

LITURGYNOTES – FOR AUGUST 2021

“Good celebrations foster and nourish faith. Poor celebrations weaken and destroy it.”

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“Joined to the incarnate Son, present in the Eucharist, the whole cosmos gives thanks to God. Indeed the Eucharist is itself an act of cosmic love: ‘Yes, cosmic! Because even when it is celebrated on the humble altar of a country church, the Eucharist is always in some way celebrated on the altar of the world.’” – Pope Francis (*Laudato Si*, 236)

LAUDATO SI' WEEK 2021

Common Prayer
for the Sixth Anniversary
of Laudato Si'

Creator God, we thank You for the gift of life which you lovingly wove into being.

We confess we have not cared for your creation. Your world grows hotter, hungrier, sicker, and the people and planet cry out for hope.

In Your love, Lord, we answer for we know that things can change.

Give us the courage to bring Laudato Si' to life to care for all communities and species suffering from environmental harm.

Bless all who labor for an integral ecology that they might inspire others to discover Your face in our suffering and beautiful world.

We ask this in Jesus's name.

Amen.

The Dicastery for Promotion of Integral Human Development is launching a new program and a public commitment for various institutions to begin a 7-year journey to total sustainability in the spirit of *Laudato Si'*. For additional resources, please visit: <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/deacon-formation-resources/#LaudatoSi>.

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LITURGY AND COVID-19

DIOCESAN WEBPAGES



Pandemic Policies and Resources:

<https://www.davenportdiocese.org/flu>

Prayer and Support:

<https://www.davenportdiocese.org/prayer-and-support>

CONTINUING FORMATION

LITURGY NEWS

USCCB MEETING (REPORT FROM THE FDLC AND USCCB’S BCDW)

On Thursday, June 17 the full Conference of Bishops passed three action items proposed by the BCDW.

The ICEL Grey Book translation of orations for Mary, Mother of the Church (*Roman Missal*) Proper texts for the recently instituted Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church were approved by a vote of 188-2. Although this memorial’s Mass formulary is already found in the *Roman Missal*, the ICEL fascicle included translations of texts for the *Liturgy of the Hours*, as well as citations for the *Lectionary for Mass* and the *Roman Martyrology*.

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The ICEL Grey Book translation of two more sections of the *Liturgy of the Hours* -- the additional Intercessions and the Psalter Concluding Prayers

Progress continues on the *Liturgy of the Hours*, Second Edition as a large volume of texts were approved by the bishops, 186-3 with one abstention. These are the intercessions for Morning and Evening Prayer in the Four-Week Psalter (volumes III and IV), Proper of Saints, Commons, and Office for the Dead. Concluding prayers in the Psalter during Ordinary Time and the optional shorter form of Evening Prayer intercessions found in Appendix II of the breviary were also approved. It is hoped that final votes, including on U.S. proper texts and adaptations, longer and shorter Scripture readings, and rubrics and errata, will be completed by 2023.

The ICEL Grey Book translation of the *Order of Penance*

The *Order of Penance*, approved by a vote of 182-6 with two abstentions, contains no changes to the ritual of the Sacrament of Penance since its post-Conciliar *editio typica* in 1973, but is simply a retranslation. Minor changes to the sacramental formula of absolution are included, subject to final approval by Pope Francis as part of the confirmation process. U.S. adaptations approved for the Order of Penance incorporate existing complementary norms regarding the confessional and general absolution. In addition, one older translation of the Act of Contrition has been added to the ritual edition as a new adaptation, as it is more familiar to many penitents in this country.

USCCB BCDW

At the June 15 meeting, members approved English and Spanish translations of the *Order of Christian Initiation of Adults* (OCIA), as rearranged from the *editio typica* to the format known in the United States since 1988. Also approved were the ICEL Gray Book translations of *Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharistic Mystery Outside Mass*. All three texts will be submitted to the USCCB Administrative Committee for inclusion on the November 2021 plenary meeting agenda. Joining the OCIA are expected to be English and Spanish texts of the revised *National Statutes for the Catechumenate*, proposed by the Committee on Canonical Affairs and Church Governance. The text has been significantly reduced in size and focuses on specific issues that would constitute particular law for this country.

