



DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD IN ILLINOIS

OFFICE FOR DIVINE WORSHIP AND CATECHUMENATE

LITURGICAL CALENDAR FOR THE DIOCESE OF SPRINGFIELD IN ILLINOIS
 with notes on Solemnities and days affecting weddings and funerals
 plus dates and times for special diocesan liturgies

THE JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE 2025

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Items particular to the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois are printed in red.

Lectionary for Mass	Sunday Cycle - Year C	
	Weekday Cycle - Year I	
Liturgy of the Hours	Advent - Volume I - Week I	30 November 2024
	Christmas Octave - Volume I	25 Dec. 2024 - 1 Jan. 2025
	Ordinary Time - Volume III - 1 st Week - Week I	13 January 2025
	Lent - Volume II - Ash Wednesday - Week IV	5 March 2025
	- 1 st Sunday of Lent - Week I	9 March 2025
	- 5 th Sunday of Lent - Week I	6 April 2025
	- Holy Week - Week II	13 April 2025
	Paschal Triduum - Volume II - Proper	17-19 April 2025
	Easter Time - Volume II - Octave of Easter	27 April 2025
	- Ascension	1 June 2025
	- Pentecost - Volume II	8 June 2025
	Ordinary Time - Volumes III & IV - 8 th Week - Week IV	9 June 2025
	- Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	23 November 2025
	- 34 th Week - Week II	24 November 2025

See also the Liturgical Calendar for the Dioceses of the United States available at
<https://www.usccb.org/resources/2025cal.pdf>

GENERAL NOTES

NOTES ON EASTER: The Easter Vigil, in the holy night when the Lord rose again, is considered the “mother of all holy Vigils,” in which the Church, keeping watch, awaits the Resurrection of Christ and celebrates it in the Sacraments. Therefore, the entire celebration of this sacred Vigil must take place at night, so that it both begins after nightfall and ends before dawn on Sunday.

This new translation of the UNLYC strengthens the former language from “should...begin” to “must take place at night.” There is only one way to answer the question, “How early can a parish start the Easter Vigil?” **Nightfall in Central Daylight Time this year begins at 8:03 PM in Effingham, 8:09 PM in Springfield, and 8:16 PM in Quincy.** The vigil may begin later. It must conclude before dawn.

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION: In addition to Sunday, the days to be observed as Holydays of Obligation for the Dioceses of the United States of America are six. However, in the Province of Chicago, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord has been permanently transferred to the following Sunday. The remaining Holydays are:

- 1 January: The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord: The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
- 15 August: The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 1 November: The Solemnity of All Saints [**not** a holyday of obligation this year]
- 8 December: The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 25 December: The Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

The NCCB decree of 13 December 1991, confirmed by the Apostolic See on 04 July 1992, stipulates that whenever 1 January, 15 August, or 1 November falls on a Saturday or on a Monday, the precept to attend Mass is abrogated.

PARISH SOLEMNITIES: The anniversary of the dedication of parish churches is celebrated as a proper Solemnity. Consult the “Table of Liturgical Days” on pages 10-12 of this calendar for the days that may impede these celebrations. **The anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral Church of the Immaculate Conception, 2 December (no longer 14 October), is celebrated as a Solemnity in the cathedral church and as a Feast throughout the diocese.** The optional or obligatory memorial of the patron saint of a parish is observed within the parish with the liturgical rank of a Solemnity (cf. *Universal Norms for the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar, Table of Liturgical Days*, I.4.c).

RITUAL MASSES: “Ritual Masses are connected to the celebration of certain Sacraments or Sacramentals. They are prohibited on the Sundays of Advent, Lent, and Easter, on

Solemnities, on the days within the Octave of Easter, on the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day), on Ash Wednesday, and during Holy Week. Furthermore, due regard is to be had for the norms set out in the ritual books or in the Masses themselves [*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 372].

When scheduled Nuptial Masses, the following must be born in mind:

- ◆ If the marriage is celebrated on a Sunday or Solemnity, the Mass of the day is used with the nuptial blessing and the special final blessing according to the circumstances.
- ◆ When the wedding Mass may not be held, one of the readings from the texts provided for the Marriage celebration (cf. nos. 144-187) may be chosen, except from Holy Thursday to Easter, on the Solemnities of the Epiphany of the Lord, Ascension, Pentecost, or the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, or on Holydays of Obligation.
- ◆ However, the Order of Celebrating Matrimony without Mass may be celebrated on the above days except during the Sacred Paschal Triduum.
- ◆ On the Sundays of Christmas Time and in Ordinary Time, the entire wedding Mass may be used in Masses that are not parish Masses.
- ◆ When a Marriage is celebrated during Advent or Lent or on other days of penance, the special nature of these liturgical times are to be considered [cf. *Order of Celebrating Matrimony*, no. 32].

