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UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

**See the website of the Office for Divine Worship (www.odwphiladelphia.org)
for the schedule and registration information
for all liturgical ministry and liturgical music workshops
for 2016 – 2017.**

The workshop for those who train altar servers scheduled for Saturday, November 5, 2017 at Saint Helena Church in Blue Bell, Pennsylvania, was cancelled due to a poor response. There is a real need to provide for the training of altar servers. In future, regional workshops will be scheduled with the hope that these might be better subscribed.

OBSERVANCE OF THE EXTRAORDINARY JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA

The Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy closes in Rome at Saint Peter's Basilica on Sunday, November 20, 2016, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

The observance of the Jubilee Year will close in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia on Sunday, November 6, 2016, at the Cathedral Basilica with the 6:30 PM Sunday Mass.

Sunday, November 6, 2016, is the Jubilee Day for Prisoners in Rome. We will have an observance of this Jubilee for Prisoners at the Cathedral Basilica also on November 6, 2016, with a Holy Hour and Confessions beginning at 5:30 PM.

Check for more information on the Jubilee Year in the Archdiocese at <http://archphila.org/mercy/>.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR ITEMS

SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

Tuesday, November 1, 2016

The Solemnity of All Saints Day is observed as a Holy Day of Obligation.

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY)

Wednesday, November 2, 2016

—Priests are permitted to celebrate three Masses on All Souls Day—

The revised *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* [2010] in chapter IV, section II, on the concelebrated Mass, states:

204. *For a particular reason, having to do either with the significance of the rite or of the festivity, the faculty is given to celebrate or concelebrate more than once on the same day in the following cases: [...]*
- d) *on the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) all priests may celebrate or concelebrate three Masses, provided that the celebrations take place at different times, and that the norms established regarding the application of second and third Masses are observed.*

The norms established, and referenced in the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, are those of Pope Benedict XV, in his Apostolic Constitution *Incruentum altaris sacrificium*, August 10, 1915. The norms state:

All priests are permitted to celebrate three Masses on All Souls Day, provided these take place at different times and on condition, moreover, that while they may at their preference apply one of the Masses in favor of any person and accept for that Mass a stipend, they may not accept a stipend for the second or for the third Mass, the second of which they are bound to apply respectively for all the faithful departed and the third for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff.

THANKSGIVING DAY

Thursday, November 24, 2016

The US proper for Thanksgiving Day found in the *Roman Missal* may be used. If the proper Mass is used, the *Lectionary* texts may come from the readings of the day or from the *Masses for Various Needs and Occasions, In Thanksgiving to God*. If food is brought to Mass for a blessing in preparation for the Thanksgiving Day meal, the Order for the Blessing of Food for Thanksgiving Day may be used as found in the *Book of Blessings*, Chapter 58.

A PLAN FOR AN INTERFAITH OR ECUMENICAL SERVICE IN ANTICIPATION OF THANKSGIVING DAY

Many parishes join neighboring religious communities for an interfaith or ecumenical service as part of the celebration of Thanksgiving Day. This is a commendable practice and in some areas a long-standing tradition.

The following is a plan for such a service:

If the service takes place in a Catholic Church, then only a Catholic priest presides from the priest celebrant's chair. Interfaith and ecumenical representatives may take a place in the sanctuary. The priest celebrant wears a surplice/alb and white stole. A cope may also be worn. Liturgical ministers may be representative of the religious communities participating in the service. A collection of money or food for the poor may be a part of the service.

INTRODUCTION

--The service begins with a suitable psalm or hymn

--A greeting from the Roman Missal and/or an introduction to the service

--A collect from the Roman Missal, perhaps from Thanksgiving Day or For Giving Thanks to God

CELEBRATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

--This part of the service follows the order for the Liturgy of the Word with the usual chants. The choice of texts, in addition to a consideration of the theme, should also be considerate of the interfaith or ecumenical assembly for this occasion. The Lectionary texts may come from the section, In Thanksgiving to God. There need only be the Gospel or the usual other readings depending on the circumstances.

--A homily or reflection may follow by the priest or by a representative of the other religious communities.

--A hymn of praise may follow the homily or reflection.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER AND BLESSING

--The Universal Prayer takes place as usual. In an ecumenical service the Lord's Prayer concludes the Universal Prayer. In an interfaith service, a concluding prayer, perhaps one of the collects not used during the Introduction may be used. The service ends with a Trinitarian blessing in an ecumenical service or a suitable prayer of blessing in an interfaith service.

--The service ends with a suitable psalm or hymn.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sunday, November 27, 2016

The Blessing of an Advent Wreath may take place at the conclusion of the Universal Prayer on this Sunday. See *Book of Blessings*, Chapter 47, Order for the Blessing of an Advent Wreath. The Advent Wreath needs only to be blessed once, perhaps at the Anticipated Mass for the First Sunday of Advent.

As we approach the beginning of another year of the Liturgical Calendar, please note the Lectionary cycles for 2017 are:

- *Sunday Cycle – Year A*
- *Weekday Cycle – I*

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Thursday, December 8, 2016

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the patronal feast of the United States of America, is *always* a Holy Day of Obligation, even if it falls on a Monday or Saturday.

SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

Sunday, December 25, 2016

The Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord is *always* a Holy Day of Obligation, even if it falls on a Monday or Saturday

4:00 P.M. is the earliest time in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for a Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord.

COLDS AND FLU

AND THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRED LITURGY

- ❖ Ministers of Holy Communion should wash their hands before Mass begins, or even use an alcohol based anti-bacterial solution in the pew before distributing, and after purifying their fingers after the distributing Holy Communion;
- ❖ People feeling ill should avoid receiving Communion from the chalice.

