**LITURGICAL CALENDAR 2019/2020**

**General**

*Holy Church celebrates the saving work of Christ on prescribed days in the course of the year with sacred remembrance. Each week, on the day called the Lord's Day, she commemorates the Resurrection of the Lord, which she also celebrates once a year in the great Paschal Solemnity, together with his blessed Passion. In fact, throughout the course of the year the Church unfolds the entire mystery of Christ and observes the birthdays of the saints. During the different periods of the liturgical year, in accord with traditional discipline, the Church completes the education of the faithful by means of both spiritual and bodily devotional practices, instruction, prayer, works of penance and works of mercy. (*[*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 1*).

The work of the Armed Forces is, by its very definition, incredibly diverse and has the potential to be fraught with danger. The challenges facing a Calendar that is workable within such an environment are as varied as those whom it seeks to serve. Rooted in the General Calendar of the Roman Catholic Church, with specific inclusions as determined by the Bishops’ Conference of England and Wales, and special consideration given to the needs and celebrations of the Bishopric, the Cycle below is, it is hoped, flexible enough to cope with the circumstances in which the active and worshipping communities of sailors, soldiers and air personnel of the United Kingdom, together with their families and dependents, find themselves.

**Ordinary Time**

*Besides the times of year that have their own distinctive character, there remains in the yearly cycle thirty-three or thirty-four weeks in which no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ is celebrated, but rather the mystery of Christ itself is honoured in its fullness, especially on Sundays. This period is known as Ordinary Time. (*[*Universal Norms for the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 42*).

In this liturgical year, Ordinary Time consists of 34 weeks. There are eight of these before Lent, running from 13 January (the Monday after the feast of the Baptism of the Lord), until 25 February (Shrove Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday). Ordinary Time then resumes on 1 June (the Monday after Pentecost Sunday) with the 9th Week of the cycle.

*The Church celebrates the paschal mystery on the first day of each week, known as the Lord’s Day or Sunday. This follows a tradition handed down from the apostles and having its origin from the day of Christ’s resurrection. Thus Sunday must be ranked as the first feast day of all. (Vatican Council II, Constitution on the Liturgy Sacrosanctum Concilium, art. 106)*

*Because of its special importance, the celebration of Sunday gives way only*

*to Solemnities and Feasts of the Lord: indeed the Sundays of Advent, Lent and Easter have precedence over all Feasts of the Lord and over all Solemnities. In fact, Solemnities occurring on these Sundays are transferred to the following Monday unless they occur on Palm Sunday or on Sunday of the Lord’s Resurrection. (*[*Universal Norms for the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 5*).

**Holy Days of Obligation**

With effect from the 1st Sunday of Advent 2017, two holydays of obligation were reinstated. This decision was made by the Bishops of England and Wales, and has been confirmed by the Holy See. The days are:

The Epiphany of the Lord

The Ascension of the Lord

Consequently the Holydays of Obligation in England and Wales are:

Every Sunday

The Nativity of the Lord (25 December)

The Epiphany of the Lord (6 January\*)

The Ascension of the Lord (Thursday after 6th Sunday of Easter)

Saint Peter and Saint Paul, apostles (29 June\*)

The Assumption of the Virgin Mary into Heaven (15 August\*)

All Saints (1 November\*)

\* According to a decision of the Bishops' Conference (1984) Holydays which fall on Saturday or Monday are transferred to the Sunday.

**Special Prayer Intentions**

In accordance with the Calendar Notes issued by the Liturgy Office, some days have been nominated in the forthcoming year as times of particular prayer intention. These are indicated by commemorations given in ***bold italics*** beneath the day on which they should be remembered.

**Special Collections**

All of the Collections are mandated by the Holy See (Holy Places, Catholic Communications Network, Peter’s Pence, World Mission Sunday) or the Bishops’ Conference of England and Wales (Day for Life, Apostleship of the Sea, Home Mission Appeal) or the Bishopric (Bishopric Charities and CAFOD Fast Days) and every attempt has been made to ensure an even distribution throughout the year. It is recommended that, where an Agency provides particular material in support of their mission, this be utilised in conjunction with the dates given in the Calendar. The amount given for all Special Collections (apart from those for CAFOD which are sent directly to the charity) should be forwarded to the appropriate Service Roman Catholic Trust Secretary/Treasurer.

26 January Bishopric Charities

8 March CAFOD

10 April Holy Places

24 May Catholic Communications Network

7 June Day for Life

28 June Peter’s Pence

12 July Apostleship of the Sea

13 September Home Missions

4 October CAFOD

18 October World Missions

**Annual Mass Count**

The number of the Faithful attending Mass is collated and forwarded to the Bishopric Secretary on the sheet provided for the four Sundays in October.

