

# Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago

## Chicago Midway and O'Hare International Airports



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### Week of September 8 – September 14, 2024

#### 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

- **September 8-17: Das Lakshana Parva** begins — a 10-day festival during which one day each is observed in reverence of a different virtue, similar to Paryushan observed by Jain Digambers sect.
- **Paitishahem Gahambar**, a Zoroastrian harvest festival in honor of the earth, begins Thursday, **Sept. 12**, concludes Monday, **Sept. 16**.
- Source: **The 2024 Interfaith Calendar**, Council of Religious Leaders of Metropolitan Chicago

#### ORD Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

- 09/07/24** 4:00 p.m. • Appleyard Family req. by Scott DeBoer  
6:00 p.m. † Jim & Jenny Franco req. by Family  
† George A. Jedlicka
- 09/08/24** 9:00 a.m. † Joseph Cozzone by Fr. Michael Zaniolo & Susan Schneider  
11:00 a.m. • Carl Coslick req. by Carl Coslick
- 09/09/24** 11:30 a.m. • Jacob Rogala req. by Marie Rogala
- 09/10/24** 11:30 a.m. • Paul Coslick req. by Carl Coslick
- 09/11/24** 11:30 a.m. † John & Mary Forrette req. by Marcine & John Forrette, Jr.
- 09/12/24** 11:30 a.m. † Francis & Jean Heger req. by Marcine & John Forrette, Jr.
- 09/13/24** 11:30 a.m. • Aida Zaniolo req. by Ida Zaniolo

#### MDW Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

- 09/08/24** 9:00 a.m. † Fr. Joseph Kelchak req. by Scott DeBoer  
11:00 a.m. † Tom Glatz req. by Emma Wenzel  
• Special Intention req. by Scott DeBoer
- Denotes Living/Special Intention † Denotes Deceased/Memorial

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 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. 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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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  
*The Moody Church of Chicago*

Mrs. Susan E. Schneider, CAP — Office/Business Manager/Fund Raiser  
Mr. Michael Brennan — Bulletin Editor

### Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 8, 2024

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom? — *James 2:5*

#### SEE BEYOND OUTWARD APPEARANCES

The phrase "Sunday best" has lost much of its meaning in our society today. Some lament the loss of people dressing up for church on Sunday; others think it's a healthy sign that we're as casual in attire gathered before the Lord as we are elsewhere. No matter which school of thought on this topic we belong to, James would probably chastise us. In either case, we are still focused on external appearance, mistaking it for some sort of favored position before God. True, James criticizes the community that favors the rich and well-dressed while ostracizing the poorly clothed, but even more he criticizes the making of distinctions, making choices based on criteria that having nothing to do with the reign of God. James might turn our attention to the reign of God described by Isaiah, in which people are healed and the earth becomes ripe to bear fruit. Jesus today is focused on this reign of God, healing a Gentile man in a region hostile to his Jewish faith, not mindful of the man's origins or clothing or status or ability to repay. Isaiah, James, and Jesus in Mark's Gospel all call us to look more deeply to find where the will of God needs to be done, and has been done, on earth as in heaven.



#### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Be strong, fear not! Here is your God (Isaiah 35:4-7a).

**Psalm** — Praise the Lord, my soul! (Psalm 146).

**Second Reading** — Show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ (James 2:1-5).

**Gospel** — Jesus makes the deaf hear and the mute speak (Mark 7:31-37).

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-7, 12; Lk 6:6-11
- Tuesday:** 1 Cor 6:1-11; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 6:12-19
- Wednesday:** 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-17; Lk 6:20-26
- Thursday:** 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-24; Lk 6:27-38
- Friday:** 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6:39-42
- Saturday:** Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
- Sunday:** Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116:1-6, 8-9; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Back to work we go! Summer break is over and there is much to accomplish in school and in the workplace. It's a venerable Catholic custom to assign patron saints to the trades and occupations of life. This is largely in the realm of popular devotion, and although from time to time the Vatican declares a saint to be patron of this or that, the process is free-wheeling and just about uncontrollable. Still, there is a saint for almost any purpose, whether you are on death row (Dismas), having eye trouble (Lucy), or pursued by poisonous toads (Hubert). Medieval guilds would often associate themselves with heavenly patrons, so Saint Joseph has the carpenters, Thomas More the lawyers, and physicians get Saint Luke. If you're stuck in the airport, St. Joseph of Cupertino is on call since he was said to rise off the floor when he prayed, and if you're in a long line at the ATM, Saint Anthony Claret is for you.



In recent years, the Vatican has from time to time assigned a new patronage, as when Saint Aloysius Gonzaga was named the patron of HIV-AIDS patients, since as a young Jesuit novice he had cared for his fellow novices during a terrible plague. Anything that matters to us—nation, parish church, occupation, illness—can have a patron, and it is an aspect of Catholicism that has enormous appeal. To believe in the "communion of saints" is to know that the ties that bind us as a communion do not unravel with death, and that when we stand before life's struggles, we do not stand alone. Who is your patron saint? —*Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.*

#### EDUCATION

The things taught in schools and colleges are not an education, but the means of an education. —*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

#### THOUGHTS

The happiness of your life depends upon the quality of your thoughts.

