

LITURGYNOTES – FOR MAY 2016

CHURCH NEWS

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Order of Matrimony

The revised (2nd) edition of the Order for the Celebration of Matrimony has received final approval and is set to be published. This ritual text may be "used in the Liturgy as of September 8, 2016, the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and its use is mandatory as of December 30, 2016, the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. From that day forward, no other English edition of the Order of Celebrating Matrimony may be used in the dioceses of the United States."

The Bishops' Committee on Divine Worship and the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions are hosting regional workshops around the country (see the FDLC website [<http://www.fdlc.org>] for details; registration is now open). In addition, for those unable to attend a regional workshop, we plan to offer local workshops in each deanery.

In addition to the workshops, the FDLC has prepared several helpful resources on the *Order of Celebrating Matrimony*.

- A booklet for the bride and groom – “The Gift of Love: A Guide to Preparing the Wedding Liturgy”
 - A book for Deacons who have faculties to preside at Rite II or Rite III – “Presiding at the Celebration of Matrimony: A Guide for Deacons”
- “How Wonderful the Bond: A Pastoral Companion to the Order of Celebrating Matrimony”
 - A diocesan workshop kit (based upon our regional/national workshops). This may be perfect for those dioceses that are too remote from the thirty-one national workshops. This might also be good to have on hand for formation programs or seminary classes.

These will be available in May -- order forms will be available at the workshops and online.

Please note that LTP is offering a “Virtual Workshop” entitled *The Revised Rite of Marriage: Exploring the Theology of Marriage and the Changes to the Rite* and presented by Danielle A. Noe. This interactive webinar will examine the changes and revisions in The Order of Celebrating Matrimony and take a closer look at the rubrics in relation to the theology of Matrimony and best liturgical practice.

Dates/Times: May 12, 2016: 1:00 pm (ET) / August 11, 2016: 1:00 pm (ET) / Order code: VWROCM \$10

Link: http://www.ltp.org/p-2922-the-revised-rite-of-marriage-exploring-the-theology-of-marriage-and-the-changes-to-the-rite.aspx?utm_source=VWROCM&utm_campaign=FY16+VWROCM&utm_medium=email

YEAR OF MERCY

Mercy in Motion: A Ministries of Mercy Conference – July 30, 2016

In observance of the Year of Mercy, the Diocese of Davenport will be hosting *Mercy in Motion: A Ministries of Mercy Conference* on Saturday, July 30 at St. Ambrose University in Davenport. Guided by keynote speaker Tom East from the Center for Ministry Development, the faithful of the diocese are invited to reflect upon our call to be a Church of Mercy. The conference will feature a ministry fair with representatives from numerous local organizations and parish programs. Attendants will also be able to participate in a variety of breakout sessions focused on how to develop and maintain various “ministries of mercies” within their parishes and how to be involved as “merciful ministers” with organizations or ministries that implement works of mercy in the community. Please contact Marianne Agnoli at agnolim@davenportdiocese.org if you have any questions or if you or one of your parish organizations is interested in providing information at the ministry fair.

We have set up a specific webpage for the Conference, and will post further information there as it becomes available: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/YearOfMercyConference.htm>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

See the Liturgy Events webpage at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litevents.htm>.

DIOCESAN LITURGIES

Ordination

Ordinations to the diaconate and presbyterate will be celebrated at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Saturday, June 4, at 10:00 a.m. Deacon Ross Epping will be ordained to the presbyterate and Mistery Dan Dorau and Chris Weber will be ordained to the diaconate. As this date approaches, please consider including the candidates in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass; for example:

For those who will be ordained this June for ministry in our diocese; we pray to the Lord:

That those who will be ordained to the diaconate and priesthood this June will faithfully follow the Good Shepherd as they serve the Diocese of Davenport; we pray to the Lord:

Acolytate

The men in Deacon Formation Class VII will be instituted into the ministry of acolyte, the final rite celebrated before ordination, at St. Paul the Apostle Church in Davenport on Saturday, June 11, at the 4:30 p.m. Mass. As this date approaches, please consider including the candidates and their families in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass; for example:

For those preparing to serve our diocese as Deacons; that as they receive the ministry of Acolyte they may be faithful in their service at the altar. We pray to the Lord.

