**MEMORANDUM**

To:    All priests, deacons, liturgy coordinators, musicians, and parishes

From:          Father Nicholas Smith

Date:           25 July 2022

Re:              2022-2023 Liturgical Calendar

Following is the Liturgical Calendar for the 2022-2023 year, specified for the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

**Pastoral Notes:**

1. Since a Sunday does not occur between December 25, 2022, and January 1, 2023, the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph is celebrated on Friday, December 30, with only one reading before the Gospel.
2. The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is celebrated on Monday, January 9. When this Feast occurs on the Monday of the First Week of Ordinary Time, the readings assigned to Monday may be joined to those of Tuesday so that the opening of each book will be read.
3. Since March 19 is the Fourth Sunday of Lent this year, the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, is transferred to Monday, March 20.
4. The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night (April 8) begins thirty minutes after sundown

(sundown on April 8 is 7:31 PM). **The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night is not to begin before 7:30 PM.**

1. For the Sacrament of Matrimony celebrated within Mass on Saturday, April 15 (Saturday within the Octave of Easter), the Mass for Saturday in the Octave of Easter and the assigned readings for the day MUST be used. Ritual Masses are not allowed on this day.
2. In the Archdiocese of St. Louis, The Ascension of the Lord is transferred to the Seventh Sunday of Easter (May 21).
3. The Feast of Saint Louis is on Friday, August 25, this year. The Archbishop gives permission to ALL parishes to celebrate the Solemnity of Saint Louis on the Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (August 27). Readings will be those for the proper Sunday.
4. The Archbishop gives permission to ALL parishes to celebrate Saint Vincent de Paul (September 27), secondary patron of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, on the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (September 24). Readings will be those for the proper Sunday.
5. The Archbishop gives permission to ALL parishes to celebrate Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne (November 18), secondary patron of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, on the Third-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (November 19). Readings will be those for the proper Sunday.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us here in the Office of Sacred Worship at [amybuehrle@archstl.org](mailto:amybuehrle@archstl.org). Wishing each of you abundant graces.