—*Marcus Aurelius*



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

The choice of heroes, models and leaders can have a lasting effect on our development, and the Church has always honored the example of holiness set by the saints. In these brief sketches, we commemorate our sisters and brothers in Christ who have shaped the life of the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. Letters following entries refer to the bibliography below.

## Sunday, September 8, 2024- BIRTH OF THE VIRGIN MARY

✦ **We Remember:** Among the fifteen Marian feasts of the Catholic Church's revised Roman calendar is the **BIRTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**. "The scriptures do not give us any account of the birth of Mary," says Christopher O'Donnell, O.Carm., in *At Worship With Mary, A Pastoral and Theological Study* (Michael Glazier, 1988). "But pious reflection was not long in constructing a narrative, the apocryphal *Protoevangelium of James*, to be dated now sometime prior to 200 A.D." A work of enormous importance in the development of piety, liturgy and Christian art, especially in the East, the *Protoevangelium* includes an account of infertile parents, **Joachim**, a rich, just man, and his wife **Anna (or Anne)**. The blessing of fruitfulness for Sarah (Gen 21:1-7), Rebekah (Gen 25:19-21) and Rachel (Gen 30:22-24) meant that God's plans became operative, but only by his power. In the case of Mary's parents there is infertility, too, but God's plans will not be thwarted. They have a child, Mary. The author of the *Protoevangelium* sees in Mary a child who is crucial for God's plans. As in the case of the patriarchs, God himself sees to the fulfillment of his promise to his people," says O'Donnell. From apostolic times, tradition, the Church, and the faithful have accorded Mary, the Mother of God, the second highest degree of honor, *hyperdulia*. The Council of Ephesus (431), in formally approving Mary's title of *Theotokos* (Gk., "bearer of God"), gave rise to the observance of particular Marian feasts. The Jerusalem church originated the feast of Mary's birth on this day in the **sixth century**, though it seems to be connected with the construction of a basilica in the fifth century on the site of the pool at Bethesda (cf. **Jn 5:1-9**). That was the supposed location of the home of **Joachim and Anna**, where the basilica of St. Anne stands today. The feast spread throughout the East in the sixth century and was introduced to Rome by **Pope Sergius I** (a Syrian Pope). This feast opens the liturgical year in the East. In the prayers of the Mass for this day, we are invited to see Mary's birth as the *dawn of our salvation*; the Church on this day asks for an increase of peace. We place our trust in the Son born of Mary. (D,S)

• In **701**, the death of **ST. POPE SERGIUS I**. This Syrian pope successfully resisted pressures from the emperor Justinian II, who was eventually overthrown and exiled. He restored churches in Rome, including St. Peter's and St. Paul's, and introduced the singing of the *Agnus Dei* (Latin for "Lamb of God") at Mass. (E) • Today in **1276**, John Peter Juliani, Archbishop of Braga, a Portuguese member of the Curia, was elected **Pope John XXI**. He was, in fact, the twentieth pope of that name, but due to an error in numbering there was no John XX! He died the following year when the ceiling of his newly built study in the papal palace at Viterbo collapsed on him while he slept. Dante placed him in paradise in *The Divine Comedy*. (E,T)

• In **1985**, **Pope John Paul II** made a one day trip to the tiny nation of Liechtenstein as a "folk missionary" at the invitation of the government. He traveled about in a helicopter. (W)

## Monday, September 9, 2024

✦ **We Remember:** **ST. PETER CLAVER (1580-1654)**, a Spanish Jesuit, spent his life ministering to and healing the African slaves who were treated inhumanly in the South American port of New Cartagena. After graduating from the University of Barcelona he joined the Jesuits, where he met a saintly lay brother, **ALFONSO RODRIGUEZ**, who urged him to volunteer as a missionary to South America. He left Spain in April, **1610**, and landed at Cartagena, Columbia, and was ordained to the priesthood there in **1615**. The slave trade had been flourishing in the Americas for almost 100 years, and Cartagena was a central clearing house. In spite of condemnations by Pope Paul III and Pope Pius IV, this inhuman practice continued. Peter Claver began to work under the direction of a fellow Jesuit, Alfonso de Sandoval, who spent 40 years ministering to the slaves. Peter enlisted the help of catechists and interpreters; in the years that he ministered to the African slaves, it is estimated that he baptized more than 300,000. *He declared himself "the slave of the Negroes forever."* During his life, the civil authorities had looked askance at Peter's solicitude of "mere Negro slaves;" the clergy had called his zeal indiscreet and his energy wasted. In **1650**, he fell victim to an epidemic, never full recovering, and died **Sept. 8, 1654**. He was canonized in **1888** by **Pope Leo XIII**, together with his former companion, Alfonso Rodriguez of Mallorca. Pope Leo named him patron of all those who minister to Negroes in any part of the world. (S,D,L) • In **1984**, ten black bishops of the United States spoke as a group for the first time in American Catholic history, when they issued the pastoral letter, *"What We Have Seen and Heard."* The letter hailed the maturity of black Catholic Christianity in the U.S., and celebrated the "richness of our black experience," which it described in terms of four major characteristics: *contemplative, holistic, joyful and communitarian*. The letter also charged that "racism, at once subtle and masked, still festers within our church as within our society," and it cited racism as the major hindrance to the full development of black spirituality and participation within the church. (C)

