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**for the celebration of Holy Mass
and
the Liturgy of the Hours**

**according to the General Roman Calendar,
the Calendar for England and Wales
and the Calendar of the Diocese of Leeds.**

**Liturgical Year
2019 – 2020**

**Sunday Year A
Weekday Year II**

THE SANCTIFICATION OF TIME

Throughout the whole year and throughout each day of the year by means of the Church's calendar for the year, and the celebration of the Eucharist as well as the Liturgy of the Hours (or the *Divine Office*) for each day of the year, we unite ourselves with Christ more and more closely. The celebrations throughout the year and the pattern of worship and prayer each day of the year place the person of Jesus Christ at the centre of the lives of all Christian people. We are thus enabled, in the words of St Richard's prayer, to know him more clearly, to love him more dearly, and to follow him more nearly day by day. By taking part as fully as we are able in the celebrations of the year and the worship and prayer appointed for each day of the year, in the words of St Patrick's breastplate, Christ is beside us, before us, behind us, within us, below us, above us, on our right hand, on our left hand, around us, in our sleeping, in our sitting, in our rising, the light of our lives.

HOW THE YEAR IS MADE HOLY

SUNDAY: The Church celebrates the memory of Christ, our founder, on the first day of the week, every week: the Lord's Day. Because the Lord rose again to new life on the first day of the week, Sunday is the original feast day. In a certain sense every Sunday is a celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord – the high point of our prayer and worship within each period of seven days.

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM: As Sunday is the leading day of the week in our celebration of Christ, the Easter Triduum (Holy Thursday evening up to Evening Prayer on Easter Day) celebrates the mystery of Christ's passing-over through death to the new life of the resurrection, and is the heart of our celebration of Christ within the context of a single calendar year.

LENT AND EASTER TIME: The forty days of preparation in prayer, fasting and alms-giving, for the Easter Triduum, and the fifty days of celebration of the Lord's resurrection after the Triduum, are the most important days of the year in which we unite ourselves with Christ in his passage out of this world to the Father. But his return to the Father enabled Christ to send the Holy Spirit upon all who follow him so that, enlivened by that Spirit, we may continue the work of Christ in the world until he comes again in glory. Pentecost, the last of those fifty days, is a celebration of the coming of that Holy Spirit upon the infant Church, and the birth of Christ's mission to the Church to go out and teach all nations.

ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS TIME: Four Sundays before Christmas Day the season of Advent begins. In these days we prepare ourselves to celebrate the Coming of Christ – not only his first coming, his nativity, but looking forward, too, to his Second Coming at the end of time. The celebration of Christ's birth extends through the start of the new calendar year to the Epiphany of the Lord and to the feast of the Lord's Baptism. But echoes of Christmas time are celebrated throughout the year: feasts that look forward to it are the Annunciation of the Lord (25th March) and the Nativity of St John the Baptist (24th June), and the feast that looks back to it is the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple (2nd February).

ORDINARY TIME: There are two blocks of "Ordinary Time". The first is between Christmas time and Lent; the second is between Pentecost and Advent. The Sundays of Ordinary Time do not celebrate a specific aspect of the mystery of Christ. Instead they are devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects. In these weeks the mystery of Christ is revealed in all its fullness – according to Matthew, to Mark or to Luke – one of them in each year of the three-year Cycle of gospel passages for the Sundays of Ordinary Time. The public ministry of Christ, his teaching and

his miracles, are presented to us according to the plan of each of the three synoptic evangelists (Matthew, Mark and Luke).

THE SANCTORAL CYCLE: In addition to the Proper of Time and Ordinary Time, throughout the calendar year we keep particular days when Our Lady and the Saints are remembered and celebrated. Mary, the mother of Jesus, the apostles who worked so closely with him, martyrs who proved their faith in him by dying heroically, confessors who proved their faith in him by living lives of heroic sanctity, are all remembered in the annual pattern of celebrations. But it is their following of Christ and imitation of him that is the unifying factor of these celebrations.

THE “RANKS” OF LITURGICAL DAYS: The many different celebrations throughout the year are not all of equal importance. So the celebrations are marked by their own hierarchy of significance:

SUNDAYS: These are the most important days. During the proper of time Sundays are never displaced. However, during Ordinary Time they can be displaced, but only by Solemnities or by Feasts of the Lord.

SOLEMNITIES: The Table of Liturgical Days (cf. *The Roman Missal* pp. 141-142) lists these according to their order of precedence. Outside the Seasons of Advent, Lent and Eastertime, when they never displace Sundays, Solemnities are the highest ranking celebrations. When they occur during any of those three Seasons, they are transferred to the nearest free day. Thus, for example, St Joseph's day (19th March) and the Annunciation of the Lord (25th March) occur during Lent are transferred when they fall on a Sunday; similarly the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary (8th December) if it occurs on a Sunday in Advent. However during Ordinary Time Solemnities take priority over a Sunday. Some of these are in the General Calendar of the Church, for example: the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (15th August), the Nativity of St John the Baptist (24th June), Saints Peter and Paul (29th June), and All Saints (1st November). Other Solemnities are observed in particular calendars: the celebration of the principal patron of a place, city or state; the dedication of a church or the anniversary of its dedication; also included is the celebration of the Title of an Individual church, which may be of Our Blessed Lady or of a Saint or Saints. If any of these occur on a Sunday of Ordinary Time, they take priority over the Sunday. All these are examples of celebrations of the highest rank. (Abbreviation: **SOL**)

FEASTS: The second rank of celebrations is a Feast; they can be a feast of the Lord himself, of Our Lady, or of the apostles and some of the most important saints. But only feasts of the Lord take priority over a Sunday and only within Ordinary Time – not during the seasons. (Abbreviation: **FEAST**)

MEMORIALS: The third rank of celebrations is a Memorial. The less important celebrations of Our Lord and Our Lady and the celebrations of many of the saints fall into this category. They include martyrs, confessors, missionaries, religious, and people of exemplary holiness of life. The more important of them – those that have significance throughout the whole world – are *obligatory*; those that have particular significance in some parts of the world are *optional*. (Abbreviation: **MEM** or **OM**)

LITURGICAL COLOURS: The colours of vestments worn on the different days distinguish the different celebrations:

WHITE is used during Easter and Christmas time; also on celebrations of the Lord (other than of his Passion), of the Blessed Virgin Mary, of the Holy Angels, and of Saints who were not Martyrs;

on the solemnities of Most Holy Trinity, All Saints (1st November) and of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist (24th June); and on the feasts of Saint John the Evangelist (27th December), of the Chair of Saint Peter (22nd February), and of the Conversion of Saint Paul (25th January). It may in England and Wales be used for Funerals.

RED denotes the Passion of the Lord (Palm Sunday and Good Friday), the Holy Spirit (Pentecost) and the celebrations of martyrs.

PURPLE or **VIOLET** vestments are worn during Advent and Lent and for Funerals. In some places PURPLE, seen more as symbolic of hope and joy, is worn in Advent and for funerals whilst VIOLET is kept for the penitential time of Lent.

BLACK may be worn on All Souls and the celebration of Funerals.

ROSE may be used on Gaudete Sunday (Third Sunday of Advent) and on Laetare Sunday (Fourth Sunday of Lent).

On more solemn days, festive, that is, more precious, sacred vestments may be used, even if not of the colour of the day.

HOW THE DAY IS MADE HOLY

Each day of the year is made holy by the celebration of Mass. The Eucharistic Sacrifice may be celebrated at any reasonable hour of the day – or even during the night on exceptional occasions: the Midnight Mass of the Nativity of the Lord and the Vigil of Easter, which is always celebrated during the hours of darkness.

The Liturgy of the Hours (or *The Divine Office*), however, makes holy the different times of the day. Morning Prayer (or *Lauds* – its ancient title) and Evening Prayer (or *Vespers* also its ancient title) are the “hinges of the day” – the principal times of praise (in the morning) and thanksgiving as well as petition (in the evening). Prayer during the Day is celebrated at a convenient time at the centre of each day, and Night Prayer (or *Compline*) draws each day to a close. The Office of Readings is a more extended time of psalmody and spiritual reading; it may be celebrated at any convenient time in the day.

ADVENT WEEK 1

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2019

THE SCRIPTURES

ADVENT

In the first part of Advent there are readings from Isaiah, distributed in accord with the sequence of the book itself and including salient texts that are also read on the Sunday (GIL 94).

The Gospels are then chosen to show Our Lord was the fulfilment of Isaiah's prophecies: each day the Gospel narrative illustrates the fulfilment of the first reading in Christ.

THE SAINTS

Saint Francis Xavier was a friend of Saint Ignatius Loyola and one of the first members of the Society of Jesus; he preached in India and Japan; died in China in 1552.

Saint John Damascene was from Damascus; a monk, philosopher and theologian, he sprang to the defence of Sacred Art in the Iconoclast crisis of the 8th century.

Saint Nicholas was bishop of Myra, in what is now Turkey; he died in the 4th century in Eastern Europe. He was known for his charity and care as a bishop.

Saint Ambrose was born about 340 in Trier. Studied law in Rome and entered public service in Milan, where he was chosen to be bishop and ordained on 7th December 374. He defended the faith against Arianism. He died 4th April 397 (Holy Saturday).

Sunday 1st December + FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>Collection for the Peru Mission Fund</i>		PURPLE
Mass: of the Sunday, no Gloria , Creed, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 2:1-5; Ps 121; Rom 13:11-14a; Mt 24:37-44 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Seasons		
Monday 2nd Advent Weekday		PURPLE
Mass: of the weekday, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 4:2-6 or 2:1-5; Ps 121; Mt 8:5-11 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Seasons		
Tuesday 3rd St Francis Xavier, Priest MEM <i>Day of Prayer for Migrants</i>		WHITE
Mass: of the memorial, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 11:1-10; Ps 71; Lk 10:21-24 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints		
Wednesday 4th Advent Weekday or St John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church OM		PURPLE WHITE
Mass: of the weekday or of the memorial, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 22; Mt 15:29-37 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)		
Thursday 5th Advent Weekday		PURPLE
Mass: of the weekday, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 26:1-6; Ps 117; Mt 7:21, 24-27 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Seasons		
Friday 6th Advent Weekday or St Nicholas, Bishop OM		PURPLE WHITE
Mass: of the weekday or of the memorial, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 29:17-24; Ps 26; Mt 9:27-31 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Seasons (or + Proper of Saints)		
Saturday 7th St Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church MEM		WHITE
Morning Mass: of the memorial, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 30: 19-21, 23-26; Ps 146; Mt 9:35-10:1, 6-8 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints		
EP I: SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Evening Mass of the Sunday		PURPLE

ADVENT WEEK 2

DECEMBER 2019

THE SCRIPTURES

In the first part of Advent there are readings from Isaiah, distributed in accord with the sequence of the book itself and including salient texts that are also read on the Sunday (GIL 94).

The Gospels are then chosen to show Our Lord was the fulfilment of Isaiah's prophecies: each day the Gospel narrative illustrates the fulfilment of the first reading in Christ.

THE SAINTS

Pope Saint Damasus I was born in Spain; he became Pope in 366 and encouraged devotion to the Roman martyrs, writing splendid verses to adorn their resting places. He died in 384.

Our Lady of Guadalupe The Blessed Virgin appeared to John Diego on the mountain of Tepeyac in what is now Mexico in 1531, miraculously leaving her image on his cloak, which is still venerated today. Through Saint John Diego, the Blessed Virgin calls all peoples to the love of Christ.

Saint Lucy was a Sicilian martyr who died in the persecution of the Emperor Diocletian; she is an example of innocence and faithfulness, and her cult was very popular in the early Church.

Saint John of the Cross was born in Spain in 1542. He was a Carmelite friar. In about 1568 he was persuaded by Saint Teresa of Avila to reform the Order. He died in 1591. He was outstanding in holiness and knowledge, as his many writings testify.

Sunday 8 th + SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT <i>Bible Sunday</i>	PURPLE
Mass: of the Sunday, no Gloria , Creed, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 11:1-10; Ps 71; Rom 15:4-9; Mt 3:1-12 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Seasons. Evening Prayer II of Sunday	
Monday 9 th IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	SOL WHITE
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Gen 3:9-15, 20; Ps 97; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Tuesday 10 th Advent Weekday	PURPLE
Mass: of the weekday, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 40:1-11; Ps 195; Mt 18:12-14 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Seasons	
Wednesday 11 th Advent Weekday or St Damasus I, Pope OM	PURPLE WHITE
Mass: of the weekday or of the memorial, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 40:25-31; Ps 102; Mt 11:28-30 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints (or + Proper of Saints)	
Thursday 12 th Advent Weekday or Our Lady of Guadalupe OM	PURPLE WHITE
Mass: of the weekday or of the memorial, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 41:13-20; Ps 144; Mt 11:11-15. In Mass of Our Lady of Guadalupe may use Is 7:10-14; 8:10c; Ps 66; Lk 1:39-48. Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Seasons (or + Common of the BVM)	
Friday 13 th St Lucy, Virgin and Martyr MEM	RED
Mass: of the memorial, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1; Mt 11:16-19 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints	
Saturday 14 th St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church MEM	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the memorial, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Eccle 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 79; Mt 17:10-13 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints	
EP I: THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Evening Mass of the Sunday	ROSE/PURPLE

THE SCRIPTURES

Advent II (from 17th – 24th December): In the last week before Christmas the events that immediately prepared for the Lord's birth are presented from Matthew and Luke. The texts in the first reading, chosen in view of the gospel reading, are from different Old Testament books and include important Messianic prophecies (GIL 94). From the 17th the proper readings given for the days 17th – 24th December should be used instead of those for the weekdays of the third and fourth week of Advent.

Commemorations

The weekdays of Advent from 17th – 24th December and the Octave of Christmas take precedence over the memorial of Saints, which may therefore be celebrated as follows: a) at the Office of Readings, after the prescribed second reading and its responsory is added the reading of the saint with its responsory and then the prayer of the saint; b) at Morning and Evening Prayer, after the Concluding Prayer, the conclusion is omitted and the antiphon and prayer of the saint is added; c) at Mass that day the Opening Prayer from the Proper of Saints may be used in place of the Advent Weekday, everything else is from the Proper of Seasons.

THE SAINTS

Saint Peter Canisius was a Dutch Jesuit, active in Germany during the Counter-Reformation, when he wrote a famous catechism. He died in 1597 and is called the "second apostle of Germany."

Sunday 15 th + THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (<i>GAUDETE SUNDAY</i>) ROSE/PURPLE	
Mass: of the Sunday, no Gloria , Creed, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Is 35:1-6a; Ps 145; James 5:7-10; Mt 11:2-11 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Seasons	
Monday 16 th Advent Weekday	PURPLE
Mass: of the weekday, with Preface I of Advent Readings: Num 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 24; Mt 21:23-27 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Seasons	
Tuesday 17 th Advent Weekday	PURPLE
Mass: of the 17 th December, with Preface II of Advent Readings: Gen 49:2, 8-10; Ps 71; Mt 1:1-17 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Seasons	
Wednesday 18 th Advent Weekday	PURPLE
Mass: of the 18 th December, with Preface II of Advent Readings: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 71; Mt 1:18-24 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Seasons	
Thursday 19 th Advent Weekday	PURPLE
Mass: of the 19 th December, with Preface II of Advent Readings: Jdgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 70; Lk 1:5-25 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Seasons	
Friday 20 th Advent Weekday	PURPLE
Mass: of the 20 th December, with Preface II of Advent Readings: Is 7:10-14; Ps 23; Lk 1:26-38 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Seasons	
Saturday 21 st Advent Weekday	PURPLE
Morning Mass: of the 21 st December, with Preface II of Advent Readings: Song 2:8-14 or Zeph 3:14-18a; Ps 32; Lk 1:39-45 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Seasons <i>The Memorial of St Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church, may be commemorated today at Mass, the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer.</i>	
EP I: FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	PURPLE
Evening Mass of the Sunday	

THE SCRIPTURES**CHRISTMAS TIME**

For the vigil and the three Masses of Christmas both the prophetic readings and the others have been chosen from the Roman tradition (GIL 95).

After the annual celebration of the paschal mystery, there is no more ancient feast day for the Church than the recalling of the memory of the Nativity of the Lord and of the mysteries of his first appearing. This is the purpose of Christmas Time (GN 32).

At Masses on the Vigil and of Christmas Day, at the words of the Creed, *Et incarnatus est...* (And was made man...) all kneel briefly (GIRM 137).

All priests may celebrate or concelebrate three Masses, provided that these are celebrated at their proper times (RM, 25 Dec).

THE SAINTS

Saint John Kanty was in 1390 at Kanty, Silesia, Poland. He was a priest and Professor of theology at University of Cracow. At age 41 he was assigned as parish priest at Olkusz, Bohemia. After several years in his parish, he returned to Cracow and taught Scripture the rest of his life. He was a serious, humble man, generous to a fault with the poor, sleeping little, eating no meat and little of anything else. He died 24th December 1473.

Saint Stephen was the first martyr to shed his blood for Christ, as a witness to the newly revealed love of God: as the second reading from the Office of Readings says: "the love then, that Christ brought down from heaven to earth, lifted Stephen from earth to heaven."

Sunday 22nd + FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	PURPLE
<i>Day of Prayer for Expectant Mothers</i>	
Mass: of the Sunday, no Gloria , Creed, with Preface II of Advent	
Readings: Is 7:10-14; Ps 23; Rom 1:1-7; Mt 1:18-24	
Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Seasons	
Monday 23rd Advent Weekday	PURPLE
Mass: of the 23 rd December, with Preface II of Advent	
Readings: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 24; Lk 1:57-66	
Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Seasons	
<i>The Memorial of St John of Kanty, Priest, may be commemorated today.</i>	
Tuesday 24th Advent Weekday	PURPLE
Morning Mass: of the 24 th December, with Preface II of Advent	
Readings: 2 Sam 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 88; Lk 1:67-79	
Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Seasons	
Tuesday 24th + THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS) SOL	WHITE
Evening Mass: Proper to the Vigil Mass of the Nativity of the Lord, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord, inserts on the Nativity of the Lord in Eucharistic Prayer I	
Readings: Is 62:1-5; Ps 88; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 (or 1:18-25)	
Hours: EP I of the solemnity. Night Prayer is not recited by those who are present at Midnight Mass.	
Wednesday 25th + THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS) SOL	WHITE
Mass: Mass of the Nativity of the Lord, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord, inserts on the Nativity of the Lord in Eucharistic Prayer I	
Readings: Midnight: Is 9:1-6; Ps 95; Tit 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14	
Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 96; Tit 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20	
Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 97; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 (or 1:1-5, 9-14)	
Thursday 26th ST STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR FEAST	RED
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord, inserts on the Nativity of the Lord in Eucharistic Prayer I	
Readings: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 30; Mt 10:17-22	
Hours: of the feast. EP as on Christmas Day, except for proper texts for 26 th from the scripture reading onwards.	
Friday 27th ST JOHN, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST FEAST	WHITE
<i>(for biography see next page)</i>	
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord, inserts on the Nativity of the Lord in Eucharistic Prayer I	
Readings: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 96; Jn 20:2-8	
Hours: of the feast. EP as on Christmas Day, except for proper texts for 27 th from the scripture reading onwards.	
Saturday 28th THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS FEAST	RED
<i>(for biography see next page)</i>	
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord, inserts on the Nativity of the Lord in Eucharistic Prayer I	
Readings: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 123; Mt 2:13-18	
Hours: of the feast. EP as on Christmas Day, except for proper texts for 28 th from the scripture reading onwards.	
EP I: THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH FEAST	WHITE
Evening Mass of the feast	

THE SCRIPTURES

The gospel on the Sunday within the octave of Christmas, feast of the Holy Family, is about Jesus' childhood and the other readings are about the virtues of family life (GIL 95).

From 29 December on, there is a continuous reading of the whole of 1 John. The gospels relate manifestations of the Lord: events of Jesus' childhood from Luke (29-30 December); passages from John (31 December – 5 January); other manifestations from the four gospels (7-12 January) (GIL 95).

THE SAINTS

27th December: Saint John: John's Gospel is another form of witness to the Word made flesh; as we read his Gospel we are once more presented with the mystery of this Christmas Time.

28th December: Holy Innocents In an attempt to kill the child Jesus, Herod ordered the massacre of all male children, two years old and under, in and around Bethlehem. The Holy Innocents have been honoured as martyrs for Christ since the fourth century and their feast has been celebrated on this day since the sixth century. In remembering them, the Church laments the suffering and death of children everywhere and honours all who die in innocence.

Pope Saint Sylvester became Pope in 314, and lived through the period of settlement under the Emperor Constantine, though there was trouble with the Arian and Donatist heresies. He died in 335.

Saint Basil the Great was born in about 330. Outstanding in learning and virtue. He was appointed bishop of Caesarea in 370. He combated the Arian heresy and wrote the monastic rules followed by many monks in the Eastern Church today. He died 1st January 379.

Saint Gregory Nazianzen was born in 330 and accompanied Saint Basil. In 381 he became Bishop of Constantinople. Due to divisions in the diocese returned to his native Nazianzus where he died on 25th January 389 or 390.

