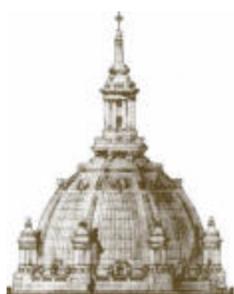


Memorial of the Passion of Saint John the Baptist—August 29



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LITURGY GUIDE FOR THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PHOTOGRAPHY — *The Cathedral welcomes all visitors to Mass today. We encourage those who wish to take photos of this sacred space to do so freely before and after Mass. Once the opening announcement is made, please refrain from taking photos and videos until Mass has concluded. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.*

THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

OPENING HYMN

ST. DENIO

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Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

GREETING

Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Assembly: Amen.

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. *(or similar greeting)*

Assembly: And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And striking the breast, say:
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

KYRIE

Missa XVI

GLORIA

Cantor and Assembly: Congregational Mass, John Lee



Celebrant or Cantor: Glory to God in the *highest*, *

Assembly: and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, * we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks * for your great glory, Lord God, heav'nly King, * O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, * Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world, * have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, * receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, * have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, * you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, * in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT (OPENING PRAYER)

Celebrant: ...God for ever and ever.

Assembly: Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8

Moses said to the people: "Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees which I am teaching you to observe, that you may live, and may enter in and take possession of the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. In your observance of the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I enjoin upon you, you shall not add to what I command you nor subtract from it. Observe them carefully, for thus will you give evidence of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations, who will hear of all these statutes and say, 'This great nation is truly a wise and intelligent people.'

For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us whenever we call upon him? Or what great nation has statutes and decrees that are as just as this whole law which I am setting before you today?"

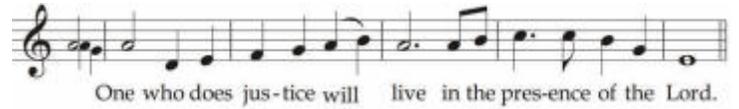
RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Grail, 1963

Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5

Richard Proulx

ANTIPHON *Cantor, then Assembly:*



VERSES *Cantor*

He who walks without fault,

he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart,

he who does not slander with his tongue,

he who does no wrong to his brother,

who casts no slur on his neighbor,

who holds the godless in disdain,

but honors those who fear the LORD.

He who keeps his pledge, come what may,

who takes no interest on a loan

and accepts no bribes against the innocent.

Such a man will stand firm for ever. *Antiphon.*

SECOND READING

James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Hear brothers and sisters: All good giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused by change. He willed to give us birth by the word of truth that we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mode VI

Cantor, then Assembly:



The Father willed to give us birth by the word of truth that we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

GOSPEL

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Deacon: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And with your spirit.

Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Assembly: Glory to you, O Lord.

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands. —For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands, keeping the tradition of the elders. And on coming from the marketplace they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and beds. —So the Pharisees and scribes questioned him, "Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?"

He responded,

"Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written:

*This people honors me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;*

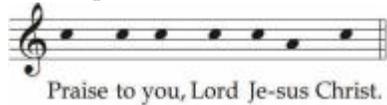
in vain do they worship me,
teaching as doctrines human precepts.

You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition." He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.

"From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.

Assembly:



HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow while saying:

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

UNIVERSAL PRAYER

Assembly: Lord, hear our prayer.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

HYMN *Adoro te devote* (#489)

