

Liturgy Line

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from the Archdiocese of Seattle Liturgy Office***

Easter Time 2014

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Canonizations of John XXIII and John Paul II

[Vatican City, 31 March 2014 \(VIS\)](#) - This morning a press conference was held

in the Holy See Press Office to present the initiatives forming part of the preparations for the canonizations of Blesseds John XXIII and John Paul II, to be celebrated on 27 April. The speakers were Cardinal Agostino Vallini, vicar of His Holiness for the diocese of Rome, along with Msgr. Giulio Dellavite, secretary general for the Curia of Bergamo, Msgr.

Walter Insero, head of the Office for Social Communications for the Vicariate of Rome, and Fr. Federico Lombardi S.J., director of the Holy See Press Office.



Blesseds John XXIII and John Paul II will be canonized together on April 27, the Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday.

The initiatives will include a digital platform, the aim of which is to enable the faithful and pilgrims to have access to news and information regarding the ceremonies as well as a series of spiritual reflections on the life and teachings of both popes. Indeed, the [official site](#) is an almost-completed portal which offers contacts, sections for press offices, information, videos and images as well as biographical documentation on John XXIII and John Paul II. It will be available in five languages: Italian, English, French, Spanish and Polish.

The application entitled "Santo Subito", which may be downloaded free in both Andriod and iOS formats (in Italian, English, Spanish and Polish) and whose title draws on the famed saintliness of both Popes even during their lifetimes, will offer logistical information, as well as access to the main news on the canonizations, and will allow material relating to the various liturgical events to be downloaded.

Existing media include:

If you are a school teacher and interested in receiving Clock Hours, please [email Jennifer](#).

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[Official Twitter page](#) with content in five languages.

[YouTube channel](#) for the Postulation.

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This latter, developed in 2011 for the beatification of Karol Wojtyla, gives a detailed illustration of the stages in the canonical process leading to the recognition of the saintliness of John Paul II and is available in several languages: Italian, English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Polish and Romanian.

The parallel project #2popesaints, realised in collaboration with the students of communication sciences from the Roman university LUMSA involves a series of networks enabling young people to get to know the lives, teachings and testimony of faith of the two new saints. There will be a Facebook page entitled 2popesaints; on Twitter, the account @2popesaints; on Instagram, #2popesaints; and on YouTube, 2popesaints. Every day each one of the above will propose a theme relating to both popes in the media, starting from 16 April until the canonisation, and each event will be transmitted live on each network.

On Google+ there will be the possibility of following in a "hangout" the daily briefings during the week leading up to the canonization. A QR code will also be created to allow rapid access to the site [2popesaints.org](#). The initiative "Rome connecting to the World", a form of "twinning" between the faithful arriving in Rome and the young people of the city, will make it possible to get to know the most important locations in Rome along with the history of John XXIII and John Paul II, providing information on the Facebook page.

Liturgical Celebrations for the Canonization of Bl. John XXIII and Bl. John Paul II

(from the USCCB Bishop's Committee on Divine Worship, February-March 2014 newsletter)

Pope Francis will celebrate the Canonization Mass on Sunday, April 27, the Second Sunday of Easter, and the liturgical texts to be used for that day must be the Mass of that day, as the Sundays of Easter Time may not be set aside in favor of other observances. For celebrations that

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Workshops on cantoring, organ and keyboards, choral directing, and Gregorian chant.

Eucharist with musicians from the Basilica of Saint Mary in Minneapolis, MN.

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might take place on weekdays of Easter Time, one could appropriately use the Mass "For Giving Thanks to God" (Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions, no. 49).

Additional liturgical notes on the Canonization Celebrations

Since Sunday, April 27 is also the first Sunday after Easter, in which baptisms may be celebrated, parishes may wish to include the newly canonized John XXIII and John Paul II in the Litany of Saints.

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Ascension

Traditionally celebrated as Ascension Thursday (May 29, 2014) in order to be forty days after Christ's resurrection (Acts 1:3), many ecclesiastical provinces in the United States have voted (in accord with CIC 1246 § 2) to **transfer the celebration of the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord to the Seventh Sunday of Easter (June 1, 2014)**.

Since the Ascension is transferred, readings for the Thursday after the Sixth Sunday of Easter (*Lectionary* 294) are to be used on May 29th.

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Pentecost

A proper Vigil Mass for Pentecost (Saturday, June 7, 2014) includes several of the options for the Old Testament readings that may be used in combination with one another in order to create an extended evening vigil similar to that which is done for the Easter Vigil and as is recommended in *Paschale Solemnitatis* 107. Prior to this vigil for Pentecost the decorations in the church may be changed from the white or gold appointments used for the Easter season to the red ones customary for Pentecost.