CHRISTMAS WEEK 1 DECEMBER '19/JANUARY 2020

Sunday 29th + THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH FEAST WHITE	
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord, inserts on the Nativity of the Lord in Eucharistic Prayer I Readings: Eccle 3:2-6, 12-14; Ps 127; Col 3:12-21; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23 Hours: Proper of Seasons	
Monday 30th SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD WHITE	
Mass: Proper to the Day, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord, inserts on the Nativity of the Lord in Eucharistic Prayer I Readings: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 95; Lk 2:36-40 Hours: Proper of Seasons. EP as on Christmas Day, except for proper texts for 30 th from the scripture reading onwards.	
Tuesday 31st SEVENTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD WHITE	
Mass: Proper to the Day, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord, inserts on the Nativity of the Lord in Eucharistic Prayer I Readings: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 95; Jn 1:1-18 Hours: Proper of Seasons <i>The Memorial of St Silvester I, Pope, may be commemorated today at Mass, the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer.</i>	
EP I: of the SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD SOL WHITE	
Wednesday 1st January SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD SOL WHITE	
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I of Blessed Virgin Mary, inserts on the Nativity of the Lord in Eucharistic Prayer I Readings: Num 6:22-27; Ps 66; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Thursday 2nd Ss Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church MEM WHITE	
Mass: of the memorial with Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord Readings: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 97; Jn 1:19-28 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints	
Friday 3rd Weekday of Christmas Time or The Most Holy Name of Jesus OM <i>(for notes see next page)</i> Mass: of the weekday, with Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord Readings: 1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 97; Jn 1:29-34 or Phil 2:1-11; Ps 8; Lk 2:21-24 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Seasons	
Saturday 4th Weekday of Christmas Time WHITE	
Morning Mass: of the weekday, with Preface I, II or III of the Nativity of the Lord Readings: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 97; Jn 1:35-42 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Seasons EP I: of the THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD SOL Evening Mass of the VIGIL OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD WHITE	

CHRISTMAS WEEK 2

JANUARY 2020

THE SCRIPTURES

CHRISTMAS TIME

On Epiphany, the Old Testament reading and the gospel continue the Roman tradition; the text for the reading from the apostolic letters is about the calling of all peoples to salvation (GIL 95).

On weekdays of Christmas Time from 2nd January onwards on which an optional memorial is observed, it is possible to choose either the Office or Mass of the weekday, or the Office and Mass of the Saint (GIRM 355).

THE SAINTS

3rd January: Most Holy Name of Jesus: The greatest promoters of this devotion were Saint Bernardine of Siena and Saint John Capistrano, who used the monogram of the Holy Name (IHS) in their preaching. Because the manner in which Saint Bernardine preached this devotion was new, he was accused before Pope Martin V, but was successfully defended by John. This feast reminds us that the word “Jesus” means “God Saves” and our salvation comes through Christ alone.

Saint Raymond of Penyafort at the age of forty-seven entered the Dominican Order; he then became confessor to Pope Gregory IX, and collated the decrees of Popes and Councils into the ‘Book of Decretals’; he also compiled the ‘Summary of Cases’, a text book on the Sacrament of Penance for the use of priests. He died, aged around 100, in 1275.

Sunday 5 th + THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD SOL	WHITE
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface, inserts of Epiphany in Eucharistic Prayer I Readings: Is 60:1-6; Ps 71, Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12 Hours: of the solemnity <i>At today's Mass, after the Gospel, the announcement may be made of the moveable feasts of the liturgical year.</i> <i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for Poor Missions Fund</i>	
Monday 6 th Monday after the Epiphany	WHITE
Mass: of the weekday, with preface of the Nativity of the Lord or of Epiphany Readings: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Seasons	
Tuesday 7 th Tuesday after the Epiphany or St Raymond of Penyafort, Priest OM	WHITE WHITE
Mass: of the weekday or of the memorial, with preface of the Nativity of the Lord or of Epiphany Readings: 1 Jn 3:22-4:6; Ps 2; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Seasons (or + Proper of Saints)	
Wednesday 8 th Wednesday after the Epiphany	WHITE
Mass: of the weekday, with preface of the Nativity of the Lord or of Epiphany Readings: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Ps 71; Mk 6:34-44 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Seasons	
Thursday 9 th Thursday after the Epiphany	WHITE
Mass: of the weekday, with preface of the Nativity of the Lord or of Epiphany Readings: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Ps 71; Mk 6:45-52 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Seasons	
Friday 10 th Friday after the Epiphany	WHITE
Mass: of the weekday, with preface of the Nativity of the Lord or of Epiphany Readings: 1 Jn 4:19-5:5; Ps 71; Lk 4:14-22 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Seasons	
Saturday 11 th Saturday after the Epiphany	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the weekday, with preface of the Nativity of the Lord or of Epiphany Readings: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147; Lk 5:12-16 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Seasons EP I: + THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD FEAST Evening Mass of THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	WHITE

1ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**JANUARY 2020****THE SCRIPTURES****ORDINARY TIME**

The weeks of Ordinary Time celebrate no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ. Instead, especially on the last Sundays, celebration is made of the mystery of Christ in all its fullness (GN 43).

THE SAINTS

Saint Hilary was born in Poitiers at the beginning of the 4th century and was elected bishop in 350. He combated the Arian heresy relentlessly, for which reason the Emperor Constantine exiled him. He published many works, which are outstanding in their wisdom and learning. He died in 367.

Saint Anthony was inspired by the words of the Lord, "Sell everything you own and give it to the poor". Anthony retired to the Egyptian desert at the age of twenty; he attracted many followers who shared his ascetic life, and bequeathed to the Church an example of life spent in solitude and total devotion to prayer. He died in the year 356, aged about 105.

Sunday 12th + THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD FEAST <i>Collection for Poor Missions Fund</i> Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 28; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17 Hours: of the feast <i>Christmas Time ends.</i>	WHITE
Monday 13th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church OM Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Sam 1:1-8; Ps 115; Mk 1:14-20 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)	GREEN WHITE
Tuesday 14th Weekday in Ordinary Time Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Sam 1:9-20; Ps 1 Sam 2:1, 4-8; Mk 1:21b-28 Hours: Psalter Week 1	GREEN
Wednesday 15th Weekday of Ordinary Time Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Sam 3:1-10, 19-20; Ps 39; Mk 1:29-39 Hours: Psalter Week 1	GREEN
Thursday 16th Weekday in Ordinary Time Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Sam 4:1-11; Ps 43; Mk 1:40-45 Hours: Psalter Week 1	GREEN
Friday 17th St Anthony, Abbot MEM Mass: of the memorial Readings: 1 Sam 8:4-7, 10-22a; Ps 88; Mk 2:1-12 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints	WHITE
Saturday 18th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Saturday Mass of Our Lady <i>Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity begins</i> <i>Theme for 2020: 'They showed us unusual kindness' (Acts 28:2)</i> Morning Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Sam 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a; Ps 20; Mk 2:13-17 Hours: Psalter Week 1 <i>During this week it is permissible to celebrate a Mass for Unity of Christians (A, B, or C) from the Roman Missal Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions, even on a Sunday. Proper attention should be given to this in the Prayer of the Faithful.</i>	GREEN WHITE OR GREEN
EP I: SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of the Sunday	GREEN

THE SAINTS

Pope Saint Fabian was chosen to be Bishop of Rome in 236. In 250 he was martyred under the Emperor Decius. He was buried in the cemetery of Callistus in Rome.

Saint Sebastian suffered martyrdom at the beginning of the persecution of Emperor Diocletian. He was buried in the catacombs on the Via Appia in Rome, which today bear his name.

Saint Agnes was martyred at the age of twelve or thirteen in Rome at the beginning of the 4th century. Saint Ambrose, along with many others of the Fathers, spoke of her with great praise.

Saint Vincent was a deacon from Saragossa in Spain. Vincent died in the persecution under the Emperor Diocletian; as Saint Augustine says: "The flesh suffered and the Spirit spoke; and when the Spirit spoke, not only was impiety overcome, but weakness itself was strengthened."

Saint Francis de Sales was born into a noble family in Annecy in 1597, he was ordained priest and worked strenuously for the Church by distributing printed essays on the Catholic faith. He became Bishop of Geneva, exemplary in his pastoral care. He also wrote "The Introduction to the Devout Life", a handbook to holiness. He is patron saint of journalists and writers.

Sunday 19 th + SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Peace Day</i>	GREEN
Mass: of the Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Is 49:3, 5-6; Ps 39; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 20 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Fabian, Pope and Martyr OM or St Sebastian, Martyr OM	GREEN RED RED
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Sam 15:16-23; Ps 49; Mk 2:18-22 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Tuesday 21 st St Agnes, Virgin and Martyr MEM	RED
Mass: of the memorial Readings: 1 Sam 16:1-13; Ps 88; Mk 2:23-28 Hours: of the memorial. MP proper antiphons with psalms of Sunday Week 1. EP proper antiphons with psalms of Common of Martyrs.	
Wednesday 22 nd Weekday in Ordinary Time or Saint Vincent, Deacon and Martyr OM	GREEN RED
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Sam 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 143; Mk 3:1-6 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Thursday 23 rd Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Sam 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 55; Mk 3:7-12 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Friday 24 th St Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: 1 Sam 24:3-21; Ps 56; Mk 3:13-19 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints	
Saturday 25 th THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL, APOSTLE FEAST	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I of the Apostles Readings: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 116; Mk 16:15-18 Hours: Proper of Saints <i>Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity ends</i>	
EP I: THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of the Sunday	GREEN

THE SAINTS

Saint Angela Merici was born in 1470. She took the habit of the Third Order of Saint Francis and gathered together girls whom she formed in the works of charity. Founded the Ursulines, a society of women dedicated to the task of teaching poor girls. She died in 1540.

Saint Thomas Aquinas was born in Aquino, Italy, in about 1225; entered the Dominican Order, and studied under Saint Albert the Great in Cologne; outstanding writer and teacher of philosophy and theology; he died aged forty-nine, in 1274.

Saint John Bosco was born near Turin in 1815, was ordained priest and laboured to improve the education of young people, founding in 1859 a religious congregation, called the Salesians, for this purpose.

Sunday 26 th + THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Sunday of the Word of God</i>	GREEN
Mass: of the Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Is 8:23b-9:3; Ps 26; 1 Cor 1:10-13,17; Mt 4:12-23 (or 4:12-17) Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 27 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Angela Merici, Virgin OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: 2 Sam 5:1-7, 10; Ps 88; Mk 3:22-30 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Tuesday 28 th St Thomas Aquinas, Priest and Doctor of the Church MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: 2 Sam 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 23; Mk 3:31-35 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Saints	
Wednesday 29 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of the memorial with proper readings Readings: 2 Sam 7:4-17; Ps 88; Mk 4:1-20 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
Thursday 30 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 2 Sam 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 131; Mk 4:21-25 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
Friday 31 st St John Bosco, Priest MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: 2 Sam 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 50; Mk 4:26-34 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Saints	
Saturday 1 st February Weekday in Ordinary Time or Saturday Mass of Our Lady	GREEN WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: 2 Sam 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 50; Mk 4:35-41 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
EP I: THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD FEAST Evening Mass of THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	WHITE

THE SAINTS

Saint Blaise 4th century bishop of Sebaste, Armenia. He was martyred in about 320 during the reign of Emperor Licinius. Saint Blaise's protection of those with throat troubles apparently comes from a legend that a boy was brought to him who had a fishbone stuck in his throat. The boy was about to die when Saint Blaise healed him.

Blessing of Throats:

Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Saint Ansgar was born in France at the beginning of the 9th century. Educated at the monastery of Corbie. In 826 he set out to preach the Gospel in Denmark and then Sweden. He was chosen as bishop of Hamburg. He endured many difficulties in his work of evangelisation, but his spirit never failed. He died in 865.

Saint Agatha was martyred in Sicily in the persecution under Emperor Decius (240-251). Devotion to her was strong from the earliest times: a homily written about her says: "Good is the force and meaning of her name, Agatha in Greek, for she has been granted us, given as a gift, by God himself, the very fount of goodness."

Saint Paul Miki was born in Japan between the years 1564 and 1566. He became a member of the Society of Jesus and preached the Gospel with success. During the persecution of Catholics, he and his twenty-five **Companions** were seized and subjected to terrible tortures. They were crucified at Nagasaki on 5th February 1597.

Sunday 2nd + THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD FEAST <i>NEXT SUNDAY: Racial Justice Sunday (collection optional)</i>		WHITE
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Ps 23; Lk 2:22-40 (or 2:22-32) Hours: of the feast <i>On this day the faithful go forth to meet the Lord as he comes, acclaiming him, as did Simeon, who recognised in Christ the "Light to enlighten the Gentiles". For the commemoration of the mystery of the day the Missal foresees the blessing of candles with a procession or with a solemn entry.</i>		
Monday 3rd Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Blaise, Bishop and Martyr OM or St Ansgar, Bishop OM		GREEN RED WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: 2 Sam 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13a; Ps 3; Mk 5:1-20 Hours: Psalter Week 4 (or + Proper of Saints) <i>The Blessing of Throats may take place today either during the Mass of St Blaise, after the homily and intercessions, or outside of Mass where it is preceded by a brief celebration of the word of God. The blessing may be given by touching the throat of each person with two candles blessed yesterday which have been joined together in the form of a cross whilst the formula, below the biography notes opposite, is prayed.</i>		
Tuesday 4th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 2 Sam 18:9-10, 14, 24-25, 30-19:3; Ps 85; Mk 5:21-43 Hours: Psalter Week 4		
Wednesday 5th St Agatha, Virgin and Martyr MEM		RED
Mass: of the memorial Readings: 2 Sam 24:2, 9-17; Ps 31; Mk 6:1-6 Hours: Psalter Week 4		
Thursday 6th Ss Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs MEM		RED
Mass: of the memorial Readings: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; Ps 1 Chr 29:10-12; Mk 6:7-13 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Saints		
Friday 7th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Eccle 47:2-13; Ps 17; Mk 6:14-29 Hours: Psalter Week 4		
Saturday 8th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Jerome Emiliani OM (for biographies see next page) or St Josephine Bakhita, Virgin OM or Saturday Mass of Our Lady <i>Day of Prayer for Victims of Trafficking and those who work to combat it</i>		GREEN WHITE WHITE WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 118; Mk 6:30-34 Hours: Psalter Week 4 (+ Proper of Saints or Common of Virgins)		
EP I: FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of the Sunday		GREEN

THE SAINTS**8th Feb: Saint Jerome Emiliani**

was born in Venice in 1486. After a career as a soldier he dedicated his life to the poor. He founded the order of Clerks Regular known as the Somaschi for the purpose of helping orphan children and the poor. Died 1537.

8th Feb: St Josephine Bakhita

was born in Sudan in 1869 and as a child was kidnapped and sold as a slave to an Italian nobleman who brought her to Italy. There she received the sacraments of Christian Initiation, and eventually entered the Institute of St. Magdalene of Canossa, where she took part in the community life of prayer, cooking, sewing, embroidery and attending to the door. Her humility, her simplicity and her constant smile won the hearts of all the citizens to whom she would say: "Be good, love the Lord, and pray for those who do not know Him. What a great grace it is to know God!" She died on February 8, 1947.

Saint Scholastica was born in Norcia, Umbria about the year 480. She consecrated herself to God, and followed her brother, Saint Benedict, to Monte Cassino, where she died about the year 547.

Our Lady of Lourdes In 1858 the Immaculate Virgin Mary appeared to Bernadette Soubirous near Lourdes, France, in the grotto of Massabielle. Through the poor child Mary called sinners to penance, and thereby there arose in the Church a marvellous spirit of prayer and charity, especially in helping the poor and the sick.

Saints Cyril and Methodius were brothers and missionaries, who carried the Gospel into the Slavonic countries: they translated the liturgical books into the Slavonic language (inventing a new script, Cyrillic, to do so). Cyril died in 869, Methodius in 885.

Sunday 9th + FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Racial Justice Sunday (collection optional)</i>	GREEN
Mass: of the Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Is 58:7-10; Ps 111; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 10th St Scholastica, Virgin MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 131; Mk 6:53-56 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints	
Tuesday 11th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Our Lady of Lourdes OM <i>World Day of Prayer for the Sick and those who care for them</i>	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 83; Mk 7:1-13. In the Mass of Our Lady of Lourdes may use Is 66:10-14c; Ps Jdt 13:18-19; Jn 2:1-11. Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Wednesday 12th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 36; Mk 7:14-23 Hours: Psalter Week 1	
Thursday 13th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 105; Mk 7:24-30 Hours: Psalter Week 1	
Friday 14th SS CYRIL, MONK, AND METHODIUS, BISHOP AND PATRONS OF EUROPE FEAST	WHITE
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface of Holy Pastors Readings: Acts 13:46-49; Ps 116; Lk 10:1-9 Hours: Proper of Saints	GREEN WHITE OR GREEN
Saturday 15th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Saturday Mass of Our Lady	GREEN WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13, 33-34; Ps 105; Mk 8:1-10 Hours: Psalter Week 1	
EP I: SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of the Sunday	GREEN

6TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 2020

SAINTS

Seven Holy Founders of the Order of Servites: these seven men were born at Florence and led lives as hermits on Monte Senario, especially venerating the Blessed Virgin Mary. They preached throughout Tuscany and founded the Order of Servites, which in 1304 received approval of the Holy See.

Saint Peter Damian was born at Ravenna, Italy, in 1007. Peter became a hermit before taking part in a great reform of the Church. In 1057 he was made bishop of Ostia, and on his death in 1072 was immediately venerated as a saint.

The Chair of Saint Peter, the Apostle, recalls the ministry conferred by Christ on the Prince of the Apostles and continued in an unbroken line down to the present Pope. It is an opportunity for the Church to renew their communion with the Pope.

Sunday 16 th + SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	GREEN
Mass: of the Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Eccle 15:15-20; Ps 118; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 (or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37) Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 17 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Jm 1:1-11; Ps 118; Mk 8:11-13 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Tuesday 18 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Jm 1:12-18; Ps 93; Mk 8:14-21 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Wednesday 19 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Jm 1:19-27; Ps 14; Mk 8:22-26 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Thursday 20 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Jm 2:1-9; Ps 33; Mk 8:27-33 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Friday 21 st Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Jm 2:14-24, 26; Ps 111; Mk 8:34-9:1 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Saturday 22 nd THE CHAIR OF SAINT PETER, THE APOSTLE FEAST	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I or II of Apostles Readings: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 22; Mt 16:13-19 Hours: Proper of Saints	
EP I: SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of the Sunday	GREEN

7TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME/LENT FEBRUARY 2020

THE SCRIPTURES

LENT

Lent is a time of preparation for the celebration of Easter. The liturgy prepares the catechumens for the celebration of the paschal mystery by the various stages of Christian initiation: it also prepares the faithful, who recall their baptism and do penance in preparation for Easter (GN 27).

The weekdays of Lent from Ash Wednesday to the Saturday before Palm Sunday take precedence over the Memorials of Saints, which therefore may be celebrated only as a commemoration (GIRM 355). See notes for Advent Week 3 or at the end of the Order.

The *Alleluia* is always omitted, both in the Liturgy of the Hours and in the celebration of the Eucharist. The *Te Deum* and the *Gloria* are said or sung only on solemnities and on feasts.

It is not permitted to adorn the altar with flowers, and the organ and other instruments may only be played for the purpose of sustaining singing. An exception is made for the Fourth Sunday of Lent (*Laetare* Sunday), solemnities and feasts (CB 252).

For the celebration of marriages, the parish priest should alert spouses to the need to take account of the particular penitential character of the season.

Sunday 23rd + SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Day of Prayer for the Unemployed</i>	GREEN
Mass: of the Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Lev 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 102; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 24th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Jm 3:13-18; Ps 18; Mk 9:14-29 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
Tuesday 25th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Jm 4:1-10; Ps 54; Mk 9:30-37 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
Wednesday 26th ASH WEDNESDAY <i>Day of penance for the whole Church of Roman Rite, to be marked by fasting and abstinence from the eating of meat.</i>	PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface III or IV of Lent Readings: Joel 2:12-18; Ps 50; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6; 16-18 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper <i>The usual Penitential Act is omitted from the beginning of Mass. After the Gospel and the homily, the ashes are blessed and distributed (RM. 234-235).</i>	
Thursday 27th Thursday after Ash Wednesday	PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Deut 30:15-20; Ps 1; Lk 9:22-25 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper	
Friday 28th Friday after Ash Wednesday	PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 50; Mt 9:14-15 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper	
Saturday 29th Saturday after Ash Wednesday	PURPLE
Morning Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 85; Lk 5:27-32 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper.	
EP I: FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT Evening Mass of the Sunday	PURPLE

1ST WEEK OF LENT

MARCH 2020

THE SCRIPTURES

The first and second Sundays retain the accounts of the Lord's temptations and transfiguration. The Old Testament readings are about the history of salvation, which is one of the themes proper to the catechesis of Lent. The series of texts for each year presents the main elements of salvation history from its beginning until the promise of the New Covenant. The readings from the letters of the apostles have been selected to fit the gospel and the Old Testament readings and, to the extent possible, to provide a connection between them (GIL 97).

SAINTS

Saint Casimir was born in 1458, the son of the King of Poland and became known for his practice of the Christian virtues – especially chastity and love of the poor. He died aged 26 of lung disease. He is especially remembered for his love of the Eucharist and the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Saints Perpetua and Felicity died in Carthage in 203 in the persecution under Septimus Severus. The account of their lives and martyrdom, partly written by the saints themselves and by eyewitnesses, survives.

