

# Liturgical Calendar Advisory for the Diocese of Dallas

## Lectionary Cycle B ~ Year II

---

Published by the Office of Worship

---

**Date/Rank (Calendar Year 2011)**

---

ADVENT (NOV 27-DEC 24)

---

**Sunday, November 27 (Rank: Sunday)**

First Sunday of Advent (Cycle B begins)

Implement the new Roman Missal, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed.

**Sunday, December 4 (Rank: Sunday)**

Second Sunday of Advent

**Thursday, December 8, 2011 (Rank: Solemnity)**

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*Holy Day of Obligation*

**Sunday, December 11 (Rank: Sunday)**

Third Sunday of Advent (*Gaudete Sunday*)

**Monday, December 12 (Rank: Feast)**

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (USA)

Principal patroness Diocese of Dallas & Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe

**Sunday, December 18 (Rank: Sunday)**

Fourth Sunday of Advent

---

SEASON OF CHRISTMAS (DEC 25-JAN 9)

---

**Sunday, December 25 (Rank: Solemnity)**

Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)

**Friday, December 30, 2011 (Rank: Feast)**

The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

---

**Date/Rank (Calendar Year 2012)**

---

**Sunday, January 1 (Rank: Solemnity)**

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

**Sunday, January 8 (Rank: Solemnity)**

Epiphany of the Lord (Note: *The Announcement of Easter and Moveable Feasts Appendix I*)

*National Migration~Week Jan. 8-14 (Welcoming Christ in the Migrant, 2012)*

*National Vocations Week ~Jan.9-14 (Priesthood, Diaconate and Consecrated Life)*

**Monday, January 9, 2012 (Rank: Feast)**

Baptism of the Lord

---

ORDINARY TIME DURING WINTER (JAN 10-FEB 21)

---

**Sunday, January 15 (Rank: Sunday)**

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (see notes next page)

*Note: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ~ January 18 (Wed)- January 25 (Wed)  
Mass for Christian Unity may be used when day allows this.*

Monday, January 16 (USA- Martin Luther King's Birthday observed)

*Use Mass for Peace and Justice, Lect.# 887-891*

**Sunday, January 22 (Rank: Sunday)**

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, January 23, 2012 [Day following anniversary of Roe v.Wade (1973)]

All dioceses in the U.S. shall observe a **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**- see GIRM n. 373. Use "Mass for Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life" (from Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions), (white vestments), or Mass "For Preservation of Peace and Justice" (violet vestments).

**Sunday, January 29 (Rank: Sunday)**

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Note: Catholic Schools Week begins January 29 - February 5: 'Faith. Academics. Service.'*

Thursday, February 2, 2012 (Rank: Feast)

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

**Sunday, February 5 (Rank: Sunday)**

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (World Day for Consecrated Life)

Saturday, February 11, 2012

*Tenth Anniversary of Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Kevin J. Farrell*

*Feb. 7-14~ National Marriage Week (BBlessings Chap.3). World Marriage Day is 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in February (sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter)*

Bishop's Award for Service to the Church (Mass at the Cathedral)

**Sunday, February 12 (Rank: Sunday)**

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (World Marriage Day)

**Sunday, February 19 (Rank: Sunday)**

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

---

SEASON OF LENT {FEB 22 – APRIL 5 (MORNING)}

---

Wednesday, February 22, 2012

Ash Wednesday (*Day of Fast and Abstinence*)

**Sunday, February 26**

First Sunday of Lent (**Rite of Election**)

**Sunday, March 4 (Rank: Sunday)**

Second Sunday of Lent (**Rite of Election**)

**Sunday, March 11 (Rank: Sunday)**

Third Sunday of Lent - First Scrutiny celebrated with the Elect

**Sunday, March 18 (Rank: Sunday)**

Fourth Sunday of Lent (*Laetare Sunday*)- Second Scrutiny celebrated with the Elect

Monday, March 19, 2012 (Rank: Solemnity)

Solemnity of Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary (*Blessing of Food, BB Chapter 53*)

**Sunday, March 25 (Rank: Sunday)**

Fifth Sunday of Lent – Third Scrutiny celebrated with the Elect

Monday, March 26, 2012 (Rank: Solemnity)

Annunciation of the Lord

**Sunday, April 1 (Rank: Sunday)**

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

**Tuesday, April 3 (Diocesan celebration)**

**Chrism Mass** (Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of Guadalupe) **6:30 p.m.**

---

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

---

*Funeral Mass not permitted April 5-April 8*

**Thursday, April 5 (Highest rank, I-1.)**

Holy Thursday- Mass of the Lord's Supper (celebrated in the evening)