**Ranks of Celebration**

These are indicated by the typeface used, namely:

**HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION**

SOLEMNITIES

**Feasts**

Memorials

*Optional Memorials*

*In the cycle of the year, as she celebrates the mystery of Christ, the Church also venerates with a particular love the Blessed Mother of God, Mary, and proposes to the devotion of the faithful Memorials of the Martyrs and other Saints. The Saints who have universal importance are celebrated in an obligatory way throughout the whole Church; other Saints are either inscribed in the calendar, but for optional celebration, or are left to be honoured by a particular Church or nation or religious family. Celebrations, according to the importance assigned to them, are hence distinguished one from another and termed: Solemnity, Feast, Memorial. (*[*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 8, 9, 10).*

Sundays — Year A

Weekdays — Cycle II

**Additions to the Calendar**

Mary, Mother of the Church: Obligatory Memorial, Monday after Pentecost; added to the General Roman Calendar.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest: Feast, Thursday after Pentecost; added to the National Calendars of England and Wales.

St Paul VI: Optional Memorial, 29 May; added to the General Roman Calendar.

**DECEMBER 2019**

*Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered; and likewise when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ’s Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period for devout and expectant delight. (*[*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 39).*

Throughout the Advent Season the Gloria is omitted on Sundays, but included on Solemnities and Feasts. The playing of the organ and other musical instruments and decoration of the altar with flowers should be done in a moderate manner, as is consonant with the season, without anticipating the full joy of the Nativity of the Lord. The same moderation should be observed in the celebration of Holy Matrimony. Advent Preface I is used at all Masses of the Season until 17 December

1 **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, purple**

 ***Migrants’ Day***

 Psalter Week I

2 Monday, Advent 1, purple

3 Tuesday, St Francis Xavier, priest, white

4 Wednesday, Advent 1, purple

*or: St John Damascene, priest, doctor*, *white*

5 Thursday, Advent 1, purple

6 Friday, Advent 1, purple

*or: St Nicholas, bishop*, *white*

7 Saturday, St Ambrose, bishop, doctor, white

8 **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT, purple**

***Bible Sunday***

Psalter Week II

9 Monday, THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, white

10 Tuesday, Advent 2, purple

 *or: St John Roberts, priest, martyr (in Wales), red*

11 Wednesday, Advent 2, purple

 *or:* *St Damasus I, pope, white*

12 Thursday, Advent 2, purple

 *or:* *Our Lady of Guadalupe, white*

13 Friday, St Lucy, virgin, martyr, red

14 Saturday, St John of the Cross, priest, doctor, white

15 **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, rose pink or purple**

Psalter Week III

16 Monday, Advent 3, purple

The weekdays of Advent from 17 to 24 December take precedence over the memorials of Saints, which may therefore be celebrated only in the particular form laid down by the liturgical books. Only when some genuine need or pastoral advantage requires it may an appropriate Mass for various needs and occasions be celebrated. Votive Masses and daily Masses for the Dead are prohibited. In Eucharistic celebrations likewise proper readings are given for these days and should be used instead of those indicated for the weekdays for the third and fourth week of Advent. Advent Preface II is used at all Masses.

17 Tuesday, Advent 3, purple

18 Wednesday, Advent 3, purple

19 Thursday, Advent 3, purple

20 Friday, Advent 3, purple

21 Saturday, Advent 3, purple *(St Peter Canisius, priest, doctor)*

22 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, purple**

Psalter Week IV

***Expectant Mothers***

23 Monday, Advent 4, purple

24 Tuesday, Advent 4, purple

After the annual celebration of the Paschal Mystery, the Church has no more ancient custom than celebrating the memorial of the Nativity of the Lord and of his first manifestations, and this take place at Christmas Time. ([*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 32).*

