

Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago

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Week of May 31—June 6, 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

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

Fr. Zaniolo Interviewed for Crux Magazine

→ **Fr. Michael Zaniolo** was interviewed for a story about the impact of the pandemic on the airport chapel ministry by Jack Lyons for CRUX, an online news site dedicated to offering independent coverage of the Vatican and the Catholic Church. Here is a link to the article, which is entitled, "Airport chaplain says ministry 'different but the same' during pandemic": <https://cruxnow.com/church-in-the-usa/2020/05/airport-chaplain-says-ministry-different-but-the-same-during-pandemic/>



Chapel Staff Birthdays & Anniversaries

→ Birthday blessings to **Fr. Thomas Reformat** and **Ms. Carla Turner** this Tuesday, **June 2**.

Since there are no public Masses being celebrated at the Chapels until services resume, your intentions will be celebrated by the priests privately. Times listed are times the Masses were originally scheduled.

ORD Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

- 05/30/20 4:00 p.m. • Francis V. Fanter req. by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Fanter
6:00 p.m. • Eugene Rymut req. by Jerry Rymut
05/31/20 6:30 a.m. • Melton Family req. by Patricia Melton
9:00 a.m. † Carolyn Kneip req. by Mike & Margaret Brennan
11:00 a.m. † James E. Killian req. by John E. Breen
1:00 p.m. • Susan Riley req. by Steve & Barbara Ohotnicky
06/01/20 11:30 a.m. • Simantrikis Family req. by Scott & Lisa DeBoer
06/02/20 11:30 a.m. • Mary Lynch Bailey req. by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Bailey
06/03/20 11:30 a.m. † Peter Collier req. by Mary Collier
06/04/20 11:30 a.m. • Family & Friends of coronavirus patients— Mary Lou Mathiowetz
06/05/20 11:30 a.m. † Patricia C. Jones req. by Aida Zaniolo
• Denotes Living/Special Intention † Denotes Deceased/Memorial

MW Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

- 05/30/20 4:00 p.m. • Steve & Arlene Cullen req. by Rosanne Sutkowski
05/01/20 9:00 a.m. † Emily Ohotnicky req. by Stephen & Barbara Ohotnicky
11:00 a.m. • Justine & Rocky Rothstein req. by Justine & Tina Rothstein
06/01/20 11:30 a.m. • Kenneth Winkler req. by John Winkler
06/02/20 11:30 a.m. † Patrick Kelley Inglis req. by Robert Inglis, Jr.
06/03/20 11:30 a.m. -----
06/04/20 11:30 a.m. † Ann Winkler req. by John Winkler
06/05/20 11:30 a.m. • Mary Daly req. by Peter & Suzanne Daly
• Denotes Living/Special Intention † Denotes Deceased/Memorial

In Memoriam: Bernice Fortini (1933-2020)

O'Hare Chapel volunteer **Bernice Fortini**, 87, passed away peacefully of natural causes May 25, 2020. Loving wife of the late Robert (Bob) Fortini; beloved mother of Eileen (Kim) Morehouse, Paul (Josephine) Fortini and Jean Fortini; dear sister of Gail (Walter) Powers; fond aunt of Daniel and Kevin Powers and their families.

Bernice was a long-time parishioner, volunteer, Eucharistic Minister and friend of the O'Hare Airport Chapel. The Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass was her Mass of choice. For their service to the O'Hare Chapel community, Bernice and her late husband Bob were both honored with the Christifideles Award, given to laypeople for outstanding service by the Archdiocese of Chicago.



A private service was held May 30, followed by interment at All Saints Cemetery. The family will hold a memorial luncheon at a future date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Des Plaines Self Help Closet and Food Pantry, 600 E. Algonquin, Des Plaines, IL 60016 or the O'Hare Interfaith Chapel at Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago, P.O. Box 66353, Chicago, Illinois 60666.

Bernice, her energetic spirit and her gift for conversation will be missed. Please pray for the repose of her soul and remember her family in your prayers.

Pentecost Sunday — May 31, 2020

There appeared to them tongues as of fire, which parted and came to rest on each one of them. — Acts 2:3

THE RICHNESS OF THE SPIRIT

Students, and most adults recalling their school days, are familiar with the phrase "compare and contrast" that shows up from time to time on tests. Today we hear two different accounts of the giving of the Holy Spirit to the church. Let's contrast, then compare. Luke's account from Acts is filled with arresting details: the mighty wind from heaven, the tongues of flame, the miracle of different languages. John's account seems timid: fearful disciples, the wounded Christ, the expelling of breath from his risen body, not from the sky. Our literal, modern minds wonder which way it happened; our noisy culture probably makes us prefer the former. But if we compare the two, we find that the dazzling richness of the Spirit fills both accounts, for it is the very breath of the risen Christ, ascended to the sky in Luke, that appears to his disciples in John and sends his followers forth to carry on his mission of forgiving sin and proclaiming the mighty acts of God. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Filled with the Holy Spirit, the apostles begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-11). **Psalm** — Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth (Psalm 104). **Second Reading** — In one Spirit we are baptized into one body and given to drink of one Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13). **Gospel** — Jesus Christ appears to the disciples and sends them on their mission with the power to forgive or retain sins through the Holy Spirit (John 20:19-23).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday: 2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18; Ps 90:2-4, 10, 14, 16; Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 123:1b-2; Mk 12:18-27
Thursday: 2 Tm 2:8-15; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-10, 14; Mk 12:28-34
Friday: 2 Tm 3:10-17; Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168; 1-6; Mk 12:35-37

