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# Liturgical Calendar for the Diocese of Saint Cloud

with notes on solemnities and days affecting weddings and funerals,  
plus dates and times for special diocesan liturgies.

| THE YEAR OF GRACE 2017 |

**NOTE:** items particular to the Diocese of Saint Cloud are printed in red.

<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>November 27, 2016</b>
<b>Ash Wednesday</b>	<b>March 1, 2017</b>
<b>Easter Sunday</b>	<b>April 16, 2017</b>
<b>The Ascension of the Lord*</b>	<b>May 28, 2017</b>
<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	<b>June 4, 2017</b>
<b>The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ</b>	<b>June 18, 2017</b>

\*In the Diocese of Saint Cloud, the Ascension has been transferred to Sunday.

<b>LECTIONARY FOR MASS</b>	
<b>Sunday Cycle – Year A</b>	27 November 2016 to 26 November, 2017
<b>Weekday Cycle – Year I</b>	January 10, 2017 to February 28, 2017 June 5, 2017 to December 2, 2017

<b>LITURGY OF THE HOURS</b>		
November 27, 2016 – January 9, 2017	Advent, Christmas	Vol. I
January 10 – February 28, 2017	Week 1 to 8, Ordinary Time	Vol. III
March 1 – June 4, 2017	Lent, Triduum, Easter	Vol. II
June 5 – August 5, 2017	Weeks 9 to 17, Ordinary Time	Vol. III
August 3, 2017 – December 2, 2017	Weeks 18 to 34, Ordinary Time	Vol. IV

## **HOLY SATURDAY NIGHT: THE EASTER VIGIL**

The first Mass of Easter, the Easter Vigil, falls between nightfall of Holy Saturday, April 15 and daybreak of Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017. The *Universal Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar*, no. 21, states:

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 end before the dawn on the Sunday.

**There are two ways to answer the question, “How early can a parish start the Easter Vigil?”**

In 2017, civil twilight in Central Daylight Time ends at 8:33 PM in St. Cloud and sunset is at 8:03 PM. **Nightfall (astronomical twilight) in Central Daylight Time begins at 9:53 PM in St. Cloud.** The former is a generous interpretation of the law, the latter, however, is more appropriate since this vigil “must begin after nightfall”. The vigil may begin later, but it must conclude before dawn.

For more information see:

<http://aa.usno.navy.mil/data/index.php>  
<http://www.usno.navy.mil/USNO/astronomical-applications>

### **IN OUR DIOCESE**

**The Most Reverend Donald J. Kettler, bishop of St. Cloud, has determined that the Easter Vigil may not begin earlier than 8:30 p.m. The Vigil may start later if the parish finds this to be a pastoral advantage.**

## HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

In addition to Sunday, the following days are to be observed as holy days of obligation in the Diocese of Saint Cloud in 2017.

- ◆ **01 January:** **Mary, the Holy Mother of God**
- ◆ **15 August:** **Assumption**
- ◆ **01 November:** **All Saints, solemnity**
- ◆ **08 December:** **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, solemnity**
- ◆ **25 December:** **Nativity of the Lord (Christmas), solemnity**

The NCCB decree of 13 December 1991, confirmed by the Apostolic See on 04 July 1992, stipulates that whenever 01 January, 15 August, or 01 November falls on a Saturday or on a Monday, the precept to attend Mass is abrogated.

**THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEDICATION OF PARISH CHURCHES** are proper solemnities. Consult the “Table of Liturgical Days” starting on [page 14](#) of this calendar for the days that may impede these celebrations.

The anniversary of the **Dedication of the Cathedral Church of Saint Mary**, 17 August, is celebrated as a solemnity in the cathedral church and as a feast throughout the diocese.

**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, taking due account of, the norms given in the ritual books or in the Masses themselves [*General Instruction of the Roman Missal, third typical edition, no. 372*].

### Rite of Marriage:

- ◆ 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 (nos. 67-105) may be chosen, except from Holy Thursday to Easter, on the solemnities of Epiphany, Ascension, Pentecost, or the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, or on holy days of obligation.
- ◆ However, the Rite of Marriage outside Mass may be celebrated on the above days except during the Easter Triduum.
- ◆ On the Sundays of the Christmas season 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 other days of penance, the special nature of these liturgical seasons are to be considered [*Rite of Marriage, no. 11*].