UPCOMING EVENTS

See the Liturgy Events webpage at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/liturgy-events>.

CONTINUING FORMATION FOR LITURGY / LITURGICAL MINISTRY

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FDLC: National Meeting Registration is Open

Please visit the FDLC website to view a full registration brochure and for easy, online registration for the National Meeting: <https://www.fdlc.org/2021>. The meeting will take place in San Diego, September 28-30. Virtual participation is also available – please note the line on the registration form. Featured speakers will include Bishop Daniel Garcia, Father Thomas Simon, Lesa Truxaw, Dr. Bob Hurd, Sr. Sharon McMillan, and Father Gilbert Sunghera, SJ, AIA. Of course, the annual meeting will include a BCDW report, business sessions, exhibits, prayerful liturgies and fun social events. There will be an optional tour of Christ Cathedral and the Mission San Juan Capistrano on October 1. Please join us as we reflect upon current liturgical practices and the *Order of Dedication of a Church and an Altar*.

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2021 National Gathering on Christian Initiation™

The 2021 NGCI will be held virtually! The theme for our virtual gathering remains **The RCIA Adapted for Children**. Please visit <https://ngci.org/home/index> for more information or to register.

- * ENGLISH Track is August 4 thru 5, 2021.
- * SPANISH Track is August 6 thru 7, 2021.

LITURGY PREPARATION

FROM GIA MUSIC

In light of the recently-released report about the allegations of sexual assault by composer David Haas, as well as in light of new information that has just surfaced reporting alleged continued grooming behaviors by Mr. Haas towards a young woman, GIA has suspended their publishing and sponsorship relationship with him and have also removed his music, books, and recordings from their catalog and website.

Please recall that the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis has denied David Haas a letter of suitability (letter of good standing) after receiving reports that Mr. Haas “acted inappropriately” with adult women. Therefore, Mr. Haas cannot be invited to any event to perform or present in the Diocese of Davenport. In addition, effective 10/14/20, Bishop Zinkula suspended the use of David Haas' music at all diocesan events. Pastors, principals and leaders of other Catholic institutions should consider the sensitivities involved with using Haas’ music in liturgies or other parish or school events, and take appropriate steps to fully support those who have been harmed by sexual assault or abuse. These restrictions have also been applied by the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis where Mr. Haas resides.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Blessing Teachers and Students

With school starting, especially in the context of this ongoing pandemic, parishes and schools may want to consider using the Order for the Blessing of Students and Teachers. It is found in the *Book of Blessings*, nos. 522 and following.

August 6 & 9: 76 years since the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki

Last year, the USCCB Committee for International Peace and Justice (Chaired by Bishop David Malloy) announced a campaign to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on August 6 and 9, 1945. The resources created for that commemoration are still available at: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/war-and-peace/nuclear-weapons/index.cfm>.

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September & October Observations

Please see the Diocesan website (<https://www.davenportdiocese.org/liturgy-events>) for resources relevant to these special observations in September:

- Season of Creation (Sept 1 – Oct 4)
- Labor Day (Mon, Sept 6)
- St. Peter Claver (Wed, Sept 9)
- Saturday, September 11
- World Day of Migrants and Refugees (Sunday, Sept 26)
- Domestic Violence Awareness Month (October) – The isolation required during this pandemic has made domestic violence an even more pressing problem; please also see below for additional resources.

Priesthood Sunday: September 26, 2021

Priesthood Sunday, the last Sunday of September, is a special day set aside to honor the priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the Church as a central one. Resources are available at: <http://www.priestsunday.org/>, <https://serraus.org/priesthood-sunday/>, and <https://www.usccb.org/events/2021/priesthood-sunday>.

