



# FROM THE OFFICE OF WORSHIP

NOTES FOR JULY-AUGUST 2018

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## Upcoming Feasts in October

While they may not be holy days of obligation, there are several additions to the liturgical calendar in October that deserve some special attention. The texts for their respective Masses and entries in the Lectionary and Liturgy of the Hours in English and Spanish (when available) can be found under “[Mass](#)” in the Worship section of the diocesan website:

### **October 3—Memorial (optional) of Saint Theodore Guérin, Virgin**

Due to her impact on the Church here in southern Indiana, in 2007 the Optional Memorial of Saint Theodore Guérin was added to the Proper Calendar for the Diocese of Evansville after her 2006 canonization. We can still see the fruits of her work here in the diocese today, especially in Catholic education.

### **October 5—Memorial (optional) of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest**

Born in Füssen, Germany in 1819, he entered the diocesan seminary and, coming to know the charism of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, joined it and was sent to North America. Ordained a priest in 1844, he began his pastoral ministry in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania as assistant pastor of his confrere Saint John Neumann, serving also as Master of Novices and dedicating himself to preaching. He became a full-time itinerant missionary preacher, preaching in both English and German in a number of different states. He died in New Orleans, Louisiana, on October 4, 1867. Due to his missionary zeal as well as continued devotion to him, especially in the south, in 2014 the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments confirmed the inscription of Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos into the Proper Calendar for the Dioceses of the United States.

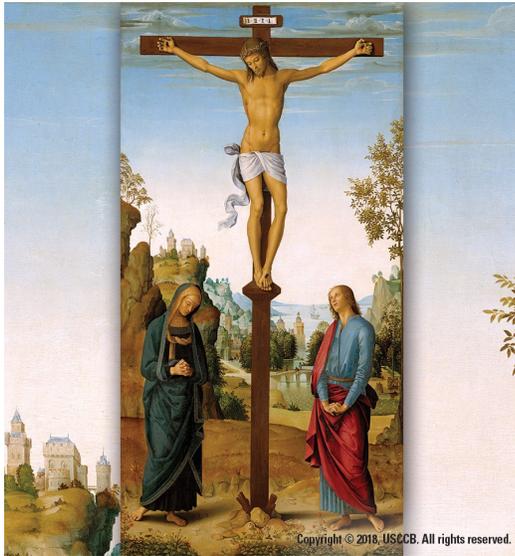
### **October 11—Memorial (optional) of Saint John XXIII, Pope**

Following the canonizations of Pope Saints John XXIII and John Paul II, Pope Francis decided to inscribe them both into the General Roman Calendar. A decree to this effect was issued by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments on May 29, 2014. While most saints’ feasts are their day of death, Pope Saint John XXIII is commemorated on the date of the opening of the Second Vatican Council, which he historically called.

### **October 22—Memorial (optional) of Saint John Paul II, Pope**

Pope John Paul II has been on the Proper Calendar for the United States since 2012 (after his beatification in 2011). Like John XXIII, Pope Saint John Paul II is commemorated not on his death but on the date of his papal inauguration. His contributions to the Church and world were numerous and his popularity with the faithful unquestioned.

## Catechetical Sunday 2018



This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 16. The 2018 theme will be “Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ.” Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

As in past years, a variety of materials, free of charge on-line, have been prepared to assist clergy, parish catechists, Catholic school teachers, and the faithful to celebrate Catechetical Sunday, not only in September but throughout 2018-2019. These can be found at the [USCCB Catechetical Sunday 2018 web-site](#).

In addition, chapter four of the *Book of Blessings* provides an “Order for the Blessing of Those Appointed as Catechists” that may be used in or outside of Mass. This could be used at the Masses Catechetical Sunday weekend to publicly recognize those who have made the commitment to serve as catechists, as well as giving the faithful of the community the opportunity to publicly pray for and support those entrusted with this great work.

Lastly, please do not forget to recognize parents as the first teachers of children. The role which they play is essential, and our prayerful support of them is greatly needed and appreciated.

## Upcoming Conferences



UNIVERSITY  
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*Treasures of the Liturgy*

*Topic—Re-Imagining Sacramental Preparation:*

*How Catechists, Pastors, and Parents Can Turn the Tide of Sacramental Indifference*

Dr. James Pauley

The Liturgical Institute

September 14, 2018

University of Saint Mary of the Lake Conference Center, Mundelein, IL

What does a transformative living of the sacraments require today? How do we help those we prepare for the sacraments to move from disinterest to curiosity to desire? Join the author of a groundbreaking new book as we discuss the eternal exchange of love that is the very atmosphere and objective of the sacramental life. How we can fruitfully prepare those in our care so that their individual perceptions better align with the extraordinary reality of the sacraments?

In four dynamic, interactive workshops, we will explore the essential movements of a sacramental preparation that will help others to flourish in their sacramental life.