**FUNERAL MASSES:** Funeral Masses are not permitted on solemnities that are holy days of obligation, Holy Thursday, the Easter Triduum, and the Sundays of Advent, Lent and Easter [*General Instruction of the Roman Missal, third typical edition, no. 380 and Order of Christian Funerals, typical edition, no. 271*].

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## NOVEMBER 2016

27 November, Sunday, **First Sunday of Advent**

- beginning of a new liturgical year
- Sunday *Lectionary for Mass, Year A*; Weekday *Lectionary for Mass, Year I*

## DECEMBER 2016

04 December, Sunday, **Second Sunday of Advent**

08 December, Thursday, **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, solemnity

- holy day of obligation
- Principal Patroness of the Diocese and of the United States
- ritual Masses are not permitted
- a funeral Mass is not permitted

11 December, Sunday, **Third Sunday of Advent**

- *Guadete Sunday* (rose vestments)

12 December, Monday, **Our Lady of Guadalupe**, feast (USA)

- There is no diocesan celebration this year so local parishes are encouraged to celebrate the feast
- This feast *cannot* replace the Third Sunday of Advent

17-23 December, **O Antiphon Days** (Sung at Vespers): **17th** – O Wisdom; **18th** – O Leader of ancient Israel; **19th** – O Flower of Jesse's Stem; **20th** – O Key of David; **21st** – O Radiant Dawn; **22nd** – O King of All Nations; **23rd** – O Emmanuel

18 December, Sunday, **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

25 December, Sunday, **Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)**, solemnity

- holy day of obligation
- The text, ***The Nativity of the Lord Jesus Christ*** [formerly named "The Proclamation of the Birth of Christ"] may be chanted or recited, 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 (*Roman Missal*, Appendix I).
- during the profession of faith, all **genuflect** during "and by the Holy Spirit . . . and became man."
- ritual Masses are not permitted
- a funeral Mass is not permitted

30 December, Friday, **Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**, feast

- Because this feast falls on a Friday, only one reading is proclaimed before the Gospel

## JANUARY 2017

01 January, Sunday, **Octave Day of Christmas: Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God**, solemnity

- holy day of obligation
- ritual Masses are not permitted
- a funeral Mass is not permitted
- World Day of Prayer for Peace

08 January, Sunday, **Epiphany of the Lord**, solemnity

- **The Announcement of Easter and the Moveable Feasts** is sung or proclaimed at every Mass after the gospel (before the homily) from the ambo. The text can be found in Appendix I of the *Roman Missal*.

09 January, Monday, **Baptism of the Lord**, feast

- final day of the Christmas season and beginning of winter Ordinary Time
- **only one reading is proclaimed before the Gospel**

15 January, Sunday, **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

- **Theme:** Reconciliation – *The Love of Christ Compels Us* (2 Corinthians 5:14-20)

22 January, Sunday, **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **Vespers for Life, St. Anthony, St. Cloud - 2:00 p.m.**

23 January, Monday **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children** (USA)

- Mass: “For Peace and Justice” with violet vestments or “For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human life” with white vestments may be celebrated [GIRM, no. 373]
- *optional memorials of St. Vincent and St. Marianne Cope* (White)

25 January, Wednesday, **Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle**, feast

- Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Emeritus John F. Kinney (1977)

29 January, Sunday **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- Catholic Schools Week begins

## FEBRUARY 2017

02 February, Thursday, **Presentation of the Lord** (Candlemas), feast

- with blessing of new candles and procession

03 February, Friday, **St. Blaise**, optional memorial

- in memory of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, the blessing of throats may be given today – see the *Book of Blessings*, nos. 1622-1655

05 February, Sunday, **Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

12 February, Sunday, **Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

19 February, Sunday, **Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

26 February, Sunday, **Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**





01 March, Wednesday, **Ash Wednesday**

- Lent begins today
- a day of fast and abstinence
- there is no vigil for Ash Wednesday anticipation of the Mass of Ash Wednesday or the giving 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 [RCIA, nos. 106-117, 434-445, or 530-546] so that the blessing and giving of ashes may be used to the full advantage of the faithful

