

Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago



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Week of September 17—September 23, 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

• **September 17: Rosh Hashanah**, the Jewish New Year initiates religious New Year 5784 concludes at sundown. Rosh Hashanah 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) • **September 19: Paryushana Parva concludes: 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.

• **September 19: Ganesh Chaturthi**: Hindu celebration of the birth of Ganesh, the remover of obstacles and bringer of good luck. • **September 19-29: Daslakshan Parva** begins — a 10-day festival similar to Paryushan observed by Jain Digamber sect. • Native Americans observe the **Autumn Feast Sept. 23**, a day to honor the harvest and the coming and going of seasons, which includes prayer, song and storytelling.

• Buddhists observe **Fall O-Higan** (Equinox) **Sept. 23**, the symbolic crossing from the shore of illusion to the other shore of enlightenment to overcome one's ignorance, and honoring the six Paramitas of generosity, morality, patience, endeavor, meditation and wisdom. • **Autumn begins Saturday, Sept. 23.**

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

ORD Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

- 09/16/23** 4:00 p.m. † Nunzio Truppa req. by Mr. & Mrs. John Schneider
6:00 p.m. † James Paisel req. by Mr. & Mrs. John Schneider
† Camille Colella req. by Family
- 09/17/23** 9:00 a.m. • Emil Markech req. by Dolly Markech
11:00 a.m. † Maryanne Foster req. by Mike Brennan
• Jim req. by Nell Andrzewski
- 09/18/23** 11:30 a.m. † Denis Gobeille req. by Irene Gobeille
- 09/19/23** 11:30 a.m. † Jean Roche req. by Nell Andrzewski
- 09/20/23** 11:30 a.m. † Marina Roggi req. by Rev. Daniel Flens
- 09/21/23** 11:30 a.m. † Irene Rose req. by Fr. Leon Rezula
- 09/22/23** 11:30 a.m. † Brian J. Allen req. by Katherine L. Allen

MDW Airport Chapel Catholic Mass Intentions

- 09/17/23** 9:00 a.m. † Brian J. Allen req. by Katherine L. Allen
11:00 a.m. † Calvin L. DeLaRose, Sr. req. by Shayla DeLaRose
† Jim Koch

• Denotes Living/Special Intention † Denotes Deceased/Memorial

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time—September 17, 2023

Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. — Sirach 28:2

FORGIVENESS

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill.

The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?"



Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As St. Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Remember the commandments and hate not your neighbor (Sirach 27:30 — 28:7). **Psalm** — The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion (Psalm 103). **Second Reading** — Whether we live, or whether we die, we do so for the Lord (Romans 14:7-9). **Gospel** — Forgive one another from your heart (Matthew 18:21-35).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** 1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 7:1-10 (443)
Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Lk 7:11-17 (444)
Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35 (445)
Thursday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13 (643)
Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3 (447)
Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15 (448)
Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a (133)

Peace and union are the most necessary of all things for men who live in common, and nothing serves so well to establish and maintain them as the forbearing charity whereby we put up with another's defects. There is no one who has not his faults, and who is not in some way a burden to others, whether he be a superior or a subject, an old man or a young, a scholar or a dunce. — St. Robert Bellarmine (feastday—September 17)

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

Sunday, September 17, 2023

• **We Remember:** **HILDEGARD OF BINGEN (1098-1179)** was a German nun, mystic, and scholar. Though she drifted into obscurity for centuries, in recent years we are rediscovering this remarkable woman through her music and writings. "All creation is a song of praise to God," she wrote, and Hildegard has become something of a patron saint to those Christians engaged with ecological concerns. Hildegard entered religious life as a child; she founded the Benedictine convent of Rupertberg near Bingen in 1147. Renowned for her visions, Hildegard was a theologian, physician, composer and energetic reformer. She was in touch with the most important people of her time and has left us letters and three volumes of **Revelations**. Her writings inspired such influential saints as **Bernard of Clairvaux**. In one letter she told the Emperor Frederick Barbarossa that he would be cut off from God's grace if he did not repent for his childish behavior. Hildegard built a new monastery for her growing community of nuns (with running water), corresponded with the pope, advised not only laity but also priests, wrote numerous letters, composed hymns and sacred plays, recorded her symbolic visions dealing with relations between God and humanity, and traveled extensively through Germany. She designed a new, rather flamboyant, habit for her nuns. Above all, she composed music for them to sing, based partly on the traditional plainchant and partly on inspiration from her visions. Today, more than 800 years after her death, you can find many examples of her work on CD. She wrote, "A person who lacks the verdancy of justice is dry, totally without tender goodness, totally without illuminating virtue." She died on this day in 1179. (E,B,L)