**Friday, April 6 (Highest rank, I-1.)**

Good Friday- Celebration of the Lord's Passion

*No sacramental celebrations permitted, except Penance and Anointing of the Sick*

**Saturday, April 7 (Highest rank, I-1.)**

Holy Saturday- The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

*Easter Vigil may begin no sooner than nightfall at 8:30 (30 minutes after sunset at 7:52p.m.)*

**Sunday, April 8 (Highest rank, I-1.)**

Easter Sunday – The Resurrection of the Lord

*Triduum concludes with the celebration of Evening Prayer (Vespers) on Sunday; see Luke 24:50-51.*

---

SEASON OF EASTER (APRIL 9–MAY 27)

---

Monday, April 9 –Saturday, April 14

**Weekdays in the Octave of Easter (Rank: Solemnities)**

*Use Easter Preface I; include double Alleluia in Dismissal.*

**Sunday, April 15 (Rank: Sunday)**

Second Sunday of Easter/ Sunday of the Divine Mercy

**Sunday, April 22 (Rank: Sunday)**

Third Sunday of Easter

Wednesday, April 25 (Rank: Feast)

Saint Mark, Evangelist (*Special meaning since this is Year B of Markan scripture*)

**Sunday, April 29 (Rank: Sunday)**

Fourth Sunday of Easter

*World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood & Consecrated Life*

Thursday, May 3, 2012 (Rank: Feast)

Saints Philip and James, Apostles

**Sunday, May 6 (Rank: Sunday)**

Fifth Sunday of Easter

**Sunday, May 13 (Rank: Sunday)**

Sixth Sunday of Easter (may use 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Gospel from Seventh Sunday, Lect. #56)  
(USA) Mother's Day (BBlessings, Chap 55)

**Monday, May 14 (Rank: Feast)**

St. Matthias, Apostle

**Thursday, May 17 (Thursday of the Sixth Week of Easter)**

Easter weekday (see Ascension, below)

**Saturday, May 19 (Easter weekday, #296, if weekday Mass celebrated.)**

Keep in mind that the Saturday evening Mass would include the readings for the Solemnity of the Ascension.

**Sunday, May 20 (Rank: Solemnity)**

**Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord** (most dioceses [Dallas included] in the U.S. celebrate this on/instead of the Seventh Sunday of Easter. **Sunday Lect. #58.**

**Sunday, May 27 (Rank: Solemnity)**

Pentecost Sunday (Note: Vigil used for Sat, Lect. #62b/Sunday Lect. #63b)  
*Sequence should be sung (Veni Sancte Spiritus) following the 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading, just prior to the Gospel Acclamation (Alleluia).*

ORDINARY TIME SUMMER & FALL (MAY 28-DECEMBER 1)

*Note that columns read top to bottom, left side and then right*

**Thursday, May 31, 2012 (Rank: Feast)**

Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Sunday, June 3 (Rank: Solemnity)**

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

**Sunday, June 10 (Rank: Solemnity)**

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

**Monday, June 11, 2012 (Rank: Memorial)**

Memorial of St. Barnabas, Apostle

**Friday, June 15, 2012 (Rank: Solemnity)**

Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

**Saturday, June 16, 2012 (Rank: Memorial)**

Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Sunday, June 17 (Rank: Sunday)**

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
(USA) Father's Day (BBlessings, Chapter 56)

**Sunday, June 24 (Rank: Solemnity)**

The Nativity of John the Baptist

**Friday, June 29, 2012 (Rank: Solemnity)**

Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

**Sunday, July 1 (Rank: Sunday)**

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Wednesday, July 4, 2012**

(USA- Independence Day)

Lect. #882-886 or 887-891

**Sunday, July 8 (Rank: Sunday)**

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Saturday, July 14, 2012 (Rank: Memorial)**

Memorial of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin

**Sunday, July 15 (Rank: Sunday)**

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Note that columns read top to bottom, left side and then right*

**Sunday, July 22 (Rank: Sunday)**

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wednesday, July 25, 2012 (Rank: Feast)

St. James, Apostle

Thursday, July 26, 2012 (Rank: Memorial)

Saints Joachim and Anne, parents  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Sunday, July 29 (Rank: Sunday)**

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time

Tuesday, July 31, 2012 (Rank: Memorial)

Saint Ignatius of Loyola

Saturday, August 4, 2012 (Rank: Memorial)