Session 1: Formation or First Evangelization? Embracing the New Reality

Session 2: The Hidden Power of Ritual Language

Session 3: Teaching the Art of Transformative Participation

Session 4: Apprenticeship: Our Best Way Forward

Dr. James Pauley is Professor of Theology and Catechetics at Franciscan University. He is author of the book, *Liturgical Catechesis in the 21st Century: A School of Discipleship* (Liturgy Training Publications, July 2017).

Cost is \$99. For more information or to register, please visit the [Liturgical Institute website](#).

## Upcoming Conferences



McGRATH INSTITUTE FOR  
**CHURCH LIFE**

### [Liturgy Week: Liturgy and the Domestic Church](#)

June 17-20, 2019

Notre Dame Center for Liturgy, Notre Dame, IN

Liturgy Week is a 4-day conference providing continuing education for Catholic leaders in the area of liturgical and sacramental formation. The conference includes keynote addresses by bishops, academics and theologians, and nationally-renowned experts in liturgical and sacramental education.

- ✘ Learn how the liturgical celebration is lived out in the daily life of the domestic Church.
- ✘ Enjoy 4 days of continuing education and formation on the beautiful Notre Dame campus.
- ✘ Select from tracks in liturgical formation, sacramental preparation, liturgical music, scriptural exegesis, and technology.
- ✘ Connect with your peers working in parishes, dioceses, and campus ministries across the nation.
- ✘ Liturgists, musicians, catechists, campus ministers, and other parish and diocesan staff involved in the work of evangelization are invited to attend.
- ✘ Every participant in Liturgy Week will receive a rich liturgical education, an opportunity for spiritual renewal, and a practical formation in contributing to the mission of liturgical evangelization in the parish and school.
- ✘ Specialized tracks are available for liturgists, musicians, catechists, academics interested in the liturgy, Catholic educators in schools, and those trained in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.
- ✘ Liturgy Week participants have access to educational offerings available online throughout the academic year to assist them in the work of liturgical formation.

More details to come, but do save the date for this great opportunity.

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### [Introduction to Christianity at 50](#)

November 4-6, 2018

Notre Dame Center for Liturgy, Notre Dame, IN

*Introduction to Christianity* grew out of lectures Joseph Ratzinger gave before the student body of the University of Tübingen. The book's publication in 1968, not long after the close of the Second Vatican Council, marks a milestone in the Church's engagement with the modern world and in the career of the Church's preeminent theologian in the public sphere. The Introduction, as an articulation of the abiding significance and urgency of the Christian mysteries, models a form of Catholic apologetic ever more necessary in a world that is increasingly post-Christian.

Organized to mark the 50th anniversary of Joseph Ratzinger's *Introduction to Christianity*, this conference celebrates a seminal work of the Church's preeminent theologian in the public sphere. With an eye to continuing the task begun in the Introduction, the conference invites us to consider the book's historical context and theological strategy as we reimagine the work of articulating the Christian mysteries in an increasingly post-Christian age. The conference is for anyone involved in the task of communicating the faith, especially those whose work lies at the intersection of the academy and the Church.

This conference is free, but registration is required. All events will be held in the Notre Dame Conference Center's McKenna Hall on the University of Notre Dame campus.

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For more information on the events, housing options, or to register individually, please visit the [McGrath Institute for Church Life website](#).

## All Saints/All Souls Reminder

This year, All Saints (November 1) lands on a Thursday. This means that it will be a holy day of obligation. Masses from 4 PM October 31 through November 1 should be for the Solemnity and would fulfill the obligation to participate in Mass. There are no specific prayers for an All Saints vigil Mass, so any anticipatory Masses the evening of October 31 would use the proper prayers and readings for November 1. The *ordo* also recommends the exposing of relics this day for veneration by the faithful, placing them in some location of honor this day (but not on the altar itself).

As usual, November 2 brings us the Commemoration of All Souls. Since it holds the special title of “commemoration,” it has its own set of rules:

- ✘ Priests are granted the privilege of celebrating three Masses—one for a particular intention, one for all the faithful departed, and one for the intentions of the Holy Father.
- ✘ Funeral Masses may be celebrated this day, but other ritual Masses may not.
- ✘ Masses the evening of November 1 would still be for All Saints and not anticipating All Souls.

Chapter 57 of the *Book of Blessings* provides an “Order for Visiting a Cemetery on All Souls Day” that can be used right after Mass or apart from the Mass. Remember to pray for the dead!

## Honoring Veterans on November 11

**Q.:** What are some ways we could honor our veterans on November 11?

**A.:** While there is no “official” blessing or prayer that is used to recognize and thank those who have served in the armed forces, there are a few options for this day as well as one Providential coincidence:

- ✘ The simplest method is to include a petition in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass for our veterans;
- ✘ also at Mass, Solemn Blessings #12 and 13 speak of the blessings of peace, and safety from adversity;
- ✘ Chapters 70-71 in the *Book of Blessings* could be adapted to give thanks for their service;
- ✘ Thanks to Divine coincidence, November 11 is the Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, patron of soldiers. Perhaps a prayer card or medal of the saint could be blessed and given to veterans this day.

## Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception in 2018

A reminder that in 2018, Saturday, December 8, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, is a holy day of obligation. It is our national feast day, with the United States under the patronage of the Blessed Virgin Mary, celebrating her Immaculate Conception.

Scheduling Masses—Since the Solemnity takes precedent over Memorials and Feasts, Masses the evening of Friday, December 7 (Memorial of Saint Ambrose) would be anticipatory Masses for the Immaculate Conception. There are not proper vigil Mass prayers and readings for this Solemnity.

Ritual and Funeral Masses—According to the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* (GIRM), no. 372, Ritual Masses are not permitted on Sundays of Advent, Lent, and Easter, as well as on Solemnities, days within the Easter Octave, All Souls’ Day, Ash Wednesday, and Holy Week. Therefore, Ritual Masses, including the celebration of Matrimony within Mass, are not permitted, although a wedding outside of Mass would be allowed.

GIRM no. 380 prohibits Funeral Masses on Solemnities that are Holydays of Obligation, so in 2018 Funeral Masses would not be permitted. If one were to need to celebrate a funeral liturgy on this day, the “Funeral Liturgy Outside of Mass” found in the *Order of Christian Funerals*, nos. 177-203 would be used.

## Discounts on 2019 Ordos and LTP Workbooks

The Office of Worship is pleased to be able to offer the following resources at a discounted price. **To order, please contact Matt Miller ([mmiller@evdio.org](mailto:mmiller@evdio.org)) by Friday, September 28 with kind and number.**

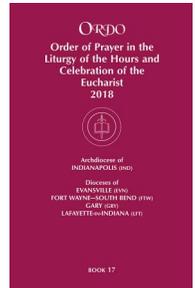
### Paulist Press

#### **2019 Ordo from Paulist Press**

Print edition. Contains the order of prayer for the Liturgy of the Hours and Mass, clergy necrology, information on saints' lives, and helpful pastoral notes. Spanish edition also available (Spanish version is not diocese-specific and does not contain the necrology).

**Office of Worship Price—\$15.15 (20% off)**

*Please note—This offer is for the print version only. If you would like to order the ebook version or the mobile app, please visit the [Paulist Press website](http://Paulist Press website). The Office of Worship is unable to provide a discount for the electronic versions.*



### LTP

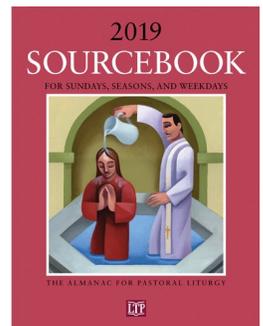
#### **Sourcebook for Sundays, Seasons, and Weekdays 2019**

##### **The Almanac for Pastoral Liturgy**

An essential pastoral resource to help you prepare the liturgy each day of the liturgical year.

- ✘ Notes on preparing the Mass, sacraments, and Liturgy of the Hours
- ✘ Ideas to enhance the choice of music and the liturgical environment and ways to bring the liturgy into your home
- ✘ Features on liturgical ministry, devotions and sacramentals, and blessings
- ✘ Helpful tips for homilies, catechesis, and liturgy preparation
- ✘ Ideas for leading and preparing children's Liturgy of the Word
- ✘ Original Mass texts for the Prayer of the Faithful, dismissals for RCIA and children's Liturgy of the Word, and Introduction to Mass

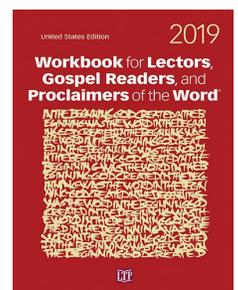
**Office of Worship price—\$9.60 (40% off)**



#### **Workbook for Lectors, Gospel Readers, and Proclaimers of the Word® 2019**

This resource contains the readings in large print for practice (with suggestions for emphasis in bold) commentaries that give background and explain the meaning of the reading, margin notes with pronunciation helps and tips for proclamation, and the Responsorial Psalms for meditation and context. Workbook's introduction offers an orientation to this ministry of the Word and an overview of proclamation skills.

**Office of Worship price—\$8.40 (40% off)**



*Do not forget your Spanish readers!*

#### **Manual para proclamadores de la palabra® 2019**

This resource provides the Sunday readings arranged in sense-lines, with the most indispensable biblical and liturgical information to proclaim them with reverence and efficacy before the assembly. This Manual collaborates in the technical, biblical, and spiritual formation of parish lectors, so that each celebration is a source and culmination of the life of the Church.

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