25 Wednesday, **THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD, white**

26 Thursday, **St Stephen, Protomartyr, red**

27 Friday, **St John, apostle, evangelist, red**

28 Saturday, **Holy Innocents, red**

29 **THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH,white**

30 Monday, Sixth Day within the Octave of Christmas, white

31 Tuesday, Seventh Day within the Octave of Christmas, white

**JANUARY 2020**

1 Wednesday, MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD, white

2 Thursday, St Basil the Great and St Gregory Nazianzen,

bishops, doctors, white

3 Friday, Christmas 1, white

 *or: The Most Holy Name of Jesus*

4 Saturday, Christmas 1, white

5 **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD, white**

6 Monday, Weekday after Epiphany, white

 Psalter Week II

7 Tuesday, Weekday after Epiphany, white

 *or: St Raymond of Penafort, priest, white*

8 Wednesday, Weekday after Epiphany, white

9 Thursday, Weekday after Epiphany, white

10 Friday, Weekday after Epiphany, white

11 Saturday, Weekday after Epiphany, white

12 **THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD, white**

13 Monday, Week 1, green

Psalter Week I

14 Tuesday, Week 1, green

15 Wednesday, Week 1, green

16 Thursday, Week 1, green

17 Friday, St Anthony, abbot, white

18 Saturday, Week 2, green

***Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity (until 25 January)***

19 **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 ***Peace Day***

Psalter Week II

20 Monday, Week 2, green

 *or: St Fabian, pope, martyr, red*

 *or: St Sebastian, martyr, red*

21 Tuesday, St Agnes, virgin, martyr, red

22 Wednesday, Week 2, green

*or: St Vincent, deacon, martyr, red*

23 Thursday, Week 2, green

24 Friday, St Francis de Sales, bishop, doctor, white

25 Saturday, **The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle, white**

26 **THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

Special Collection: Bishopric Charities

Psalter Week III

27 Monday, Week 3, green

 *or: St Angela Merici, virgin, white*

28 Tuesday, St Thomas Aquinas, priest, doctor, white

29 Wednesday, Week 3, green

30 Thursday, Week 3, green

31 Friday, St John Bosco, priest, white

**FEBRUARY 2020**

1 Saturday, Week 3, green

 *or: Our Lady on Saturday, white*

2 **THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD, white**

3 Monday, Week 4, green

Psalter Week IV

4 Tuesday, Week 4, green

5 Wednesday, St Agatha, virgin, martyr, red

6 Thursday, St Paul Miki and his Companions, martyrs, red

7 Friday, Week 4, green

8 Saturday, Week 4, green

 *or: St Jerome Emiliani, white*

 *or: St Josephine Bakhita, virgin, white*

***Day for Victims of Trafficking & those who work to combat it***

9 **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 ***Racial Justice Day***

Psalter Week I

10 Monday, St Scholastica, virgin, white

11 Tuesday, Our Lady of Lourdes, white

 ***World Day for the Sick***

12 Wednesday, Week 5, green

13 Thursday, Week 5, green

14 Friday, **St Cyril, monk, and St Methodius, bishop,**

**Patrons of Europe, white**

15 Saturday, Week 5, green

 *or: Our Lady on Saturday, white*

16 **SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 Psalter Week II

17 Monday, Week 6, green

 *or: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order, white*

18 Tuesday, Week 6, green

19 Wednesday, Week 6, green

20 Thursday, Week 6, green

21 Friday, Week 6, green

 *or: St Peter Damian, bishop, doctor, white*

22 Saturday, **The Chair of St Peter, white**

23 **SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 **Day for the Unemployed**

 Psalter Week III

24 Monday, Week 7, green

25 Tuesday, Week 7, green

Lent is ordered to preparing for the celebration of Easter, since the Lenten liturgy prepares for the celebration of the Paschal Mystery both catechumens, by various stages of Christian Initiation, and the faithful, who recall their own Baptism and do penance. ([*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 27).*

The weekdays of Lent from Ash Wednesday to the Saturday before Palm Sunday take precedence over the memorials of the Saints, which therefore may be celebrated only in the particular form laid down by the liturgical books. Memorials of saints occurring on weekdays may be celebrated by substituting the collect of the saint in the Mass of the Day. Only when some genuine need or pastoral advantage requires it may an appropriate Mass for various needs and occasions be celebrated. Votive Masses and daily Masses for the Dead are prohibited. Throughout the Lent Season the Alleluia is always omitted. The Gloria is said or sung on solemnities, feasts and special occasions only, being omitted from Sunday Masses. It is not permitted to adorn the altar with flowers, and the organ and other instruments may only be played for the purpose of sustaining singing. An exception is made for *Laetare* Sunday (Fourth Sunday of Lent), and for solemnities and feasts.

26 **Ash Wednesday, purple**

27 Thursday after Ash Wednesday, purple

28 Friday after Ash Wednesday, purple

29 Saturday after Ash Wednesday, purple

**MARCH 2020**

1 **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT, purple**

 ***Candidates for the Sacraments***

 Psalter Week I

2 Monday, Lent 1, purple

3 Tuesday, Lent 1, purple

4 Wednesday, Lent 1, purple *(St Casimir)*

5 Thursday, Lent 1, purple

6 Friday, Lent 1, purple

***Lent Fast Day***

***Women’s World Day of Prayer***

7 Saturday, Lent 1, purple *(St Perpetua and St Felicity, martyrs)*

8 **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT, purple**

 ***Candidates for the Sacraments***

 Special Collection: CAFOD

Psalter Week II

9 Monday, Lent 2, purple *(St Francis of Rome, religious)*

10 Tuesday, Lent 2, purple

11 Wednesday, Lent 2, purple

12 Thursday, Lent 1, purple

13 Friday, Lent 2, purple

*Today is the anniversary of the Election of His Pope Francis (2013). In England and Wales, by decision of the Bishops’ Conference, this is observed on the Solemnity of St Peter and St Paul, 28 June.*

