



Weekday Masses June 17 – 20, 2024

Priests serving in the Archdiocese of Chicago will gather for their biennial convocation from June 17 through June 20. This gathering is an important and necessary time of spiritual renewal for the priests, so that they can better serve the People of God.

The priests have been asked to clear their schedules, so that they can fully participate in this experience. Consequently, during those four days, there might not be weekday Masses celebrated in some parishes. However, there will be prayer services to be determined by each parish. In cases of emergency, parishioners can contact parish staff who will make whatever referral is appropriate.

The people of the Archdiocese can support their priests in several ways. Their patient understanding of scheduling changes is very important. Even more important is the prayerful support they extend to priests who have prayed for them and with them. Please use the prayer found at the end of this announcement as a personal prayer or a family prayer.

As the priests gather for their convocation know that they bring you and your families in their hearts to this important time of prayer and reflection.

LORD JESUS CHRIST,
eternal High Priest, you offered yourself to the Father on the altar of the Cross
and through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit
gave your priestly people a share in your redeeming sacrifice.
Hear our prayer for all the priests of this Archdiocese of Chicago,
especially as they gather in convocation.

Grant that all who are ordained to the ministerial priesthood
may be ever more conformed to you,
the divine Master, the Good Shepherd.

May they preach the Gospel with pure heart and clear conscience.
Let them be shepherds according to your own Heart,
single-minded in service to you and to the Church
and shining examples of a holy, simple and joyful life.

Through the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
draw all priests and the flocks entrusted to their care
to the fullness of eternal life
where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

AMEN

Please note, because we cannot celebrate Daily Mass while our priests are attending their convocation, Deacon Larry will offer Communion Service on the following days:

- **Tuesday, June 18 at St. Hubert Church at 8:30 AM**
- **Wednesday, June 19 at St. Matthew Church at 8 AM**
- **Thursday, June 20 at St. Matthew Church at 8 AM**