

Interfaith Airport Chapels of Chicago

Chicago Midway and O'Hare International Airports

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Week of December 30, 2018–January 5, 2019

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. May God bless your travels.



— Fr. Michael Zaniolo, Administrator

Interfaith Calendar & Events

- **Maidyarem Gahambar**, a Zoroastrian mid-winter festival in honor of the animal kingdom, **Dec. 31**, and continues through **Jan. 4**.
- **Gantan-sai (Oshugatsu)**, **Jan. 1**, is the Shinto New Year festival observed with prayers for inner renewal. Tradition is to visit shrines and pray for good health and prosperity.
- **Mahayana New Year** - Buddhist, **Jan. 2-4**
- **Twelfth Night** - Christian, **Jan. 5**
- **Guru Gobindh Singh** birthday - Sikh, **Jan. 5**
- Source: **The 2018 Interfaith Calendar, Council of Religious Leaders of Metropolitan Chicago**

Chapel Staff Birthdays & Anniversaries

- Birthday blessings to **Mike Brennan** Tuesday, **Jan. 1**.

ORD CATHOLIC MASS INTENTIONS

- 12/29/18** 4:00 p.m. † Bernard Joseph Freeman req. by Jim & Dorothy Lynch
6:00 p.m. • Regina Gatta req. by Aida Zaniolo
- 12/30/18** 6:30 a.m. † Fr. James Roache req. by Tim Reilly
9:00 a.m. † Tom & Jane Haren req. by Kathy Leek
11:00 a.m. † Edward J. Shea req. by Peggy Ann (Shea) Smart
1:00 p.m. • Baby Hernandez req. by Fr. Robert Cavalier
- 12/31/18** 11:30 a.m. • Intentions of Holy Ghost Parish (Vigil)
4:00 p.m. • Intentions of Holy Ghost Parish
- 01/01/19** 11:30 a.m. • Michael Brennan Happy Birthday req. by ORD & MDW Chapel
- 01/02/19** 11:30 a.m. • Intentions of Holy Ghost Parish
- 01/03/19** 11:30 a.m. • Thomas Bailey req. by Lillian Bailey
- 01/04/19** 11:30 a.m. • Intentions of Holy Ghost Parish
- Denotes Living/Special Intention † Denotes Deceased/Memorial

MDW CATHOLIC MASS INTENTIONS

- 12/29/18** 4:00 p.m. • John & Helen Dominici req. by John Domenici
- 12/30/18** 9:00 a.m. • Diane Chrapkiewicz req. by John Domenici
11:00 a.m. † Elsa J. Quinones req. by Maureen Ponce
- 12/31/18** 11:30 a.m. † James Joseph Elson req. by Marygrace Elson (Vigil)
4:00 p.m. • Intentions of Holy Ghost Parish
- 01/01/19** 11:30 a.m. • Intentions of Holy Ghost Parish
- 01/02/19** 11:30 a.m. • Intentions of Holy Ghost Parish
- 01/03/19** 11:30 a.m. † Evan Krilcich
- 01/04/19** 11:30 a.m. • Intentions of Holy Ghost Parish
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MDW Airport Chapel

Concourse C, Mezzanine Level
(Inside Security Checkpoint)

ROMAN CATHOLIC MASSES

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:00 p.m.

SUNDAY: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Monday—Friday: 11:30 a.m.

Evening before Holy Day: 4:00 p.m.

Holy Day: Check Bulletin Announcements
www.airportchapels.org/holydayschedule.html

PROTESTANT WORSHIP

Monday - Thursday 10:00 a.m. & 1:30 p.m.

Friday & Holidays 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

Saturday & Sunday 10:00 a.m., 12:00 & 1:30 p.m.

ORD Airport Chapel

Terminal 2, Mezzanine Level
(Outside Security Checkpoint)

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ISLAMIC JUMA' PRAYER

Friday: 1:15 p.m.

PROTESTANT WORSHIP

See Website for Schedule

Happy New Year 2019 to All!

→ **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE** is observed on New Year's Day, this **Tuesday, Jan. 1**. Pray for peace in your family, your community, and in our world. In the Catholic community, New Year's is the feast of **Mary, Mother of God**, a holy day of obligation for Catholics.