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

SUNDAY, MAY 31, 2020

✦ **We Remember: Pentecost Sunday** celebrates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles following the Ascension of Jesus; sometimes called the "birthday of the Church." Name indicates the 50th day after Easter; referred to as **Whitsunday** by Anglican Christians. Observed by Orthodox Christians next Sunday, **June 7.** ✦ **THE VISITATION OF MARY TO ELIZABETH** - Luke's Gospel tells how Mary, after the Annunciation, visited her cousin Elizabeth. Today, between the feast of the Annunciation and the birth of John the Baptist, we celebrate the **Visitation**. The scene is one of joy, promise and hope because of God's recent actions for Mary and Elizabeth. (V) Liturgical observance transferred to June 1.

MONDAY, JUNE 1, 2020

✦ **We Remember: ST. JUSTIN MARTYR**, a layman, exerted a strong influence in the early Church. He went through a difficult intellectual struggle to find Christ. Born in Samaria around **100 A.D.**, he studied various philosophies and was converted to Christ when about 30 years old. Justin taught in Ephesus, later opened a school in Rome, and wrote defenses of Christianity. He wrote our oldest descriptions of the Baptismal rite and of Sunday Mass. Justin died a heroic martyr's death in about **165**, during the persecution of the philosopher Emperor, Marcus Aurelius. (V)

TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2020

✦ **We Remember: Saints MARCELLINUS and PETER** are associated with the **catacombs** - those vast underground burial chambers of special importance for the early centuries of our faith. The catacombs of Marcellinus and Peter, located outside Rome, contain the richest collection of early Christian paintings. A beautiful inscription from **Pope Damasus** states that Peter and Marcellinus demonstrated edifying serenity in the face of death. They were martyred around **304 or 305**. The family of Constantine built a large basilica in their honor. (V)

✦ **In 1987, FR. ANTHONY DE MELLO** (1987) died suddenly of a heart attack at the age of 56. Director of the Sadhana Institute of Pastoral Counseling in India, he was internationally recognized for his bestselling books (*Sadhana: A Way to God; One Minute Wisdom; The Song of the Bird; Well-springs; Taking Flight, Awareness, The Way to Love*) and guided prayer cassettes. "Too much of our lives," he said, "is spent in the past, worrying about our mistakes, living fearfully, and carrying around heavy loads of guilt. Or too much in the future, paralyzed with fear of what is about to happen." A fellow Jesuit, Fr. Myron Perira, wrote, "In the area of spirituality, Tony brought us back to what Ignatius (the founder of the Jesuits) would call the central place of consolation in prayer - that is, the experience of being loved by God. And through consolation, he asked us to allow ourselves to feel - anger, passion, desire, joy, and peace - and then to pass from feeling to silence. In this he borrowed freely from the great religious traditions of East and West and shared his treasures with all as freely. In those days after Vatican II, this was heady stuff, indeed. But thus it is that revolutionized the interior lives of so many religious, who earlier had just stuck it out through sheer duty. In this, too, Tony was a sign of an age to come."

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2020

✦ **We Remember: St. Charles Lwanga and Companions:** Charles was "one of 22 Christians (both Catholic and Protestant) martyred in Uganda in 1885-86. Canonized as a group in 1964, they are honored as the 'protomartyrs' of black Africa in the Roman calendar." [E] "They died in a persecution similar to those of the ancient Roman emperors. Most of them has been baptized but a short time. Charles Lwanga, chief of the royal pages, was killed with twelve companions on this date in 1886." [V] "They are the first group from 100 Catholics and Protestants who were murdered by the vicious King Mwanga. They...were canonized during the third session of the Second Vatican Council, with the entire Catholic episcopate in attendance. In 1885 he (Mwanga) murdered a group of Christians together with their Anglican bishop Hannington, under the pretext that they were guilty of espionage. Later in the same year he had Joseph Mkasa beheaded, together with some of the court pages, because they 'prayed from the book.' In 1886 Charles Lwanga and twelve companions were sentenced to death. The youngest in the group was Kizito, a lad of 13 years. Another member was Matthew Malumba, 'the most beautiful flower of the crown,' who had first converted to the Moslem religion, then to the Protestant, and finally became a Catholic. "Charles Lwanga has been declared patron of Catholic Action and of black African youth. Within a year after their martyrdom the number of catechumens rose from 800 to 3,000. In the decree of their canonization in 1964, Pope Paul VI hailed the martyrdom of Anglicans and Catholics in Uganda as strengthening the hope of Christian unity." [S] ✦ **June 3, 1963**, the death of **St. Pope John XXIII**, 81, in Rome. This beloved Pontiff convened Vatican II to modernize the Church and encouraged lay people to take a much larger role in it. He died of cancer. His feast day is observed October 11.

THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2020

✦ **We Remember: ST. OPTATUS**, Bishop of Milevis in Numidia, North Africa, is remembered today. This father was an African, highly praised by

St. Augustine, and ranked with Augustine and **Ambrose** by **St. Fulgentius**. Optatus was a leading opponent of **Donatism** and wrote a famous treatise in about **370** refuting this heresy. The treatise is still extant and is a historically important document, since it speaks of the supremacy of the Pope, the validity of the sacraments, and refers to the veneration of relics. He died **c. 387**. (P)

FRIDAY, JUNE 5, 2020

✦ **We Remember: ST. BONIFACE (680-754), Apostle to the Germans.** An Anglo-Saxon, Boniface became a Benedictine monk at Exeter and in **716** set out for Germany on his first missionary expedition - which proved a failure. In 718 he left England again, this time for Rome, to get the pope's blessing on his enterprise, and forthwith evangelized the Germans. Boniface traveled constantly, establishing dioceses and monasteries. His most beloved monastery was at Fulda (where his body now rests), the foundation of which was laid in 746; this great abbey was long the most renowned seminary in that part of the world. Boniface was martyred in his old age, with 52 companions, on this day in **754** by pagan fanatics. (B,D,V)

SATURDAY, JUNE 6, 2020

✦ **We Remember: ST. NORBERT (1080-1134)** might well have been a completely forgotten medieval nobleman had it not been for the tremendous power of a **conversion experience**. Born in Germany's Rhineland, he was related to the emperor, impressive in appearance, worldly, a seeker of pleasure. He received minor orders and an appointment as canon in the church of St. Victor in Xanten, where he was born, and other benefices. Emperor Henry V appointed him his almoner, and he joined in the diversions of courtly life, though he nurtured a more reflective side. One day he was out in the country when a violent thunderstorm overtook him. There was a flash of lightning and he was thrown from his horse. He lay as though dead for nearly an hour. When he came to, his first words were the same as Saul's on the road to Damascus: "Lord, what will you have me do?" An inner voice replied "Turn from evil and do good: seek after peace and pursue it." He was 33. Christmas Day, 1115, Norbert was ordained a priest. Like Francis of Assisi about 100 years later, Norbert gave away everything, dressed as a poor man, and began preaching against the easy life of the clergy and the need for Christians to surrender their vices. At first he was not taken seriously. Then he was summoned before a council in **1118**, accused of slandering the clergy and preaching without permission. His response: to walk, barefoot, to see the pope, who had taken refuge in Provence. **GELASIUS II** authorized him to preach everywhere in the Latin Church. A year later there was a new pope, and in **1119**, **Calixtus II** asked Norbert to found a religious community in a forested area in France between Rheims and Laon known as **Premontre**, which he did with 13 companions. They were called **PREMONSTRATIENSIS**, after the locality (also, Norbertines or White Canons). Meeting the young **HUGH OF FOSSES**, then serving as a bishop's chaplain, Norbert found a dear and trusted collaborator, friend, and protege for the fledgling order. He would be Norbert's successor. The new religious order grew rapidly, energizing and reforming both laypeople and clergy. In the lifetime of Norbert's successor Hugh, almost 100 monasteries in 29 provinces existed. The Premonstratensians were innovative, providing a link between the strictly contemplative life of the monks of the preceding ages and the more active life the friars that would follow in the 13th century. Norbert adopted the rule of **St. Augustine of Hippo** for his new order. A friend of **St. Bernard of Clairvaux**, founder of the Cistercian order - cloistered monks who lived in silence - Norbert modelled the constitution of his new order after them. They fasted frequently and abstained entirely from meats, but Norbert's congregation was dedicated to preaching, teaching and pastoral work, thus differing from ordinary monks by their active presence in society. (In their turn, the Dominicans borrowed from the Premonstratensians.) It was also different because of its provision for women in double monasteries, though these gradually were suppressed because of public religious opinion. In **1126**, just eleven years after his ordination, Norbert became archbishop of Magdeburg and went about evangelizing eastern Germany and reforming his clergy. With St. Bernard and Hugh, he worked hard to mend the schism that occurred after the death of **Honorius II**, who had confirmed his order in **1126**. He defended **Pope Innocent II** in **1130** from the claim of an antipope, Anacletus II. Norbert prevailed upon the German king to defend Innocent and kept the German Church on his side. St. Norbert died on this day in **1134**, twenty years after his life-changing conversion. **Gregory XIII** canonized him in **1582**. The Premonstratensians, at one time, had a thousand male and five hundred female abbeys, but the order was nearly destroyed by the French revolution. Today its center of strength is in Belgium, where there are several restored medieval abbeys. Over time, a more contemplative and less active orientation took hold. Their habit is all white. Devotion to the **Blessed Sacrament** was especially encouraged by them. The full name is the **Order of the Canons Regular of Premontre (O. Praem.)** In the U.S., St. Norbert's College at De Pere, Wisconsin, is sponsored by a Norbertine abbey. (V,B,S)