

# ORDO

## FOR THE DIVINE OFFICE AND MASS

According to the General Calendar of the

## CISTERCIAN ORDER OF THE STRICT OBSERVANCE



Adapted to the Particular Calendar of the  
UNITED STATES REGION  
For the Liturgical Year  
Advent 2022 to the eve of Advent 2023

**2022 - 2023**

## INTRODUCTORY NOTES

1. Each year the USCCB publishes the Liturgical Calendar for the Dioceses of the USA [<https://www.usccb.org/committees/divine-worship/liturgical-calendar>]. Not all American Blesseds have been added to the national calendar (see p. 9).
2. For a just reason, in a particular monastery a calendar entry may be celebrated under a rank higher than the one assigned it in the General Calendar of the Church or in the General Calendar of our Order.
3. For obl mems, the only thing obl is the prayer at Vigils, Lauds, Mass and Vesp. Invitatory, hymns, readings, *Ben* and *Mag* ants may be of the weekday or of the saint; *Pss* and *Ants* are of the weekday; no mention of the mem at the Little Hours (*OCSO Information Bulletin* 151, Oct 2004, p. 4).
4. On mems of the BVM and the saints, in any liturgical season, the corresponding Pf in the Missal may be used in place of the weekday or seasonal Pf. Mem reduced to a commemoration, however, have the seasonal Pf.
5. On Saturdays in Ordinary Time unimpeded by an obl mem, we celebrate the Mem of Our Lady, provided that some celebration of Our Lady has not already taken place during the preceding week. These Sat Mem are obl, and take precedence over any other opt mem which might fall on the same day.
6. Once each month, on a day unimpeded by the rubrics, the conventual Mass is celebrated for the members of our Order, our relatives, and certain other deceased associated with us. Priests who celebrate Mass privately on this day, celebrate Mass for the same intention as do the concelebrating priests.
7.
  - a) When news is received of the death of the Pope, diocesan Bishop, Abbot General, and Father Immediate, the conventual Mass is offered on his behalf.
  - b) When a member of our own Community dies, Vigils and the burial service are celebrated according to our Ritual, and a charitable gift is made in the name of the entire Community.
  - c) Each priest of the Community should offer three Masses after the death of a member of the Community. (If three conventual Masses are celebrated or concelebrated, these may appropriately be assigned to the third, seventh and thirtieth day after the death, if the rubrics so allow).

**MOVABLE CELEBRATIONS  
for the Liturgical Year 2022-2023**

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT . . . . .	November 27
HOLY FAMILY (Friday) . . . . .	December 30
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD . . . . .	January 8
BAPTISM OF THE LORD (Monday) . . . . .	January 9
ASH WEDNESDAY . . . . .	February 22
<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> . . . . .	<b>April 9</b>
ASCENSION Thursday/Sunday . . . . .	May 18/21
PENTECOST SUNDAY . . . . .	May 28
MOST HOLY TRINITY . . . . .	June 4
MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST . . . . .	June 11
MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS . . . . .	June 16
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING . . . . .	November 26

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READINGS FOR THE LITURGICAL YEAR 2022-2023

**Cycles A-1**

1. At Vigils, in those monasteries with a two-year cycle of biblical readings, these readings are taken from **CYCLE 1** (for Year 1).
2. At Mass, in the Sunday Lectionary (Volume I of the *Lectionary for Mass*), the readings, beginning with Advent, are taken from **YEAR A**.  
In the Weekday Lectionary, the readings throughout the year are taken from Volume II of the *Lectionary for Mass*, for Weekdays of **Year 1**, which begins with the First Week of Advent in even-numbered years of the civil calendar.
3. An English translation of our *Prænotanda* (General Norms) is available at <https://ocso.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/ORDO-PRAENOTANDA-EN-G-OCSO.pdf>

**In the present Ordo**, please note the following:

1. The present text incorporates material from the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 2002*, which modifies our previous *General Norms*.
2. For Mass, we use the current edition of the *Roman Missal* and the various volumes of the *Lectionary for Mass*, but with the Cistercian Supplements. For memorials of Saints, unless readings are proper in the strict sense, the readings assigned for the weekday are customarily used (*GIRM*, 357).
3. The abbreviations used in the current Ordo are self-evident, except:
  - ° This symbol placed next to a preface (e.g., °Adv pf I) means that Eucharistic Prayer IV may not be used with the preface(s) indicated. EP IV may be used on Sundays in Ordinary Time (*GIRM*, 365d)
  - **EP I** indicates Eucharistic Prayer I (the “Roman Canon”).
  - **G, P, R, W** and **B** indicate the color of the vestments: Green, Purple or violet, Red, White or Black. The color of an opt mem follows a slash [/].
4. So often as the Missal provides, besides the (morning) Mass of the day, an evening Vigil Mass of a solemnity, the choice of the conventual Mass corresponds to the time of day when it is celebrated. A Vigil Mass may be celebrated before or after Vesp I, and may be integrated with Vesp I.
5. Memorials and feasts suppressed in the current liturgical year because they fall on liturgical days of a higher rank are omitted in the present Ordo.
6. The local calendar should include the solemnity of the principal patron of the town or city; the feast of the principal patron of the diocese, region or province, nation or wider territory; and the feast of the anniversary of the Dedication of the cathedral church.  
  
Each Monastery should also add the solemnity of the anniversary of the Dedication of the monastic church; solemnities of the Title (that is, the titular saint, provided that this saint is not Our Lady) or of the Founder of the church; other feasts and memorials proper to this church; and, in the USA, special days of prayer and other proper celebrations listed in the *GIRM*, 373.

## Advent

### DURING THE SEASON OF ADVENT:

#### 1. Until December 16

a) On weekdays when there is no obligatory memorial, the Office and Mass may be either of the weekday or of any Saint listed in the Calendar or Martyrology for that day.

b) Masses for Various Needs and Votive Masses are permitted only if warranted by serious need or pastoral considerations. Daily Masses for the Dead are not allowed.

#### 2. On days from December 17 to December 24 in the morning:

a) These weekdays take precedence over the memorials of Saints. Accordingly, memorials may only be celebrated in the special way described by the liturgical norms (*GILH*, 238-239 and *GIRM*, 355a). [For these norms, see notes before Ash Wednesday in this Ordo, no.1a-c]

b) Masses for Various Needs are permitted as above in number 1, but Votive Masses and daily Masses for the Dead are not allowed.

c) On each of these days, an *O Antiphon* is sung at the Magnificat.

3. Throughout this season, the organ and other musical instruments should be used with moderation, and the floral decoration of the altar should be suited to the character of this season, without expressing prematurely the full joy of the Nativity of the Lord (*GIRM*, 305,313).

26 Nov **Saturday evening**  
Vesp I of tomorrow

27 SUN **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**P** Proper Mass Readings from Year A Cr °Adv pf I  
*Solemn Blessing #1 may be said*

28 Mon **Monday of 1st Week of Advent**  
**P** Proper Mass Adv pf I

29 Tue **Tuesday of 1st Week of Advent**  
**P** Proper Mass Adv pf I

30 Wed **ST ANDREW, Apostle Feast**  
**R** Proper Mass Gl °Pf of Apostles I or II *Solemn Blessing #17*

## D E C E M B E R 2 0 2 2

1 Thu **Thursday of 1st Week of Advent**  
**P** Proper Mass Adv pf I

2 Fri **Friday of 1st Week of Advent**  
**P** Proper Mass Adv pf I

3 Sat **Mem of St Francis Xavier, Pr**  
**W** Mass of mem Adv pf I or Pf of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow

4 SUN **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**P** Proper Mass Cr °Adv pf I *Solemn Blessing #1*

5 Mon **Monday of 2nd Week of Advent**  
*Opt mem of St Sabas, Abbot*  
**P/W** Mass of day, or of mem Adv pf I or Pf of mem

6 Tue **Tuesday of 2nd Week of Advent**  
*Opt mem of St Nicholas, Bp*  
**P/W** Mass of day, or of mem Adv pf I or Pf of mem

7 Wed **Mem of St Ambrose, Bp Doct**  
**W** Mass of mem Adv pf I, or Pf of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow

8 Thu **THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BVM**  
**Patronal Feast day of the United States of America**  
**Solemnity and Holy day of obligation**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Cr °Proper pf *Solemn Blessing #15*

9 Fri **Friday of 2nd Week of Advent**  
*Opt mem of St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin*  
**P/W** Mass of day, or of mem Adv pf I, or Pf of opt mem

10 Sat **Saturday of 2nd Week of Advent**  
*Opt mem of Our Lady of Loreto*  
**P/W** Mass of day, or of mem Adv pf I, or Pf of opt mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow

11 SUN **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Gaudete Sunday)**  
**P/Rose** Proper Mass Cr °Adv pf I *Solemn Blessing #1*