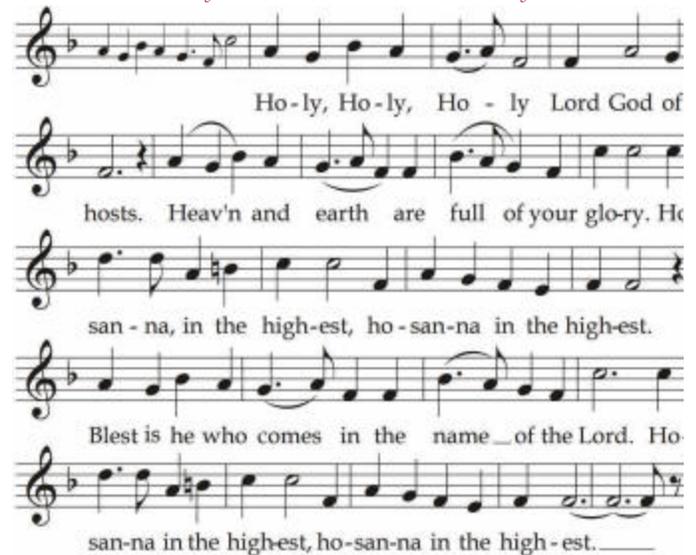
ADORO TE

I adore You devoutly, Godhead unseen, Who truly lies hidden under these sacramental forms. My soul surrenders itself to You without reserve, for in contemplating You it is completely overwhelmed. Sight, touch and taste are no guide in finding You, and only hearing is a sure guide for our faith. I believe everything that the Son of God has said, and nothing can be truer than this word of the Truth. Only the godhead was hidden on the cross, but here the humanity is hidden as well. Yet I believe and acknowledge them both, and make the same request as did the repentant thief. I do not see the marks of the wounds, as Thomas did, and yet I too own You as "My God." Grant that I believe in You more and more, that I put my hope in You and that I love You. Living bread, that ever recalls the Lord's death and gives life to His servants, grant to my soul to live by You and always to taste Your sweetness. Lord Jesus, loving pelican of heaven, cleanse me, a sinner, with Your blood; for a single drop can save the whole world from all its sin. Jesus, as I look on Your veiled presence, I pray that what I long for so ardently may come about, and that I may see Your face unveiled and be happy in the vision of Your glory.

Saint Thomas Aquinas

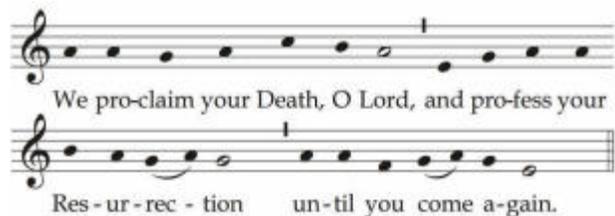
SANCTUS *Assembly:*

A Community Mass, Richard Proulx



MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION *Assembly:*

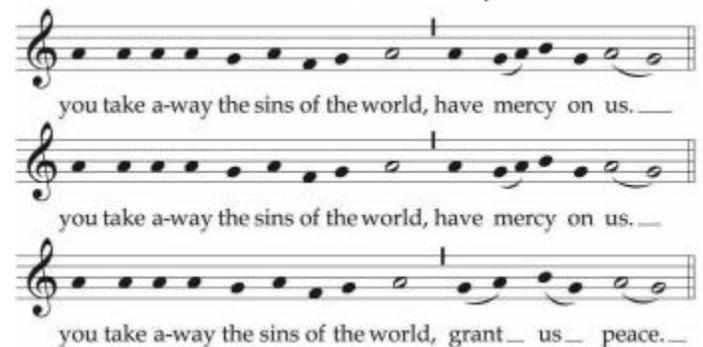
Roman Missal



AGNUS DEI

Roman Missal

Cantor: Lamb of God, (three times,) then *Assembly*, one line at a time:



HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrant: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Assembly: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word, and my soul shall be healed.

ANTIPHON *Domine memorabor*

Gregorian Missal, Mode VIII

Dómine, memorábor iustitiae tuae solítus: Deus, docuísti me a iuventúte mea, et usque in senéctam et sénium, Deus, ne derelinquas me. *Ps 70:16, 17, 18*
O Lord, I will be mindful of your justice alone; you have taught me, O God, from my youth; and so, unto old age and grey hairs, O God, forsake me not.

