OFFICE FOR WORSHIP OCTOBER 2009

LITURGICAL CALENDAR ITEMS

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, 18 October 2009

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Mass for the Spread of the Gospel, number 14 of the Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions, may be used on World Mission Sunday. The Readings can be those of the Sunday or those for the Evangelization of Peoples in Volume IV of the Lectionary.

THE FLU AND THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRED LITURGY

The developing concern with regard to the flu, and especially the swine influenza, necessarily impacts our celebration of the Sacred Liturgy. To date the Committee on Divine Worship of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops advises:

- ❖ Ministers of Holy Communion should wash hands before Mass begins or even use an alcohol based anti-bacterial solution before and after 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 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.

Please consider including a petition in the Prayer of the Faithful for those whose lives have been seriously affected by the swine influenza.

Additional directives are planned for publication during October.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

NEWINSTITUTE FOR CHRISTIAN INITIATION

The Office of Worship and the Office for Formation of the Laity will inaugurate this fall an Institute for Christian Initiation. This new Institute offers a comprehensive presentation of the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* with liturgical and theological insight for its practical pastoral implementation. The Institute begins on Saturday, October 17. Look for a brochure elsewhere in this mailing. For more immediate information, please call the Office for Worship, 215-587-3537.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

PLEASE REGISTER NOW!!! ADDITIONAL FALL 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, October 1, 2009, 7:00 PM-9:00 PM

Stella Maris Church, S.E. Corner 10th and Bigler Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19148-5010

Wednesday, October 14, 2009, 7:00 PM-9:00 PM Visitation B.V.M. Church, 196 N. Trooper Road, Norristown, PA 19403-2665

Thursday, November 5, 2009 7:00 PM-9:00 PM Saint Margaret Church, 210-212 N. Narberth Avenue, Narberth, PA 19072-1806

Monday, November 23, 2009 (7:00 PM-9:00 PM)

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

PETITIONS FOR THE YEAR OF THE PRIEST FOR OCCASIONAL USE ON SUNDAYS AND WEEKDAYS FROM JUNE 19, 2009 THROUGH JUNE 19, 2010

Those who prepare the Prayer of the Faithful are asked to add occasionally one of these petitions on Sundays and Weekdays. This petition can satisfy the fourth category, for the local community, or be an additional petition for this same category. These petitions can be found on the website of the Office for Worship, http://archphila.org/evangelization/worship/worship.htm.

Also, petitions for the Sunday Prayer of the Faithful for vocations to the Diocesan Priesthood can be found on the website of the Office for Worship, http://archphila.org/evangelization/worship/worship.htm.

HOLY HOUR FOR THE YEAR OF THE PRIEST

The order for the Archdiocesan Novena of Holy Hours for Priests for the *Year of the Priest* is available on the website of the Office for Worship, http://archphila.org/evangelization/worship/worship.htm, for use by parishes and other institutions for periods of exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament to pray for priests.

THE ASSOCIATION OF CHURCH MUSICIANS IN PHILADELPHIA (ACMP)

Sponsors the following events

FALL WORKSHOPS ON SKILLS BUILDING

Sessions on

Techniques for leading the assembly's song with organ or contemporary ensemble Improvisation skills for keyboard and melody instruments

Vocal technique for cantors, choir members, choir directors

Offered on two dates and in two locations

Saturday, November 7, 2009 – 1:00 to 3:30PM St. Joseph Church, Cheltenham

Monday, November 9, 2009 – 7:00 to 9:30PM Ss. Simon & Jude Church, West Chester

WINTER WORKSHOP

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

Saturday, February 6, 2010 – 9:00AM to 3:00PM St. Charles Borromeo Seminary

If you need more information or a registration form for any of the above call or email Cally Welsh: 610-525-7745; callywelsh@msn.com

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