Sunday 1 st March + FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	PURPLE
<p>Mass: of the Sunday, no Gloria, Creed, Preface of First Sunday of Lent Readings: Gen 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 50; Rom 5:12-19 (or 5:12, 17-19); Mt 4:1-11 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p> <p><i>On this Sunday is celebrated the rite of "election" or "enrolment of names" for catechumens who will be admitted to the sacraments of Christian initiation at the Easter Vigil, in accordance with the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (nn.133-151).</i></p>	
Monday 2 nd Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p>Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Lev 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 18; Mt 25:31-46 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p>	
Tuesday 3 rd Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p>Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Is 55:10-11; Ps 33; Mt 6:7-15 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p>	
Wednesday 4 th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p>Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Jonah 3:1-10; Ps 50; Lk 11:29-32 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p> <p><i>The Memorial of St Casimir may be commemorated today.</i></p>	
Thursday 5 th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p>Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Est 4:17; Ps 137; Mt 7:7-12 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p>	
Friday 6 th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p><i>Lent Fast Day and Women's World Day of Prayer</i></p> <p>Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 129; Mt 5:20-26 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p>	
Saturday 7 th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p>Morning Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Deut 26:16-19; Ps 118; Mt 5:43-48 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p> <p><i>The Memorial of Ss Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs may be commemorated today at Morning Mass, the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer.</i></p>	
EP I: SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	PURPLE
Evening Mass of the Sunday	

2ND WEEK OF LENT**MARCH 2020****THE SCRIPTURES**

The readings from the gospels and the Old Testament were selected because they are related to each other. They treat various themes of the Lenten catechesis that are suited to the spiritual significance of this time (GIL 98).

THE SAINTS

Saint Frances of Rome was born in 1384. She married when very young and gave birth to three children. She lived in troubled times and gave her goods to the poor and tended to the sick. She was outstanding in virtue especially in humility, patience and devotion to the needy. In 1425 she founded a Congregation of Oblates following the Rule of St Benedict. She died in 1440.

Sunday 8th + SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	PURPLE
Mass: of the Sunday, no Gloria , Creed, Preface of Second Sunday of Lent Readings: Gen 12:1-4a; Ps 32; 2 Tim 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 9th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Dan 9:4-10; Ps 78; Lk 6:36-38 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper <i>The Memorial of St Frances of Rome, Religious may be commemorated today.</i>	
Tuesday 10th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 49; Mt 23:1-12 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
Wednesday 11th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 30; Mt 20:17-28 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
Thursday 12th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1; Lk 16:19-31 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper <i>Tomorrow, the anniversary of the election as Supreme Pontiff of Pope Francis (2013), the Mass for the anniversary of election of the Pope may be celebrated. In any case, in all Masses there should be an intention in the Prayer of the Faithful for the Pope.</i>	
Friday 13th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Gen 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28; Ps 104; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
Saturday 14th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
Morning Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Mic 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 102; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper EP I: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Evening Mass of the Sunday	PURPLE

THE SCRIPTURES

On the third, fourth and fifth Sundays, the gospels about the Samaritan woman, the man born blind, and the raising of Lazarus have been restored in Year A. Because these gospels are of major importance in regard to Christian initiation, they may also be read in Year B and Year C, especially in places where there are catechumens (GIL 97).

THE SAINTS

Saint Patrick was born in Roman Britain around the end of the 4th century and died in Ireland about the middle of the 5th century. As a missionary bishop, he faced hardship and opposition even from his friends and fellow Christians. Yet he worked to reconcile, to evangelise, and to educate local chieftains and their families. Patrick is remembered for his simplicity and pastoral care, for his humble trust in God, and for his fearless preaching of the gospel to those who had enslaved him in his youth.

Saint Cyril of Jerusalem was born in 315 and became Bishop of Jerusalem in 348. He was involved in the Arian controversy and more than once was sentenced to exile. His Catecheses, in which he explained the true doctrine of the faith and Sacred Scripture as well as the tradition of the Church, show his pastoral zeal. He died in 386.

Saint Joseph was the husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary. As the Preface at Mass says: "He is that just man, that wise and loyal servant, placed at the head of your family."

Sunday 15 th + THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	PURPLE
Mass: of the Sunday, no Gloria , Creed, Preface of Third Sunday of Lent Readings: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 94; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-52 (or 4:4, 5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42) Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper <i>On this Sunday is celebrated the first scrutiny.</i> <i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for Catholic Care</i>	
Monday 16 th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: 2 Kgs 5:1-15a; Ps 41:2-3 + Ps 42:3-4; Lk 4:24-30 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper	
Tuesday 17 th SAINT PATRICK, BISHOP AND PATRON OF IRELAND	FEAST WHITE
Mass: of the feast with National Proper, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface of Holy Pastors Readings: Jer 1:4-9 or Acts 13:46-49; Ps 116; Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 Hours: Proper of Saints + Common of Pastors + Former National Proper	
Wednesday 18 th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Deut 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147; Mt 5:17-19 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper <i>The Memorial of St Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, may be commemorated today at Mass, the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer.</i>	
EP I: ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SOL	WHITE
Thursday 19 th ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SOL	WHITE
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: 2 Sam 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 88; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a Hours: Proper of Saints	
Friday 20 th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 80; Mk 12:28b-34 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper	
Saturday 21 st Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
Morning Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 50; Lk 18:9-14 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper EP I: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	ROSE /PURPLE
Evening Mass of the Sunday	

THE SCRIPTURES

On the third, fourth and fifth Sundays, the gospels about the Samaritan woman, the man born blind, and the raising of Lazarus have been restored in Year A. Because these gospels are of major importance in regard to Christian initiation, they may also be read in Year B and Year C, especially in places where there are catechumens (GIL 97)

THE SAINTS

Saint Turibius of Mongrovejo was born in Spain in 1538. He studied law in Salamanca and in 1580 was chosen to be Bishop of Lima and then went to America. He was full of apostolic zeal, calling many synods and councils to reform religion in the whole of Peru. He died in 1606.

Sunday 22nd + FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Collection for Catholic Care (LAETARE SUNDAY)</i>		ROSE /PURPLE
Mass: of the Sunday, no Gloria , Creed, Preface of Fourth Sunday of Lent Readings: 1 Sam 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 22; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41 (or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38) Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper <i>On this Sunday is celebrated the second scrutiny.</i>		
Monday 23rd Weekday of Lent		PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Is 65:17-21; Ps 29; Jn 4:43-54 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper <i>The Memorial of St Turibius of Mongrovejo, Bishop, may be commemorated today.</i>		
Tuesday 24th Weekday of Lent		PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 45; Jn 5:1-16 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper EP I: of THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD SOL		WHITE
Wednesday 25th THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD SOL		WHITE
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Is 7:10-14; 8:10; Ps 39; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38 Hours: Proper of Saints <i>At the words of the Creed, Et incarnatus est... (and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate) all kneel briefly.</i>		
Thursday 26th Weekday of Lent		PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 105; Jn 5:31-47 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper		
Friday 27th Weekday of Lent		PURPLE
Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 33; Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper		
Saturday 28th Weekday of Lent		PURPLE
Morning Mass: of the day with Preface I-IV of Lent Readings: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7; Jn 7:40-53 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper EP I: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT Evening Mass of the Sunday		PURPLE

5TH WEEK OF LENT

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THE SCRIPTURES

Beginning with Monday of the fourth week of Lent, there is a semi-continuous reading of the Gospel of John, made up of texts that correspond with the themes proper to Lent (GIL 98).

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

THE SAINTS

Saint Francis of Paola was born in Calabria, Italy, in 1416. Founded a congregation of hermits, which became the Order of Minims, receiving approval of the Holy See in 1506. He died in Tours, France in 1507.

Saint Isidore was born about the year 560 at Seville, Spain. His brother Leander brought him up. He was appointed Bishop of Seville and was a prolific writer as well as calling together and presiding over councils in which wise regulations were made for the Church in Spain. He died in 636.

Sunday 29 th + FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	PURPLE
<p>Mass: of the Sunday, no Gloria, Creed, Preface of Fifth Sunday of Lent</p> <p>Readings: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 129; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11:1-45 (or 11:3-7, 20-27, 33b-45)</p> <p>Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p> <p><i>On this Sunday is celebrated the third scrutiny.</i></p>	
Monday 30 th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p>Mass: of the weekday with Preface I of the Passion of the Lord</p> <p>Readings: Dan 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 (or 41c-62); Ps 22; Jn 8:1-11</p> <p>Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p>	
Tuesday 31 st Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p>Mass: of the weekday with Preface I of the Passion of the Lord</p> <p>Readings: Num 21:4-9; Ps 101; Jn 8:21-30</p> <p>Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p>	
Wednesday 1 st April Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p>Mass: of the weekday with Preface I of the Passion of the Lord</p> <p>Readings: Dan 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Ps Dan 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42</p> <p>Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p>	
Thursday 2 nd Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p>Mass: of the weekday with Preface I of the Passion of the Lord</p> <p>Readings: Gen 17:3-9; Ps 104; Jn 8:51-59</p> <p>Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p> <p><i>The Memorial of St Francis of Paola, Hermit, may be commemorated today.</i></p>	
Friday 3 rd Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p><i>Day of Prayer for Survivors of Sexual Abuse</i></p> <p>Mass: of the weekday with Preface I of the Passion of the Lord</p> <p>Readings: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 17; Jn 10:31-42</p> <p>Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p>	
Saturday 4 th Weekday of Lent	PURPLE
<p>Morning Mass: of the weekday with Preface I of the Passion of the Lord</p> <p>Readings: Ez 37:21-28; Ps Jer 31:10-13; Jn 11:45-56</p> <p>Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper</p> <p><i>The Memorial of St Isidore, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, may be commemorated today at Morning Mass, Office of Readings and Morning Prayer.</i></p>	
<p>EP I: PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION</p> <p>Evening Mass of the Sunday</p>	RED

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

The principal Mass begins with the procession from a place outside the church (RM.297); or with the Solemn Entrance from in front of the church door, or from a place within the church but outside the sanctuary (RM.308). The Procession may be held only once, but the Solemn Entrance may be repeated before other Masses that are usually well attended. When either the procession or the Solemn Entrance takes place, the Penitential Act is omitted and Mass continues immediately with the Collect (RM.310).

If neither the Procession nor the Solemn Entrance take place, the Mass begins with the Simple Entrance (RM.309). The reading of the Passion takes place at all Masses: the Passion may be read by lay readers, with the part of Christ, if possible, reserved to the priest; candles and incense are not used; the greeting ‘The Lord be with you’ and the signs of the cross are omitted; all kneel for a short while after the reading of the death of the Lord; at the end of the proclamation is said, ‘The Gospel of the Lord’ but the book is not kissed. The Profession of Faith is said. The Proper Preface is used (RM. 311-312). Only EPs I-III may be used today; there is a Prayer over the People (RM. 313) or an optional Solemn Blessing of the Passion of the Lord (RM.712) may be used.

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

“Christ redeemed us all and gave perfect glory to God principally through his paschal mystery: dying he destroyed our death and rising he restored our life”. Therefore the Easter Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of Christ is the culmination of the entire liturgical year. Thus the solemnity of Easter has the same kind of pre-eminence in the liturgical year that Sunday has in the week.

The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper, reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil, and closes with evening prayer on Easter Sunday. On Good Friday and, if possible, also on Holy Saturday until the Easter Vigil, the Easter fast is observed everywhere.

On Holy Saturday the Church is, as it were, at the Lord’s tomb, meditating on his Passion and Death, and on his descent into hell and awaiting his Resurrection with prayer and fasting. The

image of Christ crucified or lying in the tomb, also an image of the Sorrowful Virgin Mary can be placed in the church for the veneration of the faithful.

The Easter Vigil, during the holy night when Christ rose from the dead, ranks as the “mother of all vigils”. Keeping watch, the Church awaits Christ’s Resurrection and celebrates it in the sacraments. Accordingly, the entire celebration of this vigil should take place at night, that is, it should either begin after nightfall or end before the dawn of Sunday.

THURSDAY OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

General Information: Holy Communion may be given to the faithful only during Mass, but may be brought to the sick at any hour of the day.

The Liturgy of the Hours: Evening Prayer is not said by those who participate in the Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper.

The Mass: It is to be celebrated in the evening, at the most appropriate hour, with the full participation of the whole community. Mass without a congregation is not permitted. The tabernacle should be entirely empty before Mass begins. In those churches where the Good Friday Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion will be celebrated, a sufficient amount of bread should be consecrated at this Mass for Communion today and tomorrow. During the singing of the ‘Gloria’ tonight the church bells are rung and then remain silent until ‘Gloria’ of the Easter Vigil. Depending on pastoral circumstances the Washing of Feet may be omitted.

Introductory Rites: The Entrance and Penitential Act take place as usual. The “Gloria” is sung; Collect (RM.331). The Liturgy of the Word takes place as usual and is normally followed by the Washing of Feet (RM.331-332).

The Liturgy of the Eucharist begins with the Procession of Gifts—it is particularly suitable to collect and present gifts for the poor at this Mass. Prayer over the Offerings, (RM.335); proper Preface (RM.336-337 or 622). (Only Eucharistic Prayers I - III may be used tonight). Eucharistic Prayer I with the proper parts for, ‘In communion with....’, ‘Therefore, Lord, we pray...’ and ‘On the day before he was to suffer...’ is found in RM.337-344.

Transfer of the Most Blessed Sacrament and Solemn Adoration: The transfer of the Most Blessed Sacrament to the place of reposition may only take place in those churches where the Good Friday Liturgy of the Lord's Passion will also be celebrated. If the procession does not take place, the Mass concludes in the usual way. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament does not take place in those churches where the Good Friday Liturgy of the Lord's Passion will not be celebrated. After the distribution of Communion, the ciborium with hosts for Good Friday is left on the altar and Mass concludes with the Prayer after Communion (RM.344). After the prayer, the priest incenses the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament is then taken to the place of reposition (RM.345). After a period of silent adoration, the priest and ministers genuflect and return to the sacristy. The altar is stripped and, if possible, the crosses are removed from the church. It is desirable to cover any crosses that remain in the church. It is recommended that a portion of John 13-17 be read during the Solemn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The faithful should be encouraged to continue adoration before the Blessed Sacrament for a suitable period of time during the night, according to local circumstances, but there should be no solemn adoration after midnight.

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

General Information: According to the Church's ancient tradition, the sacraments are not celebrated today. Today is a day of fasting and abstinence. Holy Communion may only be given to the faithful during the celebration of the Lord's Passion, but may be brought at any hour to the sick who cannot take part in the service.

The Liturgy of the Hours: It is fitting to celebrate publicly the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer today. Evening Prayer is not said by those who participate in the Celebration of the Lord's Passion.

The Celebration of the Lord's Passion: The Celebration of the Lord's Passion takes place in the afternoon, about three o'clock, unless pastoral reasons suggest a later hour; it should not be celebrated before noon or later than 9.00 p.m. The altar should be completely bare, without cloths, candles or cross. At a convenient time after the Celebration of the Lord's Passion the altar is stripped.

Entrance Rites: The clergy enter in silence and prostrate or kneel before the altar. The priest then goes to the chair and the opening prayer is said, (RM.346). The Passion: Candles and incense are not used; the greeting 'The Lord be with you' and the signs of the cross are omitted; all kneel for a short while after the reading of the death of the Lord; at the end of the proclamation is said, 'The Gospel of the Lord' but the book is not kissed. Lay readers may read the Passion, with the part of Christ, if possible, reserved to the priest. A brief homily is given. The General Intercessions may be sung or said (RM.348-361).

The Adoration of the Holy Cross: Only one cross should be used for the veneration. If the number of people makes it impossible for everyone to venerate the cross individually, the priest may take the cross, after some of the faithful have venerated it, and stand in the centre in front of the altar. In a few words, he invites the people to venerate the cross and holds it up briefly for them to venerate in silence. There are two possibilities for the Showing of the Holy Cross: first (RM.362), second (RM.363). Holy Communion: After the Adoration of the Holy Cross, the altar is prepared with the corporal and the book (RM.371). The priest, accompanied by two servers with lighted candles, brings the Blessed Sacrament from the place of reposition to the altar. The candles are placed near the altar or on it. Holy Communion follows (RM.371-372). After the communion of priest and faithful the ciborium is taken to a suitable place of reposition. The Celebration concludes with the Prayer (RM. 373) and a Prayer over the People (RM.373). And all, after genuflecting to the Cross, depart in silence. After the celebration, the altar is stripped, but the Cross remains on the altar with two or four candlesticks.

HOLY SATURDAY

General Information: On Holy Saturday the Church waits at the Lord's tomb in prayer and fasting, meditating on his Passion and Death and on his Descent into Hell, and awaiting his Resurrection. The Church abstains from the Sacrifice of the Mass, with the sacred table left bare, until after the solemn Vigil, that is, the anticipation by night of the Resurrection, when the time comes for paschal joys, the abundance of which overflows to occupy fifty days. Holy Communion may only be given on this day as Viaticum. The celebration of marriage is forbidden.

The Liturgy of the Hours: It is fitting to celebrate publicly the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer. The liturgical colour is Purple. Night Prayer is only celebrated by those who do not participate in the Easter Vigil.

THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

General Information: In accord with ancient tradition, this night is one of Vigil for the Lord (RM.378). Those who celebrate or concelebrate the Mass at night may celebrate or concelebrate the second Mass of Easter Sunday. The entire celebration of the Easter Vigil takes place at night. It should not begin before nightfall; it should end before daybreak on Sunday. The practice of celebrating the Easter Vigil on the Saturday evening at the time when the Sunday Vigil Masses are habitually celebrated is to be censured.

The Liturgy of the Hours: Night Prayer and the Office of Readings are not celebrated by those who participate in the Easter Vigil. Otherwise: Proper of Seasons. The celebration of the Easter Vigil begins in darkness, all the lights in the church having been put out. Candles should be prepared for all who take part in the Vigil. The candles are used twice; first during the entrance procession and the singing of the Exsultet, and secondly during the renewal of baptismal promises. The liturgical colour of the Vigil is white; "However, more noble vestments may be used, even if not the colour of the season or the day."

A: SOLEMN BEGINNING OF THE VIGIL (or LUCERNARIUM) and THE PROCLAMATION OF EASTER (EXSULTET)

All the lights in the church are put out; the people gather with unlighted candles in their hands. The Vigil begins around the new fire with the Greeting and Introduction (RM.378) after which the fire is blessed; the Paschal Candle is then lighted from the new fire. [Preparation of the Candle, RM.379-380; the preparation of the Paschal Candle may be omitted]. All follow the Paschal Candle into the church; at the church door, the faithful light their candles from the Easter Candle; when the third 'The Light of Christ' has been sung, all the lights in the church are put on. The Candle is placed in its stand on the sanctuary or near the lectern, and may be incensed. The Exsultet follows (RM.382-

396), at the end of which the people extinguish their candles.

B: LITURGY OF THE WORD

After an Introduction (RM.397) the Scripture Readings are proclaimed; the number of Readings from the Old Testament may be reduced for pastoral reasons, but it must always be borne in mind that the reading of the Word of God is the fundamental element of the Easter Vigil. At least three readings from the Old Testament should be read, although for more serious reasons the number may be reduced to two. The reading of Exodus 14, however, is never to be omitted. There is a Psalm and Prayer after each reading (RM.398-402). After the last Old Testament Reading, with its Psalm and Prayer, the altar candles are lighted and the "Gloria" is sung, during which the church bells are rung, according to local custom. This is followed by the Collect (RM.403). The New Testament Reading is proclaimed. All then stand as the priest or cantor solemnly intones the "Alleluia"; the Psalm and Gospel follow. At the Gospel incense may be used, but candles are not carried. The Homily follows as normal.

C: BAPTISMAL LITURGY

The Liturgy of Baptism takes place at the Baptismal Font, if the congregation can see it; otherwise a vessel of water is placed in the sanctuary. The structure of this part of the Rite depends on whether or not there are candidates for baptism and reception. *If there are catechumens or children to be baptised:* There is an Introduction (RM.404), which is followed by the Litany of Saints (RM.406-408). The catechumens and their godparents gather around the font where the water is blessed (RM.408-412). Then follow: the Renunciation of sin; the anointing with oil of catechumens (unless this has already taken place); the baptismal promises; Baptism; the explanatory rites. Adults are then confirmed if a bishop or priest with faculty to confirm is present. The whole congregation then stands with lighted candles for the Renewal of Baptismal Promises (RM.418) after which they are sprinkled with the newly blessed water (RM.420). The newly baptised are led to their place among the faithful and take part for the first time in the Prayer of the Faithful. *If there are candidates for reception:* After the Introduction in RM.404 [If the font is not to be blessed (i.e. if using a vessel of water) use the form RM.414] and the Litany of Saints (RM.406-408) the font or water is blessed

(RM.408-412). The whole congregation then stands with lighted candles for the Renewal of Baptismal Promises (RM.418) after which they are sprinkled with the newly blessed water (RM.420). Candidates for reception and their sponsors are called forward and gather on the sanctuary for their Profession and the Act of Reception. Celebration of Confirmation. The newly confirmed and received are then led to their place among the faithful to take part for the first time in the Prayer of the Faithful. *If there are catechumens or children to be baptised AND candidates for reception:* There is an Introduction (RM.404), which is followed by the Litany of Saints (RM.406-408). The catechumens and their godparents gather around the font where the water is blessed (RM.408-412). Then follow: the Renunciation of sin; the anointing with oil of catechumens (unless this has already taken place); the baptismal promises; Baptism; the explanatory rites. The whole congregation then stands with lighted candles for the Renewal of Baptismal Promises (RM.418) after which they are sprinkled with the newly blessed water (RM.420). Candidates for reception and their sponsors are called forward and gather on the sanctuary for their Profession and the Act of Reception. The newly Baptised are then called forward to join them for the Celebration of Confirmation if a bishop or priest with faculty to confirm is present. The newly confirmed and baptised are then led to their places among the faithful to take part for the first time in the Prayer of the Faithful.

If there is no one to be baptised or received: After the Introduction (RM.404 [If the font is not to be blessed (i.e. if using a vessel of water) use the form on RM.414]) and the Litany of Saints (RM.406-408), the font or water is blessed (RM.408-412). The whole congregation then stands with lighted candles for the Renewal of Baptismal Promises (RM.418) after which they are sprinkled with the newly blessed water (RM.420). The Prayer of the Faithful follows.