Funeral Masses are not permitted on Solemnities that are Holydays of Obligation, within the Sacred Paschal Triduum, and on the Sundays of Advent, Lent, and Easter [see *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 380 and *Order of Christian Funerals, typical edition*, no. 271].

DECEMBER 2024

1 December, **The First Sunday of Advent**

- ◆ Beginning of a new liturgical year
- ◆ Sunday *Lectionary for Mass*, Year C; Weekday *Lectionary for Mass*, Year I
- ◆ **Special collection: Campaign for Justice and Hope (First Sunday of Advent)**

2 December, **Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception**

- ◆ A Solemnity within the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
- ◆ A Feast throughout the rest of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

9 December, **The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

- ◆ Holyday of Obligation this year
- ◆ **Patronal Feast of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois**
- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted, however, Marriage may be celebrated within the Mass of the day, one reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used.
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is not permitted this year

10 December, **The Second Sunday of Advent**

- ◆ **Special diocesan collection: Retirement Fund for Religious [Second Sunday of Advent]**

17-23 December, **O Antiphon Days:**

- **17 December** – O Wisdom
- **18 December** – O Leader of the House of Israel
- **19 December** – O Flower of Jesse’s Stem
- **20 December** – O Key of David
- **21 December** – O Radiant Dawn
- **22 December** – O King of All Nations
- **23 December** – O Emmanuel

25 December, Saturday, **Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)**, Solemnity

- ◆ Holyday of Obligation
- ◆ The texts, *The Nativity of the Lord Jesus Christ* [formerly titled “The Proclamation of the Birth of Christ” may be sung “most appropriately on December 24, during the celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours [before the hymn]. It may also be chanted or recited before the beginning of Christmas Mass during the Night. It may not replace any part of the Mass.” The text is in the *Roman Missal* Appendix I, the last item.

- ◆ During the Profession of Faith, all genuflect during the words “and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man”
- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is not permitted
- ◆ **Special diocesan collection: Catholic Children’s Home, Alton [Christmas Day]**

29 December, Sunday, **Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**, Feast

31 December, Sunday, **Anniversary of the death of Daniel Leo Ryan**, 7th bishop of the diocese

JANUARY 2025

1 January, **The Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**

- ◆ A Holyday of Obligation this year
- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is not permitted

7 January, **The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord**

- ◆ *The Annunciation of Easter and the Moveable Feasts* may be sung or proclaimed at every Mass after the Gospel from the ambo; the text is in the *Roman Missal*, Appendix I

12 January, **The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**

- ◆ Final day of Christmas Time

19 January, **The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- ◆ **Special diocesan collection: Catholic Times Support [ordinarily the 2nd Sunday of January]**

18-25 January, **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

- ◆ Chosen Theme: “Do you believe this?”
- ◆ Resources available at <http://www.christianunity.va/content/unitacristiani/en/news/2024/2024-05-20-wpcu-2025.html>

22 January, **National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children (USA)**

- ◆ Mass: “For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life” with white vestments or “For the Preservation of Peace and Justice” with violet vestments [see GIRM, no. 373]

26 January, **The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- ◆ Sunday of the Word of God, as proclaimed by His Holiness Pope Francis in the *motu proprio Aperuit illis*

26 January-1 February, **Catholic Schools Week**

- ◆ Chosen Theme: “Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community”
- ◆ Resources available at https://www.ncea.org/csw/CSW/Daily_Themes/Celebrate_Catholic_Schools_Week/Celebrate_Catholic_Schools_Week_Themes.aspx

FEBRUARY 2025

2 February, **The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**

- ◆ This feast properly includes the blessing of candles
- ◆ **Special collection: Church in Latin America [ordinarily the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time]**