October: Domestic Violence Awareness Month

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. In 2002, the US Bishops released *When I Call for Help: A Pastoral Response to Domestic Violence Against Women*. They began with an unequivocal condemnation of violence against women:

As pastors of the Catholic Church in the United States, we state as clearly and strongly as we can that violence against women, inside or outside the home, is never justified. Violence in any form—physical, sexual, psychological, or verbal—is sinful; often, it is a crime as well. We have called for a moral revolution to replace a culture of violence. We acknowledge that violence has many forms, many causes, and many victims—men as well as women.

In this document, they called upon the Church in the United States to reach out to both victims and perpetrators of domestic violence. Among the recommendations that they made is to use opportunities within the liturgy and in sacramental preparation programs to draw attention to violence and abuse. Their statement, and further resources and recommendations, may be found on the USCCB website: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/marriage/domestic-violence/>. In addition, resources are available on our website: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/deacon-formation-resources#DomesticViolence>.

RELIGIOUS SUPPLY: ANNUAL RESOURCES FROM LTP

LTP has announced that its annual resources are once again available. You may order your materials directly from LTP, 800-533-1900 or from Religious Supply Center in Davenport. For details, questions, information about discounts, or to place your order, call Mark, 563-324-0669 or 800-292-0052, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., M-F and 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday.

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Lent & Triduum 2022

- *Ash Wednesday* will fall on March 2, 2022; the First Sunday of Lent will be March 6.
- The *Rite of Election* is tentatively scheduled for March 6, the 1st Sunday of Lent. Details pending.
- The *Chrism Mass* is tentatively scheduled for April 11, the Monday of Holy Week.
- The *Triduum* falls on Thursday, April 14 through Sunday, April 17 – with the Easter Vigil falling on the night of Saturday, April 16. On that night, the earliest that the Vigil may begin is 8:30pm.

RESOURCES FOR THE UNIVERSAL PRAYER

(1) Diocese of Davenport Vision 2020: Intercessions for Sundays, Seasons, and Holy Days

<https://www.davenportdiocese.org/vision-2020-liturgy>

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

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

(3) Intercessions for various life issues may be found on the USCCB website at (in English and Spanish):

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

<http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life/index.cfm>

Subscribe at: www.bit.ly/word-of-life

(4) 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>

ANNOUNCEMENT: DEACON FORMATION PROGRAM CLASS IX

The Diocese of Davenport will be holding a number of information/orientation sessions across the diocese for those interested in the diaconate. Applications to the Deacon Formation Program will only be distributed at these sessions. The information sessions will be offered in English and Spanish. The next class will begin formation in August 2022; both an English and a Spanish track will be offered. For more information, or if you are interested in attending one of these sessions, please contact Dc. Agnoli at 563-888-4257/agnoli@davenportdiocese.org, or visit <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/class-ix>.

In order to prepare for each session, we ask that those interested register for the session they wish to attend (also at <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/class-ix>). We ask that, in keeping with diocesan COVID protocols, if you are not vaccinated, please wear a mask to these sessions.

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Sunday, August 1 (1-5pm)	English Program Inquiry	Ottumwa – St. Patrick (222 N. Ward Street)
Sunday, August 29 (1-5pm)	English Program Inquiry	Ft. Madison—Holy Family Parish (1111 Avenue E.)
Sunday, September 26 (1-5pm)	English Program Inquiry	Grinnell – St. Mary (1002 Broad St.)
Sunday, October 24 (1-5pm)	English Program Inquiry	Iowa City – St. Patrick (4330 St. Patrick Dr.)

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Sunday, November 21 (1-5pm)	English Program Inquiry	DeWitt – St. Joseph (417 6 th Ave)
Sunday, December 19 (1-5pm)	English Program Inquiry	Chancery (780 W. Central Park)
Sunday, January 16, 2022 (1-5 pm)	Spanish Program Inquiry	Davenport – St. Anthony (417 N. Main)
Sunday, February 27 (1-5pm)	Spanish Program Inquiry	Iowa City – St. Patrick (4330 St. Patrick Dr.)
Sunday, April 3 (1-5pm)	Spanish Program Inquiry	Ottumwa – St. Mary (216 N Court St)



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