- 12 Mon **USA: OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE Feast**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Readings at no.690A or at nos.707-712  
 °Pf of BVM I or II *Solemn Blessing #15*
- 13 Tue **Mem of St Lucy, VM**  
**R** Mass of mem Adv pf I, or Pf of mem
- 14 Wed **Mem of St John of the Cross, Pr Doct**  
**W** Mass of mem Adv pf I, or Pf of mem  
 Wed, Fri and Sat this week are trad winter Ember Days (*GIRM,394*).
- 15 Thu **Thursday of 3rd Week of Advent**  
**P** Proper Mass Adv pf I
- 16 Fri **Friday of 3rd Week of Advent**  
**P** Proper Mass Adv pf I
- 17 Sat **Late Advent Weekday O Sapientia**  
**P** Mass of Dec 17 Readings at no.193 Adv pf II  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 18 SUN **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT O Adonai**  
**P** Proper Mass of Sunday Cr °Adv pf II *Solemn Blessing #1*
- 19 Mon **Late Advent Weekday O Radix Jesse**  
**P** Mass of Dec 19 Adv pf II
- 20 Tue **Late Advent Weekday O Clavis David**  
**P** Mass of Dec 20 Adv pf II
- 21 Wed **Late Advent Weekday O Oriens**  
**P** Mass of Dec 21 Options for 1st reading, Adv pf II  
*Opt com of St Peter Canisius, Pr Doct (special form)*
- 22 Thu **Late Advent Weekday O Rex Gentium**  
**P** Mass of Dec 22 Adv pf II
- 23 Fri **Late Advent Weekday O Emmanuel**  
**P** Mass of Dec 23 Adv pf II  
*Opt com of St John of Kanty, Pr (special form)*
- 24 Sat **Late Advent Weekday**  
**P** Mass in the Morning, if said, of Dec 24 Adv pf II

## Christmas

### DURING THE CHRISTMAS SEASON:

1. On the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day)
  - a) At all Christmas Masses (of the Vigil, at Midnight, at Dawn, and During the Day), there is a genuflection during the Creed: for the Nicene Creed, at “and by the Holy Spirit...and became man”; and for the Apostles’ Creed, at “who was conceived...Virgin Mary”. [The genuflection is on the right knee if the words are recited, and on both knees if they are sung.]
  - b) All priests may celebrate or concelebrate the three traditional Masses [at Midnight, at Dawn, and During the Day], provided the Masses are celebrated at the proper time (*GIRM, 204c*). A priest who celebrates three times today may accept three Mass offerings (*Code of Canon Law, 951, §1*). If only one Mass is celebrated, this should be the one corresponding to the time of day when the Mass is celebrated.
2. On days within the Octave of Christmas:
  - a) At Mass each day there is a *Gloria* as well as a Christmas Preface, with proper texts for Christmas in Eucharistic Prayer I.
  - b) With the exception of the feast of the Holy Family, each day makes use of Vespers of the Christmas Octave. [Optional memorials within the Octave may be commemorated according to liturgical norms; see notes before Ash Wednesday in this Ordo, no.1a-c.]
3. On Christmas season weekdays after January 1:
  - a) When there is no obligatory memorial, the Office and Mass may be either that of the weekday or of any Saint listed in the Calendar or Martyrology for that day.
  - b) Masses for Various Needs and Votive Masses are permitted only if warranted by serious need or pastoral considerations.
  - c) Daily Masses for the Dead are not allowed.

### (24 Sat) **THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)**

- PM **Solemnity with Octave, Holy day of obligation**  
**W** Evening Vigil Mass (if said) Gl Cr (*genuflection* as above at 1a) °Christmas pf (proper texts in EP I: (at Vigil and Midnight Mass, “Celebrating the most sacred night”) *Solemn Blessing #2*  
 Vesp I of the Solemnity

Whenever the office of *Vigils* is celebrated in such a way that the Midnight Mass begins afterwards, *Compline* is omitted by those present for the night celebration.

25 SUN **ON THE DAY OF THE SOLEMNITY (CHRISTMAS DAY)**  
**W** Mass(es) proper Gl Cr (*genuflection*) °Christmas pf (proper texts in EP I: at Dawn Mass [if said] and Day Mass, “Celebrating the most sacred day”) *Solemn Blessing #2*

There is a genuflection during the Creed: for the Nicene Creed, at “and by the Holy Spirit...and became man”; and for the Apostles’ Creed, at “who was conceived...Virgin Mary”.

26 Mon **ST STEPHEN, The First Martyr Feast**  
**R** Proper Mass Gl °Christmas pf (proper texts in EP I)  
 Vesp of Christmas Octave

27 Tue **ST JOHN, Apostle and Evangelist Feast**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl, °Christmas pf (proper texts in EP I)  
 Vesp of Christmas Octave

28 Wed **THE HOLY INNOCENTS, Martyrs Feast**  
**R** Proper Mass Gl °Christmas pf (proper texts in EP I)  
 Vesp of Christmas Octave

29 Thu **FIFTH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl, °Christmas pf (proper texts in EP I)  
*Opt com of St Thomas Becket, BpM (special form)*

30 Fri **THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH Feast within the Octave of Christmas**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Only one reading before the Gospel is used  
 °Christmas pf (proper texts in EP I)

31 Sat **SEVENTH DAY IN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl, °Christmas pf (proper texts in EP I)  
*Opt com of St Sylvester I, Pope (special form)*

Vesp I of tomorrow

## JANUARY 2023

1 SUN **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Cr °Pf of BVM I (“on the Solemnity of the Motherhood”) (proper texts in EP I) *Solemn Blessing #3*  
 Today has been designated as a day of prayer for world peace.

2 Mon **Mem of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bps and Docts**  
**W** Mass of mem Readings at no.205 Christmas pf or of mem

3 Tue **Christmas Weekday before Epiphany**  
*Opt mem of the Most Holy Name of Jesus*  
**W/W** Mass of Jan 3, or of mem Christmas pf

4 Wed USA: **Mem of St Elizabeth Ann Seton, Rel**  
**W** Mass of mem Christmas pf or Pf of mem

5 Thu USA: **Mem of St John Neumann, Bp**  
**W** Mass of mem Christmas pf or Pf of mem

6 Fri **Christmas Weekday before Epiphany**  
 USA: *Opt mem of St André Bessette, Rel*  
**W/W** Mass of Jan 6, or of mem Readings at no.209, with options for Gospel Christmas pf or *Pf of the opt mem*

7 Sat **Christmas Weekday before Epiphany**  
*Opt mem of St Raymond of Penyafort, Pr*  
**W/W** Mass of Jan 7, or of mem Readings at no.210 Christmas pf or *Pf of the opt mem*

PM USA: **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD Solemnity**  
**W** Evening Vigil Mass (if said) Gl Cr °Proper pf (proper texts in EP I) *Solemn Blessing #4*  
 Vesp I of the Solemnity

8 SUN **ON THE DAY OF THE SOLEMNITY**  
**W** Proper Mass During the Day Gl Cr °Proper pf (proper texts in EP I) ) *Solemn Blessing #4*  
 Vesp II of Epiphany

9 Mon **THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD Feast**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl One reading before the Gospel °Proper pf

## Ordinary Time

**W/P/B** *Between January 10 and 30, Monthly Mass for the Dead on the unimpeded day designated by the Superior.*

10 Tue **Weekday of 1st Week in Ordinary Time, Year I**  
*Opt mem of St Gregory of Nyssa, Bp; or of St William of Bourges, Cist Bp*

**G/W/W** Mass ad lib Readings of no.305 may be joined to no.306.

11 Wed **Weekday of 1st Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

12 Thu **Mem of St Ælred, Cist Abbot**  
**W** Mass of mem

13 Fri **Weekday of 1st Week**  
*Opt mem of St Hilary, Bp Doct*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib

14 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**  
**W** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow

15 SUN **SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl, Cr, Sun pf

16 Mon **Weekday of 2nd Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

17 Tue **Mem of St Anthony, Abbot**  
**W** Mass of mem  
 January 18-25: *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity*  
**G** Mass for Christian Unity, if said: °Proper pf

18 Wed **Weekday of 2nd Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

19 Thu **Weekday of 2nd Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

20 Fri **Weekday of 2nd Week**  
*Opt mem of St Fabian, Pope M; or of St Sebastian, M; or of Bl. Cyprian Michael Tansi, Monk Pr OCSO*  
**G or R/R/W** Mass ad lib

21 Sat **Mem of St Agnes, VM**  
**R** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow

22 SUN **THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl, Cr, Sun pf

23 Mon **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**  
*USA: Opt mem of St Vincent, Deacon M; or of St Marianne Cope, V*  
 In the USA, Day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life (*GIRM*, 373).  
 This year the Day is transferred to Jan 23 because Jan 22 is a Sunday.  
**P** Mass “For the Preservation of Peace and Justice”, #30  
 Readings of the weekday, *or* nos.887-891 in vol. IV

*or*

**W** Mass “For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life”, #48/1.A or B [USA], with Readings of the weekday, *or* 1) Isaiah 49:1-6 at no.587 (=June 24); Luke 1:39-56 at no.622 (=August 15) (*options approved by the USCCB*)  
 One of the Optional Memorials for this day may be celebrated only within the Liturgy of the Hours.