Schedule of Catholic Masses

Monday, December 31 (Vigil) — 4:00 p.m. ORD & MDW;

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 — 11:30 a.m. ORD & MDW



Schedule of Holiday Protestant Worship:

Monday, December 31 — 12:30 & 2:30 pm ORD; 10:00 & 1:30 MDW

Tuesday, January 1, 2019 — 8:00 & 10:00 am MDW

→ **FREE 2019 FAMILY CALENDARS** are available on side tables.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph – December 30, 2018
Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

— 1 John 3:2a

HOME IS WHERE THE FAMILY IS

The idea, dream, and reality of family is so strong and durable that we use it to describe all that is best about human gatherings. We speak of the family of nations, of our church and parish families. The greatest compliment we can pay a friend or gracious host is to say that we feel at home with them, we feel part of the family.

Families are the first crucibles in which love is tested and tempered. Jesus himself was one of three people who lived in the shadow of each other. This family, like our own, did not always "get it right," but they always tried to. These three "amateurs" were on holiday, and one of them got lost. Two were worried sick and took great measures to find the third, a boy after all, who was seeking the meaning of his calling. He found his vocation—to do his Father's work—but he also returned home with his parents.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Hannah conceived, and at the end of her term bore a son whom she called Samuel (1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28) or *Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14*. **Psalm** — Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord (Psalm 84) or *Psalm 128*. **Second Reading** — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2, 21-24) or *Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]*. **Gospel** — The boy Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. They found him in the temple, in the midst of the teachers (Luke 2:41-52).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
- Tuesday:** Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
- Wednesday:** 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
- Thursday:** 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
- Friday:** 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
- Saturday:** 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51
- Sunday:** Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Today's feast is new as feasts go, and it sets us this year in a very modern crisis. Amid conflicting schedules and commitments, a young man, testing the limits, has strayed from his parents and gone off to the big city. Mary and Joseph search frantically, only to find the child Jesus in the temple, conversing with the elders and scholars of the law, who are amazed at his wisdom. In the time of Jesus, the temple was the religious center of Jewish ritual. Outside of Jerusalem, people gathered in the synagogues, centers of learning, for daily prayer and study. Still, everyone longed to journey to the temple to participate in the offerings, and to fulfill certain obligations of the law that could only be done there. On this feast, we catch a glimpse of the family of Jesus: parents dealing with the normal stresses of raising a child, and yet completely grounded in the ways of faith and tradition.

There has always been an appreciation in Christianity for the value of pilgrimage—the journey to holy places that is a symbol of our life's journey to God, and a sense of connection to important events in our family history. During the Christmas season, many of us undertake pilgrimages to the family homestead for festival meals, to the parishes where we were formed in the faith, or perhaps even to a beautiful manger scene or festival of lights. There are few better days than this in our calendar for spending time with the family, especially on a short pilgrimage to a favorite place. Just make sure that no one gets left behind! —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

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

Sunday, December 30, 2018

✠ **We Remember: ST. ANYSIA (c. 304)**, a Christian girl living in Thessalonica, received a wealthy estate left to her by deceased parents. She used much of the money taking care of the poor. She was martyred during the reign of Maximian Galerius while on her way to an assembly of the faithful, which were banned. Stopped by a guard, she professed her faith in Christ, and was stabbed with a sword. (D)

New Year's Eve, Monday, December 31, 2018

✠ **We Remember: ST. SYLVESTER:** This early pope was an important figure in the period after Constantine granted toleration of Christianity through the Edict of Milan. Sylvester has representatives at the **First Ecumenical Council at Nicaea in 325**. He oversaw the building of the first St. Peter's Basilica as well as St. John Lateran. The claim that he received lands from Constantine (the "Donation") in thanksgiving for a miracle has no factual basis. He is the first saint who was not a martyr to be venerated by the Church. His relics are preserved in the Church of St. Sylvester in Rome. (D,E,S,B) ✠ In **1384**, the death of **John Wycliffe**, philosopher, theologian and reformer. Educated at Oxford, he looked to the Bible and the fathers of the church in his writings, but his teaching on the Eucharist brought a condemnation of heresy. An energetic preacher, he inspired many followers who continued his teaching (taking popular expression in the Lollards) and his project of a Bible translation was seen through by his disciples. (F)

New Year's Day, Tuesday, January 1, 2019

✠ **Happy New Year!** ✠ **We Remember: Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God;** New Year's Day; World Day of Peace. "But when the right time finally came, God sent his own Son. He came as the son of a human mother..." (Gal. 4:4). The early Church replaced the pagan feast of the New Year, dedicated to the god Janus, with this feast honoring the Mother of God.

