OFFICE FOR WORSHIP JUNE 2010

SOME LITURGICAL CALENDAR ITEMS

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST Sunday, June 6

A more solemn celebration of Mass on this Sunday is a most fitting way to observe this Solemnity. Liturgical exposition and a procession with the Most Blessed Sacrament follow the norms found in the ritual book, *Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside of Mass.* It is also possible to have exposition and a procession with the Most Blessed Sacrament on a day near to the Solemnity, in anticipation or to recall its observance.

The Sequence is optional on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS Friday, June 11

This Solemnity brings to a close the observance of the *Year of the Priest*. Cardinal Rigali has directed that this observance be commemorated during the celebration of Mass, perhaps in the homily and with an appropriate petition in the *Prayer of the Faithful*. The Cardinal has also directed that every parish provide for exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament on this day as well. Liturgical guides for this period of exposition for the close of the observance of the *Year of the Priest* will be distributed separately from this mailing.

Weddings Masses taking place on this Solemnity make use of the Mass texts and biblical readings for the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus with the *Rite of Marriage*—and the Nuptial Blessing and Solemn Blessing—carried out in the usual way.

TWELTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME June 20

The American observance of Father's Day should in no way detract from this Sunday's celebration of the Mystery of Christ. A petition in the *Prayer of the Faithful* and the possible use of the *Prayer over the People* found in the *Book of Blessings*, nos. 1729-1733, provides for a suitable liturgical inclusion of Father's Day.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL Wednesday, JUNE 30

This occasion is celebrated as a Solemnity in the Cathedral Basilica itself and as a Feast throughout the Archdiocese. The texts for Mass (*Sacramentary* and *Lectionary*) and the *Liturgy* of the Hours are taken from the Common for the Dedication of a Church.

ROMAN MISSAL FORMATION

Cardinal Rigali, with the April 2010 announcement of its *recognitio*, has given approval for the content of the period of immediate preparation for the reception and use of the revised English translation of the *Roman Missal*.

From September 2009 through this spring 2010, there have been a series of presentations and opportunities in the Archdiocese for our priests, deacons, religious and the faithful, for general information on the revised translation as part of the period of remote preparation. This fall through to the anticipated first use of date of the revised English translation, Sunday, November 27, 2011, First Sunday of Advent, marks the period of immediate preparation.

With the assistance of members of the Archdiocesan Commission on the Sacred Liturgy and a Roman Missal Implementation Committee, a broad based and comprehensive plan of catechesis, with materials and guides, are presently in preparation for distribution in the fall. Everything about this plan of catechesis is designed to assist all in the Archdiocese, especially the priests and people in parish, for the reception and use of the revised English translation of the Roman Missal.

The content, scope and sequence, and explanation of materials for this immediate period of preparation can be found on the website of the Office of Worship. Suggestions are always welcome to promote a period of excellent catechesis for so significant a moment in the liturgical life of the priests and people in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

Additional resources presently available include:

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

See Notre Dame Center for Liturgy for:
Web Catechesis for the Implementation of the new English Translation of the Roman Missal: http://liturgy.nd.edu/webcatechesis/

DVD Presentation by Msgr. James P. Moroney New Translation for a New Roman Missal Available from the Midwest Theological Forum 630-739-9750 or www.theologicalforum.org

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.

SAVE THE DATE

THE PHILADELPHIA LITURGICAL INSTITUTE ANNOUNCES

SACRED MYSTERIES: ENRICHING THE CELEBRATION

Saturday, October 9, 2010 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM Rosemont College, Rosemont, PA

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gordon W. Lathrop Professor of Liturgy Emeritus Lutheran Theological Seminary, Philadelphia

In addition to the Keynote, the day will include an opening and closing prayer event and three afternoon interactive presentations on liturgical presiding, music and architecture.

The Philadelphia Liturgical Institute is an ecumenical foundation which includes the membership of liturgical leaders who represent the many Christian denominations in the region of the City of Philadelphia. The Philadelphia Liturgical Institute aims to assist Christian communities in the renewal of liturgical celebration in the local church.

This event is co-sponsored by the Philadelphia Theological Institute.