D: LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

The Preparation of the Gifts takes place as usual – it is fitting that any newly baptised bring forward the bread and wine. Prayer over the Offerings (RM.421); Preface Easter 1 (RM. 592); only Eucharistic Prayers I – III are used tonight – there are proper parts for Eucharistic Prayer I ‘In communion with...’ and ‘Therefore, Lord, we pray...’ (RM.671, 672). If candidates have been baptised, there are proper parts to be used in Eucharistic Prayer I (RCIA n.377) and in Eucharistic Prayers II and III (RCIA n.391). Mass

continues as normal. Prayer after Communion (RM.422).

E. CONCLUDING RITES

The Solemn Blessing of the Easter Vigil may be used (RM.422). The dismissal is followed by a double ‘Alleluia’ (RM.423).

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

At other Masses of Easter Sunday celebrated with a congregation, it is desirable to celebrate the Renewal of Baptismal Promises after the Homily (RM.418) in which case the Creed is omitted; the rite of Sprinkling with Holy Water may follow, if it was not used in place of the Penitential Act (as in RM.1507-1510). The Sequence may be sung or said at all Masses. When Eucharistic Prayer I is used, the special forms of ‘In communion with...’ and ‘Therefore, Lord, we pray...’ are said. A double Alleluia is added to the dismissal at all Masses (RM.423).

Where it is still the practice, the custom of celebrating Baptismal Vespers on Easter Sunday should be diligently maintained and, if not, it should where possible be introduced. At this celebration of Vespers psalms are sung while there is a procession to the font. (GILH 213)

THE EASTER OCTAVE

The texts of the Nuptial Mass, with the exception of the Nuptial Blessing and the final blessing, may not be used on Sunday or the weekdays of the Easter Octave. However, one reading from those given in Volume III of the Lectionary may be used on the weekdays of the Easter Octave. The Gloria is sung or said at all Masses. The Sequence may be sung or said at all Masses. When Eucharistic Prayer I is used, the special forms of ‘In communion with...’ and ‘Therefore, Lord, we pray’ are said. A double Alleluia is added to the dismissal at all Masses (RM.423).

EASTER TIME

The Paschal Candle should be placed near the ambo or near the altar, and kept there for the whole Easter Time until the end of Pentecost Sunday. It should be lit for the more solemn liturgical celebrations, namely Mass and Morning and Evening Prayer. The Marian Antiphon for the Easter Time is the “*Regina Caeli*”, which is also recited in place of the “*Angelus*”.

HOLY WEEK

APRIL 2020

THE SCRIPTURES

HOLY WEEK

In the first half of Holy Week the readings are about the mystery of Christ's passion. For the Chrism Mass the readings bring out both Christ's messianic mission and its continuation in the Church by means of the sacraments (GIL 98).

In Holy Week the Church celebrates the mysteries of salvation accomplished by Christ in the last days of his earthly life, from his messianic entry into Jerusalem, until his blessed passion and glorious Resurrection.

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

Lent continues until Maundy Thursday. The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday, and includes Good Friday of the Lord's Passion and Holy Saturday, centres upon the Easter Vigil, and concludes with Evening Prayer on Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection.

The weekdays of this week are dedicated to the celebration of penance, abstaining from the celebration of baptism and confirmation since these have their natural place in the Easter Vigil.

The Mass of the Vigil is the Easter Mass of the Lord's Resurrection. Any priest celebrating or concelebrating the Vigil Mass in the night may celebrate or concelebrate a second Easter Mass the next morning.

Sunday 5 th + PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	RED
Mass: of the Sunday, no Gloria , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Is 50:4-7; Ps 21; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27, 66 (or 27:11-54) Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper <i>The Lord's entry into Jerusalem is commemorated by means of a solemn procession. There should be only one such procession, to be celebrated before Mass on either the Saturday evening or on the Sunday itself.</i>	
Monday 6 th MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK	PURPLE
Mass: of the weekday Preface II of the Passion of the Lord Readings: Is 42:1-7; Ps 26; Jn 12:1-11 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
Tuesday 7 th TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK	PURPLE
Mass: of the weekday Preface II of the Passion of the Lord Readings: Is 49:1-6; Ps 70; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
Wednesday 8 th WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK	PURPLE
Mass: of the weekday Preface II of the Passion of the Lord Readings: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 68; Mt 26:14-25 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
Thursday 9 th THURSDAY OF HOLY WEEK	PURPLE
IN THE MORNING: Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (MAUNDY THURSDAY) IN THE EVENING: MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER	
	WHITE
Mass: with proper formularies, <i>Gloria</i> , with proper Preface and proper inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I Readings: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 115; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15 Hours: those who take part in the evening Mass do not recite EP. Night Prayer as after Evening Prayer II of Sunday.	
Friday 10 th FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)	RED
<i>Day of penance for the whole Church, to be marked by fasting and abstinence from the eating of meat. Collection for the Holy Places.</i> THE CELEBRATION OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD: as in the Missal Readings: Is 52:13-53:12; Ps 30; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1-19:42 Hours: Seasonal Proper. EP is not recited by those who take part in the celebration of the Lord's Passion. Night Prayer as after Evening Prayer II of Sunday.	
Saturday 11 th HOLY SATURDAY	PURPLE
<i>On Holy Saturday the Church waits at the Lord's tomb, meditating upon his passion, death and descent into Hell, waiting in prayer and fasting his resurrection.</i> Hours: Seasonal Proper. Night Prayer is not recited by those who are present at the Easter Vigil.	
EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD	
EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT	WHITE
<i>The whole celebration of the Easter Vigil should not begin before the onset of night. The celebration of a Mass without the rites of the Easter Vigil is not allowed.</i> Mass proper, with proper Preface and proper inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I. See notes above for more details.	

OCTAVE OF EASTER

APRIL 2020

THE SCRIPTURES

OCTAVE OF EASTER

The Mass of Easter Day should be celebrated with great solemnity. At this Mass in place of the Penitential Rite, or after the Renewal of Baptismal Promises following the homily, all maybe sprinkled with water blessed on Easter Night, to recall their baptism.

The Easter Candle should be placed near the ambo or near the altar and kept there for the whole of Easter Time until the end of Pentecost Sunday. It should be lit for the more solemn liturgical celebrations, namely Mass, Morning and Evening Prayer, during this time.

Instead of the *Angelus* (*The Angel of the Lord...*) prayer, for the whole Easter season the antiphon *Regina Caeli* (*Queen of Heaven rejoice, alleluia...*) is recited.

The gospel readings for the first three Sundays recount the appearances of the risen Christ. The first reading is from Acts, in a three-year cycle of parallel and progressive selections; material is presented on the life of the primitive Church, its witness and its growth. For the readings from the apostles, the first letter of St Peter is read in Year A. These are the texts that seem to fit in especially well with the spirit of joyous faith and sure hope proper to this time (GIL 100).

EASTER TIME

Throughout Easter Time particular attention should be paid to the mystagogical formation of the newly baptised (RCIA, 235-239).

Sunday 12 th + EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD	WHITE
Mass: of Easter Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , sequence, Creed, with Preface I of Easter and proper inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I. Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 117; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mt 28:1-10. At an evening Mass the Gospel may be Lk 24:13-35. Hours: Seasonal Proper	
Monday 13 th MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	WHITE
Mass: of the weekday within Easter Octave, <i>Gloria</i> , optional sequence, with Preface I of Easter and proper inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I. Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 15; Mt 28:8-15 Hours: Seasonal Proper	
Tuesday 14 th TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	WHITE
Mass: of the weekday within Easter Octave, <i>Gloria</i> , optional sequence, with Preface I of Easter and proper inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I. Readings: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 32; Jn 20:11-18 Hours: Seasonal Proper	
Wednesday 15 th WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	WHITE
Mass: of the weekday within Easter Octave, <i>Gloria</i> , optional sequence, with Preface I of Easter and proper inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I. Readings: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 104; Lk 24:13-35 Hours: Seasonal Proper	
Thursday 16 th THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	WHITE
Mass: of the weekday within Easter Octave, <i>Gloria</i> , optional sequence, with Preface I of Easter and proper inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I. Readings: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8; Lk 24:35-48 Hours: Seasonal Proper	
Friday 17 th FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	WHITE
Mass: of the weekday within Easter Octave, <i>Gloria</i> , optional sequence, with Preface I of Easter and proper inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I. Readings: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 117; Jn 21:1-14 Hours: Seasonal Proper	
Saturday 18 th SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the weekday within Easter Octave, <i>Gloria</i> , optional sequence, with Preface I of Easter and proper inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I. Readings: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 117; Mk 16:9-15 Hours: Seasonal Proper	
EP I: SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER Evening Mass of the Sunday	WHITE

SAINTS

Saint Anselm was born in Aosta, Italy in 1033. He was attracted to the abbey of Bec in northern France eventually becoming Abbot, before following Lanfranc to become Archbishop of Canterbury in 1093. After a turbulent period of disagreement between Church and Crown, Anselm died in 1109. He left many fine writings, particularly in philosophy and mystical theology.

Saint George was martyred at Lydda (Israel) around 303 in the persecution of the Emperor Diocletian. His cult, which predates the legend of him slaying the dragon, spread quickly through East and West. During the crusades, George was seen to personify the ideals of Christian chivalry, and he was adopted as patron saint of several city-states and countries. King Richard I of England placed his crusading army under his protection, and in 1222 his feast was proclaimed a national holiday.

Saint Adalbert was the second bishop of Prague. He was born in 956. After being ordained bishop in 983 he was professed as a Benedictine and worked in France. In 996 he went to Poland, and from there he travelled as a missionary, bringing the faith and baptising many people, through Eastern Europe. He was martyred there in 997.

Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen was born in Germany in 1578. He abandoned his law career and became a Capuchin. He was chosen to preach in Switzerland where he was martyred in 1622.

Saint Mark, a cousin of Saint Barnabas, travelled with Saint Paul. His close contact with Saint Peter is reflected in the composition of the Gospel that bears his name. Traditionally is credited with founding the Church of Alexandria in Egypt.

Sunday 19th + SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (OR OF DIVINE MERCY) OCTAVE DAY OF EASTER		WHITE
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , optional sequence, Creed, with Preface I of Easter and proper inserts for Eucharistic Prayer I. Readings: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 117; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper		
Monday 20th Weekday of Easter		WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2; Jn 3:1-8 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper		
Tuesday 21st Weekday of Easter or St Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church OM <i>National Calendar</i>		WHITE WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday or of the memorial, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 92; Jn 3:7-15 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper (or + Proper of Saints)		
Wednesday 22nd Weekday of Easter		WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 33; Jn 3:16-21 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper		
Thursday 23rd SAINT GEORGE, MARTYR AND PATRON OF ENGLAND		SOL RED
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I of Martyrs Readings: Rev 12:10-12; Ps 125; 2 nd of an apostle is taken from Common of Martyrs; Jn 15:18-21 or 15:1-8 Hours: Proper of Saints + Common of Martyrs + Former National Proper		
Friday 24th Weekday of Easter or St Adalbert, Bishop and Martyr OM or St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest and Martyr OM		WHITE RED RED
Mass: of the Easter weekday or of one of the memorials, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 26; Jn 6:1-15 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper (or + Proper of Saints)		
Saturday 25th ST MARK, EVANGELIST FEAST		RED
Morning Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface II of the Apostles Readings: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 88; Mk 16:15-20 Hours: Proper of Saints		
EP I: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER Evening Mass of the Sunday		WHITE

THE SCRIPTURES

During Easter Time, there is a semi-continuous reading of the Gospel of John, but with texts that have a paschal character in order to complete the reading from John during Lent. This paschal reading is made up in large part of the Lord's discourse and prayer at the Last Supper. The first reading is a semi-continuous reading from the Acts of the Apostles (GIL 100).

SAINTS

Saint Peter Chanel was the first martyr of Oceania. Born in France in 1803, Peter joined the Marists and travelled to Futuna in the Southern Pacific. After working there with indifferent success for five years, he was clubbed to death. His martyrdom succeeded in converting all the islanders to the faith.

Saint Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort was born in 1673. He became a priest after great hardships. He was a missionary preacher. He founded the Congregation of the Sisters of Divine Wisdom and the Missionary Priests of Mary. He also wrote "The True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary". He died in 1716.

Saint Catherine of Siena was born in 1347. She entered the Third order of Saint Dominic while still an adolescent. She was on fire with love of God and her neighbour. She brought peace and harmony between her fellow citizens, strenuously fought for the rights and liberty of the papacy, and did much for the renewal of religious life. She died in 1380.

Saint Pius V was a Dominican who became Pope in 1566. He began a wide-reaching reform of the Church through the Council of Trent. Among his works was the first systematic renewal of the liturgy, the creation of seminaries and the first catechism of the Catholic faith. He died in 1572.

St Joseph, the Worker This memorial was instituted by Pius XII in 1955 to highlight the relationship between St Joseph and the cause of workers.

Saint Athanasius was foremost in the fight against Arianism. He was bishop of Alexandria. He was vilified for his work against Arius and exiled several times. He died in 373.

3RD WEEK OF EASTER

APRIL/MAY 2020

Sunday 26th THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	WHITE
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 15; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper	
<i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for the Priests' Training Fund</i>	
Monday 27th Weekday of Easter	WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 118; Jn 6:22-29 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper	
Tuesday 28th Weekday of Easter	WHITE
or St Peter Chanel, Priest and Martyr OM	RED
or St Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort, Priest OM	WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday or of one of the memorials, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 7:51-8:1a; Ps 30; Jn 6:30-35 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper (or + Proper of Saints)	
Wednesday 29th ST CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, PATRON OF EUROPE FEAST	WHITE
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I or II of Saints Readings: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 102; Mt 11:25-30 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Thursday 30th Weekday of Easter	WHITE
or St Pius V, Pope OM	WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday, or of the memorial, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 65; Jn 6:44-51 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper (or + Proper of Saints)	
Friday 1st May Weekday of Easter	WHITE
or St Joseph the Worker OM	WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter or of the memorial with proper Preface Readings: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 116; Jn 6:52-59. In Mass of St Joseph may use Gen 1:26-2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Ps 89; Mt 13:54-58 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper (or + Proper of Saints)	
Saturday 2nd St Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church MEM	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the memorial, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 115; Jn 6:60-69 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper + Proper of Saints	
<i>Tomorrow is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Special prayers are offered for priestly and religious vocations. This intention should be explained to the faithful in the homily and be the object of intercessions in the Prayer of the Faithful.</i>	
EP I: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	WHITE
Evening Mass of the Sunday	

THE SCRIPTURES

During Easter Time, there is a semi-continuous reading of the Gospel of John, but with texts that have a paschal character in order to complete the reading from John during Lent. This paschal reading is made up in large part of the Lord's discourse and prayer at the Last Supper. The first reading is a semi-continuous reading from the Acts of the Apostles (GIL 100).

SAINTS

The English Martyrs: The English Men and Women martyred for the Catholic Faith 1535–1680 and beatified or canonised by the Holy See. On this day in 1535 three Carthusian monks died at Tyburn, the first of many martyrs of the English reformation. Of these martyrs, forty two have been canonised and a further two hundred and forty-two declared blessed, but the number of those who died on the scaffold, perished in prison, or suffered harsh persecution for their faith in the course of a century and a half cannot now be reckoned. They came from every walk of life; there are among them rich and poor, married and single, women and men. They are remembered for the example they gave of constancy in their faith, and courage in the face of persecution.

Saint John of Beverley was a monk of Whitby and was consecrated Bishop of Hexham in about 687. In 705 he was translated to the see of York. He built a monastery at Beverley to which, as an old man, he retired on resigning his see. He died on this day in 721 and was buried in the Minster. He was canonised in 1037.

Sunday 3rd + FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations with Collection for the Priests' Training Fund</i> Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps 22; 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper	WHITE
Monday 4th THE ENGLISH MARTYRS FEAST <i>National Calendar</i> <i>The choice of readings is taken from the National Calendar in volume II of the lectionary for either 4th May or 25th October. Alternatively, from the Common of Martyrs: Several Martyrs in the Easter Season.</i> Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface II of Martyrs Readings: Either from 4 th May, 25 th October or Common of Martyrs Hours: Common of Martyrs + Former National Proper	RED
Tuesday 5th Weekday of Easter Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 11:19-26; Ps 86; Jn 10:22-30 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper	WHITE
Wednesday 6th Weekday of Easter Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 12:24-13:5; Ps 66; Jn 12:44-50 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper	WHITE
Thursday 7th St John of Beverley, Bishop <i>Diocesan Calendar</i> Mass: of the memorial, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 13:13-25; Ps 88; Jn 13:16-20 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper + Diocesan Proper	WHITE
Friday 8th Weekday of Easter Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2; Jn 14:1-6 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper	WHITE
Saturday 9th Weekday of Easter Morning Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 13:44-52; Ps 97; Jn 14:7-14 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper EP I: FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Evening Mass of the Sunday	WHITE

THE SCRIPTURES

Throughout Easter Time particular attention should be paid to the mystagogical formation of the newly baptized (RCIA, 235-239).

SAINTS

Saints Nereus and Achilleus were both Roman soldiers who converted to Christianity; for this they were executed. Their tomb is in a cemetery on the Via Ardeatina in Rome, where a basilica was erected in their honour.

Saint Pancras suffered martyrdom under Emperor Diocletian (c.304) and was buried on the Via Aurelia, Rome, again with a basilica built over his tomb. Tradition tells that he was only 12 or 14 years old at the time of his death.

Our Lady of Fatima: The Blessed Virgin Mary appeared six times to three shepherd children, Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta, between May 13th and October 13th in 1917 in the village of Fatima, Portugal. The message given at Fatima is one of repentance, so that the world may be transformed into the place of grace and peace willed by Almighty God.

Saint Matthias was chosen by the apostles to take the place of Judas Iscariot, so that the number of apostles might remain as twelve. Tradition has it that Matthias went on to preach in Ethiopia. Note: there is a misprint in today's 1st reading (Lect. II p.1023): the middle of the penultimate paragraph should read: "...someone who was with us right from the time John was baptising...".

Sunday 10th + FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	WHITE
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 32; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper <i>Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of Archbishop Roche (2001)</i>	
Monday 11th Weekday of Easter	WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 113B; Jn 14:21-26 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper	
Tuesday 12th Weekday of Easter or Ss Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs OM or St Pancras, Martyr OM	WHITE RED RED
Mass: of the Easter weekday or of one of the memorials, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 144; Jn 14:27-31a Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper (or + Proper of Saints)	
Wednesday 13th Weekday of Easter or Our Lady of Fatima OM	WHITE WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 121; Jn 15:1-8. In Mass of Our Lady of Fatima may use Is 61:9-11; Ps 44; Lk 11:27-28 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper (or + Common of the BVM)	
Thursday 14th ST MATTHIAS, APOSTLE FEAST	RED
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I or II of Apostles Readings: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 112; Jn 15:9-17 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Friday 15th Weekday of Easter	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 56; Jn 15:12-17 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper	
Saturday 16th Weekday of Easter	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 99; Jn 15:18-21 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper	
EP I: SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Evening Mass of the Sunday	WHITE

THE SCRIPTURES

The solemnity of the Ascension retains for the first reading the account of the Ascension according to Acts. The text is complemented by the second reading from the apostolic reflections on Christ in exaltation at the right hand of the Father. For the gospel reading, each of the three Years has its own text in accord with the differences in the Synoptic Gospels (GIL 102).

SAINTS

Saint John I was born in Tuscany. In 523 he was elected Pope. King Theodoric sent him to the Emperor Justin at Constantinople, but on his return the king, angry at the outcome of the mission, had him imprisoned at Ravenna where he died in 526.

Saint Dunstan was born near Glastonbury in 909, and died in Canterbury on this day in 988. He studied secular arts and literature before becoming a monk. As Abbot he was the principal agent in the restoration of English monasticism after the Viking devastations. He became bishop of Worcester, bishop of London and Archbishop of Canterbury.

Saint Bernardine of Siena was born near Siena, Italy in 1380. Bernardine became a Franciscan and was ordained priest in 1404. He gained a reputation as a great preacher and propagated devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus. He died in 1444.

Saint Rita of Cascia Despite an early desire to enter religious life she was married at the age of 18 to an abusive husband. After his death, and that of her children, she joined the Augustinian monastery in Cascia (Italy) at the age of 36. Rita lived 40 years in the convent, spending her time in prayer and charity, and working for peace in the region. Rita lived as a wife, mother, widow, and nun, buried her family, helped bring peace to her city, saw her dreams denied and fulfilled – and never lost her faith in God, or her desire to be with Him.

Sunday 17th + SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	WHITE
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 65; 1 Pt 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
<i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for Catholic Communications</i>	
Monday 18th Weekday of Easter or St John I, Pope and Martyr OM	WHITE RED
Mass: of the Easter weekday, or of the memorial, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149; Jn 15:26-16:4a Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper (or + Proper of Saints)	
Tuesday 19th Weekday of Easter or St Dunstan, Bishop OM <i>National Calendar</i>	WHITE WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday or of the memorial, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 137; Jn 16:5-11 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper (or + Proper of Saints)	
Wednesday 20th Weekday of Easter or St Bernardine of Siena, Priest OM	WHITE WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday or of the memorial, with Preface I-V of Easter Readings: Acts 17:15, 22-8:1; Ps 148; Jn 16:12-15 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper (or + Proper of Saints)	
EP I: THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD SOL Evening Mass of the THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	WHITE
Thursday 21st + THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD SOL	WHITE
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface and proper inserts of the Ascension of the Lord for Eucharistic Prayer I Readings: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 46; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20 Hours: Seasonal Proper	
Friday 22nd Weekday of Easter or St Rita of Cascia, Religious OM	WHITE WHITE
Mass: of the Easter weekday or of the memorial, with Preface I-V of Easter or Preface I or II of the Ascension Readings: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 46; Jn 16:20-23a Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper (or + Proper of Saints)	
Saturday 23rd Weekday of Easter	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter or Preface I or II of the Ascension Readings: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 46; Jn 16:23b-28 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
EP I: SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Evening Mass of the Sunday	WHITE

SAINTS

Saint Bede the Venerable was born near the monastery of Wearmouth in the year 673. He received his education from Saint Benedict Biscop. Joining the monastery he became a priest and spent his time teaching and writing. He wrote theological and historical works, and especially upheld the tradition of the Fathers and explained the Scriptures. He died in the year 735.

