CHANEL** is remembered today; the Church honors the first martyr of Oceania - the vast region of the islands of the Pacific. Born (**1803**) in France, Peter Chanel became a diocesan priest. He served selflessly as an assistant pastor, pastor, and seminary rector. In **1836**, he joined the newly-formed Society of Mary, and was sent to Oceania. Pagan practices and Protestant opposition made his work discouraging, but he found courage in his morning Mass. Finally he converted the son of the King of Futuna in Polynesia. For that conversion, he was martyred on this day in **1841**. Within a short time, the number of baptisms was incredible, not only on Futuna, but on Wallis, Tonga, and all the other islands. St. Peter Chanel was canonized by His Holiness, **Pope Pius XII**, in **1954**.

Wednesday, April 29, 2020

✠ **We Remember:** **ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA**, the 23rd child of hard-working parents, Catherine was born in Siena, Italy, in 1347. She showed early signs of unusual sanctity, joined the Third Order of Dominicans, and became spiritual guide to many. Catherine influenced public affairs. She encouraged the Pope to leave Avignon in 1377 and return to Rome. She dictated profound spiritual writings, died in on this day in 1380, and in 1970 was declared Doctor of the Church. She was made patroness of Italy in 1939.

Thursday, April 30, 2020

✠ **We Remember:** **MICHAEL GHISLIERI** was only thirteen when the Augustinian priest and doctor of theology, **MARTIN LUTHER**, posted his 95 theses concerning matters of Catholic belief and practice at Wittenberg Cathedral in Germany on Oct. 31, 1517. But it would fall to Michael, as **POPE PIUS V**, to implement the Catholic Church's response to the **PROTESTANT REFORMATION**, which was ushered in on that fateful day. He entered the Dominican Order at 14 and was ordained in 1528. Thirty years later, after being ordained a bishop, Pope Paul IV named him a cardinal, in 1566 he was elected pope, thanks in great part to the influence of **St. Charles Borromeo**. Though his pontificate would last only six years, he would accomplish much. Pope Pius immediately began the work of reforming the Church. His austere and severe disposition was well fitted for the task of combating the loose discipline of that time in many ecclesiastical quarters, including the Roman curia. He carried out the Decrees of the **COUNCIL OF TRENT (1545-1563)**, promulgated a catechism, and published a new Breviary and a new Missal. This set the norms followed by the Catholic Church until the Second Vatican Council concluded 400 years later (1962-65). He deleted some of the extravagant details in the lives of the saints; authorized a critical edition of the works of **ST. THOMAS AQUINAS** and proclaimed him Doctor of the Church; insisted on the catechetical teaching of the young as the duty of all parish priests, and he called for adequate instruction prior to baptism for adults. Pope Pius' support of Mary Stuart caused Queen Elizabeth I to launch a severe persecution of Catholics in England, which in turn led the pope to excommunicate her in **1570**. He did, however, succeed in forming an alliance between Spain and Venice which ultimately led to the defeat of the Turkish armada at Lepanto on Oct. 7, 1571, which staved off the invasion of Eastern Europe. In gratitude, Pope Pius V instituted the feast of Our Lady of Victory, later renamed Our Lady of the Rosary. Moreover, the invocation *Mary, Help*

of Christians, was added to the Litany of Loreto, and he promoted the recitation of the rosary. He died in Rome May 1, 1572, but his feast is celebrated today because May 1 is the feast of St. Joseph the Worker. Canonized a saint in 1712. (B,S,A,P)

Friday, May 1, 2020

✠ **We Remember:** The first day of May - "**May Day**" - has long been dedicated to labor and the working person. The feast of **ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER** was instituted by **Pope Pius XII**. He expressed the hope that this feast would help in teaching the dignity of labor, and would also bring a spiritual dimension to labor unions and labor legislation. The relationship between St. Joseph and the cause of workers has a long history. In any effort to keep Jesus from being removed from ordinary human life, the Church, from the beginning, proudly emphasized that Jesus was a carpenter, obviously trained by Joseph in both the satisfactions and the drudgery of that vocation. (V,S)