14 Saturday, Lent 2, purple

15 **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT, purple**

 ***Candidates for the Sacraments***

Psalter Week III

*On this Sunday is celebrated the first scrutiny preparatory to the Baptism of catechumens who will be admitted to the sacraments of Christian initiation at the Easter Vigil, in accordance with the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (nn. 152-166).*

16 Monday, Lent 3, purple

17 Tuesday, **St Patrick, Patron of Ireland, white**

18 Wednesday, Lent 3, purple (*St Cyril of Jerusalem, bishop, doctor)*

19 Thursday, ST JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, white

*Today is the anniversary of the solemn inauguration of the pontificate of His Holiness Pope Francis (in 2013). At all Masses a special intention for the Holy Father should be inserted into the Prayer of the Faithful*

20 Friday, Lent 3, purple

21 Saturday, Lent 3, purple

22 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT, purple or rose**

 ***Candidates for the Sacraments***

Psalter Week IV

*On this Sunday is celebrated the second scrutiny preparatory to the Baptism of catechumens who will be admitted to the sacraments of Christian initiation at the Easter Vigil, in accordance with the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (nn. 167-173).*

23 Monday, Lent 4, purple *(St Turibius de Mogrovejo, bishop)*

24 Tuesday, Lent 4, purple

25 Wednesday, THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD, white

26 Thursday, Lent 4, purple

27 Friday, Lent 4, purple

28 Saturday, Lent 4, purple

The practice of covering crosses and images in the church may be observed as the Bishops’ Conference has decided. The crosses are to remain covered until the end of the celebration of the Lord’s Passion on Good Friday. Images are to remain covered until the beginning of the Easter Vigil.

29 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT, purple**

 ***Candidates for the Sacraments***

 Psalter Week I

*On this Sunday is celebrated the third scrutiny preparatory to the Baptism of catechumens who will be admitted to the sacraments of Christian initiation at the Easter Vigil, in accordance with the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (nn. 174-180).*

30 Monday, Lent 5, purple

*(Preface I of the Passion of the Lord is used today and on following days)*

31 Tuesday, Lent 5, purple

**APRIL 2020**

1 Wednesday, Lent 5, purple

2 Thursday, Lent 5, purple *(St Francis of Paola, hermit)*

3 Friday, Lent 5, purple

 ***Day of Prayer for the Victims and Survivors of Abuse***

4 Saturday, Lent 5, purple *(St Isidore, bishop, doctor)*

**5 PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD’S PASSION, red**

 ***Candidates for the Sacraments***

 Psalter Week II

6 **Monday of Holy Week, purple**

7 **Tuesday of Holy Week, purple**

8 **Wednesday of Holy Week, purple**

Since Christ accomplished his work of human redemption and of the perfect glorification of God principally through his Paschal Mystery, in which by dying he has destroyed our death, and by rising restored our life, the sacred Paschal Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord shines forth as the high point of the entire liturgical year. Therefore the pre-eminence that Sunday has in the week, the Solemnity of Easter has in the liturgical year. ([*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 18).*

9 **Maundy Thursday, Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper, white**

10 GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD’S PASSION, red

 Special Collection: Holy Places

11 HOLY SATURDAY, **The Easter Vigil, white**

12 **EASTER SUNDAY**

**OF THE LORD’S RESURRECTION, white**

 Psalter Week I

The fifty days from the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as one ‘great Sunday’. These are the days above all others in which the Alleluia is sung. ([*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 22).*

13 MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, white

14 TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, white

15 WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, white

16 THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, white

17 FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, white

18 SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER, white

19 **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (*Divine Mercy Sunday*), white**

Psalter Week II

When an optional memorial falls on a weekday of the Easter season, it is possible to choose either the Office and Mass of the weekday, or the Office and Mass of the saint who is inscribed for that day in the calendar or in the Martyrology. Only when some genuine need or pastoral advantage requires it may an appropriate Mass for various needs and intentions be celebrated. Daily Masses for the Dead are prohibited.