• **ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE (1542-1621)**, Italian cardinal and *Doctor of the Church*, Robert was the first Jesuit professor of theology at Louvain. He defended Catholic doctrine during the **Reformation**, in part by revitalizing Catholic **biblical and patristic studies**. He joined the Society of Jesus in 1560. As a young man he held professorships in Greek, Hebrew and theology. His work, though polemical, was more systematic than that of many of this contemporaries. He nearly ran afoul of the top brass himself with the (then) innovative theory asserting that the proper and primary power of the pope is **spiritual**. Robert justified papal use of temporal power only in matters of spiritual concern, and the teaching was considered questionable for limiting papal power. Only the sudden death of **Pope Sixtus V** in 1590 saved Robert's work from being placed on the **Index of Forbidden Books!** Still, Robert used his theory in **defense** of papal power in several disputes with civil authorities, and played a significant role in the development of the doctrine of papal infallibility. Recalled to Rome in 1605, he became head of the Vatican library and theological advisor to popes. The process for his canonization was begun in 1627, just six years after his death, but for various reasons - possibly including his teachings on papal power - it took another 300 years to complete. He was canonized in 1930 and one year later declared **Doctor of the Church**. (E,S)

Monday, September 18, 2023

• **We Remember:** Today is the feast of the **Patron of Air Travelers and Pilots, ST. JOSEPH OF CUPERTINO (1603-1663)**, a Franciscan known as the "**Flying Friar**." Joseph Dessa, son of a carpenter, was born in Cupertino, Italy, in the shed behind a house that was being claimed by creditors. We are told that his mother looked upon him as a "nuisance and burden" and treated him badly. In childhood he was nicknamed "the gaper" for his habit of wandering open-mouthed in an aimless way. Then he was dismissed as a lay brother with the Capuchin Franciscans after eight months - due to "clumsiness and low intelligence." Joseph was received by the Conventual Franciscans of Grotella as a stable-hand and a lay tertiary. Manifesting rare spiritual gifts, Joseph was professed as a friar and duly ordained priest; from this time on, Joseph was famous for levitating during Mass or at other times of great devotion, once in front of **Pope Urban VIII**. An embarrassment during his lifetime, he remained a simple, gentle, humble follower of **St. Francis**, though he suffered much from his own fellow friars for all the publicity he got. He was canonized in 1767. Butler's *Lives of the Saints* says, "From the time of his ordination St. Joseph's life was one long succession of ecstasies, miracles of healing and supernatural happenings on a scale not paralleled in the reasonably authenticated life of any other saint." Pilgrims flocked to him even when his religious superiors sought to keep him secluded. (D,E,B)

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

• **We Remember:** **ST. JANUARIUS**, for reasons that will become clear, is the **Patron Saint of Blood Banks**, and also the special patron of Naples. Popularly known as **SAN GENNARO**, Januarius was martyred with six companions at Pozzuoli, near Naples, c. 305. The Eastern Churches also commemorate him, though on April 20. The most ancient reference to Januarius is in a biography of **St. Paulinus of Nola (354-431)**. Describing the death of St. Paulinus, the author says: "Paulinus began to ask in a clear voice where his brethren were. One of the priests, thinking that he was referring to his brother bishops who had just celebrated [the Eucharist] with him in his bedroom, responded: Your brethren are all here with you. But he answered: *I am speaking of Januarius and Martin [of Tours], my brothers in the episcopate, who a little while ago were speaking to me and promising me that soon I would join them.*" Connected with this feast is the liquefaction of the Saint's blood; four times a year - the first Saturday of May, Sept. 19, in the octave of the feast, and sometimes on Dec. 16 - the blood liquefies when the reliquary is exposed. There is historical proof of this event since the 13th century. Some popes have attached indulgences to the veneration of the relic. (S,D,B)

Wednesday, September 20, 2023

• **We Remember:** The martyrdom of **SS. ANDREW KIM TAE-GON AND PAUL CHONG HA-SANG WITH 111 COMPANIONS** in Korea. They were canonized by **Pope John Paul II** during his pastoral visit to that country 1984. The priest **Andrew**, who came from one of the most noble families in Korea, was beheaded on Sept. 16, and the layman **Paul** was martyred on Sept. 22, in 1846. Early in the 17th century, the evangelization of Korea began with a group of fervent lay Christians. At first, they were without priests, but eventually missionaries from France entered Korea secretly; 103 members of this Christian community were among the martyrs, as well as three bishops and seven priests who belonged to the Foreign Mission Society of Paris. The persecution was carried out between 1839 and 1867. (S)