Priests are encouraged to use good pastoral common sense to allay the fears of the faithful during cold and flu season. An example of this might include refraining from the use of the Sign of Peace during the celebration of Mass and reminding the faithful not to receive the Precious Blood if they are ill.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Office for Divine Worship has the responsibility for direction, guidance and support of pastors and those who collaborate with them in the formation of adults for Christian Initiation. Additional information on Christian Initiation for adults can be found on the website for the Office for Divine Worship, under the heading *Christian Initiation*.

- For the current *Christian Initiation Information Periodic Mailing*, see: <http://www.odwphiladelphia.org/christian-initiation/>.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

- **All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are to have an appointment letter from the Archbishop.**
- Candidates are to be fully initiated practicing Catholics, high school graduates, validly married (if married), recognized for faith and devotion to the Holy Eucharist as well as for service in the parish/institution.

- Pastors and chaplains are encouraged to send new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the archdiocesan formation sessions. Current Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are also welcome to attend.
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion typically serve for three years. Pastors/chaplains may renew terms, if agreeable and in consultation with the minister.
- Pastors and chaplains are reminded to inform the Office for Divine Worship if they conduct their own formation and to send to this office their request for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.
- Request forms can be found on the Office for Divine Worship website. Letters of Appointment from the Archbishop will then follow.
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are appointed for a three-year term and for the place where they are commissioned. Terms may be renewed if agreeable to both the pastor/chaplain and the minister.
- All records of active Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are maintained by the parish/institution.
- **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are commissioned after participation in a training session, according to the form found in the *Book of Blessings*, Chapter 63, "Order for the Commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion."**
- Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion only serve in the parishes/institutions for which they are commissioned.

THE NEW ORDER OF CELEBRATING MATRIMONY

The *Order of Celebrating Matrimony* becomes mandatory for use as the only English edition for celebrating marriages in the United States, and therefore in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, as of December 30, 2016. Copies of this ritual book are available from a number of publishers in the United States.

The notes for the September-October Workshops on the revised *Order of Celebrating Matrimony* can be found on the website of the Office for Divine Worship.

TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE ORDER OF CONFIRMATION

As of Pentecost 2016, the revised *Order of Confirmation* is the only ritual book to be used by priests when delegated by the Archbishop to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. This new ritual book is only published in a bi-lingual (Spanish-English) format by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. To purchase a copy of *The Order for Confirmation*, see: <http://store.usccb.org/>.

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL MUSIC

DON'T PICK ANY OLD "ORDINARY" SETTING FOR YOUR ORDINARY

Throughout the liturgical year, we are often changing the Ordinary of the Mass. What are the reasons we are changing it? And how do we pick the next setting? Most often, we select a different Mass setting because we are entering a new liturgical season, or because we just tire of the setting we've been doing week after week. But it is imperative that we are choosing a new setting based upon the sensitivity and tone of that upcoming season. It's a good idea to create a chart of the liturgical seasons and have the Ordinary change each year in a cyclical pattern. As we approach the Advent Season, I'd like to suggest a few Mass Settings that would capture the appropriate mood of Advent, with a subdued setting.

People's Mass, Vermulst

Mass for A New Century, Christopher Pardini, Paired with the David Isele Lamb of God

Mass for Christian Unity, Vermulst

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<https://www.onelicense.net>

MUSICIAN STIPENDS

So often, we are faced with the issue of how much to pay our liturgical musicians. This is always a topic of interesting discussion. When we are dealing with performing a service, combined with the role of a liturgical minister, the question of compensation can become quite difficult. It's not always as cut and dry as it may seem. There is such a range of the caliber of the musicians on the altar and at the organ, that parameters need to be set in order to determine appropriate and fair compensation. Ideally, the basis for this discussion should start with years of experience and musical degrees. People who have invested in professional training, who offer a quality sound and strong sense of musicality should be in the category of those getting paid. How much they should be paid would be up to the demographic of the area where they are singing and the financial situation of the parish. This does not in any way de-value the work of the volunteer cantor who gives of their time to provide leadership in the community. Please feel free to contact me at cangelini@archphila.org for any further questions with specificity to rates throughout the Archdiocese.

SAVE THE DATE
WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2017
Cathedral Chapel
7:00PM

MUSIC FOR THE NEW

MARRIAGE RITUAL



COME AND CELEBRATE THE

JOINING OF THE OLD AND THE

NEW!

TOGETHER AS ONE, WE WILL EXPLORE LITURGICAL
MUSIC FOR THE OPTIONS IN THE NEW MARRIAGE RITUAL, INCLUDING THE INTROIT,
MUSIC DURING THE CELEBRATION OF MATRIMONY, COMMUNION ANTIPHONS AND
MORE!

GIVEN WITH LOVE BY FATHER DENNIS GILL AND CHARLENE ANGELINI

ARCHDIOCESAN CHOIR AUDITIONS

After the first of the year, we will be holding auditions for both the Archdiocesan Adult Choir and the Archdiocesan Boy and Girl's Choir. We will be sending out the dates for auditions in December 2016.

LINKS TO HELPFUL INFORMATION

MAKE SURE YOUR PARISH RECEIVES THE MOST CURRENT INFORMATION

Please notify the Office for Divine Worship if there are any changes to the Coordinators serving as liaisons between your parish and the Office for Divine Worship. The Coordinators Contact Form is available online.

FOR THE MOST RECENT NEWSLETTER FROM THE USCCB

Individual issues of the Newsletter are posted online around the fifteenth of the month approximately three months after they have been released to subscribers.

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