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✠ Year of Saint Joseph ✠

December 8, 2020 - December 8, 2021

www.arlingtondiocese.org/YearofStJoseph

Official Translation of the Updated Litany of Saint Joseph

www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/prayers-and-devotions/litanies/litany-of-saint-joseph

On May 1, 2021, the Holy See published seven additional invocations to the Litany of Saint Joseph. The **official** translation of the litany, which has been slightly adapted and approved by the USCCB's Committee on Divine Worship, is now available from the USCCB.

During the Year of Saint Joseph (Dec 8, 2020-Dec 8, 2021), praying the litany includes a plenary indulgence, which also requires the usual conditions (sacramental confession, reception of Holy Communion, prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father, and total detachment from all sin).

Solemn Vespers *with Exposition and Benediction* of the Most Blessed Sacrament

www.arlingtondiocese.org/jubileehome/

On Sunday November 21, 2021, Bishop Burbidge will celebrate Solemn Vespers with Exposition and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament to inaugurate Preparation Year I of the Diocesan Golden Jubilee. Vespers will take place at 4:00 p.m. on that Sunday, the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe at the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More in Arlington. All are invited for this special celebration of Evening Prayer with Bishop Burbidge as we begin Preparation Year I: Remember — "Do this in Memory of Me."

Parishes are encouraged to announcement this special celebration of Evening Prayer with Bishop Burbidge as part of their regular pulpit announcements and to include the invitation as a bulletin announcement. Below is a sample of a possible announcement:

Sunday November 21, the Solemnity of Christ the King, Bishop Burbidge will celebrate Evening Prayer at the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More to inaugurate Preparation Year I of our Diocesan celebration for our Golden Jubilee. Evening Prayer will begin at 4:00 p.m. The priests and faithful of the Diocese are invited to join Bishop Burbidge for this special celebration of Evening Prayer on that Sunday. We hope that many of you are able to join us.

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Days of Prayer and Special Observances

November-December 2021

www.usccb.org/committees/divine-worship/special-observances

- † The month of November is Black Catholic History Month
www.usccb.org/committees/african-american-affairs
- † November 14, 2021 — World Day of the Poor
www.arlingtondiocese.org/worlddayofthepoor/
- † November 21, 2021—Global Celebration of Youth and Young Adults (World Youth Day)
www.usccb.org/topics/youth-and-young-adult-ministries

Liturgical Note on Days of Prayer and Special Observances throughout the Year:

With the exception of the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children on January 22, no liturgical texts or requirements are attached to these special observances during the year. However, these important commemorations can certainly be noted in the Homily and in the Universal Prayer at Mass.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

During 2021, the Office of Divine Worship hosted fourteen virtual and three in-person workshops for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Mandates for EMHCs may be requested at any time by completing the Mandate Request Form available at www.arlingtondiocese.org/EMHC. Parish lists may be requested at any time by emailing liturgy@arlingtondiocese.org.

In-person workshops will continue in the spring 2022.

- † Sat, Feb 12, 10-11:30am · Christ the Redeemer (Sterling, Deanery III)
- † Sat, Feb 19, 10-11:30am · Christ the Redeemer (en español) (Sterling, Deanery III)
- † Sat, Mar 19, 10-11:30am · Good Shepherd (Alexandria, Deanery II)
- † Sat, Mar 26, 10-11:30am · All Saints (Manassas, Deanery V)
- † Sat, Apr 2, 10-11:30am · Sacred Heart of Jesus (Winchester, Deanery IV)

Registration for upcoming Training Workshops for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion may be found at www.arlingtondiocese.org/divine-worship/formation-and-ministries/ministry-formation-emhc.

Recent Additions & Changes to the Liturgical Calendar

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- † Our Lady of Loreto · December 10 · *optional memorial*
LITURGICAL TEXTS: www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year-and-calendar/our-lady-of-loreto

Clarifications on Liturgical Year 2021-2022

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www.usccb.org/resources/2022cal.pdf

- † Oct 31-Nov 1, 2021 · In 2021, the Solemnity of All Saints falls on a Monday. In the United States the obligation to attend Mass is abrogated. Although All Saints is of higher rank on the Table of Liturgical Days than a Sunday in Ordinary Time, the latter takes precedence in the celebration of Mass because Sunday is always a day of precept. All Masses on Sunday October 31 are for the Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time. The Liturgy of the Hours does not give consideration to precept. Therefore, Evening Prayer on Sunday evening is Evening Prayer I of All Saints. Nevertheless, for the good of the faithful, in communal celebrations of the Hours it is permissible to celebrate Evening Prayer II of the Sunday in Ordinary Time.
- † December 9 · The Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral of Saint Thomas More is celebrated as a Solemnity in the Cathedral only. Throughout the rest of the Diocese, the Anniversary is celebrated with the rank of a “Feast.” The proper prayers for Mass are found in the Common of the Dedication of a Church: On the Anniversary of the Dedication, II. Outside the Church that was Dedicated, with its proper Preface. The Readings are taken from the Common of the Anniversary of the Dedication of a Church (nos. 701-706) with one Reading and the Psalm before the Gospel. The Gloria is said. The Hours are taken from the Common of the Dedication of a Church.
- † December 12, 2021 · Sunday, December 12, 2021 is the Third Sunday of Advent, and the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe is omitted this year. Our Lady of Guadalupe may be appropriately honored in the Homily, Universal Prayer, and hymns during the Sunday Liturgy. If pastoral advantage calls for it (cf. GIRM, no. 376), a Votive Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe may be celebrated on a weekday before or after December 12, with the proper readings and prayers.
- † December 25, 2021 · Christmas Day falls on a Saturday in 2021. All Masses during the day on Christmas are that of Christmas Day, with its proper prayers and readings. An evening Mass on Saturday, December 25 is likewise the Mass of Christmas Day. Evening Prayer II of Christmas is celebrated. The Feast of the Holy Family is celebrated on Sunday December 26 with no Vigil.
- † January 1, 2022 · Saturday, January 1, 2022 is the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. Since the Solemnity falls on a Saturday in 2022 the obligation to attend Mass is abrogated. An evening Mass on Saturday January 1 is the Vigil Mass of the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord using the proper prayers and readings of its Vigil. Evening Prayer I of the Epiphany is celebrated.

Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions

About the Synodal Process — 2021 to 2023.

A *vademecum* is a “guidebook” which will be on hand and consulted throughout a process. The term comes from the Latin – “go with me.” The preliminary document contains a diocesan process. It is also being adapted for various Catholic organizations, religious communities, and religious conferences. For more information, please consult the links below.

www.synod.va/en.html — www.synod.va/en/roadmap-for-the-diocesan-phase.html — www.synod.va/en/news/preparatory-document.html

Prayers for the Synod Process

On October 20, the Vatican Synod released an app for prayer to accompany the Synodal Process.

www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/249337/vatican-launches-prayer-website-to-accompany-synod-on-synodality

An official prayer for the synod has also been released. It is an adaptation of a very old prayer to the Holy Spirit which was used at every session of the Second Vatican Council, but before that at the Council of Seville. It is also found in the Book of Blessings (Chapter 6). The adapted version may be found at www.usccb.org/prayers/prayer-synod-synodality

FDLC was initiated by the Bishops’ Committee on the Liturgy in October, 1969. It remains a national organization composed of members of diocesan liturgical commissions and directors of worship offices duly appointed or established by their local bishops, as well as others who support the liturgical life of parishes, universities, or other Catholic institutions.

Fall 2021 • An English translation of the second typical edition of *De Ordinatione Episcoporum, presbyterorum et diaconorum*, carried out according to the principles of *Liturgiam authenticam*, has been in use in the dioceses of the United States since 2003. The upcoming publication of a new English translation (in fall of 2021), while not structurally distinct from the previous translation, is nevertheless an occasion for a renewed celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Orders in the United States, especially in its ecclesial aspects.

September 27 • Bishop Burbidge initiates a strategic plan for the Diocese of Arlington after extensive consultation with clergy, religious, and laity over a period of eleven months. The plan identifies the needs of the Diocese and “establishes goals that will unite us...goals that are applicable at the diocesan, parochial, family, and individual levels.” Bishop Burbidge hopes that “this strategic plan will unite us as a Diocese in a common focus of ministry that glorifies God and makes known the presence of His Kingdom on earth.”

October 17 • The Diocese of Arlington begins the Synodal process in response to Pope Francis’ initiative “For a Synodal Church.” In May 2021, Pope Francis invited the global Catholic Church to gather and reflect on communion, participation, and mission within the Church. The two-year process of listening and dialogue is themed, *For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, & Mission* being referred to as the “synod on synodality,” which the Holy Father officially opened with Mass at Saint Peter’s Basilica on October 10. The next phase of the synod includes consultation and dialogue at the diocesan level. Using a preparatory document and questionnaire to guide the discussion from the Holy See’s synod office, this phase runs through April 2022.

November 14 • World Day of the Poor — “[This] will be a day that will help communities and each baptized person to reflect on how poverty is at the heart of the Gospel, and on the fact that, as long as Lazarus lies at the door of our homes there can be no justice or social peace.” (Pope Francis, *Misericordia et Misera*)

NOVEMBER • *Pope’s Intention: People Who Suffer from Depression*

Black History Month [USA]

Nov 1 • Solemnity of All Saints

Nov 2 • The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

Nov 9 • The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Nov 14 • Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time—
World Day of the Poor | Retirement Fund for Religious Collection

Nov 21 • Solemnity of Christ the King—Preparation Year I: “Remember” begins | Bishop Burbidge celebrates Solemn Vespers with Exposition and Benediction at the Cathedral | Global Celebration of Youth and Young Adults | Campaign for Human Development Collection

Nov 25 • Thanksgiving Day [USA]

Nov 28 • First Sunday of Advent | Beginning of Parish celebrations of Forty Hours

DECEMBER • *Pope’s Intention: Catechists*

December 6 • Anniversary of Installation of Most Reverend Michael F. Burbidge (2016) [ARL]

December 8 • Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

December 9 • Proper Feast of the Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral of St Thomas More

December 12 • Third Sunday of Advent | Catholic Charities Christmas Collection

December 25 • Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord

December 26 • Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph is inscribed on the Sun within the Octave of Christmas (or Dec 30th if there is no Sun within the Octave). This Feast of the Lord takes precedence over the Feast of Saint Stephen, The First Martyr. Therefore, the Feast of Saint Stephen, The First Martyr is not observed.

JANUARY • *Pope’s Intention: For True Human Fraternity*

January 1 • Octave Day of Christmas / Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God | World Day of Peace

January 2 • Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord
January 1-2, 2022 • In USA, Epiphany is transferred to Sun between Jan 2 and Jan 8. The proper Vigil Mass of Epiphany is celebrated for Masses after 4:00pm on Sat, Jan 1, 2022, before or after Evening Prayer I of Epiphany. Mass during the Day of Epiphany is celebrated for all Masses on Sun, Jan 2, 2022.

January 4 • Proper Mem. Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton (Secondary Patroness of Diocese of Arlington)



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