20 Monday, Easter 2, white

21 Tuesday, Easter 2, white

 *or: St Anselm, bishop, doctor, white*

22 Wednesday, Easter 2, white

23 Thursday, ST GEORGE, MARTYR, PATRON OF ENGLAND, CO-PATRON OF THE BISHOPRIC, red

24 Friday, Easter 2, white

25 Saturday, **St Mark the Evangelist, red**

26 **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, white**

 Psalter Week III

27 Monday, Easter 3, white

28 Tuesday, Easter 3, white

 *or: St Peter Chantel, priest, martyr, red*

29 Wednesday, **St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor,**

**Patron of Europe, white**

30 Thursday, Easter 3, white

 *or: St Pius V, pope, white*

**MAY 2020**

1 Friday, Easter 3, white

 *or: St Joseph the Worker, white*

2 Saturday, St Athanasius, bishop, doctor, white

3 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, white**

 ***World Day of Prayer for Vocations***

Psalter Week IV

4 Monday, Easter 4, white

**or: The English Martyrs, red**

5 Tuesday, Easter 4, white

6 Wednesday, Easter 4, white

7 Thursday, Easter 4, white

8 Friday, Easter 4, white

9 Saturday, Easter 4, white

10 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, white**

Psalter Week I

11 Monday, Easter 5, white

12 Tuesday, Easter 5, white

 *or: St Nereus and St Achilleus, martyrs, red*

 *or: St Pancras, martyr, red*

13 Wednesday, Easter 5, white

 *or: Our Lady of Fatima, white*

14 Thursday, **St Matthias, apostle, red**

15 Friday, Easter 5, white

16 Saturday, Easter 5, white

17 **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, white**

 Psalter Week II

18 Monday, Easter 6, white

 *or: St John I, pope, martyr, red*

19 Tuesday, Easter 6, white

20 Wednesday, Easter 6, white

 *or: St Bernadine of Siena, priest, religious, white*

21 Thursday, **THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, white**

22 Friday, Easter 6, white

 *or: St Rita of Cascia, religious, white*

23 Saturday, Easter 6, white

24 **SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

***World Communications Day***

 Special Collection: Catholic Communications Service

 Psalter Week III

25 Monday, Easter 7, white

 or: St Bede the Venerable, priest, doctor (in England), white

 *or: St Gregory VII, pope, white*

 *or: St Mary Magdalene de’Pazzi, virgin, white*

26 Tuesday, Easter 7, white

 *or: St Philip Neri, priest, white*

27 Wednesday, Easter 7, white

**or: St Augustine of Canterbury, bishop (in England), white**

28 Thursday, Easter 7, white

29 Friday, Easter 7, white

 *or: St Paul VI, pope, white*

30 Saturday, Easter 7, white

31 **PENTECOST SUNDAY, red**

 ***The Church***

The fifty days of the sacred season of Easter conclude with Pentecost Sunday, when the church recalls the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles, the beginnings of the Church, and the start of her mission to all tongues and peoples and nations. After Pentecost Sunday the Easter candle is kept with honour in the baptistery, so that from its flame the candles of the baptised may be lit during their baptism. At funerals the Easter candle should be placed near the bier, to signify that Christian death is a true Passover.

*Besides the times of the year that have their own distinctive character, there remain in the yearly cycle thirty-three or thirty-four weeks in which no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ is celebrated, but rather the mystery of Christ itself is honoured in its fullness, especially on Sundays. This period is known as Ordinary Time.* ([*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 43).*

