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MEMORANDUM

To: All priests, deacons, liturgy coordinators, musicians, and parishes
From: Father Nicholas Smith
Date: 18 August 2021
Re: 2021-2022 Liturgical Calendar

Following is the Liturgical Calendar for the 2021-2022 year, specified for the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

Pastoral Notes:

1. Sunday, December 12, 2021, is the Third Sunday of Advent, and the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe is omitted this year. Our Lady of Guadalupe may be appropriately honored in the Homily, Universal Prayer, and hymns during the Sunday liturgy. If pastoral advantage calls for it (cf. GIRM, no. 376), a Votive Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe may be celebrated on a weekday before or after December 12, with the proper readings and prayers.
2. The evening Mass (after 4:00 PM) on December 25 is the Mass of Christmas Day and NOT an anticipated Mass for The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph.
3. This year, Saturday, January 1, Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, is NOT a holyday of obligation. Since Catholics have a tradition of attending Mass on this day, parishes should consider adding an additional Mass to the usual Saturday Mass schedule. The evening Mass on January 1 will be the anticipated Mass for The Epiphany of the Lord and NOT the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God.
4. For the Sacrament of Matrimony celebrated within Mass on Saturday, April 23 (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.
5. The Feast of Saint Louis is on Thursday, 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 21). Readings will be those for the proper Sunday.
6. 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-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (September 25). Readings will be those for the proper Sunday.
7. 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 13). 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.

Wishing each of you abundant graces.



Liturgical Calendar for 2022, Cycles Year C – Weekdays II

2021

November 28:	First Sunday of Advent, Begin Sunday Cycle C and Weekday Year II
December 5:	Second Sunday of Advent
December 8:	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Patronal Feastday of the United States of America) Holyday of Obligation
December 12:	Third Sunday of Advent
December 19:	Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 25:	The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) Holyday of Obligation Pastoral Note: The evening Mass on December 25 is the Mass of Christmas and NOT an anticipated Mass for The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.
December 26:	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

2022

January 1:	The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God (NOT a Holyday of Obligation this year) Pastoral Note: Since the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God is NOT a Holyday of Obligation this year, the evening Mass on January 1 will be the anticipated Mass for The Epiphany of the Lord and NOT the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God.
January 2:	The Epiphany of the Lord
January 9:	The Baptism of the Lord
January 10:	First Week in Ordinary Time
January 16:	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 22:	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children (See GIRM, no. 373). 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 of life. The Mass “Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life” (#48/1A or B) from Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions

may be celebrated with white vestments or the Mass “For the Preservation Of Peace and Justice” (#30) with violet vestments. Mass readings: 2 Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27/Mk 3:20-21 (no. 316) or for the Day of Prayer, any readings from the *Lectionary for Mass Supplement*, the Mass “For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life,” nos. 947A-947E, or the *Lectionary for Mass* (vol. IV), the Mass “For Peace and Justice,” nos. 887-891.

January 23:	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 30:	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 2:	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
February 6:	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 13:	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 20:	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 27:	Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
March 2:	Ash Wednesday Catholics (14+) are to abstain from meat, and Catholics (18-59) are to fast.
March 6:	First Sunday of Lent
March 5 & 6:	Rite of Election (Enrollment of Names) celebrated at the Cathedral Basilica
March 13:	Second Sunday of Lent
March 19:	Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)
March 20:	Third Sunday of Lent First Scrutiny of the Elect (see RCIA 150-156)
March 25:	The Annunciation of the Lord (Solemnity)
March 27:	Fourth Sunday of Lent Second Scrutiny of the Elect (See RCIA 164-170)
April 3:	Fifth Sunday of Lent Third Scrutiny of the Elect (See RCIA 171-177)
April 10:	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
April 14:	The Chrism Mass, Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis, 10:00 AM Holy Oils available in Boland Hall following The Chrism Mass
April 14:	Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper
April 15:	Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Deacons may not conduct this liturgy as if it were a Communion Service, refer to Roman Missal, Third Edition)
April 16:	The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night begins thirty minutes after sundown (sundown: 7:39 PM). The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night is not to begin before 8:00 PM.
April 17:	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
April 24:	Second Sunday of Easter (or Sunday of Divine Mercy)
May 1:	Third Sunday of Easter
May 8:	Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 15:	Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 22:	Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 29:	The Ascension of the Lord
June 5:	Pentecost Sunday, Adult Confirmation at the Cathedral Basilica

June 6: The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church (Tenth Week in Ordinary Time)

June 10: Anniversary of the Appointment of Archbishop Mitchell Thomas Rozanski (2020)

June 12: The Most Holy Trinity

June 19: The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

June 23: The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist **(Solemnity)**

June 24: The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus **(Solemnity)**

June 26: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 29: Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles **(Solemnity)**

July 3: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 10: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 17: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 24: Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 31: Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 6: The Transfiguration of the Lord **(Feast)**

August 7: Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 14: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 15: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Solemnity)
(NOT a Holyday of Obligation this year)

August 21: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 25: Saint Louis of France, patron saint of the Archdiocese of St. Louis
Pastoral Note: The Archbishop has given permission to ALL parishes to celebrate Saint Louis on the Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time. Readings will be those for the proper Sunday.
Anniversary of the Installation of Archbishop Mitchell Thomas Rozanski (2020)

August 28: Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 4: Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 11: Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 18: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 25: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 27: Saint Vincent de Paul, priest, archdiocesan secondary patron
Pastoral Note: The Archbishop has given permission to ALL parishes to celebrate Saint Vincent de Paul on the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Readings will be those for the proper Sunday.

October 2: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 9: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 12: Anniversary of the Dedication of the Metropolitan Cathedral, Archdiocese of St. Louis **(Solemnity in Cathedral only; elsewhere Feast)**

October 16: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 23: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 25: Anniversary of Dedicated Churches **(Celebrated as a Solemnity in these churches only)**

October 30: Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 1: All Saints (Holyday of Obligation)

November 2: **The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)**
 November 6: Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 November 13: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 November 18: Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, virgin, archdiocesan secondary patron.

Pastoral Note: The Archbishop has given permission to ALL parishes To celebrate Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne on the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. Readings will be those for the proper Sunday.

November 20: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
 November 24: Thanksgiving Day

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November 27: First Sunday of Advent
 December 4: Second Sunday of Advent
December 8: **The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Patronal Feastday of the United States of America) (Holyday of Obligation)**
 December 11: Third Sunday of Advent
 December 12: Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
 December 18: Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 25: **The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas) (Holyday of Obligation)**
 December 30: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

A parish's celebration of its patron saint is celebrated with the rank of solemnity (see *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and Calendar*, Table I. 4. c.).

The anniversary of a church dedication is celebrated with the rank of a solemnity (see *Rite for the Dedication of a Church*, #27; *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and Calendar*, Table I. 4. b.)