05 March, Sunday, **First Sunday of Lent**

- **Diocesan Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion**
  - ♦ **3:00 PM**, Cathedral of Saint Mary, St. Cloud
  - ♦ The parish **Rite of Sending to the Bishop** should be celebrated at a time prior to the diocesan Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion [RCIA, no. 108]

12 March, Sunday, **Second Sunday of Lent** (Daylight Saving Time begins)

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

19 March, Sunday, **Third Sunday of Lent**

- **First Scrutiny** with the Elect, Year A readings and ritual prayers *must* be used when present
- **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

20 March, Monday, **Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, solemnity

- The **Gloria** and **Creed** are sung/recited today
- 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

25 March, Saturday, **Annunciation of the Lord**, solemnity

- The **Gloria** and **Creed** are sung/recited today
- during the profession of faith, all **genuflect** during “by the power of the Holy Spirit”
- 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

26 March, **Fourth Sunday of Lent**

- **Second Scrutiny** with the Elect, Year A readings and ritual prayers *must* be used when present



02 April, Sunday, **Fifth Sunday of Lent**

- **Third Scrutiny** with the Elect, Year A readings and ritual prayers *must* be used when present
- **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

06 April, Thursday, **Chrism Mass**

- 7:00 PM, Cathedral of Saint Mary, St. Cloud
- dismissal of the elect and catechumens is provided
- blessing and distribution of the oils for use in the current year takes place
- **The Reception of the Holy Oils Blessed at the Chrism Mass** (for use in the parish) may take place at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday or on another suitable day after the celebration of the Chrism Mass.

09 April, Sunday, **Palms Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

10 - 12 April, Monday-Wednesday, **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

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

- no Mass is permitted
- Lent ends just before the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
- **The Reception of the Holy Oils Blessed at the Chrism Mass** (for use in the parish) may take place at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday or on another suitable day after the celebration of the Chrism Mass.

13 – 16 April, **Holy Thursday** evening through **Easter Sunday** evening, **THE EASTER 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

14 April, **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)

15 April **Holy Saturday**

- **Preparation Rites on Holy Saturday** [RCIA, 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 Easter Vigil)

15 April, Saturday, **The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter**

- See notes on page 4 for the time of the Paschal Vigil

16 April, **Easter Sunday, The Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord**

17 – 23 April, Monday through Sunday, **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
- a funeral Mass is permitted on Monday through Saturday only

Parishes are encouraged to celebrate Evening Prayer communally during the Octave of Easter and on all Sundays of Easter

23 April, Sunday, **Second Sunday of Easter**/Divine Mercy Sunday

30 April, Sunday, **Third Sunday of Easter**

## MAY 2017

06 May, Saturday, **Honoring Marriage Day**

- 1:00 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Mary, St. Cloud

07 May, Sunday, **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

- World Day of Prayer for Vocations

14 May, Sunday, **Fifth Sunday of Easter**

- Mother's Day

21 May, Sunday, **Sixth Sunday of Easter**

28 May, Sunday, **Ascension of the Lord**, solemnity

- replaces the Seventh Sunday of Easter

29 May, Monday, **Memorial Day** (USA)

- Mass texts may be used from: For the Preservation of Peace and Justice

## JUNE 2017

03 June, Saturday, **Memorial of St. Charles Lwanga and Companions**, Memorial

- **Priest and Transitional Deacons Ordinations - 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Mary**

04 June, Sunday, **Pentecost Sunday**, solemnity

- Consider celebrating the extended vigil on Saturday night, especially if you have Catholics who will be confirmed in the parish
- final day of the Easter season
- Celebration with the Neophytes is encouraged after their Mystagogical period is completed (Mystagogy should last at least through Pentecost, but is encouraged to last one full year, *National Statutes for the Catechumenate* 24)

05 June, Monday, **St. Boniface**, memorial

- **Mass for the Diocesan Jubilarians - 4:00 p.m. at Saint John's Abbey, Collegeville**

10 June, Sunday, **Saturday of the Ninth Week in Ordinary Time**

- **Ordinations to the Permanent Diaconate - 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Mary**