**JUNE 2020**

1 Monday, Mary, Mother of the Church, white

 Psalter Week II

2 Tuesday, Week 9, green

 *or: St Marcellinus and St Peter, martyrs, red*

3 Wednesday, Ss Charles Lwanga and Companions, martyrs, red

4 Thursday, **Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest, white**

5 Friday, St Boniface, bishop, martyr, red

6 Saturday, Week 9, green

 *or: St Norbert, bishop, white*

7 **MOST HOLY TRINITY, white**

***Day for Life***

Special Collection: Day for Life

Psalter Week III

8 Monday, Week 10, green

9 Tuesday, Week 10, green

*or: St Ephrem, deacon, doctor, white*

 *or: St Columba, abbot (in England), white*

10 Wednesday, Week 10, green

11 Thursday, St Barnabas, apostle, red

12 Friday, Week 10, green

13 Saturday, St Anthony of Padua, priest, doctor, white

14 **THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF THE LORD, white**

15 Monday, Week 11, green

16 Tuesday, Week 11, green

*or: St Richard of Chichester, bishop (in England), white*

17 Wednesday, Week 11, green

18 Thursday, Week 11, green

19 Friday, THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, white

20 Saturday, The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary, white

21 **TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

Psalter Week IV

22 Monday, **St John Fisher, bishop, St Thomas More, martyrs, red**

23 Tuesday, Week 12, green

 *or: St Ethelreda (Audrey), abbess (in England), white*

24 Wednesday, THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, white

25 Thursday, Week 12, green

26 Friday, Week 12, green

27 Saturday, Week 12, green

 *or: St Cyril of Alexandria, bishop, doctor, white*

28 **ST PETER AND ST PAUL, APOSTLES, red**

 Special Collection: Peter’s Pence

29 Monday, Week 13, green

30 Tuesday, Week 13, green

 *or: The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church, red*

**JULY 2020**

1 Wednesday, Week 13, green

 *or: St Oliver Plunket, bishop, martyr (in England), red*

Psalter Week I

2 Thursday, Week 13, green

3 Friday, **St Thomas, apostle, red**

4 Saturday, Week 13, green

 *or: St Elizabeth of Portugal, white*

5 **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 Psalter Week II

6 Monday, Week 14, green

 *or: St Maria Goretti, virgin, martyr, red*

7 Tuesday, Week 14, green

8 Wednesday, Week 14, green

9 Thursday, Week 14, green

*or: St Augustine Zhao Rong, priest, and Companions, martyrs, red*

10 Friday, Week 14, green

11 Saturday, **St Benedict, abbot, Patron of Europe, white**

12 **FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

***Sea Sunday***

Special Collection: Apostleship of the Sea

Psalter Week III

13 Monday, Week 15, green

 *or: St Henry, white*

14 Tuesday, Week 15, green

*or: St Camillus de Lellis, priest, white*

15 Wednesday, St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor, white

16 Thursday, Week 15, green

*or: Our Lady of Mount Carmel, white*

17 Friday, Week 15, green

18 Saturday, Week 15, green

 *or: Our Lady on Saturday, white*

19 **SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 ***Dedication of the Bishopric***

Psalter Week IV

20 Monday, Week 16, green

*or: St Apollinaris, bishop, martyr, red*

21 Tuesday, Week 16, green

 *or: St Lawrence of Brindisi, priest, doctor, white*

22 Wednesday, **St Mary Magdalene, white**

23 Thursday, **St Bridget of Sweden, religious,**

**Patron of Europe, white**

24 Friday, Week 16, green

 *or: St Sharbel Makhlũf, priest*

25 Saturday, **St James, apostle, red**

26 **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 Psalter Week I

27 Monday, Week 17, green

28 Tuesday, Week 17, green

29 Wednesday, St Martha, white

30 Thursday, Week 17, green

*or: St Peter Chrysologus, bishop, doctor, white*

31 Friday, St Ignatius Loyola, priest, white

**AUGUST 2020**

1 Saturday, St Alphonsus Liguori, bishop, doctor, white

2 **EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 Psalter Week II

*On 2 August, or another day determined by the Ordinary for the convenience of the people, the plenary indulgence traditionally called the* “Portiuncula” *indulgence may be acquired in minor basilicas, shrines and parish churches. The practices prescribed for the obtaining of the indulgence are a devout visit to a church and the recitation there of the Lord’s Prayer and the Creed and in addition a sacramental confession, Holy Communion, and prayer for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff. This indulgence may be acquired only once. The visit may be made from noon the previous day until midnight of the day itself. (Enchiridion of Indulgences, concession 33)*

3 Monday, Week 18, green

*or: St Germanus of Auxerre, bishop, (in Wales), white*

4 Tuesday, St John Mary Vianney, priest, white

5 Wednesday, Week 18, green

 *or: The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary, white*

6 Thursday, **The Transfiguration of the Lord, white**

7 Friday, Week 18 green

 *or: St Sixtus II, pope and Companions, martyrs, red*

 *or: St Cajetan, priest, white*

8 Saturday, St Dominic, priest, white

9 **NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

Psalter Week III

10 Monday, **St Lawrence, deacon, martyr, red**

11 Tuesday, St Clare, virgin, white

12 Wednesday, Week 19, green

 *or: St Jane Frances de Chantal, religious, white*

13 Thursday, Week 19, green

*or: St Pontian, pope, and St Hippolytus, priest, martyrs, red*

14 Friday, St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest, martyr, red

15 Saturday, Saturday, Week 19, green

 *or: Our Lady on Saturday, white*

16 **THE ASSUMPTION OF THE**

**BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, white**

17 Monday, Week 20, green

 Psalter Week IV

18 Tuesday, Week 20, green

19 Wednesday, Week 20, green

 *or: St John Eudes, priest, white*

20 Thursday, St Bernard, abbot, doctor, white

21 Friday, St Pius X, pope, white

22 Saturday, The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary, white

23 **TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 Psalter Week I

24 Monday, **St Bartholomew, apostle, red**

25 Tuesday, *or: St Louis, white*

 *or: St Joseph Calasanz, priest, white*

26 Wednesday, Week 21, green

*or: Bl Dominic of the Mother of God,*

*priest (in England), white*

*or: St David Lewis, priest, martyr (in Wales), red*

27 Thursday, St Monica, white

28 Friday, St Augustine, bishop, doctor, white

29 Saturday, The Passion of St John the Baptist, red

30 **TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

Psalter Week II

31 Monday, Week 21, green

*or: St Aidan, bishop, and Saints of Lindisfarne (in England), white*

**SEPTEMBER 2020**

1 Tuesday, Week 22, green

 ***World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation***

2 Wednesday, Week 22, green

3 Thursday, **St Gregory the Great, pope, doctor, white**

4 Friday, Week 22, green

 *or: St Cuthbert, bishop (in England), white*

5 Saturday, Week 22, green

 *or: Our Lady on Saturday, white*

6 **TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 ***Education Day***

Psalter Week III

7 Monday, Week 23, green

8 Tuesday, **The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, white**

9 Wednesday, Week 23, green

 *or: St Peter Claver, priest*

10 Thursday, Week 23, green

11 Friday, Week 23, green

12 Saturday, Week 23, green

 *or: The Most Holy Name of Mary, white*

13 **TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 ***Home Mission Day***