HYMN *Ave Maria*, Op. 9

Marcel Dupré

Ave María, grátia plena, Dóminus tecum: benedícta tu in muliéribus, et benedíctus fructus ventris tui, Iesus. Sancta María, Mater Dei, ora pro nobis peccatóribus, nunc et in hora mortis nostrae. Amen.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen. *Lk 1:26*

CLOSING HYMN

CHRISTE SANCTORUM

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Christ is the World's Light

CATHEDRAL HOURS

CHURCH HOURS

Monday - Friday: 7:00 - 5:00 p.m.

(Please enter through Selby Avenue side, handicap entrance)

Saturday: 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY MASS

Anticipatory (Saturday) 5:15 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. | 10:00 a.m. | Noon | 5:00 p.m.

DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday 3:45 to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS (RECTORY AT 239 SELBY AVENUE)

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

WELCOME CENTER HOURS

Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

GUIDED TOURS

Offered Tuesday-Friday at 1:00 p.m. (except on holy days and national holidays).

MUSEUM HOURS

TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

Call the Cathedral at 651.228.1766 for hours of operation.

VIRTUAL TOURS

Visit www.stpaulcathedraltour.com for a mobile app tour and to virtually "walk through" the Cathedral.

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Twin Cities Hmong Catholic Community

Located at 651 Virginia Street, Saint Paul

Sunday Mass (Hmong and English) 9:00 a.m.



SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR AUGUST 15, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	\$ 5,328.00
Member EFT	\$ 6,852.00
Plate	\$ 3,430.09
Total Sunday Contributions	\$ 15,610.09
Solemnity of the Assumption of the BVM	\$ 1,472.30
Saint Vincent de Paul Campus	\$ n/a

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"POPES AND ANTI-POPES": LATERAN III AND THE QUEST FOR UNITY



On the surface, it was a magnificent period of growth throughout Europe—the age of magnificent Cathedrals, with their flying buttresses and vast expanses of stained glass. In France, **Notre-Dame de Paris** was begun in 1163 A.D., while St. Bernard of Clairvaux inspired the building of Cistercian abbeys, especially in the Burgundy region of France. In England, the famed Canterbury Cathedral was taking shape. But just beneath the surface, trouble loomed. **Two men** had laid claims to the papacy— or more accurately, one pope and one anti-pope. The **schism** lasted **twenty years** and there was need to bring about **healing** and **clarity** amidst tense relations between the Holy Roman Emperor Frederick Barbarossa ("red-beard") and the papacy. The separation of Church and State, so enshrined in our American ethos (and frequently misunderstood!), was absent in 12th century Europe.

By 1178 A.D. divided loyalties in the Church could no longer be ignored. The Church needed healing. Recognizing the need for an ecumenical Council, **Pope Alexander** acted decisively "so that according to the custom of the ancient fathers, the good should be sought and confirmed by many, and that with the cooperation of the grace of the Holy Spirit, by the efforts of all, there should be carried out what was required for the correction of abuses and the establishment of what was pleasing to God." The Council convened in Rome on March 5, 1179, with some **300 bishops** in attendance. No time was wasted in admonishing the Cardinals— **Canon 1** decreed for future conclaves, "that person shall be held as Roman pontiff who has been chosen and received by the **two thirds**." Sometimes, a crisis leads to greater clarity. That very provision remains in force 842 years later!

With respect to bishops, Canon 3 decreed: "no one should be chosen bishop unless he has already reached the **age of thirty**, been born in **lawful wedlock** and also is shown to be worthy by his **life and learning**." Today's minimal age is 35, though typically new bishops are named in their early to mid-fifties. This was aimed at preventing inexperienced men from being named bishops through nepotism or other forms of favoritism. The Council decreed (Canon 4) that when visiting territories within their dioceses, Archbishops "are not to bring with them more than forty or **fifty horses** or other mounts..." ☺ As peculiar as that sounds to modern ears, the idea behind it was simple. Your office is **not for show**; you are pastors, so act like it! But it was not only to clerics that the ire of the Council was turned. The Knights Templar and Hospitallers (medieval brotherhoods) were **exceeding** their authority, ignoring bishops and causing scandal.

