

# Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago

Chicago Midway and O'Hare International Airports

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## Week of September 10—September 16, 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  
Roman Catholic Chaplain, Chicago Airports Catholic Chaplaincy

## Interfaith Calendar & Events

→ **September 11-19: Paryushana Parva: Jains** observe eight days earmarked for intensive spiritual pursuit. During these days, Jains observe fasts to the possible extent and undertake religious activities like going to temple, listening to spiritual discourses, etc., and practice equanimity (Sāmāyik). The last day of Paryushan is observed as the sacred day of introspection and forgiveness. On this day Jains perform Pratikraman (a ritual of atonement) and begged to be forgiven for the faults indulged physically, verbally or mentally, knowingly or unknowingly.

→ **Paitishahem Gahambar**, a Zoroastrian harvest festival in honor of the earth, begins Tuesday, **Sept. 12**, concludes Saturday, **Sept. 16**.

→ **September 15 at sundown: Rosh Hashanah**, the Jewish New Year initiates religious New Year 5784 and begins a ten-day period of repentance and introspection. Rosh Hashanah marks the anniversary of the birthday of the world. The worship service is highlighted by blowing the Shofar (Ram's Horn). (Tishrei 1-2)



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

## ORD Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

- 09/09/23** 4:00 p.m. † Rev. Mr. James O'Malley req. by John & Susan Schneider  
6:00 p.m. • Thanksgiving to Trinity, Mary & Joseph
- 09/10/23** 9:00 a.m. • Intentions of Holy Ghost Parish  
11:00 a.m. † John & Mary Forrette req. by Marcine & John Forrette, Jr.  
• Paul Coslick req. by Carl Coslick
- 09/11/23** 11:30 a.m. † Eileen C. Pretzel req. by Tim & Barb Murphy
- 09/12/23** 11:30 a.m. † Francis & Jean Heger req. by Marcine & John Forrette, Jr.
- 09/13/23** 11:30 a.m. • Aida Zaniolo req. by Family
- 09/14/23** 11:30 a.m. † Edward (Bud) Carroll req. by Tim & Barb Murphy
- 09/15/23** 11:30 a.m. † Robert J. Hofer req. by Rose Ann Hofer

## MDW Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

- 09/10/23** 9:00 a.m. † Brian J. Allen req. by Katherine L. Allen  
11:00 a.m. † Tom Glatz req. by Emma Wenzel  
• Sonja F. De La Rose req. by Shayla De La Rose  
• 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 traditional and 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.

## Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time — September 10, 2023

"If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father."

— Matthew 18:19

### GOD'S WATCHERS

In the ancient world watchmen were extremely important people. They kept communities safe, and were there to alert them to any impending danger or attack. Before locks, alarms, and security systems, watchmen were the protectors, the safety measure. So when the Lord charges Ezekiel as a watchman today, it is a weighty charge. So weighty, we learn, that if Ezekiel fails to sound the alarm for those around him and they perish in a state of wickedness, Ezekiel will be held responsible! This profound connection between God's will on earth and in heaven is repeated in today's Gospel, where Jesus instructs us that we are to be the security force, the watchers placed on alert that nowhere in the Body of Christ, the church, will there be any two members of the one Body who are not reconciled. Scripture tells us that Jesus reconciled all things in heaven and on earth through the blood of his cross. But we are given the mission to continue that reconciliation on earth as in heaven through our ceaseless efforts to be, as Paul would write, ambassadors of reconciliation. Let us not get too comfortable thinking that we are responsible only for keeping our own lives from the path of wickedness and disagreement. We are also held accountable for the lives of the members of Christ's body around us.



### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Warn the wicked, trying to turn them from their ways (Ezekiel 33:7-9). **Psalm** — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95). **Second Reading** — Owe nothing to anyone, except mutual love (Romans 13:8-10). **Gospel** — If two agree about anything for which they pray, it shall be granted to them (Matthew 18:15-20).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11  
**Tuesday:** Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19  
**Wednesday:** Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26  
**Thursday:** Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17  
**Friday:** 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35  
**Saturday:** 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-7; Lk 6:43-49  
**Sunday:** Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

"I will permit no one to narrow and degrade my soul by making me hate them." — Booker T. Washington

"The punishment of the wise who refuse to take part in government is to live under the rule of the foolish." — Plato

### 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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<https://www.facebook.com/InterfaithAirportChapelsOfChicago>

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

Sunday, September 10, 2023

✦ **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)

Monday, September 11, 2023

✦ **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.