 Special Collection: Home Missions

Psalter Week IV

14 Monday, **The Exaltation of the Holy Cross, red**

15 Tuesday, Our Lady of Sorrows, white

16 Wednesday, St Cornelius, pope, and St Cyprian, bishop, martyrs, red

17 Thursday, Week 24, green

*or: St Robert Bellarmine, bishop, doctor, white*

18 Friday, Week 24, green

19 Saturday, Week 24, green

 *or: St Januarius, bishop, martyr, red*

 *or: St Theodore of Canterbury, bishop (in England), white*

20 **TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 ***The Harvest***

 Psalter Week I

21 Monday, **St Matthew, apostle, red**

22 Tuesday, Week 25, green

23 Wednesday, St Pio of Pietrelcina, priest, white

24 Thursday, **Our Lady of Walsingham,**

**Co-Patron of the Bishopric, white**

25 Friday, **Our Lady, Star of the Sea, white**

26 Saturday, Week 25, green

 *or: St Cosmas and St Damian, martyrs, red*

27 **TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 Psalter Week II

28 Monday, Week 26, green

 *or: St Wenceslaus, martyr, red*

 *or: St Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, martyrs, red*

29 Tuesday, **St Michael, St Gabriel & St Raphael, archangels, white**

30 Wednesday, St Jerome, priest, doctor, white

**OCTOBER 2020**

The Rosary should be recommended to the faithful, and its nature and importance explained. A plenary indulgence may be gained by reciting five decades of the Rosary in Church, as a family at home, as a religious community, or as a pious fraternity, or in general whenever several persons have gathered for a good purpose; in other circumstances, a partial indulgence may be gained.

1 Thursday, St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, virgin, doctor, white

2 Friday, The Holy Guardian Angels, white

***Harvest Fast Day***

3 Saturday, Week 26, green

4 **TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

Special Collection: CAFOD

Psalter Week III

5 Monday, Week 27, green

6 Tuesday, Week 27, green

 *or: St Bruno, priest, white*

7 Wednesday, Our Lady of the Rosary, white

8 Thursday, Week 27, green

9 Friday, Week 27, green

 *or: St Denis, bishop, and Companions, martyrs, red*

 *or: St John Leonardi, priest, white*

 *or: St John Henry Newman, priest, white*

10 Saturday, Week 27, green

 *or: St Paulinus of York, bishop (in England), white*

11 **TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 ***Prisons Week (until 17 October)***