11 June, Sunday, **Most Holy Trinity**, solemnity

18 June, Sunday, **Most Holy Body and Blood of the Christ**, solemnity

23 June, Friday, **Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**, 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

24 June, Friday, **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

25 June, Sunday, **Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

29 June, Thursday, **Saints Peter and Paul**, 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

<b>JULY 2017</b>
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02 July, Sunday, **Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

04 July, Tuesday, **Mass for Independence Day**

- It would be appropriate to pray for the country, peace, etc. during the General Intercessions
- **Music:** If a Patriotic Song is chosen for the Liturgy, it would be *most* appropriate as the final song.

09 July, Sunday **Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

11 July, Monday, **St. Benedict**, memorial

16 July, Sunday, **Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

23 July, Sunday, **Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

27 July, Thursday, **Humanae Vitae Mass**

- 7:00 p.m. - Cathedral of Saint Mary, Lower Church

30 July, Sunday, **Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## AUGUST 2017

06 August, Sunday, **Transfiguration of the Lord**, feast

13 August, Sunday, **Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

15 August, Tuesday, **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, solemnity

- Holy Day of Obligation this year
- ritual Masses are not permitted

17 August, Thursday, **Anniversary of the Dedication of the Cathedral of Saint Mary**

- Solemnity in the Cathedral
- Feast in the parishes of the Diocese
- Liturgical Texts: Common of the Dedication of a Church: Anniversary

20 August, Sunday, **Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

22 August, Tuesday, **Queenship of the Blessed Virgin**, memorial

- Anniversary of Bishop Donald Kettler's Episcopal Ordination

27 August, Sunday, **Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## SEPTEMBER 2017

01 September, Friday, **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation**

03 September, Sunday, **Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

04 September, Monday, **Labor Day**

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

07 September, Thursday, **Saint Cloud**, feast (solemnity for the parishes/institutions in the city of St. Cloud)

- Proper texts for the feast/solemnity
- The Gloria is sung
- The Creed is recited in those parishes where it is celebrated as a solemnity

10 September, Sunday, **Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

11 September, Monday, **National Day of Mourning and Remembrance**

14 September, Thursday, **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**, feast

17 September, Monday, **Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

21 September, Thursday, **2nd Annual Diocesan Blue Mass**

- 7:00 p.m., Cathedral of Saint Mary

24 September, Sunday, **Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**,

- Catechetical Sunday - parishes are encouraged to commission and bless new and returning catechists

## OCTOBER 2017

01 October, Sunday, **Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- Respect Life Sunday

01 - 04 October, Sunday - Wednesday, **Diocesan Clergy Conference**

04 October, Wednesday, **Saint Francis**, memorial

08 October, Sunday, **Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

15 October, Sunday, **Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

21 October, Saturday, Celebration of the Diocesan V Encuentro

- 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Mass with Bishop Kettler at 5:00 p.m. St. Mary's in Alexandria

22 October, Sunday, **Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- World Mission Sunday

29 October, Sunday, **Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- World Youth Day and Priesthood Sunday

## NOVEMBER 2017

01 November, Wednesday, **All Saints**, solemnity –*holy day of obligation*

- 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
- Displaying the **Book of the Dead** during the month of November is appropriate and encouraged

02 November, Thursday, **Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)**

- ritual Masses are not permitted

05 November, Sunday, **Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time** (Daylight Saving Time ends)

- National Vocation Awareness Week begins

07 November, Tuesday, **Anniversary of the Installation of Bishop Donald Kettler** as bishop of Saint Cloud

09 November, Thursday, **Diocesan Vocation Liturgy**

- 7:00 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Mary

12 November, Sunday, **Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

19 November, Sunday, **Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

23 November, Thursday, **Thanksgiving Day**

- Mass texts may be used from the Proper for Thanksgiving Day.
- For readings, see *vol. 4 of the Lectionary*.