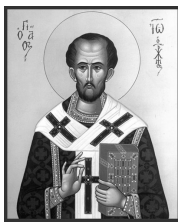
Tuesday, September 12, 2023

✦ **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."

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 - 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)

Thursday, September 14, 2023 - 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)

Friday, September 15, 2023

✦ **We Remember: OUR LADY OF SORROWS** Falling as it does on the day after the feast of the **Holy Cross**, this feast reminds the faithful of the suffering of Mary during the passion and death of Christ. The famous statue by Michelangelo, the **Pieta**, and the hymn **Stabat Mater** are artistic representations of Mary's grief. This feast dates back to the **12th century**, although there are traces of it in the writings of **St. Anselm** and among Benedictines of the **11th century**. However, it was especially promoted by the Cistercians and the Servites, so that in the 14th and 15th centuries it was widely diffused throughout the Catholic world. In 1482 it was inserted in the Missal under the title "Our Lady of Compassion." Placed on the Roman calendar in 1727, Pope Pius X fixed it upon this date permanently in 1913. (S) ✦ Feast of **ST. CATHERINE OF GENOA (1447-1510)**; her **Dialogue Between the Soul and the Body and Treatise on Purgatory** are outstanding documents in the field of mysticism. Patron saint of nurses. (P)

• Today in 1830, the first national convention for blacks was held at **Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Pa.**, called to find ways to better the condition of black people. It was attended by delegates from seven states. **BISHOP RICHARD ALLEN** was elected as the first convention president. Bishop Allen was the first U.S. black bishop of the African Methodist Episcopal Church (1816).

• In 1919, birth of **PHILIP J. SCHARPER** in Baltimore, editor-in-chief of the Catholic publishing house of **Sheed & Ward** for 13 years, consultant to the Vatican for both the **Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World** and the **Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity**. In 1970, he became the first editor of Maryknoll's **Orbis Books**. (W)

✦ In 1963, the death of **DENISE MCNAIR, CYNTHIA WESLEY, ADDIE MAE COLLINS AND CAROL ROBERTSON**, four little girls whose lives were taken when Birmingham's 16th Street Baptist Church, a central meeting place in the civil rights movement, was bombed in a racist attack. The girls were attending Sunday School. The filmmaker Spike Lee made a profoundly affecting documentary called **4 Little Girls** in 1998. • In 1964, Hungary and the Vatican signed an agreement that restored the Church's right to establish a Roman Catholic hierarchy in Hungary. (W)

Saturday, September 16, 2023

✦ **We Remember: ST. CORNELIUS, ST. CYPRIAN**  
*"If God gives one of us the grace to die soon, our friendship will continue before the Lord,"* St. Cyprian said in a letter to St. Cornelius. "Cornelius was elected pope in 251 and governed the Church until 253. During his short pontificate, he was involved in the controversy over the sacrament of penance, with the heretic Novatian as his adversary. The question at issue was how public sinners and apostates are to be reconciled with the Church." (Lodi) "Novatian's extreme rigorism refused reconciliation to any apostate. He actually became the 'anti-pope' of a schismatic community, and the Novatian Church existed for several centuries." (John)

**St. Cyprian** came to the defense of Cornelius, who was his friend, and composed a treatise on the **Unity of the Church** stressing the function of the Roman See as a principle of unity. "Before his conversion at age 25, Cyprian served as a rhetorician and a lawyer. Elected bishop in 249, he became the metropolitan of approximately 150 bishops in northern Africa. During the persecution of Decius, in which **Pope Fabian** was martyred at Rome, Cyprian also became involved in the problem of the apostate Christians who had returned to the Church." (Lodi) He himself was a victim of the persecution of Valerian, first being exiled and later sentenced to be beheaded. St. Cyprian was beheaded at Carthage on Sept. 14, 258. St. Cornelius died in exile at Civitavecchia, a port of Rome, in September, 253, and was venerated as a martyr. The joint celebration is very ancient. (S,T)

■ In 1976, the **Episcopal Church** approved the **ordination of women to be priests and bishops**. The House of Deputies voted to concur with a resolution of the House of Bishops that the ordination requirements apply equally to women and men. (Encyclopedia Britannica)

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