For the Deacon candidates receiving the ministry of Acolyte this summer and for their families; we pray to the Lord.

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Celebrating the Year of Mercy

May 7: Mass for the Spanish-Speaking Community: Sacred Heart Cathedral, Davenport (10:30am)

July 30: "Ministries of Mercy" Diocesan Conference (St. Ambrose University)

September 17: CLINTON DEANERY:
Communal Penance Liturgy (Jesus Christ Prince of Peace, Clinton, 11:00 a.m.)

September 27: KEOKUK DEANERY:
Mass with Anointing of the Sick (SS. Mary & Joseph, Ft. Madison; 10:30am)

CONTINUING FORMATION FOR LITURGY / LITURGICAL MINISTRY

National Association of Pastoral Musicians (NPM) Annual Convention: July 11-16, 2016

The annual convention of the NPM will be held in Houston, Texas this year, with the theme – *The Church Sings*. Please visit their website for more information and/or to register for the convention: <http://www.npm.org/>.

For more opportunities, see the Liturgy Events webpage at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litevents.htm>.

LITURGY PREPARATION

UPDATING YOUR PARISH LITURGICAL LIBRARY

It is that time of year again: new priest assignments have been announced, and the work of letting go and moving on has begun. During this time of transition, let us keep our priests—and parishes—in prayer. With such changes taking place, this is a good time to look through your parish liturgical library and see what is in need of updating. Here is a list of important books to have on hand:

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/Resources/litParishLiturgicalLibrary.pdf>

In addition, here are three other bibliographies that you may find helpful... resources for liturgical study and resources for preaching:

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/Resources/litLiturgyBibliography.pdf>

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/Resources/litPreachingResources.pdf>

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/liturgylibrary/Resources/litSelectBibliography-PreachingAndJudaism.pdf>

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Anniversary of Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Amos

The anniversary of the episcopal ordination of Bishop Amos (Tuesday, June 7) is observed as a Feast in the Diocese. The Mass "For the Bishop" (Masses for Various Needs and Occasions I. For the Church 3.

For the Bishop) with its appropriate readings should be celebrated. It would also be appropriate to include a particular petition for the Bishop as part of the Prayers of the Faithful on the Sunday Masses of that weekend; for example: “For Bishop Amos on the celebration of his 15th anniversary as a bishop; that the Lord will continue to bless him and guide him as he shepherds us. We pray to the Lord.”

Lent/Triduum 2017

Next year, *Ash Wednesday* falls on March 1.

We will celebrate the *Rite of Election* at Saint Patrick Church in Iowa City on Sunday, March 5 at 3pm (1st Sunday of Lent).

The *Chrism Mass* will be celebrated on Monday, April 3, at 5pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

The Triduum falls on Thursday, April 13 through Sunday, April 16 – with the *Easter Vigil* falling on the night of Saturday, April 15. On that night, the earliest that the Vigil may begin is 8:30pm.

INTERCESSIONS

Here are resources for the Universal Prayer:

(1) Intercessions for various life issues may be found on the USCCB website at:

<http://usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/prayers/intercessory-prayers-for-life.cfm>

(2) Intercession for vocations (in English and Spanish) keyed to the lectionary cycle may be found at the Diocese of Arlington website:

http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/vocations/voc_intercessions.aspx

(3) Lectionary-based intercessions focused on social justice can be found at the Center of Concern website:

<http://www.coc.org/ef>

(4) The Center for Liturgy website offers general intercessions for each Sunday as well:

<http://liturgy.slu.edu/>

(5) The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops offers intercessions and homily ideas as part of their Pastoral Initiative for Life and Family:

<http://www.cccb.ca/site/eng/church-in-canada-and-world/catholic-church-in-canada/life-and-family/3296-documents-and-activities-proposed-by-the-ccb>

(6) See also our website for prayer resources in times of crisis:

<http://www.davenportdiocese.org/lit/litlibrary.htm#Prayers>

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