Saint Philip Neri was renowned for his prayerfulness and sense of fun and humour. Philip was born in Florence in 1515. He arrived in Rome and, after a mystical experience in the catacombs, gathered together a community of friends to look after the sick, which eventually became the Oratory. He was known by many of the earliest students at the English College in Rome whom he would greet with the words: “*Salvete Flores Martyrum*” – “Hail, flowering martyrs.” He died in 1595.

Saint Augustine of Canterbury was a monk of the monastery of Saint Andrew on the Celian Hill, Rome. Pope Gregory the Great sent him in 597, to evangelise the people of Britain. Despite turning back once, Augustine succeeded in converting King Ethelbert and founding the see of Canterbury. He died in 605.

Pope Saint Paul VI: The 29th May is the anniversary of the date of his priestly ordination in 1920, given that 6th August, the day of his birth to eternal life, is the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord.

Yorkshire Martyrs are those put to death within the County of York during penal times.

Sunday 24th + SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER WHITE <i>World Communications Day - Collection for Catholic Communications</i> Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-V of Easter or Preface I or II of the Ascension Readings: Acts 1:12-14; Ps 26; 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 17:1-11a Hours: Seasonal Proper
Monday 25th St Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church MEM WHITE <i>National Calendar</i> Mass: of the memorial, with with Preface I-V of Easter or Preface I or II of the Ascension Readings: Acts 19:1-8; Ps 67; Jn 16:29-33 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper + Former National Proper
Tuesday 26th St Philip Neri, Priest MEM WHITE Mass: of the Easter weekday or of the memorial, with with Preface I-V of Easter or Preface I or II of the Ascension Readings: Acts 20:17-27; Ps 67; Jn 17:1-11a Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Saints
Wednesday 27th ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, BISHOP FEAST WHITE <i>Apostle of England - National Calendar</i> Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , Preface of Holy Pastors Readings: 1 Th 2:2-8; Ps 116; Lk 10:1-9 Hours: Proper of Saints + Former National Proper
Thursday 28th Weekday of Easter WHITE Mass: of the Easter weekday, with Preface I-V of Easter or Preface I or II of the Ascension Readings: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 15; Jn 17:20-26 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Saints
Friday 29th Weekday of Easter WHITE or St Paul VI, Pope OM WHITE Mass: of the Easter weekday or of the memorial, with Preface I-V of Easter or Preface I or II of the Ascension Readings: Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 102; Jn 21:15-19 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper (or + Common of Pastors)
Saturday 30th The Yorkshire Martyrs MEM RED <i>Diocesan Calendar</i> Morning Mass: from the Common of Martyrs with Diocesan Proper, with Preface I-V of Easter or Preface I or II of the Ascension Readings: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 10; Jn 21:20-25 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper + with Diocesan Proper EP I: PENTECOST SUNDAY RED Evening Mass of PENTECOST SUNDAY

THE SCRIPTURES**PENTECOST**

The fifty days of the sacred time of Easter conclude with Pentecost Sunday, when the Church recalls the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles, the beginnings of the Church and the start of her mission to all tongues and peoples and nations.

Note: the “**Vigil Mass of Pentecost**” is not the usual Saturday night anticipated Mass, but a special Vigil as described in the Lectionary and Missal. In churches where there is usually a Saturday night Mass, one should celebrate the “**Mass during the Day**”, although a parish may choose to celebrate the longer “**Vigil Mass**” as at Easter.

SAINTS

Saints Marcellinus and Peter were martyred in the persecution of Diocletian. Peter in prison invited the priest Marcellinus to baptise the gaoler, whom he had converted. The authorities heard of this and had the two men executed.

Saints Charles Lwanga and Companions were executed during the persecutions of Christians of all denominations in Uganda from 1885-1887. Charles and twenty-one companions were pages at the court of Mwanga, ruler of Uganda, and were killed for being Christians and refusing to acquiesce in his impure desires. All were aged under twenty-five and they were either burned or beheaded.

Saint Boniface was born about 675. Boniface was killed in the Netherlands on this day in 754. After several years as a monk and teacher, he went to evangelise the Germanic peoples. Ordained bishop, he was given wide-ranging papal commissions throughout Germany and Gaul. He founded monasteries and established dioceses, presided at synods and liaised with kings.

Saint Norbert was born in 1080 in Rhineland. He became a priest in 1115. He went through France and Germany preaching. He laid the foundations of the Premonstratensian Order. In 1126 he was elected Archbishop of Magdeburg and died in 1134.

Sunday 31st + PENTECOST SUNDAY SOL		RED
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , sequence, Creed, with proper Preface and proper inserts of Pentecost for Eucharistic Prayer I Readings: Acts 2:1-11; Ps 103; 1 Cor 12:3b-7,12-13; Jn 20:19-23 Hours: Seasonal Proper		
<i>As from tomorrow the recitation of the Angelus (The Angel of the Lord...) resumes. The Paschal Candle is kept with honour in the baptismery. Outside Easter Time the Paschal Candle should not be kept in the sanctuary nor should it be lit, except for the celebrations of Baptism and funerals.</i>		
Monday 1st June Our Lady, Mother of the Church MEM		WHITE
Mass: of the memorial, use Votive Mass 10B - RM. 1411-1415 Readings: Gen 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 86; Jn 9:25-34 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Common of the BVM		
Tuesday 2nd Weekday in Ordinary Time or Ss Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs OM		GREEN RED
Mass: of choice Readings: 2 Pt 3:12-15, 17-18; Ps 89; Mk 12:13-17 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)		
Wednesday 3rd Ss Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs MEM		RED
Mass: of the memorial Readings: 2 Tim 1:1-3, 6-12; Ps 122; Mk 12:18-27 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints		
Thursday 4th OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST		FEAST WHITE
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with proper readings and proper Preface Readings: Gen 22:9-18; Ps 39; Mt 26:36-42 For the proper texts of the Mass and Hours: www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Sanctoral/OLJC-Office.pdf		
Friday 5th St Boniface, Bishop and Martyr MEM		RED
<i>National Calendar</i> Mass: of the memorial Readings: 2 Tim 3:10-17; Ps 118; Mk 12:35-37 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints		
Saturday 6th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Norbert, Bishop OM or Saturday Mass of Our Lady		GREEN WHITE WHITE OR GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 2 Tim 4:18; Ps 70; Mk 12:38-44 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)		
EP I: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY OR TRINITY SUNDAY SOL		WHITE
Evening Mass of the THE MOST HOLY TRINITY OR TRINITY SUNDAY		

THE SCRIPTURES**ORDINARY TIME**

The weeks of Ordinary Time celebrate no particular aspect of the mystery of Christ. Instead, especially on the last Sundays, celebration is made of the mystery of Christ in all its fullness (GN 43).

SAINTS

Saint William of York was born William Fitzherbert, a nephew of King Stephen. He was Treasurer of the York Chapter when elected archbishop in 1141. In 1147 he was superseded by Henry Murdac but was restored in 1153. He died in 1154. His shrine in York Minster became a centre of pilgrimage, and he was canonised in 1227 by Pope Honorius III.

Saint Columba or Colum Cille was born in Donegal about 521 and died at Iona in 597. Before leaving Ireland as an “exile for Christ”, he had founded monasteries at Derry, Durrow and possibly Kells. His principal foundation was Iona, from where he converted much of western Scotland, and his followers took the Gospel to northern England. He was renowned as a poet and scribe as well as a spiritual guide.

Saint Ephrem was born in Nisibis in present day Turkey in 306. He was famous as a writer of homilies, poems and many hymns for the liturgy. He died in 373.

Saint Barnabas was born in Cyprus. He became a companion of Saint Paul in his journeys, before returning to Cyprus to preach the Gospel. His name means “Son of Encouragement”.

Saint Anthony of Padua was born in Lisbon in 1195. He joined the Canons regular of Saint Augustine, but after being inspired by the stories of Franciscan martyrdoms in Morocco, he joined the Friars Minor. In Italy he established a reputation as a great preacher and theologian. He died in Padua in 1231, aged 36.

Sunday 7 th + THE MOST HOLY TRINITY OR TRINITY SUNDAY SOL		WHITE
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9; Ps Dan 3: 52-56; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18 Hours: Seasonal Proper		
<i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for the Retired Priests of the Diocese</i>		
Monday 8 th St William of York MEM		WHITE
<i>Diocesan Calendar</i>		
Mass: of the memorial from Common of Pastors, with Diocesan Proper Readings: 1 Kgs 17:1-6; Ps 120; Mt 5:1-12 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Diocesan Proper		
Tuesday 9 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
or St Columba, Abbot OM <i>National Calendar</i>		WHITE
or St Ephrem, Deacon and Doctor of the Church OM		WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 4; Mt 5:13-16 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints (or for St Columba + Common of Pastors or for St Ephrem + Proper of Saints)		
Wednesday 10 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Kgs 18:20-39; Ps 15; Mt 5:17-19 Hours: Psalter Week 2		
Thursday 11 th St Barnabas, Apostle MEM		RED
Mass: of the memorial, proper readings, with Preface of the Apostles Readings: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Ps 97; Mt 10:7-13 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints		
Friday 12 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16; Ps 26; Mt 5:27-32 Hours: Psalter Week 2		
Saturday 13 th St Anthony of Padua, Priest and Doctor of the Church MEM		WHITE
Morning Mass: of the memorial Readings: 1 Kgs 19:19-21; Ps 15; Mt 5:33-37 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints		
EP I: THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF THE LORD SOL		WHITE
Evening Mass of THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF THE LORD		
<i>Since Advent 2006 in England and Wales The Most Holy Body and Blood of the Lord (Corpus Christi) is transferred to the nearest Sunday.</i>		

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF THE LORD

It is desirable that a procession take place after the Mass in which the Host to be carried in the procession is consecrated. However, nothing prohibits a procession from taking place even after a public and lengthy period of adoration following the Mass. If a procession takes place after Mass, when the Communion of the faithful is over, the monstrance in which the consecrated host has been placed is set on the altar. When the Prayer after Communion has been said, the Concluding Rites are omitted and the procession forms. (RM 539)

SAINTS

Saint Richard of Chichester was born in Droitwich in 1197, and died in Dover in 1253. He was not ordained priest until he was 45 years old. He was appointed bishop of Chichester two years later, but because of the king's opposition, he was unable to take over the see until 1247. He is remembered for his generosity to the poor, the mercy he showed to sinners, and the reform of the liturgical life of his diocese.

Blessed Peter Snow, of Ripon, was ordained a priest in Soissons, France in 1591. He served for seven years in Yorkshire, ministering to his fellow Catholics. In the spring of 1598, he received assistance in his travels from **Blessed Ralph Grimston**, a married layman from Nidd. Ralph had previously suffered imprisonment for opening his home to Catholic priests. Peter Snow was condemned to death by hanging, drawing, and quartering for being a priest. Ralph was condemned to death by hanging for having assisted Peter Snow and for having attempted to prevent the priest's arrest when they were caught. They suffered martyrdom together on June 15 at York. Their relics (skulls) are in the main altar in Leeds Cathedral.

Sunday 14th THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF THE LORD SOL WHITE <i>Collection for the Retired Priests of the Diocese</i>	
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , optional sequence, Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Gen 14:18-20; Ps 109; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper <i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for Day for Life</i>	
Monday 15th Weekday of Ordinary Time GREEN	
IN THE DIOCESE: Morning Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5; Mt 5:38-42 Hours: Psalter Week 3 IN THE CATHEDRAL: Bls Peter Snow and Ralph Grimston MEM RED Morning Mass: of the memorial Readings: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5; Mt 5:38-42 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Common of Martyrs	
Tuesday 16th Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN or St Richard of Chichester, Bishop OM WHITE <i>National Calendar</i>	
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 50; Mt 5:43-48 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Common of Pastors)	
Wednesday 17th Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN	
Mass: of choice Readings: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 30; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
Thursday 18th Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN	
Mass: of choice Readings: Eccle 48:1-14; Ps 96; Mt 6:7-15 Hours: Psalter Week 3 EP I: THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS SOL WHITE	
Friday 19th THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS SOL WHITE	
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Deut 7:6-11; Ps 102; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30 Hours: Seasonal Proper <i>Today is the World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests.</i>	
Saturday 20th The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary MEM WHITE	
Morning Mass: of the Immaculate Heart of Mary propers are at the end of the month of May in the Proper of Saints RM 916. Readings: Is 61:9-11; Ps 1 Sam 1-8; Lk 2:41-51 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Saints EP I: TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME GREEN Evening Mass of Sunday	

SAINTS

St John Fisher was born at Beverley (Yorkshire) in 1469, and died at London on this day in 1535. After a distinguished academic career at Cambridge, he was appointed Chancellor of that University and bishop of Rochester. He combined diligent pastoral ministry with continuing study and writing, especially in defence of Catholic doctrine.

Saint Thomas More was born in London in 1478, and died there on 6 July 1535. He was an Oxford scholar, a noted humanist and apologist, an incorruptible judge and parliamentarian who served as Speaker and Lord Chancellor. He was married twice, and a loving father of four. Both were drawn into conflict with Henry VIII over his remarriage and ultimately over papal supremacy. Both were imprisoned and beheaded for treason. They are remembered for their intellectual acumen, for their devotion to the Church, and for their uncompromising integrity and courage.

Saint Etheldreda was born in Suffolk in the first quarter of the 7th century. She died at Ely in 679. Though twice married, she remained a virgin, and in 672 left her second husband, the king of Northumbria, to become a nun. The following year she founded a monastery of women and men, which she ruled as abbess, on the site of what is now Ely cathedral. She was the most venerated of the women saints of Anglo-Saxon England, renowned for her dedication to a life of chastity, and for the austerity of the regime she imposed on herself in her later years.

Sunday 21 st + TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		GREEN
<i>Collection for Day for Life</i>		
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT		
Readings: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 68; Rom 5:12-15; Mt 10:26-33		
Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper		
<i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for Peter's Pence</i>		
Monday 22 nd SS JOHN FISHER, BISHOP AND THOMAS MORE, MARTYRS		FEAST RED
<i>National Calendar</i>		
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , Preface of Holy Martyrs		
Readings: 2 Macc 6:18, 21, 24-31; Ps 30; Mt 24:4-13		
Hours: Proper of Saints + Former National Proper		
Tuesday 23 rd Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
or St Etheldreda (Audrey), Abbess OM		WHITE
<i>National Calendar</i>		
Morning Mass: of choice		
Readings: 2 Kgs 19:9-11, 14-21, 31-36; Ps 47; Mt 7:6, 12-14		
Hours: Psalter Week 4 (or + Common of Holy Men and Women)		
Evening Mass of THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST SOL		WHITE
Mass: of the vigil, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface		
Readings: Jer 1:4-10; Ps 70; 1 Pt 1:8-12; Lk 1:5-17		
Hours: EP I of the solemnity		
Wednesday 24 th THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST SOL		WHITE
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface		
Readings: Is 49:1-6; Ps 138; Acts 13:22-26; Lk 1:57-66, 80		
Hours: Proper of Saints		
Thursday 25 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice		
Readings: 2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 78; Mt 7:21-29		
Hours: Psalter Week 4		
Friday 26 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice		
Readings: 2 Kgs 25:1-12; Ps 136; Mt 8:1-4		
Hours: Psalter Week 4		
Saturday 27 th OUR LADY OF UNFAILING HELP,		
PRINCIPAL PATRON OF THE DIOCESE		FEAST WHITE
<i>Diocesan Calendar</i>		
Morning Mass: of the feast with Diocesan Proper, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I or II of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
Readings: from the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
Hours: Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary + Diocesan Proper		
Evening Mass of + SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES SOL		RED
Mass: of the vigil, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface		
Readings: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 18; Gal 1:11-20; Jn 21:15-19		
Hours: EP I of the solemnity		

SAINTS

First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church these are the Christians who died with Saint Peter in the first great Roman persecution under the Emperor Nero in the year 67. The pagan writer Tacitus records their deaths.

Saint Oliver Plunkett was born in County Meath, Ireland in 1625. He died at Tyburn in 1681. Ordained in Rome, he was appointed Archbishop of Armagh in 1669. He held synods and visitations and promoted the reforms initiated by the Council of Trent. Imprisoned in Dublin in 1679, he was tried, condemned and executed in London, the final victim of the “Popish Plot” and the last person to be executed for the faith in England.

Saint Thomas was famed for his lack of faith in the Resurrection, which opened the door for his profession of faith, “My Lord and my God”. Tradition has it that Thomas preached in India and was martyred there.

Saint Elizabeth of Portugal was born into the royal family of Aragon in 1271. Elizabeth was known for her care for the poor and after the death of her husband she gave away her worldly goods and joined the Third Order of Saint Francis. She died in 1336.

Sunday 28 th + SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES SOL <i>Holyday of Obligation and Collection for Peter's Pence</i>	RED
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 33; 2 Tim 16:13-19; Mt 16:13-19 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Monday 29 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Am 2:6-10, 13-16; Ps 49; Mt 8:18-22 Hours: Psalter Week 1	
Tuesday 30 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church OM	GREEN RED
Mass: of choice Readings: Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12; Ps 5; Mt 8:23-27 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Wednesday 1 st July Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Oliver Plunkett, Bishop and Martyr OM <i>National Calendar</i>	GREEN RED
Mass: of choice Readings: Am 5:14-15, 21-24; Ps 49; Mt 8:28-34 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Thursday 2 nd Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Am 7:10-17; Ps 18; Mt 9:1-8 Hours: Psalter Week 1	
Friday 3 rd ST THOMAS, APOSTLE FEAST	RED
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I or II of Apostles Readings: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 116; Jn 20:24-29 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Saturday 4 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Elizabeth of Portugal OM or Saturday Mass of Our Lady	GREEN WHITE WHITE OR GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Am 9:11-15; Ps 84; Mt 9:14-17 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)	
EP I: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday	GREEN

SAINTS

Saint Maria Goretti was born at Ancona in Italy of a poor family in 1890. She spent her childhood near Nettuno in poverty, helping her mother in the domestic chores. She was a religious girl and much given to prayer. In 1902, while defending her chastity against a man attempting to violate her, she preferred to die rather than give way and was repeatedly stabbed to death.

Saints Augustine Zhao Rong and companions This feast celebrates the 120 martyrs who died between 1648 and 1930. Saint Augustine was a Chinese diocesan priest. Having first been a soldier who had escorted a certain Monsignor Dufresse, he was moved by his patience and had then asked to be numbered among the neophytes. Once baptised, he was sent to the seminary and then ordained a priest. Arrested, he had to suffer the cruellest tortures and then died in 1815.

Saint Benedict is known as the “Father of Western Monasticism”. Born at Norcia in 480, he gathered followers in Subiaco before moving south to Monte Cassino in 529. Here he founded his most famous monastery and composed his Rule, still the indispensable guide of the Benedictine Order. He died in 547, on the 21st March. Today’s feast is the anniversary of the translation of his relics.

Sunday 5 th + FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Zec 9:9-10; Ps 144; Rom 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper <i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea)</i>	
Monday 6 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr OM	GREEN RED
Mass: of choice Readings: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22; Ps 144; Mt 9:18-26 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Tuesday 7 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13; Ps 113b; Mt 9:32-38 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Wednesday 8 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Ps 104; Mt 10:1-7 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Thursday 9 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Ss Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs OM	GREEN RED
Mass: of choice Readings: Hos 11:1-4, 8c-9; Ps 79; Mt 10:7-15 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Common of Martyrs)	
Friday 10 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 50; Mt 10:16-23 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Saturday 11 th ST BENEDICT, ABBOT AND PATRON OF EUROPE FEAST WHITE	
Morning Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface of Holy Pastors or Preface of Holy Virgins and Religious Readings: Prov 2:1-9; Ps 33; Mt 19:27-29 Hours: Proper of Saints	
EP I: FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday	GREEN

SAINTS

Saint Henry was born in Bavaria in 973. He succeeded his father as Duke of Bavaria and later was elected Holy Roman Emperor. He was outstanding for his reforms in the Church and for his encouragement of missionary activity. He set up many dioceses and founded monasteries. He died in 1024 and was canonised in 1146 by Pope Eugene III.

Saint Camillus de Lellis was born in Italy in 1550 and became a soldier. He underwent a conversion and began to dedicate himself to the care of the sick. He was ordained and founded the congregation of the Servants of the Sick, which set up hospitals, especially for the poor. He died in 1614, and is the patron saint of all health care workers.

Saint Bonaventure was born in Italy in 1218. He entered the Franciscan Order and gained a Master's degree in Philosophy in Paris. He became the Minister General of the Order and Cardinal Bishop of Albano, near Rome. He is remembered for his spiritual works and teaching. He died in 1274.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel: the Sacred Scriptures speak of the beauty of Mount Carmel, where the prophet Elijah defended the faith of the people of Israel in the living God. In 1556 a group of hermits settled there and afterwards set up the Carmelite Order to lead a contemplative life under the patronage of the Mother of God.