## Tuesday, September 10, 2024

✦ **We Remember:** **ST. NICHOLAS TOLENTINO (1245-1305)** was an Augustinian preacher, patron saint of the dying, of Mariners and **Poor Souls**. He became famous for the eloquence of his daily preaching and as a confessor, converting hardened sinners and ministering to the poor, the sick, criminals, and the needy. (D,B,P)

## Wednesday, September 11, 2024

✦ **We Remember:** **SS. PROTUS & HYACINTH (d. 257), ST. PAPHNUTIUS (d. 360)** Our first two saints died c. 257; by tradition they were brothers, Romans by birth, said to have been martyred in Rome. In **1845**, the relics of Hyacinth were discovered in the cemetery of St. Basilla at Rome; the empty tomb of Protus was unearthed nearby. ✦ **Paphnutius** was an Egyptian who died about 100 years later; he suffered for the faith under Maximinus Daza by having one eye plucked out and one leg hamstrung. In **311** he joined St. Anthony as a monk, but shortly after was ordained bishop of a see in the Upper Thebaid. As such he attended the **Council of Nicaea**, where he persuaded the Fathers not to make married clergy divorce their wives. Throughout his life he was a strenuous opponent of Arianism. He was in great favor with the emperor **Constantine**. (B,P) • We especially remember all those who perished in the terrorist attacks today in 2001.

## Thursday, September 12, 2024

✦ **We Remember:** **ST. GUY OF ANDERLECHT (c. 1012)**. Born of poor parents near Brussels, he had no education but was **devoted to the poor** and led an austere life. He became sacristan at Our Lady's Church at Laken and made a pilgrimage **on foot** to Rome and Jerusalem. Miracles were soon reported at the grave of the "poor man of Anderlecht," and a shrine was built in his honor. (B,P) • In **1960**, presidential candidate **JOHN F. KENNEDY** gave a speech to the Houston Ministerial Association, addressing the question of whether a Catholic with loyalty or obedience to a particular religion and presumably a particular person, the pope, could serve as president with unqualified commitments to the Constitution and oath office. His answer was an unqualified **yes**, a rousing affirmation of church and state separation, and the speech was characterized as the best of the campaign. (C)

✦ In **1999**, **MOST REV. ALFRED L. ABRAMOWICZ**, Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Chicago, died at the age of 80 after a three year battle with cancer. A bishop for more than 30 years, pastor of Five Holy Martyrs Parish, and a tireless advocate for all ethnic Catholic communities in Chicago - particularly those Catholics of Polish ancestry, Bishop Abramowicz also championed the cause of Poland's Catholics for more than 35 years. As director of the Catholic League for Religious Assistance to Poland, he provided key support for the training of thousands of priests for that country (while Poland was still run by communists). He served as the national chairman for the U.S. visit of **Cardinal Karol Wojtyla** of Krakow, Poland, in **1969** - and was instrumental in planning the second U.S. visit of that same friend, then recently-named **POPE JOHN PAUL II**, in **1979**. Bishop Abramowicz, a canon lawyer who trained at Rome's Gregorian University, served the Archdiocesan Metropolitan Tribunal for nearly 20 years. At his death, Pope John Paul II wrote, "I have received the news of the death of Bishop Alfred Leo Abramowicz with a personal sense of loss, and I join you and the clergy, religious and laity of the Archdiocese in commending his noble soul to our Heavenly Father's eternal love...I am certain that the memory of his deep personal spirituality and his untiring pastoral charity towards all will continue to inspire priests and faithful to ever greater generosity in living according to the demands of the Gospel and in fulfilling the Church's mission."

## Friday, September 13, 2024 - St. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

✦ **We Remember:** **ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM (c. 344-407)**. "*Chrysostom*" means "golden-mouthed." Today's saint, a **Doctor of the Church**, died in Turkey on Sept. 14, **407**, and his body was transferred to Constantinople in **438**. (His feast is celebrated on the vigil of the day of his death, because Sept. 14 is the feast of the **Holy Cross**.) Born in Antioch around the year **349**, John was educated by his mother, who was widowed at the age of 20, and by the famous Greek master **Libanius**. He was baptized a Christian at age **18**, and, after **living a monastic life** for six years, ordained a priest at **32**. He spent 12 years as a preacher at Antioch, where his sermons won the admiration of the faithful. Largely because of his fame as a preacher, he was elected **patriarch of Constantinople**, at the same time arousing the hostility of the imperial court, which caused John's exile **403**. He died en route to the Black Sea. (S)

## Saturday, September 14, 2024 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

✦ **We Remember:** **TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS**. This feast commemorates the time when the True Cross was exposed for veneration in Jerusalem in **629** by the Emperor Heraclius, after his recovery of it from the Persians, and the dedication of the **Basilica of the Resurrection**, built by Constantine over the **Holy Sepulcher**. (E)

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