MARCH 2025

5 March, **Ash Wednesday**

- ◆ Lent begins today; a day of fast and abstinence
- ◆ Anticipation of the Mass of Ash Wednesday or the anticipation of the distributed of ashes is not permitted
- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is permitted
- ◆ Although it is not forbidden, the **Parish Rite of Sending to the Bishop** is best celebrated on other days [cf. OCIA, nos. 106-117, 434-445] so that the blessing and giving of ashes may be used to the full advantage of the faithful and the catechumens
- ◆ **Special collection: Aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe [Ash Wednesday]**
- ◆ **Special collection: Operation Rice Bowl begins [begins Ash Wednesday and concludes Wednesday of Holy Week]**

9 March, **The First Sunday of Lent**

Diocesan Rite of Election [without the Call to Continuing Conversion]

- ◆ **Sunday, 2:30 PM, Cathedral Church of the Immaculate Conception, Springfield**
- ◆ The parish **Rite of Sending to the Bishop** may be celebrated at a time prior to the diocesan Rite of Election [cf. OCIA, nos. 108 and 436]

16 March, **The Second Sunday of Lent**

- ◆ **Penitential Rite (Scrutiny)**, optional rite for baptized and uncatechized adults and children of catechetical age [cf. OCIA, nos. 459-472]

- ◆ **Special diocesan collection: Catholic Charities [Second Sunday of Lent]**

18-19 March, **Priests' Annual Meeting, Diocese of Springfield in Illinois**

19 March, **The Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ However, Marriage may be celebrated within the Mass of the day, one reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is permitted

23 March, **The Third Sunday of Lent**

- ◆ **The First Scrutiny** with the Elect – use the proper readings and prayers
- ◆ **Presentation of the Creed** is celebrated not on Sunday but at Mass within the Third Week unless it is anticipated prior to the beginning of Lent – use the proper readings and prayers

25 March, **The Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord**

- ◆ During the Profession of Faith, all genuflect during “and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man”
- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ However, Marriage may be celebrated within the Mass of the day, one reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is permitted

30 March, **The Fourth Sunday of Lent**

- ◆ **The Second Scrutiny** with the Elect – use the proper readings and prayers
- ◆ **Special diocesan collection: Catholic Relief Services [Fourth Sunday of Lent]**

APRIL 2025

6 April, **The Fifth Sunday of Lent**

- ◆ **The Third Scrutiny** with the Elect – use the proper readings and prayers
- ◆ **Presentation of the Lord's Prayer** is celebrated not on Sunday but at Mass within the Fifth Week unless it is anticipated prior to the beginning of Lent or deferred to the **Preparation Rites on Holy Saturday** during the day – use the proper readings and prayers

13 April, **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

- ◆ Holy Week begins

14-16 April, **Weekdays of Holy Week**

- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ However, Marriage may be celebrated within the Mass of the day, one reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used

- ◆ A Funeral Mass is permitted

15 April, **Tuesday of Holy Week, *Chrism Mass***

- ◆ Holy Hour for Priests, 4:00 PM, Cathedral Church of the Immaculate Conception, Springfield
- ◆ **Mass**, 6:30 PM, Cathedral Church of the Immaculate Conception, Springfield
- ◆ Dismissal of the elect and catechumens is provided if the Office for Divine Worship and the Catechumenate is informed of their presence by the deadline
- ◆ Blessing and distribution of the oils for use in the current year takes place
- ◆ **The parish *Reception of the Holy Oils Blessed at the Chrism Mass*** may take place before the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday or on another suitable day after the celebration of the Chrism Mass; text in the worship aid provided at the diocesan celebration.

17 April, **Thursday of Holy Week**, morning and afternoon

- ◆ No Mass is permitted
- ◆ Lent ends just before the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

17 April, **Thursday of the Lord's Supper**, at the Evening Mass

- ◆ Gifts are gathered for the poor this evening
- ◆ **Special collection: Operation Rice Bowl concludes [began Ash Wednesday, ends today]**

17-19 April, **The Sacred Paschal Triduum**

- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ The Sacraments are not celebrated except the non-communal forms of Penance and Anointing of the Sick, and the Sacraments of Initiation within the Masses of Easter
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is not permitted

18 April, **Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)**

- ◆ A day for fast and abstinence; all are encouraged to maintain the Paschal Fast until the first Mass of Easter (The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night)
- ◆ **Special collection: Holy Land**

19 April, **Holy Saturday**

- ◆ **Preparation Rites on Holy Saturday** [cf. OCIA, nos. 185-205]; these do not include sacramental Penance or convalidation of Marriage
- ◆ All are encouraged to maintain the Paschal Fast until the first Mass of Easter (the Vigil)

