OFFICE FOR WORSHIP JANUARY 2010

SOME LITURGICAL CALENDAR ITEMS

January 1, 2010, Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

Friday, January 1 is a Holy Day of Obligation.

January 5, 2010, Feast of Saint John Neumann

Tuesday, January 5 enjoys the rank of a *feast* in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for both the celebration of Mass and the Divine Office.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Monday, January 18 through Monday, January 25, is the week of prayer for Christian Unity and calls for petitions in the Prayer of the Faithful for this intention. Also, when possible the Mass for the Unity of Christians may be used with the readings of the day and green vestments.

January 22, 2010, Day of Penance and Prayer

In November 2001, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops approved several adaptations to the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*. Following confirmation by the Holy See in February 2002, and the publication of the third edition of the *Missale Romanum* with the *Institutio generalis* itself in April 2002, the US adaptations became particular law for the dioceses of the United States of America, including:

In all the dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when the 22nd falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of <u>penance</u> for the violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of <u>prayer</u> for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life. The Mass "For Peace and Justice" (no. 22 from "Masses for Various Needs") should be celebrated with violet vestments as an appropriate liturgical observance of this day.

ROMAN MISSAL FORMATION

USCCB WEBSITE: www.USCCB.org/liturgy/romanmissalformation

Priests are encouraged to check the USCCB website for additional information during this period of remote preparation for the reception of the new English Translation of the *Roman Missal*.

During this year of remote preparation for the reception of the new translation, three general assemblies are scheduled. All are welcome—priests, deacons, religious and especially the faithful! Each of these assemblies will provide a general overview of the *Roman Missal*,

answering the questions of how the translation was conducted and why the need for a new English translation at this time. Samples of the newly translated texts will also be presented.

The places, dates and times are given below for these assemblies. More information will follow.

Saints Simon & Jude Church

8 Cavanaugh Court West Chester, PA 19382 Thursday, April 15, 2010 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Visitation B.V.M. Church

196 N. Trooper Road Norristown, PA 19403-2665 Thursday, April 22, 2010 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Our Lady of Good Counsel Church

611 Knowles Avenue Southampton, PA 18966-4198 Thursday, April 29, 2009 7:00 – 9:00 PM

National Association of Pastoral Musicians Webinar: PREPARING FOR THE NEW *ROMAN MISSAL*

How should pastors, musicians, and other pastoral leaders prepare themselves, their communities, and their liturgical ministers for implementation of the new English language edition of the *Roman Missal*? Explore this and other questions during the upcoming webinar "Preparing for the New *Roman Missal*," on Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 2:00 PM ET, 1:00 PM CT, 12:00 NOON MT, 11:00 AM PT. The webinar will be presented by **Father Paul Turner**, who has been serving as secretary to the bishops of the International Commission on English in the Liturgy as they have worked on the new English translation of the *Roman Missal*.

In addition to individual registration at \$25, there are special rates for groups who view the webinar at the same computer. Visit the <u>NPM website</u> for details.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Pastors and chaplains are reminded to inform the Office for Worship if they are conducting their own training and to send to this office their request for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Request forms can be found on the Office for Worship website. Letters of Appointment 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. Pastors are reminded to conduct the commissioning of new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion according to the rite found in the <u>Book of Blessings</u>, Chapter 63.

Pastors, the pastoral care departments at Holy Redeemer Hospital and Medical Center, Meadowbrook, and Mercy Fitzgerald Hospital, Darby, are in need of additional Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. If you are near these hospitals and can recommend the assistance of Communion Ministers from your parish for this service, please call Joan Steinen, 215-938-3985 at Holy Redeemer, or Sister Angela Fellin, RSM, 610-237-4000 at Mercy Fitzgerald.

PLEASE REGISTER NOW!!! WINTER WORKSHOPS FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

These sessions will include an overview of the role of the Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, a role play of the duties of the Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion during Mass and Communion of the Sick including the sending of the Extraordinary Minister from the Sunday Mass to the sick.

Thursday, February 11, 2009, 7:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M. St. Martin of Tours Church, Roosevelt Boulevard and Cheltenham Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19124 In the lower church.

Thursday, February 18, 2009, 7:00 P.M.-9:00 P.M. St. Cyril of Jerusalem Church, Almshouse Road and Meetinghouse Road, Jamison, PA 18929

Register for these workshops directly online at the Office for Worship website, <u>http://archphila.org/evangelization/worship/worship.htm</u>, or call the Office for Worship to register at 215-587-3537. Important information for the pastor/chaplain found online on the registration forms.

LITURGICAL STUDIES CERTIFICATE

The spring flyer for the Liturgical Studies Certificate, sponsored jointly by the Office for Worship and the Religious Studies Department at Saint Charles Seminary, is attached to this mailing and is also available on the website of the Office for Worship, <u>http://archphila.org/evangelization/worship/worship.htm</u>. *Please pass it on to interested staff members and parishioners!*

CELEBRATIONS OF THE ORDINARY FORM IN LATIN AND THE EXTRAORDINARY FORM

http://archphila.org/evangelization/worship/resources/Ordinary-Extraordinary%20Form%20of%20the%20Mass%20List.pdf

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, February 6, 2010

WINTER WORKSHOP FOR ALL CLERGY AND LITURGICAL MUSIC MINISTERS

Liturgy as a Collective Act: Sing to the Lord and the New Roman Missal

9:00AM to 3:00PM St. Charles Borromeo Seminary *Flyer Attached*

If you have any questions about any of the above points, please don't hesitate to give me a call at the office or send me an e-mail, <u>frdgill@adphila.org</u>. Please check the website for liturgical resources and helpful liturgical links, <u>http://archphila.org/evangelization/worship.htm</u>.