Sunday 12th + FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Sea Sunday and Collection for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea)</i>	GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Is 55:10-11; Ps 64; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23 (or 13:1-9) Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 13th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Henry OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Is 1:10-17; Ps 49; Mt 10:34-11:1 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Tuesday 14th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Camillus de Lellis, Priest OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Is 7:1-9; Ps 47; Mt 11:20-24 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Wednesday 15th St Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Is 10:5-7, 13-16; Ps 93; Mt 11:25-27 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Saints	
Thursday 16th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Our Lady of Mount Carmel OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Ps 101; Mt 11:28-30. In Mass of Our Lady of Mount Carmel may use Zec 2:14-17; Ps Lk 1:46-55; Mt 12:46-50 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Friday 17th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Ps Is 38:1016; Mt 12:1-8 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
Saturday 18th THE DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL IN THE DIOCESE: FEAST IN THE CATHEDRAL: SOL <i>Diocesan Calendar</i>	WHITE
Mass: of the feast with Diocesan Proper, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface of the Dedication of a Church (located in the Common) Readings: Readings taken from the Common of the Dedication of a Church Hours: Common of the Dedication of a Church + Diocesan Proper	
EP I: SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday	GREEN

SAINTS

Saint Apollinaris was born in Antioch, Turkey (2nd cent.) and became the first bishop of Ravenna, in Italy. He suffered exile because of his preaching and converts. When Emperor Vespasian banished Christians, Apollinaris was beaten and reputedly died soon after from his wounds. His shrine in the Benedictine Abbey of Classe in Ravenna was once a popular pilgrimage destination. Apollinaris was credited with many miracles.

Saint Lawrence of Brindisi was born in 1559. He entered the Capuchin Order where he taught theology to the students and engaged in many of the works of the Order. As a renowned preacher he travelled throughout Europe and wrote many works to explain the Catholic faith. He died at Lisbon in 1619.

Saint Mary Magdalene was one of Christ's disciples and was present at his death. On the morning of Easter she was the first to whom the Risen Lord appeared, according to Saint Mark's Gospel.

Saint Bridget of Sweden was born in 1303. After the death of her husband, with whom she had had eight children, she founded the Bridgettine Order. She wrote works describing the mystical experiences she had on a penitential pilgrimage to the Holy Land. She died in Rome in 1373.

Saint Sharbel Makhlef was born in 1828, in Bekaa Kafra (North Lebanon). He had a true Christian upbringing, which gave him a passion for prayer. He was ordained a priest in the Maronite Patriarchate, on July 23rd, 1859. He lived 16 years in St Maron's monastery and for 23 years in a hermitage. On 16 December 1898 he was struck with an illness while celebrating Mass. He died eight days later on 24 December and was buried in the monastery's cemetery.

Saint James was born at Bethsaida, son of Zebedee and brother of John. He was killed by Herod in Jerusalem in about 42 and is especially venerated at Santiago de Compostella in northern Spain.

Sunday 19 th + SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Wis 12:13, 16-19; Ps 85; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43 (or 13:24-30) Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 20 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Apollinaris, Bishop and Martyr OM	GREEN RED
Mass: of choice Readings: Mic 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 49; Mt 12:38-42 Hours: Psalter Week 4 (or + Common of Martyrs or Pastors)	
Tuesday 21 st Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Mic 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 84; Mt 12:46-50 Hours: Psalter Week 4 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Wednesday 22 nd ST MARY MAGDALENE FEAST	WHITE
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with proper readings Readings: Song 3:1-4a or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 62; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Thursday 23 rd ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, RELIGIOUS, PATRON OF EUROPE	FEAST WHITE
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I of Saints or Preface of Holy Virgins and Religious Readings: Gal 2:19-20; Ps 33; Jn 15:1-8 Hours: Proper of Saints + Common of Women Saints: Religious	
Friday 24 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Sharbel Makhlef, Priest OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Jer 3:14-17; Ps Jer 31:10-13; Mt 13:18-23 Hours: Psalter Week 4 (or + Common of Pastors)	
Saturday 25 th ST JAMES, APOSTLE FEAST	RED
Morning Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , proper readings, with Preface I or II of Apostles Readings: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 125; Mt 20:20-28 Hours: Proper of Saints	
EP I: SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday	GREEN

SAINTS

Saint Martha was the sister of Mary and Lazarus. She received the Lord into her house and provided for his needs with great care. At her request the Lord raised her brother from the dead.

Saint Peter Chrysologus was bishop of Ravenna in the early 5th century. He used short homilies as a way of instructing the faithful and wrote theological and dogmatic texts. He died in 450.

Saint Ignatius of Loyola was born in 1491. After an early life in the army, he converted to a deep spiritual life. He studied in Paris, and gathered a group of companions round him, which later became the Society of Jesus. He and his followers were effective in teaching and evangelising. He died in Rome in 1556.

Saint Alphonsus Liguori after a career as a lawyer, he became a priest. He later founded the Redemptorists. He wrote on Moral Theology and was vigorous in combating Jansenism. He died in 1787.

Sunday 26 th + SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 118; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 (or 13:44-46) Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 27 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Jer 13:1-11; Ps Deut 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35 Hours: Psalter Week 1	
Tuesday 28 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Jer 14:17-22; Ps 78; Mt 13:36-43 Hours: Psalter Week 1	
Wednesday 29 th St Martha MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial, with proper readings Readings: 1 Jn 4:7-16; Ps 33; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints	
Thursday 30 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop and Doctor of the Church OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Jer 18:1-6; Ps 145; Mt 13:47-53 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Friday 31 st St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Jer 26:1-9; Ps 68; Mt 13:54-58 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints	
Saturday 1 st August St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor of the Church MEM	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the memorial Readings: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 68; Mt 14:1-12 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints <i>The Plenary Indulgence called the "Portiuncula" indulgence may be gained under the usual three conditions while devoutly visiting a church and reciting the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. This indulgence may be gained only once. The visit may be made from noon on the 1st until midnight of the 2nd.</i>	
EP I: EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday	GREEN

SAINTS

Saint Oswald became king of the re-established kingdom of Northumbria in 633. He invited Saint Aidan and his monks from Iona to continue the work of evangelisation begun by Saint Paulinus. He built a monastery for them on Lindisfarne. On 6 August 641 Oswald was killed in battle against the pagan king, Penda. He was honoured as a martyr and his head later placed in the shrine of Saint Cuthbert in Durham.

Saint John Vianney was born in 1786. He was ordained priest and was sent to Ars, France, whereby preaching and example of holiness he drew people back to the sacraments. He also spent long hours in celebrating Confessions. He died in 1859.

Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major recalls the proclamation of the doctrine of Mary, Mother of God, by the Council of Ephesus in 431. Pope Sixtus II erected a Basilica on the Esquiline Hill in Rome to honour the Blessed Virgin.

Saint Sixtus II was ordained bishop of Rome in 257. While celebrating Mass in the catacombs of Callistus, he and his deacons were arrested and executed there and then they were buried in the same cemetery.

Saint Cajetan After ordination, he founded the Congregation of Clerks Regular or "Theatines", to work with the poor and the needy. The order spread and its work embraced the earliest "credit unions" to assist the poor in payment of debts. He died in 1547.

Saint Dominic was born in 1170 in Spain. He became a priest and after strenuous preaching against the Albigensians he founded the Order of preachers (Dominicans) to continue his work. He died in 1221.

Sunday 2 nd + EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Is 55:1-3; Ps 144; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 3 rd St Oswald, Martyr MEM <i>Diocesan Calendar</i>	RED
Mass: of the memorial from Common of Martyrs, with Diocesan Proper Readings: Jer 28:1-17; Ps 118; Mt 14:22-36 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Common of Martyrs + Diocesan Proper	
Tuesday 4 th St John Vianney, Priest MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; Ps 101; Mt 15:1-2, 10-14 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints	
Wednesday 5 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Jer 31:1-7; Ps Jer 31:10-13; Mt 15:21-28. In Mass of the Dedication may use Rev 21:1-5a; Ps Jdt 13, 18-19; Lk 11:27-28 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Thursday 6 th THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD FEAST	WHITE
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with proper Preface Readings: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 or 2 Pt 1:16-19; Ps 96; Mt 17:1-9 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Friday 7 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Ss Sixtus II, Pope and Companions, Martyrs OM or St Cajetan, Priest OM	GREEN RED WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Nah 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; Ps Deut 32:35, 36, 39, 41; Mt 16:24-28 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (+ Proper of Saints)	
Saturday 8 th St Dominic, Priest MEM	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the memorial Readings: Hab 1:12-2:4; Ps 9:89; Mt 17:14-20 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints	
EP I: NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday	GREEN

SAINTS

Saint Lawrence was a deacon of the Church of Rome and died in the persecution of Valerian, four days after Pope Saint Sixtus II. He was buried on the Via Tiburtina at the Campo Verano near to where Constantine the Great built a basilica.

Saint Clare was born at Assisi in 1193. She followed Saint Francis in his life of poverty and was the founder of the Poor Clares. She led a life of austerity and abounded in works of piety and charity. She died in 1253.

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal was born in Dijon in 1572 and was married with six children. After the death of her husband she entered the religious life and founded the Visitation Order. She died in 1641.

Saint Pontian and **Saint Hippolytus** had disagreed on matters of Church Law. Eventually they were reconciled to each other when they were exiled to the mines of Sardinia in 235, where they died.

Saint Maximilian Kolbe was born in Poland in 1894. He became a Franciscan in 1910. The invading German forces arrested him in 1939 and again in 1941 and he was sentenced to heavy labour at Auschwitz. On 31 July 1941, in reprisal for one prisoner's escape, ten men were chosen to die. Father Kolbe offered himself in place of a young husband and father. He was the last to die, enduring two weeks of starvation, thirst, and neglect. He died on 14 August 1941 and was canonized by Pope John Paul II in 1981.

Sunday 9 th + NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Ps 84; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 10 th ST LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR FEAST	RED
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I of Holy Martyrs Readings: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 111; Jn 12:24-26 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Tuesday 11 th St Clare, Virgin MEM	WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Ez 2:8-3:4 Ps 118; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Saints	
Wednesday 12 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Ps 112; Mt 18:15-20 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Thursday 13 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Ss Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs OM	GREEN RED
Mass: of choice Readings: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 77; Mt 18:21-19:1 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Friday 14 th St Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr MEM	RED
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Ez 16:1-15; Ps Is 12:2-6; Mt 19:3-12 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Common of Martyrs	
Saturday 15 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Saturday Mass of Our Lady	GREEN WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Ps 50; Mt 19:13-15 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
EP I: THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SOL + Evening Mass of the VIGIL OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	WHITE
Readings: as of tomorrow, or may use the following: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 131; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28	

SAINTS

Saint John Eudes was born in 1601. He became a priest and a Missionary, travelling to many parishes in his native France. He propagated devotion to the Sacred Heart and founded a congregation to promote the formation of priests. He also founded the Congregation of Our Lady of the Refuge, to rescue women and girls trying to escape from a life of prostitution. He died in 1680.

Saint Bernard was born near Cîteaux in 1090. He joined the monastery there in 1111. His presence revitalised the Cistercian house. Eventually he became abbot of nearby Clairvaux. He was much in demand for his advice and worked to overcome divisions in the Church. He wrote many theological works and he died in 1153.

Saint Pius X was born in Riese, Italy into a poor family in 1835. He was ordained and worked as a parish priest for 17 years before being made spiritual director at the diocesan seminary. From there he became bishop of Mantua, Patriarch of Venice and then in 1903 was elected Pope. He sought to renew Christian life, by emphasising the Eucharist. He worked strenuously to avoid war in 1914 but died shortly after its outbreak on the 20th August.

Sunday 16 th + THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY SOL <i>Holyday of Obligation</i>	WHITE
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Rev 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10b; Ps 44; 1 Cor 15:20-26; Lk 1:39-56 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Monday 17 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Ez 24:15-24; Ps Deut 32:18-21; Mt 19:16-22 Hours: Psalter Week 4	
Tuesday 18 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Ez 28:1-10; Ps Deut 32:26-36; Mt 19:23-30 Hours: Psalter Week 4	
Wednesday 19 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St John Eudes, Priest OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 22; Mt 20:1-16a Hours: Psalter Week 4 (+ Proper of Saints)	
Thursday 20 th St Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 50; Mt 22:1-14 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Saints	
Friday 21 st St Pius X, Pope MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Ez 37:1-14; Ps 106; Mt 22:4-40 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Saints	
Saturday 22 nd The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary MEM	WHITE
Morning Mass: of the memorial, with proper readings Readings: Is 9:1-6; Ps 112; Lk 1:26-38 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Saints	
EP I: TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday	GREEN

SAINTS

Saint Bartholomew was born at Cana. He was led to Jesus by the apostle Philip, and after the Lord's Ascension tradition has it that he preached the gospel in India where he suffered martyrdom.

Saint Louis was born in 1214. He became King Louis IX of France in 1236. He undertook Crusades to the Holy Land and was famed for humility and love of the Church. He died at Carthage in 1270.

Saint Joseph Calasanz was born in Spain in 1557. He went to Rome and worked there as a priest. He devoted great energy to the education of the children of the poor, founding a congregation to help with the work. He died in 1648.

Blessed Dominic of the Mother of God (Barberi) was born near Viterbo (Italy) in 1792 and died at Reading on 27 August 1849. He joined the Congregation of the Passion in 1814, was ordained priest only four years later, and became a distinguished member of his congregation. He came to work for the conversion of England, though he believed that the surest way to church unity was through the example of Christian living. In the seven years of his ministry in England, he preached missions and retreats all over the country, founded four monasteries, and received many distinguished people into full communion with the church, among them John Henry Newman.

Saint Monica was born in North Africa in 333. She was the mother of Saint Augustine. Monica prayed for her son, who was living an unregulated life. He was baptised in Milan in 387 by Saint Ambrose, but as he returned with Monica to Ostia to embark for Africa she fell ill and died.

Saint Augustine was born in 354. Thanks to the example and prayers of his mother Monica he was baptised in 387 by Saint Ambrose of Milan. He was chosen as bishop of Hippo, in North Africa. Here his pastoral care, his teaching and writings were exemplary. He died in 430.

Sunday 23 rd + TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Is 22:19-23; Ps 137; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 24 th ST BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE FEAST	RED
Morning Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I or II of Apostles Readings: Rev 21:9b-14; Ps 144; Jn 1:45-51 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Tuesday 25 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Louis OM or St Joseph Calasanz, Priest OM	GREEN WHITE WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: 2 Th 2:2:1-3a, 14-17; Ps 95; Mt 23:23-26 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Wednesday 26 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Bl Dominic of the Mother of God, Priest OM <i>National Calendar</i>	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: 2 Th 3:6-10, 16-18; Ps 127; Mt 23:27-32. In Mass of Blessed Dominic may use 1 Th 4:1-8; Ps 96; Mt 25:1-13 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Common of Pastors or Holy Men and Women + Former National Proper)	
Thursday 27 th St Monica MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: 1 Cor 1:1-9; Ps 144; Mt 24:42-51 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints	
Friday 28 th St Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: 1 Cor 1:17-25; Ps 32; Mt 25:1-13 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints	
Saturday 29 th The Passion of St John the Baptist, Martyr MEM	RED
Morning Mass: of the memorial, proper readings, proper Preface Readings: Jer 1:17-19; Ps 70; Mk 6:17-29 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints	
EP I: TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday	GREEN

SAINTS

Saint Aidan was born in Ireland and died at Bamburgh (Northumberland) in 651. A monk of Iona, he was sent to Northumbria when King Oswald asked for help in converting his kingdom, and established his monastery on the island of Lindisfarne. Aidan preached the Gospel, founded churches and monasteries, and liberated slaves throughout the kingdom. Since the testimony of Bede, he has been venerated for his simplicity and poverty, for his love of prayer and the scriptures, and for his care of the sick and the poor.

Saint Gregory the Great was born about 540 and died in Rome in 604. He founded monasteries in Rome and in Sicily and became a monk. Called to be a deacon of Rome by Benedict I, he was then sent as a papal legate to Constantinople. Elected Pope in 590, he reorganised church life and administration in a time of crisis, sponsored liturgical reform, and initiated the evangelisation of the English. He sent Augustine and his monks on their mission in 596. He is remembered for his extensive writings on pastoral care, spirituality and morals, and for his self-designation as 'servant of the servants of God'. He is known as the 'Apostle of the English'.

Saint Cuthbert was born about 634 and died on Farne (Northumberland) on 20 March 687. By tradition a shepherd boy, he became monk and later prior at Melrose. After the Synod of Whitby in 664, he became prior of Lindisfarne, and gradually won over the community to Roman customs. He was most deeply attracted to the life of a hermit, and in 676 left the monastery to live in solitude on the island of Inner Farne. He is remembered as the most popular of the Anglo-Saxon saints of Northern England.

Sunday 30 th + TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 62; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper		
Monday 31 st Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Aidan, Bishop and the Saints of Lindisfarne OM <i>National Calendar</i>		GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 118; Lk 4:16-30 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Common of Pastors)		
Tuesday 1 st September Weekday in Ordinary Time <i>World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation</i>		GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 144; Lk 4:31-37 Hours: Psalter Week 2		
Wednesday 2 nd Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 32; Lk 4:38-44 Hours: Psalter Week 2		
Thursday 3 rd ST GREGORY THE GREAT, POPE AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH FEAST <i>Apostle of the English – National Calendar</i>		WHITE
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , Preface of Holy Pastors Readings: 1 Th 2:2-8; Ps 95; Mt 16:13-19 Hours: Proper of Saints + Former National Proper		
Friday 4 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Cuthbert, Bishop OM <i>National Calendar</i>		GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 36; Lk 5:33-39 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Common of Pastors)		
Saturday 5 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Saturday Mass of Our Lady		GREEN WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 4:6b-15; Ps 144; Lk 6:1-5 Hours: Psalter Week 2		
EP I: TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday		GREEN

SAINTS

Saint Peter Claver was born in Spain in 1580. He studied at the University of Barcelona before becoming a Jesuit. He joined the Jesuit mission in Colombia, where he spent his life in ministering to the slaves arriving from Africa in the most dreadful condition. He referred to himself as the “servant of the slaves”. He died in 1654.

The Most Holy Name of Mary: the name of Mary is regarded as holy because it is the name of the Mother of God. The feast was added to the Universal Calendar in 1684 by Bl. Innocent XI.

Sunday 6 th + TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 94; Rom 13:8-10; Mt 18:15-20 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper <i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for the Catholic Education Service</i>		
Monday 7 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5; Lk 6:6-11 Hours: Psalter Week 3		
Tuesday 8 th THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY FEAST		WHITE
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I or II of the Blessed Virgin Mary Readings: Mic 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 12; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 (or 1:18-23) Hours: Proper of Saints		
Wednesday 9 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Peter Claver, Priest OM		GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 44; Lk 6:20-26 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Proper of Saints)		
Thursday 10 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Ps 138; Lk 6:27-38 Hours: Psalter Week 3		
Friday 11 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 83; Lk 6:39-42 Hours: Psalter Week 3		
Saturday 12 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or The Most Holy Name of Mary OM or Saturday Mass of Our Lady		GREEN WHITE WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 83; Lk 6:39-42. In Mass of the Most Holy Name of Mary may use Gal 4:4-7 or Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Ps Lk 1:46-55; Lk 1:39-47. Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary)		
EP I: TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of the Sunday		GREEN

SAINTS

Saints Cornelius and Cyprian both lived in a time of great turbulence in the Church. They were at the forefront of the debate on reconciling those who had denied the faith under persecution. Together Cornelius and Cyprian struck a middle course and guided the Church onward by their writing and preaching. Cornelius died in exile in 253 and Cyprian was martyred in 258.

Saint Robert Bellarmine was born in 1542. He became a Jesuit and Rector of the Roman College. He was made a cardinal and bishop of Capua. He advised five Popes and the Roman Congregations on the questions and problems of that age. He died in 1621.

Saint Januarius was Bishop of Benevento, Italy and together with his companions suffered martyrdom under the Emperor Diocletian in about 305. He is greatly venerated in Naples, Italy.

Saint Theodore of Canterbury was born at Tarsus, Turkey about 601. Pope Vitalian appointed him archbishop of Canterbury in 666. For the rest of his life he reformed the life of the Church throughout the country, holding visitations and synods, establishing new dioceses and a great school at Canterbury and reconciling divisions. He died in 690.

Sunday 13th + TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Education Day with Collection for the Catholic Education Service</i>		GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Eccle 27:33-28:9; Ps 102; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35 Hours: Proper of Seasons <i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for Home Mission Sunday</i>		
Monday 14th THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS FEAST		RED
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with proper Preface Readings: Num 21:4b-9 or Phil 2:6-11; Ps 77; Jn 3:13-17 Hours: Proper of Saints		
Tuesday 15th Our Lady of Sorrows MEM		WHITE
Mass: of the memorial, proper readings, optional sequence, with Preface I of the Blessed Virgin Mary Readings: Heb 5:7-9; Ps 30; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Saints		
Wednesday 16th Ss Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs MEM		RED
Mass: of the memorial Readings: 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Ps 32; Lk 7:31-35 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Saints		
Thursday 17th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church OM		GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 117; Lk 7:36-50 Hours: Psalter Week 4 (or + Proper of Saints)		
Friday 18th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 16; Lk 8:1-3 Hours: Psalter Week 4		
Saturday 19th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Januarius, Bishop and Martyr OM or St Theodore of Canterbury, Bishop OM (<i>National Calendar</i>) or Saturday Mass of Our Lady		GREEN RED WHITE WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 55; Lk 8:4-15 Hours: Psalter Week 4 (or + Proper of Saints)		
EP I: TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday		GREEN

SAINTS

Saint Matthew was born at Capernaum. He was a tax gatherer when called by Jesus. He wrote his Gospel in the Hebrew language, and tradition has it that he preached the faith in the East.