Even before **Pope Sergius** introduced four Marian feasts in the **7th century** (the **Birth of Mary**, the **Annunciation**, the **Purification** and the **Assumption**), the octave of Christmas was celebrated in Rome in honor of the Maternity of Mary. In later centuries, the feast of the **Circumcision of Our Lord** came to be observed Jan. 1, but the General Roman Calendar promulgated by **Pope Paul VI** on **Feb. 14, 1969**, reinstated the Marian character of this commemoration on the octave day of Christmas. In his **1974** encyclical, **Marialis Cultus**, Pope Paul said that this celebration "is meant to commemorate the part played by Mary in this mystery of salvation. It is meant also to exalt the singular dignity which this mystery brings to the holy Mother...through whom we were found worthy...to receive the Author of life. It is likewise a fitting occasion for renewed adoration of the newborn Prince of Peace, for listening once more to the glad tidings of the angels, and for imploring from God, through the Queen of Peace, the supreme gift of peace. For this reason...we have instituted **World Day of Peace**, an observance that is gaining increasing support and is already bringing forth fruits of peace in the hearts of many." (D,S) • In **1189**, the death of **BL. HENRY OF CLAIRVAUX**, a Cistercian abbot and cardinal who was active in both Church and state affairs. He was elected Pope but refused the honor. (W)

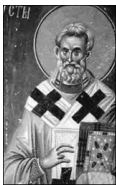


Wednesday, January 2, 2019

✠ **We Remember: ST. BASIL (330-379), ST. GREGORY NAZIANZEN (c.330-390).**

"Byzantine saints are not very well known by most Catholics. They lived in a far different age, in a strange and different civilization. The Byzantine Empire was the first Christian nation, and most of the great events of the early Church took place there: the first Councils, the first great Doctors of the Church, the first great theological developments. Saints Basil and Gregory bear witness to the rich diversity of the Church. Their lives and their teachings are part of our Catholic heritage. St. Basil is the great father of monasticism, and St. Gregory is one of the great masters of mystical theology. They served God in their own age

with the best tools they could find, and left their mark upon their century and upon their times. St. Basil stood up to the emperor, lashing at him for his inhumanity and lack of Christian principle. No one, said the emperor, has ever spoken to me like that. Apparently, said St. Basil, you have never met a Catholic bishop. This rare kind of courage, born of faith, was badly needed in those early days when the Church was in danger of being crushed by hostile forces. In Basil and Gregory, the Faith found worthy champions." -Blase Schauer, O.P. (D)



Thursday, January 3, 2019

✠ **We Remember: ST. GENEVIEVE (c.422-500).** Today's saint was born near Paris and spent her childhood tending sheep like the other shepherd children of her region, but at the age of seven, she met the saintly **Bishop Germaine (of Auxerre)**, who blessed and encouraged her. At **15**, Genevieve received the veil from the bishop of Paris. She was blessed with the power of visions and the gift of prophecy. When Paris was occupied by the Franks and afterwards threatened by the Huns, St. Genevieve encouraged the people to remain firm and steadfast, to watch the enemy, to fast and do penance, and to trust in God for their welfare. **She has always been considered the special protectress and patroness of Paris.** (D,B)

Friday, January 4, 2019

✠ **We Remember: ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON (1774-1821).** Today we celebrate the feast of the first American-born saint. She lived in Baltimore and was a wife, mother of five children, widow, teacher, and founder of the first American sisterhood - the **Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph**. Born in New York and raised a devout Episcopalian, Elizabeth received an excellent education, and from her early years manifested an unusual concern for the poor. A socialite who attended George Washington's inauguration, she was widowed at age 31. In **1805**, she was received into the Church, and in **1806** confirmed by **BISHOP JOHN CARROLL** of Baltimore. Besides founding the Sisters of Charity, Elizabeth is considered by some as the initiator of the American parochial school system. She was beatified in **1963** and canonized in **1975**. (D,B)



Saturday, January 5, 2019

✠ **We Remember: ST. JOHN NEUMANN (1811-1860).** In **1836**, about 15 years after the death of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, John Neumann came to the U.S. from Bohemia (now the Czech Republic) and was ordained a priest for the Diocese of New York. He labored in the district of Niagara until **1840**, when he became a Redemptorist...the first to make religious profession in the United States. He labored in Maryland, Pennsylvania, Ohio and the American frontier. In **1852**, at age 41, he was ordained bishop of Philadelphia, where he worked zealously for the establishment of parochial schools and of parishes for immigrants from Europe. He also inaugurated **40 Hours Devotion** in the United States. Possessing a special skill in languages, by the end of his life he had mastered **12**. Bishop Neumann had a special love for children, the Sisters and the immigrants. He is the first bishop from the United States to be canonized a saint (by Pope Paul VI in 1977). (D,S,B)



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✠ My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone. — from "Thoughts in Solitude" by Thomas Merton

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