Interestingly, **cathedral churches** were singled out as places of **learning**. Canon 18 decreed that "in order that the opportunity of learning to read and progress in study is not withdrawn from poor children who cannot be helped by the support of their parents, in **every cathedral** church a **master is to be assigned** some proper benefice so that he may **teach the clerics** of that church and the **poor** scholars." In the 12th century, these Catholic schools were precursors to Catholic universities. While sadly our Cathedral School closed in 1977, thousands of children were the beneficiaries of a first-rate Catholic education since 1855. My commitment to **Catholic education** is even stronger, having witnessed our schools' tireless efforts to offer in-person learning during the pandemic. Catholic school enrollment is surely on the rise.

The medieval practice of **usury** was abominable, wreaking tremendous harm to the poor. Usury refers to charging unlawful and excessive rates of interest on loans. Lateran III declared: "**notorious usurers** should not be

admitted to communion of the altar or receive Christian burial if they die in this sin.” It was not merely issues of Church discipline the Council addressed. It also attacked a heresy rampant in Medieval France known as **Catharism**. Deriving from the Greek *Katharoi*, (i.e. ‘pure ones’), its **dualistic** philosophy rejected the traditional Trinity, reflecting a belief that the universe was ruled by **dual gods** in conflict: a good, kind, and loving god who created the spiritual realm, and an evil god who had created the material, earthly world. Itinerant preachers in the forests of southern France spoke eloquently and many were attracted to its **black and white** answers to life’s big questions. The Cathars showed **disdain** for clergy, believing that priests **did not** act as mediators of Jesus Christ in their ministry.

Such disdain doesn’t materialize out of thin air—it was an extreme **counter reaction** to clerical misconduct. Canon 11 of Lateran III condemned both clerics who had mistresses and those clerics guilty of “unnatural vice.” **Penalties** ranged from loss of ecclesiastical office to outright excommunication. Clearly, the specter of a corrupt clergy demanded serious measures. Even in such brief treatments of Church councils, it is possible to glean **relevant lessons** for today. The faithful laity deserve a **clergy** they can **trust** and to whom they look for spiritual guidance. *Parce Domine*— “Spare (us), O Lord” of any anti-popes! Rather, we strive for unity in the Church. Today’s divisions are troubling, especially among our own shepherds. Let us pray for and **encourage our bishops** in their ministry of unity, needed now more than ever. (To be continued)

- To **mask** or **not** to mask? Please know that it is imperative that we as Catholics **show respect** for the various **choices** each of us makes concerning the Covid-Delta variant. People who choose to **mask** at Mass are **most welcome** here. Showing mutual respect is the best way we can live our Catholic faith.
- Among the shrines still on my “to visit” list is the Basilica of **Our Lady of Guadalupe** in Mexico City. Last week, Mexico observed the **200th anniversary** of the signing of the **Treaty of Córdoba**, granting independence from Spain, while also assuring a privileged place for the Catholic Church. Mexico has a rich and complex history, including many challenges to the Catholic faith and internal struggles. Let us pray for our neighbors to the south.
- Summer’s fading quickly! Calling all families for religious education. Please visit the parish website with a **link to register** for Wednesday evening R.E. classes beginning on September 15. For those interested in exploring more about the Catholic faith, please consider signing up for RCIA.
- Ouch! Due to our preferred vendor’s availability, our **Ice Cream Social** tentatively planned for Sunday, September 12 **cannot** occur as hoped. It will be **worth the wait** at a future date! I am still urging your participation in Synod Small Groups.
- More than **90** incidents of **vandalism** to Catholic churches across 28 states have occurred since May 2020. These include arson, **desecration** of statues, and the presence of **anti-Catholic** graffiti.
- Next weekend is our annual **mission appeal**. Sadly, Fr. Mansuetus Setonga from **Tanzania** is unable to travel due to the pandemic. Instead, we will share his notes, asking for your support.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. John L. Ubel,
Rector

PROTOCOLS

STEWARDSHIP PROTOCOLS

Located at the **four main doors** (two on Selby Ave. and two on Dayton Ave.) you will find **gold colored metal** drop boxes. Please distribute your **Sunday Stewardship** envelopes or cash in those slots, preferably before Mass. Otherwise, you may deposit them when leaving.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Holy Communion is distributed by individual sections of pews. Please wait until a Communion distributor arrives at your section before proceeding. We invite you to **consume the host immediately** upon reception.