24 Tue **Mem of St Francis de Sales, Bp Doct**  
**W** Mass of mem

25 Wed **THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL THE APOSTLE Feast**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl °Pf of Apostles I *Solemn Blessing #16*  
*Where tomorrow is celebrated as a Solemnity, Vesp I of tomorrow; otherwise, Vesp of the current Feast*

26 Thu **SAINTS ROBERT, ALBERIC AND STEPHEN, Abbots and Founders of the Cistercian Order Solemnity or Feast**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl (Cr if celebrated as a Solemnity)  
 °Pf of Pastors, or of Religious, or of Saints I or II

Mass readings: 1) Sirach 44:1,10-15 at no.606 (=July 26); 2) Hebrews 11:1-2,8-16 at no.322 in Year 1 (ending with “prepared a city for them”); Gospel of Mark 10:24b-30 at no.815, #8 in volume IV

27 Fri **Weekday of 3rd Week**

*Opt mem of Saints Timothy and Titus, Bps; or of St Angela Merici, V*

**G/W/W** Mass ad lib (*if of Saints Timothy and Titus, 1st reading proper*)

28 Sat **Mem of St Thomas Aquinas, Pr Doct**

**W** Mass of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow

29 SUN **FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**G** Proper Mass Gl, Cr, Sun pf

30 Mon **Weekday of 4th Week**

**G** Mass ad lib

31 Tue **Mem of St John Bosco, Pr**

**W** Mass of mem

**F E B R U A R Y 2 0 2 3**

**W/P/B** *Between February 1 and 20, Monthly Mass for the Dead on the unimpeded day designated by the Superior.*

1 Wed **Weekday of 4th Week**

**G** Mass ad lib

2 Thu **THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD Feast**

*To commemorate the mystery of this day, candles may be blessed before the conventual Mass with procession or solemn entrance rite.*

ON THIS FEAST:

1. For blessing the candles and for the procession, the Abbot (or presiding priest) wears either chasuble or cope.

[*Ed.*: If candles are used for a blessing of throats tomorrow, they are blessed during today’s ceremonies.]

2. The distribution of candles may take place in one of two ways: either at the beginning of the rite before the prayer of blessing, all are already

holding unlighted candles, which are then lighted during the singing of an appropriate antiphon; or else the candles are distributed by the sacristan after the blessing, and before the procession.

3. As the procession enters the church, the entrance chant is sung. The presiding priest (replaces the cope with the chasuble and) omits the penitential rite. Mass continues with the hymn “Glory to God”, and the Opening Prayer is said.

4. In keeping with the custom of the Order, all may hold lighted candles as the Gospel is read. In that case, they offer their candles at the altar as an offertory song is sung.

[*Ed.*: If the Mass with procession takes place in midmorning, *Terce* is omitted by those present for the celebration.]

**W** Proper Mass Gl Only one reading before the Gospel is used  
°Proper pf

3 Fri **Weekday of 4th Week**

*Opt mem of St Blaise, BpM; or of St Ansgar, Bp*

**G/R/W** Mass ad lib

Where customary, blessing of throats in memory of St Blaise, BpM

4 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**

**W** Mass of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow

5 SUN **FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**G** Proper Mass Gl, Cr, Sun pf

In many monasteries, Lenten books will be distributed on February 26.

6 Mon **Mem of St Paul Miki and Companions, Mm**

**R** Mass of mem

7 Tue **Weekday of 5th Week**

**G** Mass ad lib

8 Wed **Weekday of 5th Week**

*Opt mem of St Jerome Emiliani, Pr; or St Josephine Bakhita, V*

**G/W/W** Mass ad lib

9 Thu **Weekday of 5th Week**

**G** Mass ad lib

- 10 Fri **Mem of St Scholastica, V**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 11 Sat **Mem of Our Lady (or of Our Lady of Lourdes)**  
**W/W** Mass of one of the mems (*BVM Mass #44 may be said*)  
 Today has been designated as the World Day of the Sick.  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 12 SUN **SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl, Cr, Sun pf
- 13 Mon **Weekday of 6th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 14 Tue **Mem of Saints Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bp**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 15 Wed **Weekday of 6th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 16 Thu **Weekday of 6th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 17 Fri **Weekday of 6th Week**  
*Opt mem of the Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order, Rel*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 18 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**  
**W** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 19 SUN **SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl, Cr, Sun pf
- 20 Mon **Weekday of 7th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 21 Tue **Mem of St Peter Damian, Bp Doct**  
**W** Mass of mem  
*Where customary, Vespers dismissal with double Alleluia.  
 After Compline, Alleluia is not said again until Easter.*

## Lent

### DURING THE SEASON OF LENT:

1. Weekdays after Ash Wednesday to the Saturday before Palm Sunday take precedence over memorials of Saints. Accordingly, memorials may only be celebrated in a special way (*GILH*, 238-239 and *GIRM*, 355a).

[Memorials falling from Dec 17-31 and during Lent become optional Commemorations. They are celebrated as follows (II C 6ab, III B 4):

a) at *Vigils*, the proper hagiographical reading (with its responsory) may be added, with the concluding prayer of the Saint;

b) at *Lauds* and *Vespers*, the conclusion of the seasonal prayer may be omitted, and the antiphon (at the *Benedictus* or *Magnificat*) and prayer of the Saint may be added;

c) at *Mass*, the Opening Prayer may be that of the Saint.]

2. Masses for Various Needs are permitted only if warranted by serious need or pastoral considerations. Votive Masses and daily Masses for the Dead are not allowed.

3. On Sundays at *Vigils*, the hymn *Te Deum* is omitted. *Alleluia* is always omitted both in the Liturgy of the Hours and at the Eucharist.

4. It is forbidden for the altar to be decorated with flowers. The playing of the organ and other musical instruments is allowed only to support the singing. Exceptions are *Lætare* Sunday (Fourth Sunday of Lent), solemnities, and feasts (*GIRM*, 305,313).

[The two EPs for Reconciliation are appropriate during Lent. The prefaces of these EPs may be replaced with a preface of Lent.]

### 22 Wed **ASH WEDNESDAY Fast day with abstinence**

**P** *At the conventual Mass:* The penitential rite is omitted.  
 After Gospel and homily, blessing and imposition of ashes.  
 Proper Mass Readings at no.219 °Pf III or IV of Lent  
 Prayer over the People at end of Mass before the blessing

### 23 Thu **Thursday after Ash Wednesday**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
*Opt com of St Polycarp, BpM (special form)*

### 24 Fri **Friday after Ash Wednesday**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent



25 Sat **Saturday after Ash Wednesday**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
Vesp I of tomorrow

26 SUN **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

In keeping with the custom of the Order, Chapter 49 of the Rule, *The Observance of Lent*, together with the last part of the preceding chapter, "During the days of Lent..." [Ch. 48:14] may be read in chapter. Then, each one may receive, with the abbot's approval, a book for the Lenten reading, and should carefully read it straight through to the end, as intended by the Rule. The distribution may be anticipated on Ash Wednesday.

[*Ed.*: Although the Lenten books may be handed out today, the actual reading customarily begins tomorrow. "On the first Monday in Lent, we begin the regular lecture, which takes place every day except Sunday" (*Regulations of the OCSO of 1926, § 236*).]

**P** Proper Mass Cr °Proper pf of the Temptation of the Lord  
Prayer over the People at end of Mass before the blessing

27 Mon **Monday of 1st Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
*Opt com of St Gregory of Narek, Abbot Doct (special form)*

28 Tue **Tuesday of 1st Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent

**M A R C H 2 0 2 3**1 Wed **Wednesday of 1st Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
Wed, Fri and Sat this week are trad spring Ember Days (*GIRM,394*).

2 Thu **Thursday of 1st Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent

3 Fri **Friday of 1st Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
*USA: Opt com of St Katharine Drexel, V (special form)*

4 Sat **Saturday of 1st Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
*Opt com of St Casimir (special form)*  
Vesp I of tomorrow

5 SUN **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**P** Proper Mass Cr °Proper pf of the Transfiguration of the Lord  
Prayer over the People at end of Mass before the blessing

6 Mon **Monday of 2nd Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent

7 Tue **Tuesday of 2nd Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
*Opt com of SS Perpetua and Felicity, Mm (special form)*

8 Wed **Wednesday of 2nd Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
*Opt com of St Stephen of Obazine, Cist Abbot; or of St John of God, Rel (special form)*

9 Thu **Thursday of 2nd Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
*Opt com of St Frances of Rome, Rel (special form)*

10 Fri **Friday of 2nd Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent

11 Sat **Saturday of 2nd Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
Vesp I of tomorrow

12 SUN **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT**

**P** Proper Mass Cr °Proper pf of the Samaritan Woman  
Prayer over the People at end of Mass before the blessing

13 Mon **Monday of 3rd Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent

14 Tue **Tuesday of 3rd Week of Lent**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent

- 15 Wed **Wednesday of 3rd Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent
- 16 Thu **Thursday of 3rd Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent
- 17 Fri **Friday of 3rd Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
*Opt com of St Patrick, Bp (special form)*
- 18 Sat **Saturday of 3rd Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
*Opt com of St Cyril of Jerusalem, Bp Doct (special form)*  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 19 SUN **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (Laetare Sunday)**  
**P/Rose** Proper Mass Cr, °Proper pf of the Man Born Blind  
 Prayer over the People at end of Mass before the blessing  
 Vesp II of the Sunday
- 20 Mon **SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BVM Solemnity**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl, Options for Gospel, Cr, °Proper pf
- 21 Tue **Tuesday of 4th Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
*Opt com of the Transitus of St Benedict (special form)*
- 22 Wed **Wednesday of 4th Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent
- 23 Thu **Thursday of 4th Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
*Opt com of St Turibius de Mogrovejo, Bp (special form)*
- 24 Fri **Friday of 4th Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Lent  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 25 Sat **THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD Solemnity**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Cr (*genuflection*) °Proper pf  
 Genuflection during the Nicene Creed: “and by the Holy Spirit...and became man”; or the Apostles’ Creed, at “who was conceived...Virgin Mary”.

