

## LITURGYNOTES – FOR AUGUST 2022

“Good celebrations foster and nourish faith. Poor celebrations weaken and destroy it.”

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“Joined to the incarnate Son, present in the Eucharist, the whole cosmos gives thanks to God. Indeed the Eucharist is itself an act of cosmic love: ‘Yes, cosmic! Because even when it is celebrated on the humble altar of a country church, the Eucharist is always in some way celebrated on the altar of the world.’” – Pope Francis (*Laudato Si*, 236)

### LITURGY AND COVID-19

**Pandemic Policies and Resources:** <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/flu>

**Prayer and Support:** <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/prayer-and-support>

**COVID-19 Vaccines:** <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/covid-vaccine>

<https://iowacatholicconference.org/getvaccinated/>

**Catholic Cares Coalition:** <https://catholiccares.org/>



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### ***EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL***

<https://www.davenportdiocese.org/liturgy/eucharistic-revival>

The “diocesan phase” of this initiative began on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ this summer.

Please visit our diocesan webpages for information and resources, including an article series and accompanying bulletin paragraphs for your use being published in the *Messenger* (<https://www.davenportdiocese.org/mystery-believed>).

**Eucharistic Revival Conference, September 22-24:** Please share this link with anyone who might be interested in participating in this FREE virtual conference!

A new formation resource for priests: the McGrath Institute for Church Life has prepared this free bilingual *Program in Priestly Renewal: Eucharistic Revival* to provide intellectual, pastoral, and practical content for priests during the first year of the Revival; feel free to share the link with anyone who might be interested.

### ***LITURGY NEWS***

#### FR. PAUL TURNER NAMED TO LITURGY DICASTERY

The Vatican announced that the Holy Father has appointed Father Paul Turner, from our Region (9), as a consultor to the Dicastery for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments (DDWDS). This appointment recognizes his many contributions to the study and practice of liturgy in the United States and abroad. Congratulations!

#### MRS. KAY TEMPLE NAMED TO FDLC BOARD

And speaking of Region 9... Mrs. Kay Temple, who serves as one of Bishop Zinkula’s Masters of Ceremonies, coordinates our diocesan choir, and serves on our Diocesan Liturgical Commission, has been elected as Region 9’s representative to the Board of the Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions! Kay’s knowledge and experience will serve our diocese, the Region, and the US Church well! Congratulations – and thanks for saying “yes”!

#### DESIDERIO DESIDERAVI

Pope Francis has addressed an Apostolic Letter to the entire Church – clergy and laity alike. Dated June 29 – the Solemnity of SS. Peter and Paul – the Letter focuses “On the Liturgical Formation of the People of God.”

The Letter may be found at:

[https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost\\_letters/documents/20220629-lettera-ap-desiderio-desideravi.html](https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/20220629-lettera-ap-desiderio-desideravi.html)

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Beginning with this issue of *LiturgyNotes*, we will begin working our way through the Holy Father’s letter to us. As we do so, here is another resource for your consideration: a talk by Fr. John Baldwin, SJ ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rKowh\\_Tmw3E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rKowh_Tmw3E)).

### ***DESIDERIO DESIDERA VI***

#### The Title

The title comes from Luke 22:15 – where Jesus tells his disciples that he has “eagerly desired” (literally, “I desired with desire”) to celebrate the Passover with them. Just so, Jesus “eagerly desires” to encounter us in the Liturgy today, to be in relationship, in communion. He desires to eat the Passover *with us* (§§20, 57, 65); he desires us (§6). The Pope plays off the idea of “desire” in the letter – after writing *Traditiones custodes* to the Bishops, he now “desires” to reach out to all Catholics... he “desires” to “to offer some prompts or cues for reflections that can aid in the contemplation of the beauty and truth of Christian celebration” ... he “desires” that we “rediscover” what Sunday and the Liturgical Year are all about. Rediscovering Sunday? I hope that sounds familiar...! :-)

#### To whom is it addressed?

The Letter is addressed to the entire Church. He reminds us that we – the Church, the Body of Christ, all of us and not just the priest – celebrate the liturgy. While there are sections that pertain to ordained ministers – especially priests – the Pope is calling on all of us to become better formed in and by the liturgy. This takes work, effort; a “demanding asceticism” (§6) that surrenders to Christ’s love for us.

#### What’s it about?

On the one hand, the Holy Father is – as the subtitle states – calling us to a renewed and re-energized undertaking of the work of liturgical formation – which includes celebrating the liturgy well. The importance of the beauty of the liturgy is referenced nine times in the letter. But these are not ends in themselves, but are meant to foster a transformative encounter with Christ – THAT is the key. Changed, we are sent; the Church is missionary by nature. In addition, he is also continuing his teaching that the liturgy that has come to us after the Second Vatican Council is *the* liturgy of the Church, and ought to serve as a center of unity (§§16, 31, 61). For Pope Francis, acceptance of the Council means acceptance of the liturgy that flows from it.

### ***UPCOMING EVENTS***

See the Liturgy Events webpage at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/liturgy-events>.

#### CONTINUING FORMATION FOR LITURGY / LITURGICAL MINISTRY

See the Liturgy Events webpage at: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/liturgy-events>.

FDLC: Formation for the Revised Order of Christian Initiation of Adults – registration opens August 1!