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina was born on 25th May 1887; at the age of sixteen he entered the novitiate of the Capuchin Friars and was ordained priest in 1910. His ministry displays a remarkable devotion to prayer and the sacraments. He also committed himself to relieving the pain of many families, chiefly through the foundation of the "House for the Relief of Suffering". He died in 1968.

Our Lady of Walsingham The lady of the manor of Walsingham, Richeldis de Faverches, was instructed by a vision of the Virgin Mary to build in her village an exact replica of the house of Nazareth in which the Annunciation had taken place. The vision occurred, according to tradition in 1061. The original house was destroyed at the Reformation, but during the 19th and early 20th centuries pilgrimage to Walsingham was revived.

Saints Cosmas and Damian were doctors, according to an ancient tradition. They were martyred in Syria in about 300. There is evidence that their tomb was in Cyrrhus, where a basilica was built in their honour.

Sunday 20 th + TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Collection for Home Mission Sunday</i>	GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Is 55:6-9; Ps 144; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 21 st ST MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST FEAST	RED
Morning Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with Preface I or II of Apostles Readings: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 18; Mt 9:9-13 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Tuesday 22 nd Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Prov 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 118; Lk 8:19-21 Hours: Psalter Week 1	
Wednesday 23 rd St Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Prov 30:5-9; Ps 118; Lk 9:1-6 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Common of Pastors	
Thursday 24 th Our Lady of Walsingham MEM <i>National Calendar</i>	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial, with Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary Readings: Ecc 1:2-11; Ps 89; Lk 9:7-9 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Friday 25 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Ecc 3:1-11; Ps 143; Lk 9:18-22 Hours: Psalter Week 1	
Saturday 26 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Ss Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs OM or Saturday Mass of Our Lady	GREEN RED WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: Ecc 11:9-12:8; Ps 89; Lk 9:43b-45 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (+ Proper of Saints)	
EP I: TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday	GREEN

The Rosary should be recommended to the faithful and its nature and importance explained during the month of October.

SAINTS

Saint Wenceslaus was born in Bohemia in 907. He was brought up in the Christian faith by his grandmother and took over power in the kingdom in about 925. He encountered many difficulties both in ruling his kingdom and in promoting the Christian faith. He was betrayed by his brother Boleslaus and murdered in 935.

Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs of Japan, with Michael Aozaraza, Anthony Gonzales, William Cowtett, Vincent Shiwozuka, and Lazarus. Lawrence was born in Manila, the Philippines. He and his companions were tortured and slain in Okinawa. They were beatified by John Paul II in 1981 and canonised in 1987.

Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels This feast celebrates God's constant care for his people and intervention in their lives. The names of the Angels reveal the aspects of God's love: Michael means "Who is like God?" Gabriel "Strength of God" and Raphael "God has healed".

Saint Jerome was born in Dalmatia in 340. He studied in Rome and was baptised. He became the secretary to Pope Damasus I, when he set about translating the Bible into Latin and promoting the monastic life. He settled in Bethlehem where he trained others in Scriptural studies. He died in 420, aged 80.

Saint Therese of the Child Jesus was born in France in 1873. She entered the Carmelite monastery at Lisieux aged 15. By her words and example, she taught humility, simplicity and faith in God. She died in 1897, aged 24. Her autobiography, "The Story of a Soul", records her immense love of God and personal determination to grow in prayer.

The Holy Guardian Angels according to Scripture and tradition guard and assist us at every moment. Each person has such an angel and we rejoice in their company.

26TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sunday 27 th + TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Ez 18:25-28; Ps 24; Phil 2:1-11 (or 2:1-5); Mt 21:28-32 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper		
Monday 28 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Wenceslaus, Martyr OM or Ss Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs OM		GREEN RED RED
Mass: of choice Readings: Job 1:6-22; Ps 16; Lk 9:46-50 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints		
Tuesday 29 th SS MICHAEL, GABRIEL RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS FEAST		WHITE
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , with proper Preface Readings: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rev 12:7-12a; Ps 137; Jn 1:47-51 Hours: Proper of Saints		
Wednesday 30 th St Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church MEM		WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 87; Lk 9:57-62 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints		
Thursday 1 st October St Therese of the Child Jesus (of Lisieux), Virgin and Doctor of the Church MEM		WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Ex 23:20-23; Ps 90; Mt 18:1-5, 10 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints		
Friday 2 nd The Holy Guardian Angels MEM <i>Harvest Fast Day</i>		WHITE
Mass: of the memorial, proper readings, with proper Preface Readings: Ex 23:20-23; Ps 90; Mt 18:1-5, 10 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Proper of Saints		
Saturday 3 rd Weekday in Ordinary Time or Saturday Mass of Our Lady		GREEN WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-16; Ps 118; Lk 10:17-24 Hours: Psalter Week 2		
EP I: TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday		GREEN

The Rosary should be recommended to the faithful and its nature and importance explained during the month of October.

SAINTS

Saint Bruno was a great scholar and teacher. He was born in Cologne, Germany in 1035. After teaching theology he embraced the solitary life. He is considered the founder of the Carthusian order, which follows a way of poverty, silence, prayer and penance. Bruno, having been summoned as adviser to Pope Urban II, died in Calabria, Italy in 1101.

Saint John Henry Newman was born in 1801. For over twenty years he was an Anglican clergyman. In 1845 he embraced “the one true fold of the Redeemer”. In 1847 he was ordained a priest and went on to found the Oratory of St Philip Neri in England. He was a prolific and influential writer. In 1879 he was created Cardinal by Pope Leo XIII. He died 11th August 1890.

Saint Denis and Companions: Denis came from Rome to France in the middle of the 3rd century and became the first Bishop of Paris. He died as a martyr with two companions in that city. Saint Gregory of Tours relates his story.

Saint John Leonardi was born in Tuscany in 1541. He became a pharmacist but subsequently was ordained a priest. In 1574 he founded the Order of the Clerks Regular of the Mother of God, for the spreading of the faith. This was the origin of the Institute now known as the Work of the Propagation of the Faith. In 1579 he also founded the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine in order to train catechists and teachers who would train children in the faith and practice of Catholicism. He died in Rome, after encountering much opposition, in 1609.

Sunday 4th + TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Is 5:1-7; Ps 79; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 5th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 110; Lk 10:25-37 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
Tuesday 6th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Bruno, Priest OM	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 138; Lk 10:38-42 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (+ Proper of Saints)	
Wednesday 7th Our Lady of the Rosary MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial, with Proper Readings Readings: Acts 1:12-14; Ps Lk 1:46-55; Lk 1:26-38 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Saints	
Thursday 8th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Gal 3:1-5; Ps Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
Friday 9th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St John Henry Newman, Priest OM <i>National Calendar</i> or Ss Denis, Bishop and Companions, Martyrs OM or St John Leonardi, Priest OM	GREEN WHITE RED WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 110; Lk 11:15-26 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Proper of Saints or + Common of Pastors)	
Saturday 10th St Paulinus of York, Bishop MEM <i>Diocesan Calendar</i> (for biography see next page)	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial, with Diocesan Proper Readings: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 104; Lk 11:27-28 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Common of Pastors + Diocesan Proper	
EP I: TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday	GREEN

SAINTS

10th October: Saint Paulinus of York died on this day in 644. He was among the second group of monks sent to England by Pope Gregory in 601. He was ordained bishop and sent to Northumbria as chaplain to the Christian Ethelburga who was to marry the pagan king Edwin, who was eventually baptised by Paulinus.

Saint Wilfrid was born in Northumbria about 634, and died in 709. He was educated in the Celtic tradition at Lindisfarne, but after a visit to Rome became a protagonist of Roman customs, which he successfully championed at the Synod of Whitby in 664. He preached the Gospel in the Low Countries, as a missionary to Sussex and the Isle of Wight and he exercised his ministry then in the East Midlands and finally at Hexham. He is remembered for his forceful personality and apostolic spirit, as a founder of churches and monasteries, and as a patron of the arts.

Saint Edward the Confessor became King of England in 1042. He was remarkable for his generosity to the poor. He died on 5th January 1066, one week after the opening of the Abbey Church of Westminster. His remains were enshrined in 1268.

Saint Callistus I was according to tradition a slave who became a deacon and later Pope. He was martyred in the year 222.

Saint Teresa of Jesus (of Avila) was born in 1515 and entered the Carmelite Order and enjoyed mystical revelations. She undertook the reform of the Order, against great opposition, and wrote works renowned for the depth of their doctrine. She died at Alba in 1582.

Saint Hedwig was born in Bavaria in 1174. She married the Duke of Silesia and had seven children. Renowned for her devotion and kindness to the sick and the poor, for whom she built hostels. On her husband's death she entered a monastery until her death in 1243.

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque was born in 1647 and joined the sisters of the Visitation at Paray-le-Monial in 1671. She was granted revelations concerning the Sacred Heart of Jesus. She worked to spread this devotion. She died in 1690.

Saint Ignatius of Antioch was the second bishop of Antioch. He was sentenced to death in 107 and deported to Rome. Here he suffered martyrdom under Trajan by being thrown to wild beasts. He wrote seven letters to the Christian Churches, in which he expounded Christian doctrine and life.

28TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 2020

Sunday 11th + TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME GREEN <i>Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Dependents – Prisons Week 11th – 17th October</i>	
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 22; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 (or 22:1-10) Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper <i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for Association for the Propagation of the Faith</i>	
Monday 12th St Wilfrid, Bishop MEM WHITE Patron of the Diocese <i>Diocesan Calendar</i>	
Mass: of the memorial from Common of Pastors, with Diocesan Proper Readings: Joel 4:12-21 Readings: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Ps 112; Lk 11:29-32 Hours: Psalter Week 4	
Tuesday 13th Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN or St Edward the Confessor OM WHITE <i>National Calendar</i>	
Mass: of choice Readings: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 118; Lk 11:37-41 Hours: Psalter Week 4 (or + Common of Holy Men and Women + Former National Proper)	
Wednesday 14th Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN or St Callistus I, Pope and Martyr OM RED	
Mass: of choice Readings: Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1; Lk 11:42-46 Hours: Psalter Week 4 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Thursday 15th St Teresa of Jesus (of Avila), Virgin and Doctor of the Church MEM WHITE	
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Eph 1:1-10; Ps 97; Lk 11:47-54 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Saints	
Friday 16th Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN or St Hedwig, Religious OM WHITE or St Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin OM WHITE	
Mass: of choice Readings: Eph 1:11-14; Ps 32; Lk 12:1-7 Hours: Psalter Week 4 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Saturday 17th St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr MEM RED	
Morning Mass: of the memorial Readings: Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8; Lk 12:8-12 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Saints EP I: TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME GREEN Evening Mass of Sunday	

SAINTS

Saint Paul of the Cross was born Paul Francis Danei in Italy in 1694. He became more and more devoted to the mystery of the Cross and Passion of Our Lord and after developing a life of prayer and mortification set up houses for those who would share his work. This became known as the Passionist Order. One of Paul's great concerns was the conversion of England. He died in Rome in 1775.

Saint John Paul II was born Charles Joseph Wotjtyła in 1920 in Wadowice, Poland. After his ordination to the priesthood and theological studies in Rome, he returned to his homeland and resumed various pastoral and academic tasks. He became first auxiliary bishop and, in 1964, Archbishop of Krakow and took part in the Second Vatican Council. On 16 October 1978 he was elected pope and took the name John Paul II. His exceptional apostolic zeal, particularly for families, young people and the sick, led him to numerous pastoral visits throughout the world. Among the many fruits which he has left as a heritage to the Church are above all his rich Magisterium and the promulgation of the Catechism of the Catholic Church as well as the Code of Canon Law for the Latin Church and for the Eastern Churches. In Rome on 2 April 2005, the eve of the Second Sunday of Easter (or of Divine Mercy), he departed peacefully in the Lord.

Saint John of Capistrano was born in 1386. After a career as a lawyer he entered the Franciscan Order, and then travelled throughout most of Europe preaching and strengthening Christian morals. He died, aged 70, in 1546.

Saint Anthony Claret was born in 1807. He was ordained and began preaching throughout Spain. He founded the Claretians, before being made Archbishop of Santiago, Cuba, where he overcame great trials (such as fifteen assassination attempts) in his ministry. He returned to Spain, but fled in 1868 after the revolution. He died in France in 1870.

Sunday 18th + TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME GREEN <i>World Mission Sunday - Collection for the Association for the Propagation of the Faith</i>	
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 95; 1 Th 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21 Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper <i>A Mass may be said 'For the Evangelisation of peoples', as indicated in the Roman Missal. Proper attention should be given to this in the Prayer of the Faithful.</i>	
Monday 19th Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN or Ss John de Brebeuf, Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs OM or St Paul of the Cross, Priest OM RED WHITE	
Mass: of choice Readings: Eph 2:1-10; Ps 99; Lk 12:13-21 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Tuesday 20th Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN	
Mass: of choice Readings: Eph 2:12-22; Ps 84; Lk 12:35-38 Hours: Psalter Week 1	
Wednesday 21st Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN or St John Paul II, Pope OM WHITE <i>National Calendar</i>	
Mass: of choice Readings: Eph 3:2-12; Ps Is 12:2-6; Lk 12:39-48 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Common of Pastors)	
Thursday 22nd Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN	
Mass: of choice Readings: Eph 3:14-21; Ps 32; Lk 12:49-53 Hours: Psalter Week 1	
Friday 23rd Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN or St John Capistrano, Priest OM WHITE	
Mass: of choice Readings: Eph 4:1-6; Ps 23; Lk 12:54-59 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Saturday 24th Weekday in Ordinary Time GREEN or St Anthony Claret, Bishop OM WHITE or Saturday Mass of Our Lady WHITE OR GREEN	
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: Eph 4:7-16; Ps 121; Lk 13:1-9 Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)	
EP I: THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME GREEN Evening Mass of Sunday	

SAINTS

Saint Chad, who died at Lichfield on 2 March 672, and **Saint Cedd**, who died at Lastingham (Yorkshire) on this day in 664, were brothers who were educated at Lindisfarne under Aidan. St Cedd was founder of many monasteries and was sent as a bishop to evangelise the East Saxons and established his see at Bradwell (Essex). He died of the plague at his monastery in Lastingham. St Chad was abbot of Lastingham when chosen bishop of Northumbria, but his ordination was contested by Wilfrid, and he humbly withdrew. He then was sent as bishop to Mercia, where he founded the see of Lichfield. Despite the shortness of his ministry, he was immediately revered as a saint because of the holiness of his life, his outstanding humility, and his dedication to preaching of the Gospel.

Saints Simon and Jude: the name of Simon is placed eleventh in the list of apostles and nothing is known of him, except that he was born at Cana and was called the Zealot. Jude, also known as Thaddaeus, was the apostle who, at the Last Supper, asked the Lord why he showed himself only to his disciples and not to the whole world (John 14:22).

3rd November: Saint Martin de Porres was born at Lima, Peru, in 1579. At fifteen, he became a lay brother at the Dominican Friary at Lima and spent his whole life there. Martin had a great desire to go off to some foreign mission and thus earn the palm of martyrdom. However, since this was not possible, he made a martyr out of his body, devoting himself to ceaseless and severe penances. Saint Martin's love was all embracing, shown equally to humans and to animals. He also possessed spiritual wisdom. A close friend of Saint Rose of Lima, he died on November 3, 1639.

3rd November: Saint Winefride: Very little is known for certain about the life of St Winefride, except that she lived in the 6th or 7th century near Treffynon (Holywell) in Clwyd. Her cult has been widespread since the middle ages, centered at Shrewsbury where her remains were enshrined in 1138, and her well at Holywell, which has remained a place of healing and pilgrimage through penal times to the present day.

30TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 2020

Sunday 25th + THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	GREEN
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 17; 1 Th 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Seasonal Proper	
Monday 26th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Ss Chad and Cedd, Bishops OM <i>National Calendar</i>	GREEN WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Eph 4:32-5:8; Ps 1; Lk 13:10-17 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Common of Pastors)	
Tuesday 27th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Eph 5:21-33; Ps 127; Lk 13:18-21 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Wednesday 28th SS SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES FEAST	RED
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , proper readings, Preface I or II of Apostles Readings: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 18; Lk 6:12-19 Hours: Proper of Saints	
Thursday 29th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Eph 6:10-20; Ps 143; Lk 13:31-35 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Friday 30th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Phil 1:1-11; Ps 110; Lk 14:1-6 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Saturday 31st Weekday in Ordinary Time or Saturday Mass of Our Lady	GREEN WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: Phil 1:18-26; Ps 41; Lk 14:1, 7-11 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
EP I: + ALL SAINTS SOL Evening Mass of ALL SAINTS	WHITE

ALL SOULS

A *plenary indulgence*, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to any of the faithful who 1) on one of the days from 1st to 8th November visit devoutly a cemetery or who simply pray mentally for the dead; 2) on All Souls Day visit a church or chapel with devotion and there recite the *Our Father* and the *Creed*.

A *partial indulgence*, applicable only to the souls in Purgatory, is granted to any of the faithful who 1) visit devoutly a cemetery or who simply pray mentally for the dead; 2) recite Morning or Evening Prayer of the Office of the Dead, or the invocation *Eternal rest grant...* (*Enchiridion of Indulgences*, 1999, conc. 29).

SAINTS

Saint Charles Borromeo was born in 1538. After obtaining a doctorate in civil and canon law, he was created a cardinal by his uncle, Pope Pius IV, and was chosen to be Bishop of Milan. He became a true shepherd of his flock, and frequently visited his diocese, called synods, made wise regulations for the good of souls, and worked for the good of Christian morality. While in Milan, he would greet and bless the English martyrs returning from Rome to the Mission. He died in 1584.

Saint Willibrord was born in Yorkshire in 658 and died at Echternach (Luxembourg) in 739. Originally a pupil of St Wilfrid, he studied in Ireland, and was ordained priest there. In 690 he went to evangelise Frisia. He was ordained bishop by Pope Sergius in 695, and founded the metropolitan see of Utrecht (Netherlands). He preached the Gospel in North Germany and Denmark and founded several dioceses and monasteries in the Netherlands and Luxembourg. He was the first of the great Anglo-Saxon missionaries to Europe and is remembered not just for his devotion to preaching the Gospel, but also for his joyfulness of character and his holiness of life.

Sunday 1 st + ALL SAINTS SOL	WHITE
Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Rev 7:2-4, 9-14; Ps 23; 1 Jn 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a Hours: Proper of Saints	
Monday 2 nd ALL SOULS (COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED)	PURPLE /BLACK
Mass: of the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed, with Preface of Christian Death 77-81 Readings: May use Is 25:6-9; Ps 26; Rom 5:5-11; Mt 11:25-30 or may select the most appropriate readings from those set forth in the lectionary for the Masses of the Dead in Vol III. Hours: Proper of Saints + Office for the Dead	
Tuesday 3 rd Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Martin de Porres, Religious OM or St Winefride, Virgin OM National Calendar (for biography notes see previous page)	GREEN WHITE WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Phil 2:5-11; Ps 21; Lk 14:15-24 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Proper of Saints or Common of Holy Men and Women)	
Wednesday 4 th St Charles Borromeo, Bishop MEM	WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Phil 2;12-18; Ps 26; Lk 14:25-33 Hours: Psalter Week 3 + Proper of Saints	
Thursday 5 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Phil 3:3-8a; Ps 104; Lk 15:1-10 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
Friday 6 th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Phil 3:17-4:1; Ps 121; Lk 16:1-8 Hours: Psalter Week 3	
Saturday 7 th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Willibrord, Bishop OM <i>National Calendar</i> or Saturday Mass of Our Lady	GREEN WHITE WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: Phil 4:10-19; Ps 111; Lk 16:9-15 Hours: Psalter Week 3 (or + Proper of Saints)	
EP I: THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Evening Mass of Sunday	GREEN

SAINTS

Saint Leo the Great became Pope in 440. He was a true father and shepherd of his people. He strove constantly to protect the integrity of the faith, defended the unity of the Church and repelled or alleviated the incursions of the Huns and Vandals in 452 and 455. He died in 461.

Saint Martin of Tours was born in 316. He was a soldier, but then received baptism and founded a monastery in France under the direction of Saint Hilary. He was later chosen as Bishop of Tours. Here he worked hard to visit his flock and preach against paganism. He died in 397. He was honoured as saint – one of the first non-martyrs to be so honoured.

Saint Josaphat was born in 1580. He became a priest and established a reputation for holiness, becoming archbishop of Polotsk. He worked strenuously to dissipate disturbances between the Latin and Byzantine Rites in his diocese, being killed in a religious riot in Vitebsk in 1623. A saint of the Ukraine, yet universally honoured for his work for the unity of the Church.

Saint Albert the Great was a great scholar, Albert was born in 1206 and became a Dominican; after teaching in various places, he was made Bishop of Regensburg in 1260; his interest in natural science left many works. He also wrote much on theology, before he died in Cologne in 1280.

16th November: Saint Edmund of Abingdon was born in Abingdon (Oxfordshire) about 1175, and died at Soissy (France) on this day in 1240. He studied at both Paris and Oxford and in the cathedral school at Salisbury. Despite being attracted to the monastic life, he was appointed archbishop of Canterbury in 1233. He is venerated as a vigorous, reforming bishop, a peacemaker, a distinguished commentator on the Scripture and an effective spiritual writer.