In the dioceses of the USA, the practice of covering crosses and images throughout the church from this Sunday may be observed. Crosses remain covered until the end of the celebration of the Lord’s Passion on Good Friday, but images remain covered until the beginning of the Easter Vigil.  
 Vesp I of tomorrow

- 26 SUN **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**P** Proper Mass Cr, °Proper pf of the Raising of Lazarus  
 Prayer over the People at end of Mass before the blessing
- 27 Mon **Monday of 5th Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Passion I
- 28 Tue **Tuesday of 5th Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Passion I
- 29 Wed **Wednesday of 5th Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Passion I
- 30 Thu **Thursday of 5th Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Passion I
- 31 Fri **Friday of 5th Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Passion I

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- 1 Sat **Saturday of 5th Week of Lent**  
**P** Proper Mass Pf of Passion I  
 Vesp I of Palm Sunday

## Holy Week

In Holy Week the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ in the last days of his life, beginning with his Messianic entrance into Jerusalem to accomplish his Paschal Mystery. The season of Lent extends to Thursday; the Paschal Triduum begins with the Evening Mass “of the Lord’s Supper”.

**2 SUN PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

ON THIS DAY:

1. In all Masses on Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, there is a memorial of the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem. This is done by means of a procession or solemn entrance rite before the conventual Mass; at other Masses, by means of a simple entrance rite.

2. For the procession, the Abbot (or presiding priest) wears either chasuble or cope. The prayer over the branches may be the one proper to the Cistercian Rite, or else one of those in the Roman Missal. The distribution of the branches takes place either before this prayer, or else immediately before the proclamation of the Gospel, and by the sacristan.

The procession is arranged in keeping with the Order for Holy Week of the *Rituale Cisterciense*; on returning to their places, all may place their branches on the presbytery step (at the feet of the Crucified) or in another appropriate place. After the procession or solemn entrance rite, the Abbot (removes the cope and puts on the chasuble and) says the Opening Prayer, and Mass continues as usual.

3. The Passion is read without candles or incense; there is no initial greeting, and the book is not signed with the sign of the cross. It is read by the deacon or, if there is no deacon, by a concelebrant or by the principal celebrant. It may also be read by lay readers, with the part of Christ, if possible, reserved to a deacon or priest. Before reading the Passion, only deacons ask for and receive a blessing, as they do before the Gospel. At the end of the reading, the book is not kissed, but "The Gospel of the Lord" is said with its response.

It is customary in our Order to make a full-length prostration, or at least a genuflection, at the text about the death of Christ, and to pray for a short while in silence.

4. *Terce* is not said by those present for the procession or solemn entrance rite of the conventual Mass.

**R** Proper Mass Cr °Proper pf of the Passion of the Lord  
Prayer over the People at end of Mass before the blessing

**3 Mon MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Passion II

**4 Tue TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Passion II

**5 Wed WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK**

**P** Proper Mass Pf of Passion II

**6 Thu THURSDAY OF HOLY WEEK**

*Only the Mass of the Lord's Supper is permitted today (except for the Chrism Mass celebrated by the bishop). Holy Communion may be distributed only during Mass, but may be brought to the sick at any time of day.*

**Passchal Triduum**

The sacred Paschal Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord begins with the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, has its center in the Easter Vigil, and closes with Vespers on Easter Sunday.

**(6) PM HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**W** *At the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:* Gl, °Pf of Holy Eucharist I, texts in EP I proper for this day

1. The Mass of the Lord's Supper should be celebrated in the evening, at the most convenient time. The office of *Vespers* is not said by those who are present for the conventual Mass.

The altar may be decorated with flowers, yet with a moderation suited to the character of this day. The tabernacle should be entirely empty; a sufficient amount of bread should be consecrated at this Mass for Communion today and tomorrow.

2. During the singing of the *Gloria* the bells are rung and then remain silent until the Easter Vigil, unless the Ordinary decrees otherwise.

3. The washing of feet, or *Mandatum*, is celebrated either during Mass immediately after the Gospel, or apart from Mass. If it is done in the cloister or in the chapter room immediately before Mass, then the penitential rite is fittingly omitted. Should the *Mandatum* include the reading of John 13:1-15, an alternative Gospel, Luke 22:24-30 [at no.565 for May 18], may be read at Mass. Regardless of when the *Mandatum* is done, when communion is over and everyone is seated and listening, sections from the Lord's Farewell Discourse may be read.

4. The Mass concludes with the prayer after Communion. The dismissal rite is omitted, and at once a procession is formed to take the Most Blessed Sacrament to the place of reposition prepared for It.

5. At the conclusion of today's celebration, the altar is stripped. Any crosses in the church should be removed if possible; but should any crosses remain in the church, they should be veiled.

7 Fri **GOOD FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

*Today and, if possible, also on Holy Saturday until the Easter Vigil, the sacred **paschal fast** is observed everywhere to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more deeply in his resurrection (see Const. O.C.S.O., 28).*

**R** *The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord* takes place in the afternoon, about three o'clock (unless pastoral reasons suggest beginning at a later hour).

*None* and *Vespers* are omitted in choir by those present for this celebration.

1. The liturgy is arranged according to the Order for Holy Week of the *Rituale Cisterciense*.
2. Holy Communion is distributed only during the celebration, but may be brought to those of the sick who are unable to take part in the celebration, and at any time of day.
3. After the distribution of Communion, whatever remains of the Most Holy Eucharist is brought back without ceremony to the place where it is to be reserved. A lamp is kept burning before it as usual. After the celebration, the altar is stripped, but the Cross is left in the sanctuary.

8 Sat **HOLY SATURDAY**

*On this day, there is no Eucharistic celebration. Holy Communion may be given only as Viaticum. **Compline** is omitted by those present for the Easter Vigil.*

## Easter Time

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" (St. Athanasius, *Epistula festalis*: PG 26, 1366). These are the days above all others in which the *Alleluia* is sung.

**PM-AM EASTER VIGIL Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection**

*The entire celebration of the **Easter Vigil**, mother of all Vigils, takes place in the Holy Night of Easter, in such a way that it does not begin before nightfall, and that it ends before the dawn of Easter Day.*

ON THIS HOLY NIGHT:

1. The liturgy is arranged according to the Order for Holy Week of the *Rituale Cisterciense*.
- W** 2. The sacred ministers are vested in white, as for Mass, throughout the whole of the celebration.
3. The Paschal *Præconium* may be proclaimed, if necessary, by a cantor who is not a deacon; in which case he does not receive a blessing, and he omits the last section of the invitatory part, "My dearest friends" as well as the greeting "The Lord be with you". Either the long or the short form of the text may be sung.
4. Nine readings are assigned to this Vigil. If warranted by pastoral considerations, the number of readings from the Old Testament may be reduced; but it should always be kept in mind that the reading of the Word of God is a fundamental part of this Easter Vigil. At least three selections from the Old Testament should be read; and among them, the reading from the book of Exodus should never be omitted.
5. Before the New Testament readings the *Gloria* is sung while the bells are rung, according to local customs. Incense may be used for the Gospel procession; but candles are not carried.

After the Gospel and homily, but before the blessing of the water, the Litany of Saints may be sung *ad libitum*.

6. On the night of the Vigil, Holy Communion can be given to the faithful only during the Mass. Those who receive Communion at the Easter Vigil Mass may also receive again at the Easter Day Mass.
7. Those priests who celebrate or concelebrate the solemn Easter Vigil Mass may also celebrate or concelebrate the Mass of Easter Day.
8. Those who take part in the Easter Vigil Mass thereby satisfy their Mass obligation for Easter Sunday.

The office of *Vigils* is omitted by those present for the Easter Vigil.

**At Mass of this Vigil:** Gl, °Pf of Easter I ("on this night"), special texts in EP I, dismissal with double Alleluia.

9 SUN **EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD Solemnity with Octave**

*W* **At the Mass during the Day:** Gl, Options for 2nd reading, Cr, °Pf of Easter I (“on this day”), special texts in EP I, *Sol Bl as at Easter Vigil may be said*, dismissal verse with double Alleluia.

DURING THE EASTER SEASON:

1. The paschal candle is set up next to the ambo or near the altar in the sanctuary, and there it is kept throughout this season, where it is lighted at more solemn liturgical celebrations; i.e. on Sunday at Vigils, and every day at Lauds, the conventual Mass and Vespers. It may also burn throughout the day on Easter Sunday, the Ascension and Pentecost, from Vigils to Vespers.
2. The *Regina caeli* replaces the *Angelus* until Pentecost inclusive.