- ◆ "...the entire celebration of this sacred Vigil must take place at night, so that it both begins after nightfall and ends before the dawn on the Sunday" [Universal Norms of the Liturgical Year and Calendar, no. 21]
- ◆ This new translation of the UNLYC strengthens the former language from "should...begin" to "must take place at night". There is only one way to answer the question, "How early can a parish start the Easter Vigil?" **Nightfall in Central Daylight Time this year begins at 8:03 PM in Effingham, 8:09 PM in Springfield, and 8:16 PM in Quincy.** The vigil may begin later. It must conclude before dawn.

20 April, **Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

- ◆ **Special diocesan collection: Diocesan Seminarians [Easter Sunday]**

21-27 April, **Days within the Octave of Easter, Solemnities**

- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ However, Marriage may be celebrated within the Mass of the day, one reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used on Monday through Saturday only
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is permitted on Monday through Saturday only

MAY 2025

4 May, **The Third Sunday of Easter**

- ◆ **Special diocesan collection: Catholic Home Missions [The Third Sunday of Easter]**

7 May, **Priests' Jubilee Celebration for the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois**

26 May, Monday, **Memorial Day** (observed)

- ◆ Mass texts may be used, in cases of serious need or pastoral advantage: "For Peace and Justice"

25 May, **The Sixth Sunday of Easter**

- ◆ **Special collection: Catholic Communications Campaign [The Sixth Sunday of Easter]**

JUNE 2025

1 June, **The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**

- ◆ Replaces the Seventh Sunday of Easter in the Dioceses of the Province of Chicago

1-6 June, **Priests' Retreat**

8 June, **The Solemnity of Pentecost**

- ◆ Final day of Easter Time
- ◆ **Confirmation of Catholic Adults, 2:00 PM, Cathedral Church of the Immaculate Conception, Springfield**
- ◆ Also, the annual Mass of Thanksgiving with Neophytes
- ◆ **Special diocesan collection: Retired Diocesan Priests [Pentecost Sunday]**

9 June, **The Obligatory Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**

- ◆ See <http://uscgb.org/motherofthechurch>

15 June, **The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**

22 June, **The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of the Lord (*Corpus Christi*)**

- ◆ Bishop Paprocki encourages parishes to have a *Corpus Christi* procession on this day

22 June, **Anniversary of the Reception [and Installation] of Bishop Thomas John Paprocki, ninth Bishop of the diocese (2010)**

24 June, **The Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist, Solemnity**

- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ However, Marriage may be celebrated within the Mass of the day, one reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is permitted

27 June, **The Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**

- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ However, Marriage may be celebrated within the Mass of the day, one reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is permitted

28 June, **The Obligatory Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**

29 June, **The Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul**

- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ However, Marriage may be celebrated within the Mass of the day, one reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is permitted
- ◆ **Special collection: Peter's Pence [Sunday nearest Saints Peter and Paul]**
- ◆ **Priests' Summer Cookout**

JULY 2025

4 July, **Independence Day (USA)**

AUGUST 2025

6 August, **The Feast Transfiguration of the Lord**, Feast

15 August, **The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

- ◆ Holyday of Obligation this year
- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ However, Marriage may be celebrated with the Mass of the day, one reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used, this year.
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is not permitted

SEPTEMBER 2025

1 September, **Labor Day (USA)**

- ◆ Mass texts may be used from: "For the Sanctification of Human Labor"

15-18 September, **Priests' Convocation for the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois**

21 September, **Catechetical Sunday**

- ◆ See the *Book of Blessings*, Chapter 4, nos. 491-508 – Blessing within or outside Mass
- ◆ **Special collection: Church in Africa [18-24 September]**

OCTOBER 2025

5 October, **The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- ◆ **Special Collection: Black and Indian Mission [Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time]**

11 October, Saturday, **Diocesan Respect Life Mass and Rosary Walk**

- ◆ 9:00 AM, Holy Family Church, Granite City
- ◆ 10:00 AM, Rosary Walk and Prayer Vigil

26 October, **The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- ◆ **Special collection: World Mission Sunday [next to last Sunday of October]**