Saturday, May 2, 2020

✠ **We Remember:** One of the giants of the early Christian Church, **ST. ATHANASIUS**, died on this day 1635 years ago. Given titles such as "*the Father of Orthodoxy*," "*Pillar of the Church*," and "*Champion of Christ's Divinity*," Athanasius was born c. 295 in Alexandria, Egypt. He was educated, ordained a deacon, and three years after the Council of Nicaea (June, 325) - at which he played a leading role - he was named Bishop of Alexandria. The persecutions of Roman emperors ended in 311. Shortly thereafter a basic heresy arose to threaten the Church from within. Arius, a priest of Alexandria in Egypt, denied Christ's divinity. His teachings, known as Arianism, were condemned by the **Council of Nicaea** and battled by Athanasius. As Bishop of Alexandria for 45 years (**328-373**), Athanasius suffered exile five times and remained the intrepid writer and champion of faith in Jesus Christ, true God and true man. He also wrote a biography of St. Anthony the Hermit, in which we learn of the beginnings of the monastic movement. (When St. Anthony died, he bequeathed "*a garment and a sheep skin to the bishop Athanasius*.") In addition to his rule as bishop of Alexandria, he became spiritual head of the desert hermits and of Ethiopia. His letters are important historical and often doctrinal documents. For St. Athanasius, the Church is the instrument through which salvation is transmitted. It is the Church that forms the believing community "*into a liturgical, institutional, and theological celebration of the divine incarnation*." St. Athanasius returned to his see and spent the last 11 years of his life in peace. (D,B,L,S)

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SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA (1347-1380) —April 29

Imagine the pope receiving a young woman still in her twenties who addresses him as "my sweet Christ on earth," then orders: "Get back to Rome where you belong!" Amazingly, Gregory XI complied! Yet this was but one astonishing incident in the extraordinary life of Catherine of Siena, a truly unique medieval woman. Youngest of twenty-five children, Catherine refused marriage and became a Dominican Tertiary at sixteen, cloistering herself at home in contemplative prayer, austere penances, and mystical experiences, culminating in "spiritual espousal" to Christ. Then, incarnating the Dominican ideal of "passing on to others the fruits of contemplation," Catherine left her solitude to care for the poor, nurse the sick, comfort the dying, and bury the dead. Increasingly renowned for converting souls and healing bodies, she was sought after to broker peace during civil wars and Church schisms. All this, and like Jesus, whom she called "my Divine Spouse," she died at thirty-three! Four hundred letters and her spiritual classic *The Dialogue* inspired Paul VI to name her, together with Teresa of Ávila, the first women Doctors of the Church. —Peter Scagnelli, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



STAY WITH US, LORD

Walk with us, Lord,
along the road of resurrection!
Explain for us, so slow to believe,
the things that Scripture says of you.
Break the bread of the Eucharist with us
whenever we share our lives
with our brothers and sisters.
Stay with us
each time night approaches
and the daylight fades in our hearts!

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LETTER OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS to the Faithful for the Month of May 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The month of May is approaching, a time when the People of God express with particular intensity their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this "family" aspect, also from a spiritual point of view.

For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations, making the most of both opportunities. The key to doing this is always simplicity, and it is easy also on the internet to find good models of prayers to follow.

I am also providing two prayers to Our Lady that you can recite at the end of the Rosary, and that I myself will pray in the month of May, in spiritual union with all of you. I include them with this letter so that they are available to everyone.

Dear brothers and sisters, contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial. I keep all of you in my prayers, especially those suffering most greatly, and I ask you, please, to pray for me. I thank you, and with great affection I send you my blessing.

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 25 April 2020
Feast of Saint Mark the Evangelist

FRANCIS

First Prayer

O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith.

"Protectress of the Roman people," you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

Second Prayer

"We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God."

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.