10 MON **MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER**

*W* Proper Mass Gl, °Pf of Easter I (“on this day”), special texts in EP I, dismissal verse with double Alleluia.

During the Octave, other celebrations are forbidden, except a funeral Mass.

11 TUE **TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER**

*W* Proper Mass with everything as on Monday

12 WED **WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER**

*W* Proper Mass with everything as on Monday

13 THU **THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER**

*W* Proper Mass with everything as on Monday

14 FRI **FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER**

*W* Proper Mass with everything as on Monday

15 SAT **SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER**

*W* Proper Mass with everything as on Monday  
Vesp I of tomorrow

16 SUN **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (OR SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY) The Octave Day of Easter**

*W* Proper Mass Gl, Cr, °Pf of Easter I (“on this day”), special texts in EP I, *Solemn Blessing #6*, dismissal verse with double Alleluia.

UNTIL PENTECOST:

1. On Sun other celebrations are forbidden, including a funeral Mass.
2. On weekdays when there is no obligatory memorial, the Office and Mass may be either of the weekday or of any Saint listed in the Calendar or Martyrology for that day.
3. Masses for Various Needs and Votive Masses are permitted only if warranted by serious need or pastoral considerations. Daily Masses for the Dead are not allowed.

17 Mon **Monday of 2nd Week of Easter**

*W* Proper Mass Easter pf

18 Tue **Tuesday of 2nd Week of Easter**

*W* Proper Mass Easter pf

19 Wed **Wednesday of 2nd Week of Easter**

*W* Proper Mass Easter pf

20 Thu **Thursday of 2nd Week of Easter**

*W* Proper Mass Easter pf

21 Fri **Mem of St Anselm, Bp Doct**

*W* Mass of mem Easter pf, or Pf of mem

22 Sat **Saturday of 2nd Week of Easter**

*Opt mem of Bl. Maria Gabriella, Cist V*

*W/W* Mass of day, or of mem Easter pf, or Pf of opt mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow

23 SUN **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

*W* Proper Mass Gl, Cr, °Easter pf *Solemn Blessing #6*

24 Mon **Monday of 3rd Week of Easter**

*Opt mem of St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, PrM*

*W/R* Mass of day, or of mem Easter pf or Pf of opt mem

25 Tue **ST MARK, Evangelist Feast**

*R* Proper Mass Gl, °Pf of Apostles II

26 Wed **Wednesday of 3rd Week of Easter**

*W* Proper Mass Easter pf

- 27 Thu **Mem of St Rafael Arnáiz Barón, Oblate O.C.S.O.**  
*W* Mass of mem Easter pf or Pf of mem
- 28 Fri **Friday of 3rd Week of Easter**  
*Opt mem of St Peter Chanel, PrM; or of St Louis Grignon de Montfort, Pr*  
*W/R/W* Mass of day, or of one mem Easter pf, or of an opt mem
- 29 Sat **Mem of St Catherine of Siena, V Doct**  
*W* Mass of mem Easter pf, or Pf of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 30 SUN **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
*W* Proper Mass Gl, Cr, °Easter pf *Solemn Blessing #6*  
 Today (Good Shepherd Sunday) is World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

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- 1 Mon **Monday of 4th Week of Easter**  
*Opt mem of St Joseph the Worker*  
*W/W* Mass of day with Easter pf or of mem (*Gospel proper in strict sense and °Proper pf*)  
 If of mem, 1st reading may be of weekday, or 1 of 2 options at May 1.
- 2 Tue **Mem of St Athanasius, Bp Doct**  
*W* Mass of mem Easter pf, or Pf of mem
- 3 Wed **SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES, Apostles Feast**  
*R* Proper Mass Gl °Pf of Apostles I or II *Solemn Blessing #17*
- 4 Thu **Thursday of 4th Week of Easter**  
*W* Proper Mass Easter pf
- 5 Fri **Friday of 4th Week of Easter**  
*W* Proper Mass Easter pf
- 6 Sat **Saturday of 4th Week of Easter**  
*W* Proper Mass Easter pf  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 7 SUN **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
*W* Proper Mass Gl, Cr, °Easter pf *Solemn Blessing #6*

- 8 Mon **Monday of 5th Week of Easter**  
*Opt mem of Bl. Christian de Chergé, PrM, et al., Mm*  
*W/R* Mass of day, or of mem Easter pf or Pf of opt mem
- 9 Tue **Tuesday of 5th Week of Easter**  
*W* Proper Mass Easter pf
- 10 Wed **Wednesday of 5th Week of Easter**  
*Opt mem of St John of Avila, Pr Doct; or [USA] St Damien de Veuster, Pr*  
*W/W/W* Mass of day, or of one of mems Easter pf, or of an opt mem
- 11 Thu **Mem of the Holy Abbots of Cluny**  
*W* Mass of mem Easter pf or Pf of mem
- 12 Fri **Friday of 5th Week of Easter**  
*Opt mem of Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Mm; or of St Pancras, M*  
*W/R/R* Mass of day, or of one mem Easter pf, or of an opt mem
- 13 Sat **Saturday of 5th Week of Easter**  
*Opt mem of Our Lady of Fatima*  
*W/W* Mass of day, or of mem Easter pf or Pf of opt mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 14 SUN **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
*W* Proper Mass Gl, Cr, °Easter pf *Solemn Blessing #6*  
 When the Ascension is celebrated on the following Sunday, the 2nd reading and Gospel from the 7th Sunday of Easter may be read today. The three days before Ascension are traditional Rogation Days (*GIRM,394*).
- 15 Mon **Mem of St Pachomius, Abbot**  
*W* Mass of mem Easter pf or Pf of mem
- 16 Tue **Tuesday of 6th Week of Easter**  
*W* Proper Mass Easter pf
- 17 Wed **Wednesday of 6th Week of Easter**  
*W* Proper Mass Easter pf  
 USA: Regarding the Ascension, the Provinces of Boston, Hartford, New York, Newark, Omaha, and Philadelphia have kept it on Thursday, while all other Provinces have transferred it to the Seventh Sunday of Easter.

Where tomorrow is celebrated as the solemnity of the Ascension, Vesp I of tomorrow; otherwise, Vesp of today

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**Where the Ascension is celebrated the following Sunday:**

18 Thu **Thursday of 6th Week of Easter**

*Opt mem of St John I, Pope M*

**W/R** Mass of day, or of mem Easter pf, or *Pf of opt mem*

19 Fri **Friday of 6th Week of Easter**

**W** Proper Mass Easter pf

20 Sat **Saturday of 6th Week of Easter**

*Opt mem of St Bernardine of Siena, Pr*

**W** Morning Mass, if said, of day or mem Easter pf or of opt mem

PM **THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD Solemnity**

**W** Evening Vigil Mass (if said) Gl Cr °Proper pf of Ascension I or II (proper texts in EP I) *Solemn Blessing #7*

Vesp I of the Solemnity

21 SUN **ON THE DAY OF THE SOLEMNITY**

**W** Proper Mass During the Day Gl Cr °Proper pf of Ascension I or II (proper texts in EP I) *Solemn Blessing #7*

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**Where the Ascension is celebrated on Thursday:**

(Wed PM) **ASCENSION Solemnity and Holy day of obligation**

**W** Evening Vigil Mass (if said) Gl Cr °Proper pf of Ascension I or II (proper texts in EP I) *Solemn Blessing #7*

Vesp I of the Solemnity

18 THU **ON THE DAY OF THE SOLEMNITY**

**W** Proper Mass During the Day Gl Cr °Proper pf of Ascension I (with “[Today]”) or II (proper texts in EP I) *Sol Blessing #7*

19 Fri **Friday of 6th Week of Easter**

**W** Proper Mass Easter or Ascension pf

20 Sat **Saturday of 6th Week of Easter**

*Opt mem of St Bernardine of Siena, Pr*

**W/W** Mass of day, or of mem Easter or Ascension pf or of mem

Vesp I of tomorrow

21 SUN **SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**W** Proper Mass Gl, Cr, °Easter or Ascension pf *Sol Blessing #6*

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22 Mon **Monday of 7th Week of Easter**

*Opt mem of St Rita of Cascia, Rel*

**W/W** Mass of day, or of mem Easter or Ascension pf, or of opt mem

23 Tue **Tuesday of 7th Week of Easter**

**W** Proper Mass Easter or Ascension pf

24 Wed **Wednesday of 7th Week of Easter**

**W** Proper Mass Easter or Ascension pf

Today is the World Day of Prayer for the Church in China.