TDB, **Mission Mass**

- ◆ 11:00 AM, Cathedral Church of the Immaculate Conception, Springfield

NOVEMBER 2025

1 November, **The Solemnity All Saints**

- ◆ Not a Holyday of Obligation this year
- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is not permitted
- ◆ Daylight Saving Time ends on the first Sunday of November

2 November, **The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)**

- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is permitted

9 November, **The Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

- ◆ **Special collection: Triennial U.S. Military Archdiocese [Sunday nearest November 11 [if Wednesday, before]**

24 November, Sunday, **Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**, Solemnity

- ◆ **Special collection: Diocesan Campaign for Justice and Hope Collection [Sunday before Thanksgiving]**
- ◆ Final Sunday in Ordinary Time

27 November, **Thanksgiving Day (USA)**

- ◆ Mass texts may be used, for pastoral advantage, from: "In Thanksgiving to God" [*Lectionary for Mass*, nos. 943-947 or any readings from the Appendix for Thanksgiving Day]

30 November, **The First Sunday of Advent**

- ◆ Beginning of a new liturgical year
- ◆ Sunday *Lectionary for Mass*, Year A; Weekday *Lectionary for Mass*, Year II
- ◆ **Special collection: Campaign for Justice and Hope (First Sunday of Advent)**

DECEMBER 2026

30 November, **The First Sunday of Advent**

- ◆ Beginning of a new liturgical year
- ◆ Sunday *Lectionary for Mass*, Year A; Weekday *Lectionary for Mass*, Year II
- ◆ **Special collection: Campaign for Justice and Hope (First Sunday of Advent)**

2 December, **The Dedication of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception -2009**

- ◆ Solemnity in the cathedral church
- ◆ Feast throughout the diocese
- ◆ Use Mass texts from: Common of the Dedication of a Church: on the Anniversary

8 December, **The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

- ◆ Holyday of Obligation
- ◆ **Patronal Feastday of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois**
- ◆ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ◆ However, Marriage may be celebrated with the Mass of the day, one reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used.
- ◆ A Funeral Mass is not permitted this year

14 December, **The Second Sunday of Advent**

- ◆ **Special diocesan collection: Retirement Fund for Religious [Third Sunday of Advent]**

17-23 December, **O Antiphon Days**

- **17 December** – O Wisdom
- **18 December** – O Leader of the House of Israel
- **19 December** – O Flower of Jesse's Stem
- **20 December** – O Key of David
- **21 December** – O Radiant Dawn
- **22 December** – O King of All Nations
- **23 December** – O Emmanuel

25 December, **The Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)**

- ◆ Holyday of Obligation
- ◆ **Special diocesan collection: Catholic Children's Home, Alton [Christmas Day]**

28 December, **The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**

31 December, **Anniversary of the death of Daniel Leo Ryan, 7th bishop of the diocese**

**TABLE OF LITURGICAL DAYS
ACCORDING TO THEIR ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

*Universal Norms for the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar, no. 59 and
Ceremonial of Bishops, Appendix II*

I

1. The Paschal Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord.
2. The Nativity of the Lord, the Epiphany, the Ascension, and Pentecost.
Sundays of Advent, Lent, and Easter.
Ash Wednesday.
Weekdays of Holy Week from Monday up to and including Thursday.
Days within the Octave of Easter.
3. Solemnities inscribed in the General Calendar, whether of the Lord, of the Blessed Virgin Mary, or of the Saints.
The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed.
4. Proper Solemnities, namely:
 - a.) The Solemnity of the principal Patron of the place, city, or state.
 - b.) The Solemnity of the dedication and of the anniversary of the dedication of one's own church.
 - c.) The Solemnity of the Title of one's own church.
 - d.) The Solemnity either of the Title
or of the Founder
or of the principal Patron of an Order or Congregation.

II

5. Feasts of the Lord inscribed in the General Calendar.
6. Sundays of Christmas Time and the Sundays in Ordinary Time.
7. Feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of the Saints in the General Calendar.
8. Proper Feasts, namely:
 - a.) The Feast of the principal Patron of the diocese.
 - b.) The Feast of the anniversary of the dedication of the cathedral church.
 - c.) The Feast of the principal Patron of a region or province, or a country, or of a wider territory.
 - d.) The Feast of the Title, Founder, or principal Patron of an Order or Congregation and of a religious province, without prejudice to the prescriptions given under no. 4.
 - e.) Other Feasts proper to an individual church.
 - f.) Other Feasts inscribed in the Calendar of each diocese or Order or Congregation.
9. Weekdays of Advent from December 17 up to and including December 24.
Days within the Octave of Christmas.
Weekdays of Lent.