The anticipated arrival of the new translations of the *Order of Christian Initiation of Adults* and the *Ritual para la Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos* provides a golden opportunity for formation. The FDLC will be offering a FREE series on the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) September 2022 – February 2023!

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All 40 webinars will be offered in both English and Spanish. Join us live or by viewing the recording! For more information, please visit: <https://fdlc.org/ociawebinars/>. Registration opens August 1. All registered participants may see the “live,” and recorded version of the webinar. Registration is FREE.

### FDLC: More Formation Opportunities Coming!

True to the FDLC’s original mission and encouraged by Pope Francis’ recent Apostolic Letter, watch for more exciting formation opportunities – including a series on the Mass and the newly revised *Order of Penance*.

## LITURGY PREPARATION

### LITURGICAL CALENDAR

#### Blessing Teachers and Students

With school starting, especially in the context of this ongoing pandemic, parishes and schools may want to consider using the Order for the Blessing of Students and Teachers. It is found in the *Book of Blessings*, nos. 522 and following.

#### August 6 & 9: 77 years since the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki

In 2020, the USCCB Committee for International Peace and Justice (Chaired by Bishop David Malloy) announced a campaign to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki on August 6 and 9, 1945. The resources created for that commemoration are still available at: <https://www.usccb.org/committees/international-justice-and-peace/nuclear-weapons>

#### August 15

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the BVM falls on a Monday this year, so the obligation is abrogated. Even so, ritual Masses (i.e., marriage, confirmation) are still prohibited. Marriage may be celebrated outside of Mass using texts from the Rite of Marriage. Funeral Masses may be celebrated when the obligation is abrogated. Evening Prayer II on Sunday is replaced by Evening Prayer I for the Assumption (since the Solemnity ranks higher than a Sunday in Ordinary Time); evening Masses would still be for the Sunday (since Sunday retains the [dispensed] obligation).

	Morning Prayer	Mass before 4pm	Mass after 4pm	Evening Prayer
<b>Sun 8/14</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	20 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in OT	Assumption of BVM I
<b>Mon 8/15</b>	Assumption of BVM	Assumption of BVM (Day)		Assumption of BVM II

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### September Observations

Please see the Diocesan website (<https://www.davenportdiocese.org/liturgy-events>) for resources relevant to these special observations in September:

- Season of Creation (Sept 1 – Oct 4)
  - <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/events/season-of-creation-4>
- Labor Day (Mon, Sept 6)
  - <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/events/labor-day>
- St. Peter Claver (Fri, Sept 9)
  - <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/events/st-peter-claver>
- Sunday, September 11
  - <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/events/9-11-remembrance>
- World Day of Migrants and Refugees (Sunday, Sept 25)
  - <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/events/world-day-for-migrants-and-refugees-1>
- Priesthood Sunday (Sept 25)
  - <https://www.davenportdiocese.org/events/priesthood-sunday-1>

### October: Domestic Violence Awareness Month

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. In 2002, the US Bishops released *When I Call for Help: A Pastoral Response to Domestic Violence Against Women*. They began with an unequivocal condemnation of violence against women:

As pastors of the Catholic Church in the United States, we state as clearly and strongly as we can that violence against women, inside or outside the home, is never justified. Violence in any form—physical, sexual, psychological, or verbal—is sinful; often, it is a crime as well. We have called for a moral revolution to replace a culture of violence. We acknowledge that violence has many forms, many causes, and many victims—men as well as women.

In this document, they called upon the Church in the United States to reach out to both victims and perpetrators of domestic violence. Among the recommendations that they made is to use opportunities within the liturgy and in sacramental preparation programs to draw attention to violence and abuse. Their statement, and further resources and recommendations, may be found on the USCCB website: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-family/marriage/domestic-violence/>. In addition, resources are available on our website: <http://www.davenportdiocese.org/deacon-formation-resources#DomesticViolence>.

### Lent & Triduum 2023

- *Ash Wednesday* will fall on February 22, 2023.
- The *Rite of Election* is scheduled for February 26, the 1st Sunday of Lent. Details pending.
- The *Chrism Mass* is tentatively scheduled for April 3, the Monday of Holy Week. Details pending.
- The *Triduum* falls on Thursday, April 6 through Sunday, April 9 – with the Easter Vigil falling on the night of Saturday, April 8. On that night, the earliest that the Vigil may begin is 8:30 pm CDT.

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### RELIGIOUS SUPPLY: ANNUAL RESOURCES FROM LTP

LTP has announced that its annual resources are once again available. You may order your materials directly from LTP, 800-533-1900 or from Religious Supply Center in Davenport. For details, questions, information about discounts, or to place your order, call Mark, 563-324-0669 or 800-292-0052, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., M-F and 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday.

### RESOURCES FOR THE UNIVERSAL PRAYER

- (1) Diocese of Davenport Vision 2020: Intercessions for Sundays, Seasons, and Holy Days  
<https://www.davenportdiocese.org/vision-2020-liturgy>
- (2) Synod 2021-23  
<https://www.davenportdiocese.org/synod-2023>
- (3) The Center for Liturgy website offers general intercessions for each Sunday as well:  
<http://liturgy.slu.edu/>
- (4) Intercessions for various life issues may be found on the USCCB website at (in English and Spanish):  
<http://usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/prayers/intercessory-prayers-for-life.cfm>  
<http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/word-of-life/index.cfm>  
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