Holy Communion in the Hand— extend your hands, one directly over the other, as the Sacred Host is deposited. If possible, **keep your hands flat** and **wait** until the priest/deacon/EMHC deposits the host before reaching for it. This will greatly minimize potential contact. Avoid holding your hands up too high, as it is more difficult to gently deposit a host.

Holy Communion on the Tongue— The entire **far section** on the Selby Ave. side and the **front portion of the section near** of a section near the high pulpit on the Dayton Ave. side have been marked with gold cords for extra spacing. Those sitting here may be assured that they will receive Holy Communion in the hand only. This is designated for those who prefer the extra spacing for hygienic and other reasons. EMHC’s will begin by distributing in these section prior to any others.
Fr. Ubel

NINE FIRST FRIDAYS DEVOTION

Looking to add an ingredient to your spiritual life this summer? Consider the **Nine First Fridays**. When our Lord appeared to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a French Visitation nun, he asked her to spread Devotion to the Sacred Heart. Part of that devotion consists in receiving Holy Communion on the first Friday of each month for a period of nine months, in order to receive the grace of final penitence. The Church grants a Plenary indulgence for each First Friday observed by meeting the following conditions: going to Confession, attending Mass, receiving Communion and praying for the intentions of the Holy Father.

SEPTEMBER PAPAL PRAYER INTENTION

Universal - An environmentally sustainable lifestyle
We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

RELEVANT RADIO BENEFIT BANQUET FOR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Join Relevant Radio Executive Director Father Francis Hoffman (“Father Rocky”) and radio show hosts Patrick Madrid, Father Richard Simon, Glen Lewerenz, and Paul Sadek, as we honor Saint Joseph at the 10th Annual Christ Brings Hope Benefit Banquet. This event takes place **Thursday, September 16** at the DoubleTree, Bloomington Minneapolis South. Gifts made to Relevant Radio that evening will be matched to assist with tuition funds of participating Catholic schools. Visit the Events tab at www.relevantradio.com, or call Celine at 612.643.4117.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday & Sunday, August 28 - August 29

5:15 p.m. Rev. Sebastian Bakatu
 8:00 a.m. Anthony Janz
 9:00 a.m. SVDP Campus ~ For the People
 10:00 a.m. Cathedral Parish ~ For the People
 12:00 p.m. Jeff & Catherine Torborg Family
 5:00 p.m. Emma Hook

Monday, August 30

7:30 a.m. Joseph & Mary Sadofsky (A)

Tuesday, August 31

7:30 a.m. Charlie & Tamara Nickoloff (A)

Wednesday, September 1

7:30 a.m. Danielle Krohn

Thursday, September 2

7:30 a.m. Cathedral Benefactors

Friday, September 3

7:30 a.m. Gary Joseph Contreras †



Readings for the week of August 29, 2021

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]
 Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
 Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]
 Lk 4:31-37
 Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44
 Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]
 Lk 5:1-11
 Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]
 Lk 5:33-39
 Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]
 Lk 6:1-5
 Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]
 Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37



Observances for the week of August 29, 2021

Sunday: 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: 22nd Monday in Ordinary Time
 Tuesday: 22nd Tuesday in Ordinary Time
 Wednesday: 22nd Wednesday in Ordinary Time
 Thursday: 22nd Thursday in Ordinary Time
 Friday: St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
 Saturday: BVM
 Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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← RCIA QR Code

CATHEDRAL NEWS

THE CATHEDRAL ADULT CHOIR RETURNS!