On Pentecost Sunday, June 8, the Mass of the Day should be used which also prescribes the singing of the sequence, *Veni, Sancte Spiritus* developed as independent prayer-poems related to the liturgy and fitted to the notes of the Alleluia. The custom has developed of praying each of the petitions of the Prayer of the Faithful on Pentecost day in a different language imitating the glossolalia recorded in this Sunday's First Reading (Acts 2:1-11). Doing this

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Mark your Calendars

requires no small amount of pre-planning in order to avoid merely showcasing the diversity of liturgical ministers in a community and rather to more importantly provide an effective witness of the universality of the good news of the resurrection. Pentecost is also specifically commended as a time to close the period of post-baptismal catechesis of the neophytes (*RCIA* 249).

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Sundays after Easter Time

The two Sundays following Pentecost, Most Holy Trinity (June 15) and the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (June 22) are both Solemnities of the Lord during Ordinary Time thus, while we begin Ordinary Time on June 9, the aura of solemnity continues for most Catholics for two more weeks. For this reason, it is wise to have some way in which to signal to your community that the Easter season is completed while not unduly reducing the solemnity of the occasion for these two Sundays. Parishes may have several large tapestries which are changed as is seasonally appropriate along with associated antependia and scarves for the sanctuary furnishings, several scents or blends of incense used for the different seasons, and multiple sung Mass settings which are also deployed seasonally with the hope that the faithful can see, smell, and feel the difference in the various textures of the liturgical year.

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is known to many simply as *Corpus Christi*, originally celebrated on the Thursday after Trinity Sunday. According to Adolf Adam the Corpus Christi procession is not merely a nostalgic throwback but is also an opportunity for real liturgical renewal and engagement with the world:

"Our contemporaries so often suffer from the randomness of existence. If the Corpus Christi procession were properly conducted in the spirit of the liturgy, it could, more than any other procession, be or become a way of making them aware, by means of a real symbol, that they are not alone as they make their way along the difficult mountain paths of life on earth but rather that in the communion of the Church, which has the eucharistic Lord going with her, going before, beside, and behind her, they are on the way to eternal union with the Christ of the parousia (Adam 173-4, citing W. Durig)."

As pastoral liturgists we therefore need to facilitate this kind of

Chrism Mass, April 10
(tomorrow) 7pm at St.
James Cathedral

Commemoration of
Deceased Priests Holy
Thursday, April 17 at
11am at Calvary Cemetery
in North Seattle

Ordination to the
Diaconate of Dean Mbuji,
Seminarian of the Archdiocese of
Seattle.
Sunday, May 4 at 11:30am
at St. Michael Catholic
Church in Olympia

Memorial Day Mass,
Monday, May 26 at
10:30am at Catholic
Cemeteries in the
Archdiocese of Seattle

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Monday, June 16

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Civic Holidays and Blessings

Once known as Decoration Day, Memorial Day (May 26, 2014) began as a way to mourn and commemorate soldiers who died in the American Civil War (1861 - 1865) and gradually grew to honor all the war dead. As it is celebrated on the Monday after the Sixth Sunday of Easter, it would not be inappropriate to include among the Prayer of the Faithful on the Sixth Sunday of Easter petitions for those who have died in war and those who mourn them. An Order for visiting a cemetery is also available in the *Book of Blessings* nos. 1734-1754 and in the *Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers*, 174.



The beginning of summer also marks the ending of the academic year and so it would be appropriate to have a baccalaureate Mass for those who are graduating by using one of the Masses for Various Needs and Occasions (see also *Book of Blessings* 522ff.).

Mothers' Day (May 11, 2014) coincides with the Fourth Sunday of Easter and should be marked with the Blessing of Mothers (*Book of Blessings* no. 1728).

While the celebration of First Communion is not a distinct rite in itself, the liturgy should reflect the importance of this event in consummating the faith into which the boys and girls were baptized. In addition to the usual hanging of communion banners, including a petition among the Prayer of the Faithful for those who are receiving the eucharist for the first time, inviting several boys and girls to present the gifts, and having the children come forward before the rest of the faithful to receive the Blessed Sacrament and Precious Blood from the presiding celebrant and deacon, parishes may also have a special blessing after the Prayer After Communion with the children lined up (see *Book of Blessings*, no. 1979 - 1980, 2004 - 2008)

Fathers' Day, with its own proper blessing (*Book of Blessings* 1733), comes on June 15, coinciding fortuitously for those preaching on and

Baptism for Children we pray "God, the Father and model of all fathers, help these fathers to give good example, so that their children will grow to be mature Christians in all the fullness of Jesus Christ" (248) a point worth emphasizing on this day.

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