25 Thu **Mem of St Bede the Venerable, Pr Doct**

**W** Mass of mem Easter or Ascension pf, or Pf of mem

26 Fri **Friday of 7th Week of Easter**

*Opt mem of St Gregory VII, Pope; or of St Mary*

**W or** *Magdalene de' Pazzi, V; or of St Philip Neri, Pr*

**W/W/W** Mass of day, or of a mem Easter or Ascension pf, or of mem

27 Sat **Mem of St Augustine of Canterbury, Bp**

**W** Morning Mass ( if said) of mem Easter or Ascension pf or Pf of mem

PM **PENTECOST SUNDAY Solemnity**

**R** Evening Vigil Mass (if said) Gl Options for first reading (or all may be read) Cr °Proper pf (proper texts in EP I) *Solemn Blessing #8*, dismissal verse with double Alleluia.

Vesp I of the Solemnity

28 SUN **ON THE DAY OF THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST**

**R** Proper Mass During the Day Gl Cr °Proper pf (proper texts in EP I) *Sol Blessing #8*, dismissal verse with double Alleluia.

Today the *Regina caeli* is said for the last time this year.

## Ordinary Time

### Resumed at Eighth Week in Year I

**W/P/B** *If the Superior so designates, the Monthly Mass for the Dead is celebrated on the only available day in May, that is, May 30.*

29 Mon **Mem of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**  
**W** Proper Mass in Votive Masses, no.10B (“Our Lady, Mother of the Church”) Readings proper in strict sense °Proper pf  
 Mass readings: 1) Gen 3:9-15,20 *or* Acts 1:12-14; Gospel of John 19:25-34  
 Texts at USCCB.org/motherofthechurch or Vol IV, no.1002, I, p 1140-1142

30 Tue **Tuesday of 8th Week in Ordinary Time**  
**G** Mass ad lib

31 Wed **THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Feast**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Options for first reading °Pf BVM II  
*Solemn Blessing #15 may be used*  
 Wed, Fri and Sat this week are trad summer Ember Days (*GIRM*,394).

## JUNE 2023

**W/P/B** *Between June 2 and 30, Monthly Mass for the Dead on the unimpeded day designated by the Superior.*

1 Thu **Mem of St Justin Martyr**  
**R** Mass of mem

2 Fri **Weekday of 8th Week in Ordinary Time**  
*Opt mem of Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Mm*  
**G/R** Mass ad lib

3 Sat **Mem of St Charles Lwanga and Companions, Mm**  
**R** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow

4 SUN **THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Solemnity**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl, Cr, °Proper pf

5 Mon **Mem of St Boniface, BpM**  
**R** Mass of mem

6 Tue **Weekday of 9th Week in Ordinary Time**  
*Opt mem of St Norbert, Bp*

**G/W** Mass ad lib

7 Wed **Weekday of 9th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

8 Thu **Weekday of 9th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

9 Fri **Weekday of 9th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Ephrem, Deacon and Doct*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib

10 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**  
**W** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow

11 SUN [USA:] **THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST [Corpus Christi] Solemnity**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Cr °Pf of Holy Eucharist I or II

### ON THIS SOLEMNITY:

1. There is customarily a Eucharistic procession, as well as a protracted exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament. It is for the Abbot, however, to judge whether this kind of procession is opportune in today's circumstances.
2. It is fitting that a procession with the Most Blessed Sacrament begin after the Mass in which the Host to be carried in procession has been consecrated. A procession may also take place, however, at the end of a lengthy period of public adoration that has been held after the Mass.
3. If the procession takes place immediately after Mass, the priest who carries the Blessed Sacrament may retain the vestments used for the celebration, or he may vest in a white cope. If the procession does not take place immediately after Mass, he wears a white cope.
4. Candles, incense, and a canopy over the Blessed Sacrament are used in accordance with local customs.
5. Songs and prayers should be so directed that all proclaim their faith in Christ and direct their attention to the Lord alone.
6. At the end of the procession, unless a protracted exposition is to follow, benediction is given with the Most Blessed Sacrament, which is then put back into the tabernacle.



- 12 Mon **Weekday of 10th Week in Ordinary Time**  
*Opt mem of St Alice (or Aleydis), Cist V*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 13 Tue **Mem of St Anthony of Padua, Pr Doct**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 14 Wed **Weekday of 10th Week in Ordinary Time**  
*Opt mem of Bl. Gerard, Cist Monk*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 15 Thu **Weekday of 10th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 16 Fri **THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS Solemnity**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Cr °Proper pf  
 Today is the World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of the Clergy.
- 17 Sat **Mem of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
**W** Mass of mem (after May 31 in books) Gospel proper  
*Or BVM Mass #28, with Gospel B proper, and °Proper pf*  
 1st reading may be of the weekday, or no.573, or from BVM Mass #28  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 18 SUN **ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl, Cr, Sun pf
- 19 Mon **Weekday of 11th Week in Ordinary Time**  
*Opt mem of St Romuald, Abbot*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 20 Tue **Weekday of 11th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 21 Wed **Mem of St Aloysius Gonzaga, Rel**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 22 Thu **Weekday of 11th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Paulinus of Nola, Bp; or of St John Fisher, BpM, and St Thomas More, M*  
**G/W/R** Mass ad lib

- 23 Fri **Weekday of 12th Week**  
**G** Morning Mass, if said, ad lib
- PM **THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST Solemnity**  
**W** Evening Vigil Mass (if said) Gl, Cr, °Proper pf  
 Vesp I of the Solemnity
- 24 Sat **ON THE DAY OF THE SOLEMNITY**  
**W** Proper Mass During the Day Gl, Cr, °Proper pf  
 Vesp II of St John the Baptist
- 25 SUN **TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl, Cr, Sun pf
- 26 Mon **Weekday of 12th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 27 Tue **Weekday of 12th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Cyril of Alexandria, Bp Doct*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 28 Wed **Mem of St Irenæus, BpM Doct**  
**R** Morning Mass, if said, of mem
- PM **SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES Solemnity**  
**R** Evening Vigil Mass (if said) Gl Cr °Proper pf *Sol Bl #16*  
 Vesp I of the Solemnity
- 29 Thu **ON THE DAY OF THE SOLEMNITY**  
**R** Proper Mass During the Day Gl Cr °Proper pf *Sol Blessing #16*
- 30 Fri **Weekday of 12th Week**  
*Opt mem of the First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church*  
**G/R** Mass ad lib

**JULY 2023**

**W/P/B** *Between July 5 and 28, Monthly Mass for the Dead on the unimpeded day designated by the Superior.*

- 1 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**  
**W** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow

- 2 SUN **THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 3 Mon **ST THOMAS, Apostle Feast**  
**R** Proper Mass Gl, °Pf of Apostles I or II *Sol Bl #17*
- 4 Tue **Weekday of 13th Week [USA: Independence Day]**  
**W** **Conventual Mass:** for Independence Day  
 Gl Weekday readings, or nos.882-891 in vol. IV  
 °Proper pf for Independence Day I or II  
 On this day, the Solemn Blessing as in Missal is said
- 5 Wed **Weekday of 13th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Anthony Zaccaria, Pr; or[USA] of St Elizabeth of Portugal*  
**G/W/W** Mass ad lib
- 6 Thu **Weekday of 13th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Maria Goretti, VM*  
**G/R** Mass ad lib
- 7 Fri **Weekday of 13th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 8 Sat **Mem of Bl. Eugene III, Cist Pope**  
**W** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 9 SUN **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 10 Mon **Weekday of 14th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib  
 Vesp I of tomorrow's Solemnity
- 11 Tue **OUR HOLY FATHER BENEDICT, Abbot Solemnity**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Options for 2nd reading and Gospel Cr  
 °Pf of Pastors, or of Religious, or of Saints I or II  
 Mass readings: 1) Proverbs 2:1-9 at no.597 (July 11); 2) Ephesians 4:1-6 at no.477 in Year 2, *or* Colossians 3:12-17 at no.579 (June 9); Gospel of Luke 22:24-27 at no.810, #3 in volume IV, *or* Matthew 19:27-29 at no.597 (July 11), *or* Matthew 5:1-12a at no.667 (Nov 1)

- 12 Wed **Weekday of 14th Week**  
*Opt mem of St John Gualberti, Abbot*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 13 Thu **Weekday of 14th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Henry*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 14 Fri **USA: Mem of St Kateri Tekakwitha, V**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 15 Sat **Mem of St Bonaventure, Bp Doct**  
**W** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 16 SUN **FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 17 Mon **Weekday of 15th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 18 Tue **Weekday of 15th Week**  
*USA: Opt mem of St Camillus de Lellis, Pr*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 19 Wed **Weekday of 15th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 20 Thu **Weekday of 15th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Apollinaris, BpM*  
**G/R** Mass ad lib
- 21 Fri **Weekday of 15th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Lawrence of Brindisi, Pr Doct*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 22 Sat **ST MARY MAGDALENE Feast**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Only one reading before the Gospel °Proper pf with music notation in PDF file may be found at <https://www.usccb.org/about/divine-worship/liturgical-calendar/upload/preface-mary-magdalene.pdf>  
 Vesp I of tomorrow