After being shut down since March 2020, the Cathedral Choir will debut on **Sunday, October 10th**. The first rehearsal of the season will be **Wednesday, September 8th**, from **7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.** Rehearsals will continue on Wednesdays until June of 2022. The choir sings weekly at the **10:00 a.m. Mass** until the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, as well as at liturgies during Christmas, Holy Week, and at major Archdiocesan liturgies. We welcome new members to the Cathedral Choir. For more information, contact Dr. Chris Ganza, cganza@cathedralsaintpaul.org. Our **sincere hope** is to resume our **Children's Choir** in September of **2022**, following the re-establishment of the adult choir.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 15

Religious Education 2021-2022 classes begin on Wednesday, September 15. Registration is due by Sunday, September 12. This year, registration will be done online. If you have no internet access, please call our new **Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation, Jack Flaherty** at 651.357.1340 or email him at jflaherty@cathedralsaintpaul.org to complete the registration process.

Religious Education classes take place in the lower level of the Cathedral. The Cathedral of Saint Paul offers school grade-appropriate classes for grades 1 through 9 (including First Communion preparation in grade 2 and Confirmation prep in grades 8 & 9). Faith and Life for grades 1-8; Chosen: Your Journey Toward Confirmation (High School), a two year curriculum that helps prepare students for Holy Confirmation. All classes meet Wednesdays from 6:30 - 7:45 p.m.

RCIA - CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 16

"I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." (John 10:10). Do you want a relationship with God that is a source of abundant life? Are you or any you know interested in becoming Catholic or learning more about the faith? The Cathedral's **RCIA** program is open to anyone looking to deepen their relationship with Christ, whether already Catholic, preparing to receive the Sacraments or just curious about the big questions in life. If you are interested in becoming a part of a community who seeks the heart of God, [scan the **QR code** in the **sidebar to the left**] / [scan the QR code on the poster in the entryway] or for more information, send an email to jflaherty@cathedralsaintpaul.org. Classes begin on Thursday, September 16.

ARCHDIOCESAN SYNOD: SEPTEMBER 19 - NOVEMBER 14

Jesus Christ is constantly calling us to make Him known and loved by all. The Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis Synod is responding to that call. If you're interested in parishes growing in their ability to connect others with Christ, learning more about how to disciple another, or how we can better serve our youth and young adults, sign up for a Synod small group! You will be learning the wisdom of the Church in these areas, and through your feedback and experience helping to influence 2022 Archdiocesan policies in these areas. To sign up, check out the entryways for a QR code, or else look for the link on the parish website.

LABOR DAY MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Office Closed

Church Building Hours

8:00 to 11:00 a.m.

9:00 a.m. Mass with Organ and Cantor

VOICES FROM THE ARCHIVES

His name was John . . .

The Shrine of Saint John the Baptist was controversial from the beginning. Though Archbishop John Ireland had named Saint Remy for a shrine honoring the French, Archbishop Austin Dowling changed the designation to recognize the role of French Canadians in Minnesota's early history. In 1926 Dowling commissioned Albert Atkins to design a statue of John the Baptist, "as a tribute to those priests whose zeal had brought them to the primitive Northwest Territory." Atkins sent a photograph of his design—a full length statue of the Saint. But it was unacceptable to Dowling, who pointed out in detail, "Remember, John the Baptist fed on honey and locusts; he was an ascetic. He must look like one." Atkins sent another design. And Dowling wrote, "His hand should not be raised as a teacher or in blessing, it should be down at his side with his finger pointed to the Lamb of God below on the front of the altar." After a final design from Atkins, Dowling set the placement of the shrine, "Saint John the Baptist should be set in the center shrine on the Gospel side." The shrine was completed with John the Baptist identified as the patron of the French and Canadians.