III

10. Obligatory Memorials in the General Calendar.
11. Proper Obligatory Memorials, namely:
- a.) The Memorial of a secondary Patron of the place, diocese, region, or religious province.
 - b.) Other Obligatory memorials inscribed in the Calendar of each diocese, or Order or Congregation.
12. Optional memorials, which, however, may be celebrated, in the special manner described in the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* and of the Liturgy of the Hours, even on the days listed in no. 9.
In the same manner Obligatory Memorials may be celebrated as Optional Memorials if they happen to fall on the Lenten weekdays.
13. Weekdays of Advent up to and including December 16.
Weekdays of Christmas Time from January 2 until the Sunday after the Epiphany.
Weekdays of Easter Time from Monday after the Octave of Easter up to and including the Saturday before Pentecost.
Weekdays in Ordinary Time.

Universal Norms for the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar, nos.60-61:

60. If several celebrations fall on the same day, the one that holds the highest rank according to the Table of Liturgical Days is observed. However, a Solemnity impeded by a liturgical day that takes precedence over it should be transferred to the closest day not listed under nos. 1-8 in the Table of Precedence, provided that what is laid down in no. 5 is observed. As to the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, whenever it falls on any day of Holy Week, it shall always be transferred to the Monday after the Second Sunday of Easter.

Other Celebrations are omitted in that year.

61. Should, on the other hand, Vespers (Evening Prayer) of the current day's Office and First Vespers (Evening Prayer I) of the following day be assigned for celebration on the same day, then Vespers (Evening Prayer) of the celebration with the higher rank in the Table of Liturgical Days takes precedence; in cases of equal rank, Vespers (Evening Prayer) of the current day takes precedence.

**TABLE OF RUBRICS GOVERNING RITUAL MASSES,
MASSES FOR VARIOUS NEEDS AND OCCASIONS,
AND MASSES FOR THE DEAD**

Ceremonial of Bishops, Appendix III, 1989.

Revised to reflect the new ordering in the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal, third typical edition, 2002.*

Symbols

- V1** = Ritual Masses [*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 372].
Masses for various needs and occasions and votive Masses, in cases of serious need or pastoral advantage, at the direction of the local Ordinary or with his permission [GIRM, no. 374].
- V2** = Masses for various needs and occasions and votive Masses, in cases of serious need or pastoral advantage, at the discretion of the rector of the church or the priest celebrant [GIRM, no. 376].
- V3** = Masses for various needs and occasions and votive Masses chosen by the priest celebrant in favor of the devotion of the people [GIRM, nos. 373 and 375].
- D1** = Funeral Mass [GIRM, no. 380].
- D2** = Mass on the occasion of news of a death, final burial, or the first anniversary [GIRM, no. 381].
- D3** = Daily Mass for the dead [GIRM]. When D1 and D2 are not permitted, neither is D3.
- + = permitted.
- = not permitted.

1.	Solemnities of precept	V1 - D1 -	
2.	Sundays of Advent, Lent, and Easter Time	V1 - D1 -	
3.	Holy Thursday, Sacred Paschal Triduum	V1 - D1 -	
4.	Solemnities not of precept, All Souls' Day	V1 - D1 +	
5.	Ash Wednesday, weekdays of Holy Week	V1 - D1 +	
6.	Days in the Easter Octave	V1 - D1 +	
7.	Sundays of Christmas Time, and in Ordinary Time	V1 + D1 +	V2 - D2 -
8.	Feasts	V1 + D1 +	V2 - D2 -
9.	Weekdays 17-24 December	V1 + D1 +	V2 - D2 +
10.	Days in the Christmas Octave	V1 + D1 +	V2 - D2 +
11.	Weekdays in Lent	V1 + D1 +	V2 - D2 +
12.	Obligatory Memorials	V1 + D1 +	V2 + D2 +
13.	Weekdays of Advent to 16 December	V1 + D1 +	V2 + D2 +
14.	Weekdays of Christmas from 2 January	V1 + D1 +	V2 + D2 +

15.	Weekdays of Easter Time	V1 +	V2 +	
		D1 +	D2 +	
16.	Weekdays in Ordinary Time	V1 +	V2 +	V3 +
		D1 +	D2 +	D3 +