26 November, Sunday, **Our Lord Jesus Christ the King**, solemnity

- final Sunday in Ordinary Time

27 November, Monday, **Diocesan Mass for Deceased Clergy**

- 12:00 p.m. Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Mary

<b>DECEMBER 2017</b>
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03 December, Sunday, **First Sunday of Advent**

- beginning of a new liturgical year

08 December, Friday, **Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, solemnity

- holy day of obligation
- ritual Masses are not permitted
- a funeral Mass is not permitted

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

12 December, Monday, **Our Lady of Guadalupe**, feast (USA)

17 December, Sunday, **Third Sunday of Advent**

24 December, Sunday, **Fourth Sunday of Advent**



# TABLE OF LITURGICAL DAYS

## ACCORDING TO THEIR ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

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

### ONE

1. Easter Triduum of the Lord's passion and resurrection.
2. Christmas, Epiphany, Ascension, and Pentecost.  
Sundays of Advent, Lent, and the Easter season.  
Ash Wednesday.  
Weekdays of Holy Week from Monday to Thursday inclusive.  
Days within the octave of Easter.
3. Solemnities of the Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and saints listed in the General Calendar.  
All Souls.
4. Proper solemnities, namely:
  - a.) Solemnity of the principal patron of the place, that is, the city or state.
  - b.) Solemnity of the dedication of a particular church and the anniversary.
  - c.) Solemnity of the title of a particular church.
  - d.) Solemnity of the title or of the founder or of the principal patron of a religious order or congregation.

### TWO

1. Feasts of the Lord in the General Calendar.
2. Sundays of the Christmas season and Sundays in Ordinary Time.
3. Feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of the saints in the General Calendar.
4. Proper feasts, namely:
  - a) Feast of the principal patron of the diocese.
  - b) Feast of the anniversary of the dedication of the cathedral.
  - c) Feast of the principal patron of a region or province, or a country, or of a wider territory.
  - d) Feast of the title, founder, or principal patron of an order or congregation and of a religious province, without prejudice to the directives in no. 4.
  - e) Other feasts proper to an individual church.
  - f) Other feasts listed in the calendar of a diocese or of a religious order or congregation.
5. Weekdays of Advent from 17 December to 24 December inclusive.
  - a) Days within the octave of Christmas.
  - b) Weekdays of Lent.

### THREE

1. Obligatory memorials in the General Calendar.
2. Proper obligatory memorials, namely:
  - a) Memorial of a secondary patron of the place, diocese, region, or province, country or wider territory, or of an order or congregation and of a religious province.
  - b) Obligatory memorials listed in the calendar of a diocese, or of an order or congregation.
  - c) Obligatory memorials listed in the calendar of a diocese, or of an order or congregation.
3. Optional memorials; but these may be celebrated even on the days listed in no. 9, in the special manner described by the General Instruction of the Roman Missal and of the Liturgy of the Hours.  
In the same manner obligatory memorials may be celebrated as optional memorials if they happen to fall on the Lenten weekdays.
3. Weekdays of Advent up to 16 December inclusive.  
Weekdays of the Christmas season from 2 January until the Sunday after Epiphany.  
Weekdays of the Easter season from Monday after the octave of Easter until the Saturday before Pentecost inclusive.  
Weekdays in Ordinary Time.



# 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.*

<b>Symbols</b>
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**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 the Easter season	V1 - D1 -
3. Holy Thursday, Easter Triduum	V1 - D1 -
4. Solemnities not of precept, All Souls	V1 - D1 +
5. Ash Wednesday, weekdays of Holy Week	V1 - D1 +
6. Days in the Easter octave	V1 - D1 +
7. Sundays of Christmas, and in Ordinary Time	V1 +    V2 - D1 +    D2 -
8. Feasts	V1 +    V2 - D1 +    D2 -
9. Weekdays 17-24 December	V1 +    V2 - D1 +    D2 +
10. Days in the Christmas octave	V1 +    V2 - D1 +    D2 +
11. Weekdays in Lent	V1 +    V2 - D1 +    D2 +
12. Obligatory memorials	V1 +    V2 + D1 +    D2 +
13. Weekdays of Advent to 16 December	V1 +    V2 + D1 +    D2 +
14. Weekdays of Christmas from 2 January	V1 +    V2 + D1 +    D2 +
15. Weekdays of the Easter season	V1 +    V2 + D1 +    D2 +
16. Weekdays in Ordinary Time	V1 +    V2 +    V3 + D1 +    D2 +    D3 +