Saint Jean Mary Vianney, priest

**Sunday, August 5 (Rank: Sunday)**

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, August 6, 2012 (Rank: Feast)

The Transfiguration of the Lord

Friday, August 10, 2012 (Rank: Feast)

Saint Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr

**Sunday, August 12 (Rank: Sunday)**

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Wednesday, August 15 (Rank: Solemnity)**

Solemnity of the Assumption of the  
Blessed Virgin Mary

*USA- Holy Day of Obligation*

**Sunday, August 19 (Rank: Sunday)**

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wed, August 22, 2012 (Rank: Memorial)

The Queenship of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary

Friday, August 24, 2012 (Rank: Feast)

Saint Bartholomew, Apostle

**Sunday, August 26 (Rank: Sunday)**

Twenty-first Sunday in Ord Time

**Sunday, September 2 (Rank: Sunday)**

Twenty-second Sunday in Ord Time

Saturday, September 8, 2012 (Rank: Feast)

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin  
Mary

**Sunday, September 9 (Rank: Sunday)**

Twenty-third Sunday in Ord Time

Thurs, September 13, 2012 (Rank: Memorial)

Saint John Chrysostom, Bishop &  
Doctor of the Church

Friday, September 14, 2012 (Rank: Feast)

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross  
(around this time, BBlessings 1007-  
1023, Blessing of the Harvest: rural  
areas)

Thurs, September 15, 2012 (Rank: Memorial)

Our Lady of Sorrows

**Sunday, September 16 (Rank: Sunday)**

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ord Time

Friday, September 21, 2012 (Rank: Feast)

Saint Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

**Sunday, September 23 (Rank: Sunday)**

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ord Time

Saturday, September 29, 2012 (Rank: Feast)

Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael,  
Archangels

**Sunday, September 30 (Rank: Sunday)**

Twentieth-eighth Sunday in Ord Time

Monday, October 1 (Rank: Memorial)

Saint Therese of the Child Jesus,  
Virgin & Martyr

Thursday, October 4 (Rank: Memorial)

Saint Francis of Assisi

(BBlessings for Blessing of Animals,  
942-965 or HBlessings 154-157)

**Sunday, October 7 (Rank: Sunday)**

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ord Time

**Sunday, October 14 (Rank: Sunday)**

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ord Time

Thursday, October 18 (Rank: Feast)

Saint Luke, Evangelist

**Sunday, October 21 (Rank: Sunday)**

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ord Time

Thursday, October 26, 2012 (Rank: Solemnity)  
at Cathedral Shrine of the Virgin of  
Guadalupe only)

*110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Dedication of  
the Cathedral (1902)*

**Sunday, October 28 (Rank: Sunday)**

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Thurs, November 1, 2012 (Rank: Solemnity)

Solemnity of All Saints

*USA- Holy Day of Obligation*

Friday, November 2, 2012 (Commemoration)

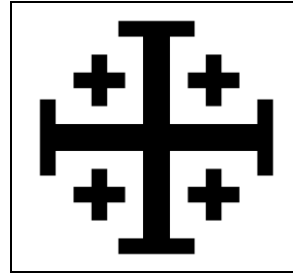
The Commemoration of All the  
Faithful Departed

**Sunday, November 4 (Rank: Sunday)**

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Friday, November 9, 2012 (Rank: Feast)

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica  
in Rome



**Sunday, November 11 (Rank: Sunday)**

Thirty-second Sunday in Ord Time

**Sunday, November 18 (Rank: Sunday)**

Thirty-third Sunday in Ord Time

Thursday, November 22

USA- Thanksgiving Day (*Lect 943-  
947*) (*BBlessings- Blessing of Food  
1755-1780*) Also, Memorial of Saint  
Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr

**Sunday, November 25 (Rank: Solemnity)**

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe  
(*34<sup>th</sup> or last Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

---

This **Liturgical Calendar** lists select liturgical celebrations and is intended to be helpful to clergy, those who prepare liturgies and music, parish worship committees, and those who prepare the weekly parish bulletin, and others who access a liturgical calendar. It is a document that you may want to become familiar with.

A companion document, **Special Notes for Liturgical Year B**, is available to supplement the calendar that is presented here. It intends to clarify frequently-asked questions about liturgy.

Compiled by Patricia J. Hughes, D. Min., Director of Worship  
Diocese of Dallas, Texas (2011) [phughes@cathdal.org](mailto:phughes@cathdal.org)