Thursday, September 21, 2023

• **We Remember:** **ST. MATTHEW**, patron of accountants, bankers, bookkeepers, tax collectors; the New Testament describes Matthew as Levi, the son of Alphaeus and a tax collector (**Mk 2:13-14**). He was born at Capernaum (**Mt. 9:9**) and is the author of the First Gospel, which was written in Aramaic. Later accounts state that Matthew evangelized Persia (according to St. Ambrose and St. Paulinus of Nola) and probably Ethiopia (according to the Roman Martyrology). He was martyred in Ethiopia and his relics were eventually transferred to Salerno in the tenth century, according to Pope Gregory VII. *Berated for eating with St. Matthew, who collected tax for the Romans at Capernaum, Jesus declared, "I did not come to call the virtuous, but sinners."* (S,D) • In 1996, the death of **FR. HENRY NOUWEN (1932-1996)** in his native Netherlands. A renown Catholic spiritual writer, Fr. Nouwen "invited countless persons to enter more deeply into the spiritual life - intimacy with Jesus and solidarity with a wounded world," writes Robert Ellsberg in *All Saints: Daily Reflections on Saints, Prophets, and Witnesses For Our Time*. His work with the handicapped led him to Chicago to join forces with the late **Joseph Cardinal Bernardin** in January, 1996, to speak at a "Pathways to Awareness" presentation at St. Monica Parish, encouraging churches to be more inclusive and sensitive to the needs of handicapped members.

Friday, September 22, 2023

• **We Remember:** "*Dismiss all anger and look into yourself a little,*" advised **ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA (1488-1555)**. Spiritual writers often refer to him "the glory of the Church in Spain." During his lifetime, he was referred to as "the Father of the Poor," "the Almsgiver," and "the Patron of Bishops." He was one of Spain's finest scholars and educators, a professor of theology at the University of Alcalá when he was only 26. He joined the monks of the **Augustinian Order**, and as the provincial of Castile, he sent the first Augustinian missionaries to the Americas, where they established missions in Mexico. St. Thomas became archbishop of Valencia in 1544, a seat that had been vacant for 90 years. "*His sermons were followed by a wonderful change in the life of the people,*" say biographers. (D,B)

Saturday, September 23, 2023

• **We Remember:** **ST. LINUS** was the second pope (67-79), the immediate successor of **St. Peter**. St. Linus wrote the **Acts of Peter** and was chief witness of the action which Peter took against Simon Magus (see **Acts 8:18**). He was traditionally venerated as a martyr, and his name is mentioned in the First Eucharistic Prayer of the Mass. (D,B) • **ST. THECLA OF ICONIUM (1st century)** was among the most famous women in Christian antiquity. In the East, she is venerated as "protomartyr among women and equal with the apostles." She was commissioned by St. Paul to preach, "which she did for many years until the healing power of her touch provoked the jealousy of local medical practitioners, and she was martyred."

• **ST. ADOMNÁN. (625-704)** ninth abbot of **Iona** (the monastery founded by St. Columba in 563 on a small island in the Inner Hebrides). A compelling chapter by Thomas O. Clancy is devoted to this saint in Gilbert Markus' *The Radical Tradition: Revolutionary Saints in the Battle for Justice and Human Rights*. St. Adomnán was responsible for the **Cain Adomnán**, also known as the Law of the Innocents, a legal masterwork which established the law protecting women, children and clergy from injury or participation in war. The law also showed Adomnán's success as a diplomat, for those who signed the agreement at an ecclesiastical synod in 697 included the chief kings of Ireland, the Scots and the Picts. "It is perhaps the earliest law to exempt civilians as targets or participants in war," says Clancy. St. Adomnán also advocated the Roman observance of Easter (over the Celtic observance) in the interest of Church unity, though his abbey did not adopt it while he lived. He is also well remembered for his life of **St. Columba**. (D,B,P)

• **ST. PIUS OF PIETRELICINA** (Padre Pio) died on this day in 1968, in San Giovanni Rotondo, Italy. Born Francesco Forgione to a simple, hard-working farm family in southern Italy in 1887, he was ordained a priest (OFM Cap) in 1910, taking the name Pius. Eight years later he began experiencing the **stigmata**, physically suffering the crucifixion wounds of Jesus Christ. Pio was the only priest in Church history to have borne this burden. "Countless numbers were attracted to his confessional and many more received his saintly counsel and spiritual guidance through correspondence. His whole life was marked by long hours of prayer and continual austerity. (W)

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