- 23 SUN **SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 24 Mon **Weekday of 16th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Sharbel Makhlūf, Pr*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 25 Tue **ST JAMES, Apostle Feast**  
**R** Proper Mass Gl, °Pf of Apostles I or II *Solemn Blessing #17*
- 26 Wed **Mem of Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the BVM**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 27 Thu **Weekday of 16th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 28 Fri **Weekday of 16th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 29 Sat **Mem of Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus of Bethany, Hosts of the Lord**  
**W** Mass of mem Gospel proper: either John 11:19-27 as on July 29, or John 12:1-11 as on Mon of Holy Week (no.257)  
 1st reading may be of the weekday, or July 29, or Sir 24 (no.707,§6).  
 (Luke 10 is not strictly proper in the OCSO: no mention of St Lazarus.)  
 Vesp I of tomorrow
- 30 SUN **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 31 Mon **Mem of St Ignatius of Loyola, Pr**  
**W** Mass of mem

### AUGUST 2023

**W/P/B** *Between August 2 and 31, Monthly Mass for the Dead on the unimpeded day designated by the Superior.*

- 1 Tue **Mem of St Alphonsus Liguori, Bp Doct**  
**W** Mass of mem

- 2 Wed **Weekday of 17th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bp; or of St Peter Julian Eymard, Pr*  
**G/W/W** Mass ad lib
- 3 Thu **Weekday of 17th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 4 Fri **Mem of St John Mary Vianney, Pr**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 5 Sat **Mem of Our Lady (or of the Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major in Rome)**  
**W/W** Mass of one mem (*cf Mass #4 from Common of the BVM*)  
 Vesp I of tomorrow's Feast of the Lord
- 6 SUN **THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD Feast**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Cr °Proper pf *Solemn Blessing #9*  
 Vesp II of today's Feast
- 7 Mon **Weekday of 18th Week in Ordinary Time**  
*Opt mem of St Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Mm; or of St Cajetan, Pr*  
**G/R/W** Mass ad lib
- 8 Tue **Mem of St Dominic, Pr**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 9 Wed **Weekday of 18th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, VM*  
**G/R** Mass ad lib
- 10 Thu **ST LAWRENCE, Deacon M Feast**  
**R** Proper Mass Gl, °Pf of Martyrs
- 11 Fri **Mem of St Clare, V**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 12 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**  
**W** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow

- 13 SUN **NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 14 Mon **Mem of St Maximilian Kolbe, PrM**  
**R** Morning Mass (if said) of mem
- PM **THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**  
**Queen of Heaven and Earth, Special Patroness of All**  
**Monasteries of the Cistercian Order**  
**Solemnity and Holy day of Obligation in the USA**  
**W** Evening Vigil Mass (if said): Gl, Cr, °Proper pf *Sol Bl #15*  
Vesp I of the Solemnity
- 15 Tue **ON THE DAY OF THE SOLEMNITY**  
**W** Proper Mass During the Day Gl, Cr, °Proper pf *Sol Bl #15*
- 16 Wed **Weekday of 19th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Stephen of Hungary*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 17 Thu **Weekday of 19th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 18 Fri **Weekday of 19th Week**  
*Opt mem of the Blessed Martyrs of Rochefort (among them, three Cist Monks); or of St John Eudes, Pr*  
**G/R/W** Mass ad lib
- 19 Sat **Mem of Bl. Gueric, Cist Abbot**  
**W** Mass of mem  
*If St Bernard is celebrated as a Solemnity:*  
Vesp I of the Solemnity; *otherwise*, Vesp I of the Sunday
- 20 SUN **ST BERNARD, Cist Abbot and Doct Solemnity**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl, Options for 1st reading and Gospel, Cr  
°Pf of Pastors, or of Religious, or of Saints I or II  
Mass readings: 1) Wisdom 7:7-10,15-16 at no.641 (=September 17), *or*  
Sirach 39:8-14 (=vv.6-11) at no.672 (=November 10); 2) Philippians 3:17-  
4:1 at no.660 (=October 17); Gospel of Matthew 5:13-19 at  
no.574 (=June 1), *or* John 17:20-26 at no.625 (=August 20)  
Vesp II of the Solemnity

- Or, where St Bernard is not celebrated as a Solemnity:*  
**TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 21 Mon **Mem of St Pius the Tenth, Pope**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 22 Tue **Weekday of 20th Week**  
*Opt mem of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib (*if of mem, BVM Mass #29 may be used*)
- 23 Wed **Weekday of 20th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Rose of Lima, V*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 24 Thu **ST BARTHOLOMEW, Apostle Feast**  
**R** Proper Mass Gl °Pf of Apostles I or II *Sol Blessing #17*
- 25 Fri **Weekday of 20th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Louis of France; or of St Joseph Calasanz, Pr*  
**G/W/W** Mass ad lib
- 26 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**  
**W** Mass of mem  
*or* *If August 22 was celebrated as an opt mem of Our Lady,*  
**G/W** *today is a weekday, and the Mass is ad lib.*  
Vesp I of tomorrow
- 27 SUN **TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 28 Mon **Mem of St Augustine, Bp Doct**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 29 Tue **Mem of the Passion of St John the Baptist**  
**R** Mass of mem Gospel proper in strict sense °Proper pf  
1st reading may be of the weekday, or of August 29.
- 30 Wed **Weekday of 21st Week**  
*Opt mem of Saints Warren and Amadeus, Cist Bps; or of St*  
*Amadeus, Cist Bp*  
**G/W/W** Mass ad lib

31 Thu **Weekday of 21st Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

### S E P T E M B E R 2 0 2 3

*W/P/B* Between September 1 and 28, Monthly Mass for the Dead on the unimpeded day designated by the Superior.

1 Fri **Weekday of 21st Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib  
 Today is the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation.

2 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**  
**W** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow

3 SUN **TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf

4 Mon **Weekday of 22nd Week [USA: Labor Day]**  
**Conventual Mass:** of Labor Day  
**W** Mass of St Joseph the Worker as on May 1 (Gl ad lib)  
 Gospel proper in strict sense °Proper pf  
 First reading may be of the weekday, or one of two options at May 1.

*or*

**G** Mass “For the Sanctification of Human Labor”, #26 A or B  
 Readings may be of the weekday, or from nos.907-911  
 °Pf V of the Sundays in Ordinary Time  
*The EP may be for Various Needs IV, with its own Pf*

5 Tue **Weekday of 22nd Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

6 Wed **Weekday of 22nd Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

7 Thu **Weekday of 22nd Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

8 Fri **THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Feast**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Options for first reading, °Pf of BVM I (“and on the Nativity”) or II *Solemn Blessing #15*

9 Sat **USA: Mem of St Peter Claver, Pr**  
**W** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow

10 SUN **TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf

11 Mon **Weekday of 23rd Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib  
**P** Mass for 9/11 (if said): For the Nation or State, #21; *or* For Those in Public Office, #22; *or* For the Progress of Peoples, #29; *or* In Time of War or Civil Disturbance, #31, *with EP for Reconciliation I or II*  
 Readings may be of the weekday, or nos.897-901 in vol. IV  
*The EP may be for Various Needs III, with its own Pf*

12 Tue **Weekday of 23rd Week**  
*Opt mem of the Most Holy Name of Mary; or of St Peter II of Tarentaise, Cist Bp*  
**G/W/W** Mass ad lib (*if of Our Lady, BVM Mass #21 may be used*)

13 Wed **Mem of St John Chrysostom, Bp Doct**  
**W** Mass of mem

14 Thu **THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS Feast**  
**R** Proper Mass Gl Only one reading before the Gospel  
 °Proper pf, or °Pf of Passion I *Solemn Blessing #5*

15 Fri **Mem of Our Lady of Sorrows**  
**W** Mass of mem Gospel proper in strict sense (two options)  
*Or BVM Mass #11 or #12 Gospel proper in strict sense*  
 1st reading may be of weekday, or Sept 15, *or from BVM Mass #11 or 12*

16 Sat **Mem of Saints Cornelius, Pope M, and Cyprian, BpM**  
**R** Mass of mem  
 Vesp I of tomorrow

17 SUN **TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf

18 Mon **Weekday of 24th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

- 19 Tue **Weekday of 24th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Januarius, BpM*  
**G/R** Mass ad lib
- 20 Wed **Mem of Saints Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Pr, and Paul Chöng Ha-sang, and Companions, Mm**  
**R** Mass of mem  
Wed, Fri and Sat this week are trad autumn Ember Days (*GIRM,394*).
- 21 Thu **ST MATTHEW, Apostle and Evangelist Feast**  
**R** Proper Mass Gl °Pf of Apostles I or II *Solemn Blessing #17*
- 22 Fri **Weekday of 24th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 23 Sat **Mem of St Pius of Pietrelcina [Padre Pio], Pr**  
**W** Mass of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow
- 24 SUN **TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 25 Mon **Weekday of 25th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 26 Tue **Weekday of 25th Week**  
*Opt mem of Saints Cosmas and Damian, Mm*  
**G/R** Mass ad lib
- 27 Wed **Mem of St Vincent de Paul, Pr**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 28 Thu **Weekday of 25th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Wenceslaus, M; or of St Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Mm*  
**G/R/R** Mass ad lib
- 29 Fri **ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS Feast**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Options for 1st reading °Proper pf
- 30 Sat **Mem of St Jerome, Pr Doct**  
**W** Mass of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow

**OCTOBER 2023**

- W/P/B** *Between October 2 and 31, Monthly Mass for the Dead on the unimpeded day designated by the Superior.*
- 1 SUN **TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 2 Mon **Weekday of 26th Week**  
*OCSO: Opt mem of the Holy Guardian Angels*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib (*if of mem, Gospel proper, with °Proper pf*)  
If of mem, 1st reading may be of the weekday, or of October 2.
- 3 Tue **Weekday of 26th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 4 Wed **Mem of St Francis of Assisi, Rel**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 5 Thu **Weekday of 26th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Faustina Kowalska, V; or [USA] of Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Pr*  
**G/W/W** Mass ad lib
- 6 Fri **Mem of St Bruno, Pr**  
**W** Mass of mem
- 7 Sat **Mem of Our Lady of the Rosary**  
**W** Mass of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow
- 8 SUN **TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 9 Mon **Weekday of 27th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Denis, BpM, and Companions, Mm; or of St John Leonardi, Pr*  
**G/R/W** Mass ad lib
- 10 Tue **Weekday of 27th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib

- 11 Wed **Weekday of 27th Week**  
*Opt mem of St John XXIII, Pope*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 12 Thu **Weekday of 27th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 13 Fri **Weekday of 27th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 14 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**  
**W** Mass of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow
- 15 SUN **TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 16 Mon **Weekday of 28th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Hedwig, Cist Rel; or of St Margaret Mary Alacoque, V*  
**G/W/W** Mass ad lib
- 17 Tue **Mem of St Ignatius of Antioch, BpM**  
**R** Mass of mem
- 18 Wed **ST LUKE, Evangelist Feast**  
**R** Proper Mass Gl °Pf of Apostles II
- 19 Thu **USA: Mem of Saints John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, PrMm, and Companions, Mm**  
**R** Mass of mem
- 20 Fri **Weekday of 28th Week**  
*USA: Opt mem of St Paul of the Cross, Pr*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 21 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**  
**W** Mass of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow
- 22 SUN **TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf  
In the USA, today is World Mission Sunday.

- 23 Mon **Weekday of 29th Week**  
*Opt mem of St John of Capistrano, Pr*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 24 Tue **Weekday of 29th Week**  
*Opt mem of St Anthony Mary Claret, Bp*  
**G/W** Mass ad lib
- 25 Wed **Weekday of 29th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 26 Thu **Weekday of 29th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 27 Fri **Weekday of 29th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 28 Sat **SAINTS SIMON AND JUDE, Apostles Feast**  
**R** Proper Mass Gl, °Pf of Apostles I or II *Solemn Blessing #17*  
Vesp I of tomorrow
- 29 SUN **THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**G** Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf
- 30 Mon **Weekday of 30th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib
- 31 Tue **Weekday of 30th Week**  
**G** Mass ad lib  
Vesp I of tomorrow

**NOVEMBER 2023**

**W/P/B** *Between November 3 and 29, Monthly Mass for the Dead on the unimpeded day designated by the Superior. This Mass is over and above the November 2 Mass for All Souls.*

- 1 Wed **ALL SAINTS Solemnity and Holy day of Obligation**  
**W** Proper Mass Gl Cr °Proper pf *Solemn Blessing #18*

2 Thu **THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY)**

*P/W/B* Proper Mass of All Souls as in Missal for this day  
Readings from no.668 or from the Masses for the Dead at nos.1011-1016 in volume IV, °Pf for the Dead I-V

If the Mass includes a procession to the cemetery, and takes place in midmorning, *Terce* is omitted by those present for the celebration.

On this day, any Priest may celebrate or concelebrate three Masses, provided that the celebrations take place at different times, and with due regard for the established norms: one Mass is for a particular intention, another Mass for all the faithful departed, and a third Mass for the intention of the pope. A Mass offering may be received only for the first intention mentioned above (*GIRM*, 204d).

3 Fri **Weekday of 30th Week**

*Opt mem of St Martin de Porres, Rel*

*G/W* Mass ad lib

4 Sat **Mem of St Charles Borromeo, Bp**

*W* Mass of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow

5 SUN **THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*G* Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf

6 Mon **Weekday of 31st Week**

*G* Mass ad lib

7 Tue **Weekday of 31st Week**

*G* Mass ad lib

8 Wed **Weekday of 31st Week**

*G* Mass ad lib

9 Thu **THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA Feast**

*W* Proper Mass Gl Only one reading before the Gospel  
°Proper pf *Solemn Blessing #19*

10 Fri **Mem of St Leo the Great, Pope Doct**

*W* Mass of mem

11 Sat **Mem of St Martin of Tours, Bp**

*W* Mass of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow

12 SUN **THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*G* Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf

13 Mon **ALL SAINTS OF THE BENEDICTINE FAMILY Feast**

*W* Proper Mass Gl °Pf of Saints I or II, or of All Saints  
*Solemn Blessing #18*

Mass readings: 1) Isaiah 61:9-11 at no.573 (=before June 1);

Gospel of John 15:1-8 at no.677 (=November 16)

14 Tue **Weekday of 32nd Week**

*G* Mass ad lib

15 Wed **Weekday of 32nd Week**

*Opt mem of St Albert the Great, Bp Doct*

*G/W* Mass ad lib

16 Thu **Mem of St Gertrude the Great, Cist V**

*W* Mass of mem

17 Fri **Weekday of 32nd Week**

*Opt mem of St Margaret of Scotland; or of St Elizabeth of Hungary, Rel*

*G/W/W* Mass ad lib

18 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**

*W* Mass of mem  
Vesp I of tomorrow

19 SUN **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*G* Proper Mass Gl Cr Sun pf

20 Mon **Weekday of 33rd Week**

*G* Mass ad lib

21 Tue **Mem of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

*W* Mass of mem

*Pro Orantibus* Day, for men and women of the contemplative Orders



22 Wed **Mem of St Cecilia, VM**

**R** Mass of mem

23 Thu **Weekday of 33rd Week [USA: Thanksgiving Day]**

*Opt mem of St Clement I, Pope M; or of St Columban, Abbot; or [USA] of Bl. Miguel Agustín Pro, PrM*

**W** **Conventual Mass:** of Thanksgiving Day (after Nov 30 in Missal) (Gl ad lib) Readings may be of the weekday, or

**G or** nos.943-947 in vol. IV °Proper pf for Thanksgiving Day

**R/W/R** **Non-conventual Masses:** ad lib

24 Fri **Mem of St Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Pr, and Companions, Mm**

**R** Mass of mem

25 Sat **Weekday of 33rd Week**

*St Catherine of Alexandria, VM; or Sat mem of Our Lady*

**G/R/W** Mass ad lib

Vesp I of tomorrow's Solemnity

26 SUN **OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE Solemnity Last Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**W** Proper Mass Gl Cr °Proper pf

27 Mon **Weekday of 34th or Last Week in Ordinary Time**

**G** Mass ad lib

28 Tue **Weekday of 34th or Last Week**

**G** Mass ad lib

29 Wed **Weekday of 34th or Last Week**

**G** Mass ad lib

30 Thu **ST ANDREW, Apostle Feast**

**R** Proper Mass Gl °Pf of Apostles I or II *Solemn Blessing #17*

## DECEMBER 2023

*If the Superior so designates, the Monthly Mass for the Dead is celebrated on the only available day in December, that is, December 1.*

1 Fri **Weekday of 34th or Last Week**

**W/P/B** Monthly Mass for the Dead

2 Sat **Mem of Our Lady**

**W** Mass of mem

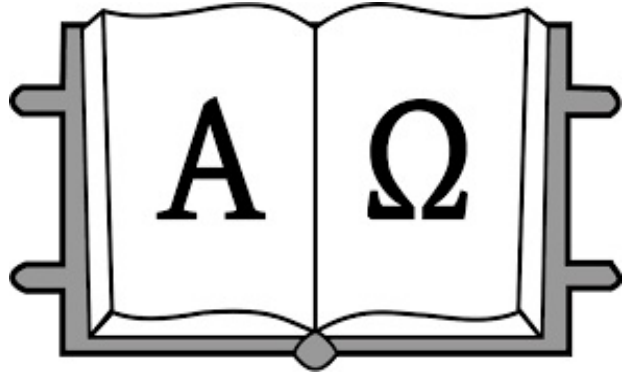
Vesp I of tomorrow: First Sunday of Advent



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**EASTER SUNDAY March 31**

First Sunday of Advent (2023) . . . . .	December 3
Holy Family . . . . .	December 31
Epiphany of the Lord . . . . .	January 7
Baptism of the Lord . . . . .	January 8
Ash Wednesday . . . . .	February 14
Ascension Thursday/Sunday . . . . .	May 9/12
Pentecost Sunday . . . . .	May 19
Most Holy Trinity . . . . .	May 26
Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ .	June 2
Most Sacred Heart of Jesus . . . . .	June 7
Our Lord Jesus Christ the King . . . . .	November 24
First Sunday of Advent (2024) . . . . .	December 1

The General Roman Calendar for 2025 (January - December), is available at <http://www.gcatholic.org/calendar/2025/US-H-en.htm>