But the designation was challenged. One French Canadian visitor to the Cathedral, wrote, "I am French Canadian and in front of the statue of St. John the Baptist, there is a sign, 'Patron of the French AND Canadians.' This is inaccurate. Saint John the Baptist is neither the patron of the French nor of Canadians; he is the patron of French Canadians. I hope this sign can be changed, as many French Canadians come to visit the Cathedral every year. French Canadians have played an important role in Minnesota's history." The sign was changed. Later Msgr. Ambrose Hayden entered the controversy, "It's likely that Saint John is the patron of Quebec."

Saint John the Baptist is also imaged in bronze in the first section of the grilles, listed among the prophets. In 1941, Sidney Woollett designed a bronze statue of John the Baptist for the cover of the baptismal font. John the Baptist stands at Christ's side in the mosaic in the baptistery. The mosaic, designed by liturgical artist Ade Bethune, was installed in 1990.

Note: Saint John the Baptist has two feast days on the liturgical calendar. The feast of the Beheading of John the Baptist is celebrated on **August 29**. His patronal feast is celebrated on June 24. ACSP.

CATHEDRAL MEN'S ASSOCIATION EVENTS SEPTEMBER 10 & 11

Welcome Back Barbecue, September 10

Cathedral men are invited to a fall welcome back barbecue from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, September 10. Join us for tasty sandwiches, liquid refreshment and all the trimmings. The location is by the cross garden and rectory at the rear of the Cathedral. In case of rain, we will dine in Hayden Hall. Good fellowship included!

First Fall Meeting, September 11

The first **Cathedral Men's Association** meeting of fall is scheduled on Saturday, September 11 at 9:00 a.m. in Hayden Hall. We will view a short video about and discuss Chapter 14 of C.S. Lewis' classic *Screwtape Letters* featuring Dr. Arthur Hippler of Providence Academy. Free copies of that book will be available. Enjoy coffee, donuts, juice and good fellowship!

RITES

BAPTISM

We welcome those who have been newly baptized. Please pray for them as they continue to grow in Christ.

Lysander Aries Ristero

MARRIAGE

Please join us in praying for all couples preparing for the sacrament of Matrimony.

*Ryland Patrick Witzler
Angela Marie Lee*

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

BAPTISM

The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated for our parishioners on Sundays after the Noon Mass. Parents must attend a preparation class. Please contact Sue Krutchen at 651.228.1766 or skruchten@cathedralsaintpaul.org.

FIRST RECONCILIATION/HOLY COMMUNION, AND CONFIRMATION

Registered parishioners are encouraged to register for preparation for the sacraments. For more information regarding catechesis for children ages 3 through Confirmation, please contact our Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation Jack Flaherty at 651.357.1340 or by email at jflaherty@cathedralsaintpaul.org.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Curious about Catholicism? Considering becoming Catholic? RCIA, a process of learning and formation, is modeled on how people were brought into the Church in the first centuries. Please contact our Director of Evangelization and Faith Formation, Jack Flaherty at 651.357.1340 or by email at jflaherty@cathedralsaintpaul.org.

MATRIMONY

To be married at the Cathedral of Saint Paul, one or both persons of the engaged couple must be an active, registered Cathedral parishioner for **six months prior to requesting a wedding date**. For information about wedding policies, contact the parish office at 651.228.1766.

SYNOD SMALL GROUP INFORMATION

Archdiocesan Synod Small Groups begin the **week of September 19** and continues for six consecutive weeks. Each session begins with a video teaching viewed by all in attendance. Discussion follows at each table (max of 8 people) There will be three meeting times per week from which to choose: **Wednesday evenings (7:00 pm)**, **Friday afternoons (1:00 p.m.)** and **early Saturday mornings (7:30 am)**. Our steering team desires to provide a variety of times of day as well as days, in order to maximize the possibilities.

Each of the three sessions is identical in content. There are three main areas of focus, each of which will be discussed in two sessions: (1) Parishes that are in the **service of evangelization**; (2) **Missionary disciples** who know Jesus's love and respond to his call; and (3) **Youth and young adults** in and for a Church that is always young. Please join us and sign up in the coming weeks.

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