Psalter Week IV

12 Monday, Week 27, green

 *or: St Wilfred, bishop (in England), white*

13 Tuesday, Week 28, green

*or: St Edward the Confessor (in England), white*

14 Wednesday, Week 28, green

 *or: St Callistus I, pope, martyr, red*

15 Thursday, St Teresa of Avila, virgin, doctor, white

16 Friday, Week 28, green

 *or: St Hedwig, religious, white*

 *or: St Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin, white*

 *or: St Richard Gwyn, schoolmaster (in Wales), white*

17 Saturday, Week 28, green

18 **TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

***World Mission Day***

Special Collection: World Missions

Psalter Week I

19 Monday, Week 29, green

 *or: St John de Brebeuf, St Isaac Jogues, priests, & Companions, martyrs, red*

*or: St Paul of the Cross, white*

20 Tuesday, Week 29, green

21 Wednesday, Week 29, green

22 Thursday, Week 29, green

 *or: St John Paul II, pope, white*

23 Friday, Week 29, green

 *or: St John of Capestrano, priest, white*

24 Saturday, Week 29, green

 *or: St Anthony Mary Claret, bishop, white*

25 **THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

Psalter Week II

26 Monday, Week 30, green

*or: St Chad and St Cedd, bishops (in England), white*

27 Tuesday, Week 30, green

28 Wednesday, **St Simon and St Jude, apostles, red**

29 Thursday, Week 30, green

30 Friday, Week 30, green

31 Saturday, Week 30, green

**NOVEMBER 2020**

1 Sunday, **ALL SAINTS, white**

2 Monday, **The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**

**(All Souls), purple**

3 Tuesday, Week 31, green

 *or: St Martin de Porres, religious, white*

 *or: St Winefride, virgin, white*

4 Wednesday, St Charles Borromeo, bishop, white

5 Thursday, Week 31, green

6 Friday, Week 31, green

 *or: St Illtud, abbot (in Wales), white*

7 Saturday, Week 31, green

 *or: St Willibrord, bishop, white*

8 **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY, purple**

*In Service Chapels, Mass for The Fallen may be celebrated*

**or: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 Psalter Week IV

9 Monday, **The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, white**

10 Tuesday, St Leo the Great, pope, doctor, white

11 Wednesday, St Martin of Tours, bishop, white

12 Thursday, St Josaphat, bishop, martyr, red

13 Friday, Week 32, green

14 Saturday, Week 32, green

 *or: St Dyfrig, bishop (in Wales), white*

15 **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, green**

 ***World Day of the Poor***

Psalter Week I

16 Monday, Week 33, green

 *or: St Margaret of Scotland, white*

 *or: St Gertrude, virgin, white*

 *or: St Edmund of Abingdon, bishop (in England), white*

17 Tuesday, Week 33, green

 or: St Elizabeth of Hungary, religious (in Wales), white

*or: St Hilda, abbess (in England), white*

*or: St Hugh of Lincoln, bishop (in England), white*

18 Wednesday, Week 33, green

 *or: The Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul, white*

19 Thursday, Week 33, green

20 Friday, Week 33, green

21 Saturday, The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, white

22 **OUR LORD JESUS** **CHRIST,**

**KING OF THE UNIVERSE, white**

 ***Youth Day***

 Psalter Week II

23 Monday, Week 34, green

*or: St Clement I, pope, martyr, red*

 *or: St Columban, abbot, missionary, white*

24 Tuesday, St Andrew Dung-Lac, priest, & Companions, martyrs, red

25 Wednesday, Week 34, green

 *or: St Catherine of Alexandria, white*

26 Thursday, Week 34, green

27 Friday, Week 34, green

28 Saturday, Week 34, green

The liturgical year 2019/2020 ends here.

*Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the First Coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered; and likewise when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ’s Second Coming at the end of time. For these two reasons, Advent is a period for devout and expectant delight. (*[*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 39).*

Throughout the Advent Season the Gloria is omitted on Sundays, but included on Solemnities and Feasts. The playing of the organ and other musical instruments and decoration of the altar with flowers should be done in a moderate manner, as is consonant with the season, without anticipating the full joy of the Nativity of the Lord. The same moderation should be observed in the celebration of Holy Matrimony. Advent Preface I is used at all Masses of the Season until 17 December

Sundays — Year B

Weekdays — Cycle I

29 **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, purple**

 ***Migrants’ Day***

 Psalter Week I

30 Monday, **St Andrew, apostle, red**

**DECEMBER 2020**

1 Tuesday, Advent 1, purple

2 Wednesday, Advent 1, purple

3 Thursday, St Francis Xavier, priest, white

4 Friday, Advent 1, purple

*or: St John Damascene, priest, doctor*, *white*

5 Saturday, Advent 1, purple

6 **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT, purple**

***Bible Sunday***

Psalter Week II

7 Monday, St Ambrose, bishop, doctor, white

8 Tuesday, THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, white

9 Wednesday, Advent 2, puple

*or: St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin, white*

10 Thursday, Advent 2, purple

 *or: St John Roberts, priest, martyr (in Wales), red*

11 Friday, Advent 2, purple

 *or:* *St Damasus I, pope, white*

12 Saturday, Advent 2, purple

 *or:* *Our Lady of Guadalupe, white*

13 **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, rose pink or purple**

Psalter Week III

14 Monday, St John of the Cross, priest, doctor, white

15 Tuesday, Advent 3, purple

16 Wednesday, Advent 3, purple

The weekdays of Advent from 17 to 24 December take precedence over the memorials of Saints, which may therefore be celebrated only in the particular form laid down by the liturgical books. Only when some genuine need or pastoral advantage requires it may an appropriate Mass for various needs and occasions be celebrated. Votive Masses and daily Masses for the Dead are prohibited. In Eucharistic celebrations likewise proper readings are given for these days and should be used instead of those indicated for the weekdays for the third and fourth week of Advent. Advent Preface II is used at all Masses.

17 Thursday, Advent 3, purple

18 Friday, Advent 3, purple

19 Saturday, Advent 3, purple

20 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT, purple**

Psalter Week IV

***Expectant Mothers***

21 Monday, Advent 3, purple *(St Peter Canisius, priest, doctor)*

22 Tuesday, Advent 4, purple

23 Wednesday, Advent 4, purple

24 Thursday, Advent 4, purple

After the annual celebration of the Paschal Mystery, the Church has no more ancient custom than celebrating the memorial of the Nativity of the Lord and of his first manifestations, and this take place at Christmas Time. ([*Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Info/GNLY.pdf)*, 32).*

25 Friday, **THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD, white**

26 Saturday, **St Stephen, Protomartyr, red**

27 **THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH,white** 28 Monday, **Holy Innocents, red**

29 Tuesday, Fifth Day within the Octave of Christmas, white

 *(St Thomas Becket, bishop, martyr)*

30 Wednesday, Sixth Day within the Octave of Christmas, white

31 Thursday, Seventh Day within the Octave of Christmas, white

 *(St Sylvester, pope)*