32ND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 2020

Sunday 8th + THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		GREEN
<i>Remembrance Sunday – Day of Prayer for all victims of war</i>		
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT Readings: Wis 6:12-16; Ps 62; 1 Th 4:13-18 (or 13-14); Mt 25:1-13 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Seasonal Proper <i>On this day are remembered all those who gave their lives for their country, all who suffered and died through acts of war and those who were left behind to grieve and mourn. In England and Wales one Mass for the Dead may celebrated on this Sunday. Proper attention should be given to this in the Prayer of the Faithful.</i>		
Monday 9th THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA FEAST		WHITE
Mass: of the feast, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9,12; Ps 45; 1 Cor 3:9b-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22 Hours: Proper of Saints		
Tuesday 10th St Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church MEM		WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Tit 2;1-8, 11-14; Ps 36; Lk 17:7-10 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Saints		
Wednesday 11th St Martin of Tours, Bishop MEM		WHITE
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Tit 3:1-7; Ps 22; Lk 17:11-19 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Saints		
Thursday 12th St Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr MEM		RED
Mass: of the memorial Readings: Phm 7-20; Ps 145; Lk 17:20-25 Hours: Psalter Week 4 + Proper of Saints		
Friday 13th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 118; Lk 17:26-37 Hours: Psalter Week 4 <i>Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Stock (2014)</i>		
Saturday 14th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Saturday Mass of Our Lady		GREEN WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 111; Lk 18:1-8 Hours: Psalter Week 4 EP I: THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		GREEN
Evening Mass of Sunday		

SAINTS

Saint Margaret of Scotland was born in Hungary about 1046 and died in Edinburgh on this day in 1093. Of Anglo-Saxon and Hungarian parentage, she found refuge from the Norman conquest of England with Malcolm III of Scotland. They were married in 1070, and she bore eight children. Margaret reformed the royal court, founded monasteries, and supported major reforms of Church life. She is remembered for the happiness of her marriage, for her devotion to prayer and learning, and especially for her generosity to the poor.

Saint Gertrude was born at Eisleben in Saxony. She became a nun and was elected Abbess in 1251. She wrote and composed in Latin, and was versed in Sacred Literature. The life of this saint was the mystic life of the cloister, a life hidden with Christ in God. She was characterized by great devotion to the Sacred Humanity of Our Lord in his Passion and in the Holy Eucharist, and by a tender love for the Blessed Virgin. She died in 1302.

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary was born in 1207, daughter of the king of Hungary. She was married to the Landgrave of Thuringia at the age of 14. Constant in prayer, after the death of her husband she embraced poverty, spending her days caring for the sick in a hospital she had built. She died in 1231.

Saint Hilda was born in 614. She eventually became the abbess of Whitby, which under her became a centre of learning. She hosted the Synod of Whitby in 644. She died in 680.

Saint Hugh of Lincoln was born in France in 1140. He became a Carthusian and later in 1185 bishop of Lincoln. He was devoted to the care of his flock and even helped to build his cathedral. He was the first Carthusian to be canonised.

Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul: from the 12th century the dedications of these two basilicas in Rome have been kept on this day. It honours the memories of the two Princes of the Apostles.

Sunday 15 th + THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME		GREEN
<i>World Day of the Poor</i>		
Mass: of Sunday, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with Preface I-VIII of the Sundays in OT		
Readings: Prov 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 127; 1 Th 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 (or 25:14-15, 19-21)		
Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Seasonal Proper		
<i>NEXT SUNDAY: Collection for the Catholic Youth Service</i>		
Monday 16 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
or St Edmund of Abingdon, Bishop OM <i>National Calendar</i>		WHITE
<i>(for biography notes see previous page)</i>		
or St Margaret of Scotland OM		WHITE
or St Gertrude, Virgin OM		WHITE
Mass: of choice		
Readings: Rev 1:1-4; 2:1-5a; Ps 1 Lk 18:35-43		
Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints or or Common of Pastors)		
Tuesday 17 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
or St Hugh of Lincoln, Bishop OM <i>National Calendar</i>		WHITE
or St Hilda, Abbess OM <i>National Calendar</i>		WHITE
or St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious OM		WHITE
Mass: of choice		
Readings: Rev 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 14; Lk 19:1-10.		
Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints or + appropriate Common)		
Wednesday 18 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
or The Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter and St Paul OM		WHITE
Mass: of choice		
Readings: Rev 4:1-11; Ps 150; Lk 19:11-28. In Mass of Dedication may use Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 97; Mt 14:22-23.		
Hours: Psalter Week 1 (or + Proper of Saints)		
Thursday 19 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice		
Readings: Rev 5:1-10; Ps 149; Lk 19:41-44		
Hours: Psalter Week 1		
Friday 20 th Weekday in Ordinary Time		GREEN
Mass: of choice		
Readings: Rev 10:8-11; Ps 118; Lk 19:45-48		
Hours: Psalter Week 1		
Saturday 21 st The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary MEM		WHITE
Morning Mass: of the memorial, proper readings, with Preface I or II of the Blessed Virgin Mary		
Readings: Zec 2:14-17; Ps Lk 1:46-55; Mt 12:46-50		
Hours: Psalter Week 1 + Proper of Saints		
EP I: OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE SOL		WHITE
Evening Mass of OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE		

The readings for the 34th and last Sunday in Ordinary Time celebrate Christ the King. He was prefigured by David and heralded as king amid the humiliations of his passion and cross; he reigns in the Church and will come again at the end of time (GIL 108).

SAINTS

Saint Clement I was the third Pope after Saint Peter. He became Pope at the end of the 1st century. He wrote a renowned letter to the Corinthians with the object of preserving peace and concord among them.

Saint Columban was born in Ireland before the middle of the 6th century. After studying the humanities and sacred sciences he embraced the monastic life and went to France where he founded a number of monasteries, which he ruled with very strict discipline. He was sentenced to exile but went to Italy where he founded the monastery of Bobbio. Renowned for his example of the Christian and religious life, he died in 615.

Saints Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions are the 117 Vietnamese martyrs killed between 1820 and 1862. Andrew was a parish priest. The group includes eight bishops, fifty priests and fifty-nine lay people.

Saint Catherine of Alexandria Tradition tells us that she was a noble lady, learned in science and oratory, who came to Christianity after receiving a vision. When she was 18 years old she offered to debate with the pagan philosophers, who were convinced by her arguments. The Emperor ordered her execution, and she was beheaded.

Sunday 22nd + OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE SOL WHITE <i>Collection for the Catholic Youth Service</i> Mass: of the solemnity, <i>Gloria</i> , Creed, with proper Preface Readings: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 22; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46 Hours: Seasonal Proper	
Monday 23rd Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Clement I, Pope and Martyr OM or St Columban, Abbot OM	GREEN RED WHITE
Mass: of choice Readings: Rev 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 23; Lk 21:1-4 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Tuesday 24th Ss Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs MEM RED Mass: of the memorial Readings: Rev 14:14-19; Ps 95; Lk 21:5-11 Hours: Psalter Week 2 + Common of Several Martyrs	
Wednesday 25th Weekday in Ordinary Time or St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr OM	GREEN RED
Mass: of choice Readings: Rev 15:1-4; Ps 97; Lk 21:12-19 Hours: Psalter Week 2 (or + Proper of Saints)	
Thursday 26th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Rev 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 99; Lk 21:20-28 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Friday 27th Weekday in Ordinary Time	GREEN
Mass: of choice Readings: Rev 20:1-4, 11-21:2; Ps 83; Lk 21:29-33 Hours: Psalter Week 2	
Saturday 28th Weekday in Ordinary Time or Saturday Mass of Our Lady	GREEN WHITE OR GREEN
Morning Mass: of choice Readings: Rev 22:1-7; Ps 94; Lk 21:34-36 Hours: Psalter Week 2 EP I: FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - YEAR B Evening Mass of the Sunday	PURPLE

For the convenience of the user the following page offers information for the liturgical celebrations from Advent 2020 until the beginning of Ordinary Time 2021

LITURGICAL YEAR 2020-2021

ADVENT		
November 2020		
Sunday 29 th	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
Monday 30 th	ST ANDREW, APOSTLE	FEAST
December 2020		
Tuesday 1 st	Advent Week 1	
Wednesday 2 nd	Advent Week 1	
Thursday 3 rd	Advent Week 1 or St Francis Xavier, Priest	OM
Friday 4 th	Advent Week 1 or St John Damascene, Priest and Doctor	OM
Saturday 5 th	Advent Week 1	
Sunday 6 th	SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
Monday 7 th	St Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor	MEM
Tuesday 8 th	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	SOL
Wednesday 9 th	Advent Week 2 or St John Diego Cuahltlatzin	OM
Thursday 10 th	Advent Week 2	
Friday 11 th	Advent Week 2 or St Damasus, Pope	OM
Saturday 12 th	Advent Week 2 or Our Lady of Guadalupe	OM
Sunday 13 th	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
Monday 14 th	St John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor	MEM
Tuesday 15 th	Advent Week 3	
Wednesday 16 th	Advent Week 3	
Thursday 17 th	Advent Week 3	
Friday 18 th	Advent Week 3	
Saturday 19 th	Advent Week 3	
Sunday 20 th	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	
Monday 21 st	Advent Week 4 <i>Commemoration of St Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor</i>	
Tuesday 22 nd	Advent Week 4	
Wednesday 23 rd	Advent Week 4 <i>Commemoration of St John of Kanty, Priest</i>	
Thursday 24 th Morning	Advent Week 4	
CHRISTMAS TIME		
Thursday 24 th Evening	VIGIL MASS OF CHRISTMAS	SOL
Friday 25 th	THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS DAY)	SOL
Saturday 26 th	ST STEPHEN, PROTOMARTYR	FEAST
Sunday 27 th	HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH	FEAST
Monday 28 th	HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS	FEAST
Tuesday 29 th	ST THOMAS BECKET, BISHOP AND MARTYR	FEAST
Wednesday 30 th	SIXTH DAY WITHIN CHRISTMAS OCTAVE	
Thursday 31 st	SEVENTH DAY WITHIN CHRISTMAS OCTAVE <i>Commemoration of St Sylvester I, Pope</i>	
January 2021		
Friday 1 st	MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD	SOL
Sunday 3 rd	SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS	
Wednesday 6 th	EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	SOL
Sunday 10 th	BAPTISM OF THE LORD	FEAST
Monday 11 th	1 st Week in Ordinary Time begins (Year B/Weekdays I)	

OCCASIONS WHEN MASS TEXTS OF THE DAY MAY BE REPLACED

The following table of rubrics governs when celebrations using the formularies from Ritual Masses, Masses for Various Needs and Occasions, Votive Masses, and Masses for the Dead are permitted within the liturgical year.

V1 = Ritual Masses (General Instruction of the Roman Missal [hereafter, GIRM], no. 372). Masses for various needs and occasions and votive Masses, in cases of serious need or pastoral advantage, at the direction of the local Ordinary or with his permission (GIRM, no. 374).

V2 = Masses for various needs and occasions and votive Masses, in cases of serious need or pastoral advantage, at the discretion of the rector of the church or the priest celebrant (GIRM, no. 376).

V3 = Masses for various needs and occasions and votive Masses chosen by the priest celebrant in favour of the devotion of the people (GIRM, no. 373, 375).

D1 = Funeral Mass (GIRM, no. 380).

D2 = Mass on the occasion of news of a death, final burial, or the first anniversary (GIRM, no. 381).

D3 = Daily Mass for the dead (GIRM, no. 381). When D1 and D2 are not permitted, neither, obviously, is D3.

✓ = permitted.

✗ = not permitted.

	V1	V2	V3	D1	D2	D3
1. Solemnities that are holydays of obligation	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
2. Sundays of Advent, Lent, and the Easter Season	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
3. Holy Thursday, Easter Triduum	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
4. Solemnities other than holydays of obligation. All Souls	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗
5. Ash Wednesday, weekdays of Holy Week	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗
6. Days within the Easter Octave	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗
7. Sundays of Christmas, and Sundays in Ordinary Time	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗
8. Feasts	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗
9. Weekdays 17 th – 24 th December	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗
10. Days within the Christmas Octave	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗
11. Weekdays of Lent	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗
12. Obligatory memorials	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
13. Weekdays of Advent before 17 th December	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
14. Weekdays of Christmas from 2 nd January	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
15. Weekdays of the Easter Season	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
16. Weekdays in Ordinary Time	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

GENERAL NORMS FOR THE LITURGICAL YEAR TABLE OF LITURGICAL DAYS *(according to their order of precedence)*

I

1. Easter Triduum of the Lord's passion and resurrection.

2. Christmas, the Epiphany of the Lord, the Ascension of the Lord, and Pentecost.

Sundays of the seasons of Advent, Lent, and Easter.

Ash Wednesday.

Weekdays of Holy Week from Monday to Thursday inclusive.

Days within the Octave of Easter.

3. Solemnities of the Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and saints listed in the General Calendar.

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls).

4. Proper solemnities, namely:

1. Solemnity of the principal patron of the place, that is, the city or state.

2. Solemnity of the dedication of a particular church and the anniversary.

3. Solemnity of the title of a particular church.

4. Solemnity of the title, or of the founder, or of the principal patron of a religious order or congregation.

II

5. Feasts of the Lord listed in the General Calendar.
 6. Sundays of the season of Christmas and Sundays in Ordinary Time.
 7. Feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary and of the saints in the General Calendar.
 8. Proper feasts, namely:
 1. Feast of the principal patron of the diocese.
 2. Feast of the anniversary of the dedication of the cathedral.
 3. Feast of the principal patron of a region or province, or a country, or of a wider territory.
 4. Feast of the title, founder, or principal patron of an order or congregation and of a religious province, without prejudice to the directives in no. 4.
 5. Other feasts proper to an individual church.
 6. Other feasts listed in the calendar of a diocese or of an order or congregation.
 9. Weekdays of Advent from 17 December to 24 December inclusive.
- Days within the Octave of Christmas.
Weekdays of Lent.

III

10. Obligatory memorials in the General Calendar.
 11. Proper obligatory memorials, namely:
 1. Memorial of a secondary patron of the place, diocese, region, or province, nation or wider territory, or of an order or congregation and of a religious province.
 2. Other obligatory memorials listed in the calendar of a diocese, or of an order or congregation.
 12. Optional memorials; but these may be celebrated even on the days listed in no. 9, in the special manner described by the General Instructions of the Roman Missal and the Liturgy of the Hours.
- In the same manner obligatory memorials may be celebrated as optional memorials if they happen to fall on Lenten weekdays.
13. Weekdays of Advent up to 16 December inclusive.
- Weekdays of the season of Christmas from 2 January until the Saturday after the Epiphany of the Lord.
Weekdays of the season of Easter from Monday after the octave of Easter until the Saturday before Pentecost inclusive.
Weekdays in Ordinary Time.

If several celebrations fall on the same day, the one that holds the highest rank according to the preceding Table of Liturgical Days is observed. But a solemnity impeded by a liturgical day that takes precedence over it should be transferred to the closest day not listed on nos. 1-8 in the Table of precedence; the rule of no. 5 remains in effect. Other celebrations are omitted that year.

If the same day were to call for celebration of Evening Prayer of that day's office and Evening Prayer I of the following day, Evening Prayer of the day with the higher rank in the Table of Liturgical Days takes precedence; in cases of equal rank, Evening Prayer of the actual day takes precedence.

TABLE OF PRINCIPAL CELEBRATIONS OF THE LITURGICAL YEAR

Year	Lectionary Cycle Sunday/Weekday	Ash Wednesday	Easter	Ascension of the Lord	Pentecost	Body and Blood of Christ
2020	A / 2	26 Feb	12 April	21 May	31 May	14 June
2021	B / 1	17 Feb	4 April	13 May	23 May	6 June
2022	C / 2	2 March	17 April	26 May	5 June	19 June
2023	A / 2	22 Feb	9 April	18 May	28 May	11 June

RULES FOR CELEBRATIONS

THE LITURGICAL YEAR

“The Popes, together with the Fathers and the tradition of the Catholic Church, taught that the historical events by which Christ Jesus won our salvation through his death are not merely commemorated or recalled in the course of the liturgical year...These pontiffs taught rather that the celebration of the liturgical year exerts ‘a special sacramental power and influence which strengthens Christian life’” (*Approval of General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the New General Roman Calendar, Apostolic Letter of Pope Paul VI*).

“The Church celebrates the memory of Christ’s saving work on appointed days in the course of the year. Every week the Church celebrates the memorial of the Resurrection on Sunday, which is called the Lord’s Day. This is also celebrated together with the passion of Jesus, on the great feast of Easter once a year. Throughout the year the entire mystery of Christ is unfolded, and the birthdays (days of death) of the saints are commemorated. The Church celebrates the Paschal Mystery on the first day of the week, known as the Lord’s Day or Sunday. This follows a tradition handed down from the Apostles, which took its origin from the day of Christ’s Resurrection. Thus Sunday should be considered the original feast day” (*General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar, n.1, 4*).

THE LITURGICAL DAY

The liturgical day runs from midnight to midnight. However, the celebration of Sunday and of solemnities begins on the evening of the day before.

SUNDAY is to be regarded as the primordial feast. Because of its special importance, the celebration

of Sunday gives way only to solemnities and feasts of the Lord inscribed in the General Calendar, except that the Sundays of the Advent, Lent, and Easter seasons take precedence over all feasts of the Lord and over all solemnities. Solemnities occurring on these Sundays are observed on another day according to the Table above. They are transferred to the nearest day designated in nn. 1-8 of the Tables above.

SOLEMNITIES are regarded as being the most important days in the calendar and their celebration begins with Evening Prayer I on the evening of the day before. Some solemnities have their own vigil Mass for use when Mass is celebrated in the evening the day before.

FEASTS are celebrated within the limits of the natural day and accordingly do not have Evening Prayer I. Exceptions are feasts of the Lord inscribed in the General Calendar, that fall on a Sunday in Ordinary Time or of the Christmas season and which replace the Sunday Liturgy.

MEMORIALS are either obligatory or optional. Their observance is integrated into the celebration of the weekday in accord with the norms set forth in the General Instruction of the Roman Missal and of the Liturgy of the Hours. Obligatory memorials occurring on Lenten weekdays may only be celebrated as a Commemoration. Should more than one optional memorial fall on the same day, only one may be celebrated; the others are omitted.

SATURDAYS in Ordinary Time when no obligatory memorial occurs, an optional memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary is permitted.

CHOICE OF MASS TEXTS

On **solemnities** the priest chooses the Mass formularies in accordance with the calendar of the church where he is celebrating.

On **Sundays, weekdays of the Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter seasons, on feasts and on obligatory memorials**: a) if Mass is celebrated with the people, the priest should follow the calendar of the church where he is celebrating; b) if Mass is celebrated without a congregation, the priest may choose either the calendar of the church or his own calendar.

On **optional memorials**: a) on the weekdays of Advent from 17th to 24th December, during the octave of Christmas, and on the weekdays of Lent other than on Ash Wednesday and in Holy Week, the priest celebrates the Mass of the weekday. However, he may take the Opening Prayer from the memorial inscribed in the General Calendar for that day, except on Ash Wednesday and during Holy Week; b) on the weekdays of Advent before 17th December, or on the weekdays of the Christmas season from 2nd January onwards, the priest may choose the weekday Mass, the Mass of the saint or of one of the saints whose memorial falls that day, or the Mass of a saint inscribed in the Martyrology for that day.

On **weekdays in Ordinary Time**, the prayers may be taken either: a) from the Mass formula of the preceding Sunday or from any one of the 34 Sundays in Ordinary Time, or from among the prayers for various needs and occasions; b) from the Mass of a saint inscribed in the calendar as an optional memorial, or of a saint inscribed in the Martyrology for that day; c) from a Mass for various needs and occasions, or from a votive Mass; d) from any Mass for the Dead, though the formulas of the daily Mass for the Dead may only be used if the Mass is actually said for the dead.

VARIOUS PARTS OF THE CELEBRATION

The *Gloria* (Glory to God in the highest) is used on Sundays outside Advent and Lent, on solemnities and feasts, and on the days within the Octaves of

Christmas and Easter, and at special solemn celebrations.

Mass Prayers: only one Collect of the day is said, and this also applies to the prayer over the gifts and that after communion. Prayers for any particular need or the remembrance of any anniversary are to be made in the Prayer of the Faithful.

Readings: in the weekday lectionary, there are readings laid down for every day in all the weeks of the whole year. These readings should be used for the day to which they are assigned unless there occurs a solemnity, a feast or else a memorial that has its own proper New Testament readings (i.e. which mention the particular mystery or the particular saint). In Masses for special groups it is permissible for the priest to choose readings more appropriate to the group, provided the readings are taken from those of the approved lectionary.

The **Creed** is to be said on Sundays and on solemnities and may also be said on more solemn special occasions.

Eucharistic Prayers: the norms regarding the recitation of each of these prayers are included with the prayer itself.

Preface: in Masses which have a proper Preface, it is not possible to use a Eucharistic Prayer which incorporates its own fixed preface, that is to say a preface which forms one whole with the rest of the Eucharistic Prayer.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE LITURGY OF THE HOURS

ON SUNDAYS: everything is done as in the Ordinary, in the Psalter and in the Proper, according to the various seasons. Both Evening Prayer I and II are recited. At the Office of Readings, after the second reading and its Responsory is said the Hymn *Te Deum*, except in Lent.

ON SOLEMNITIES: at Evening Prayer I everything is taken from the Proper or the Common. The Night Prayer that follows Evening Prayer I is that laid down for recitation after Evening Prayer I of

Sunday. At the Office of Readings, everything is taken from the Proper or the Common and the Hymn *Te Deum* is always said. At Morning Prayer everything is taken from the Proper or the Common using also the psalms of Sunday Week 1. At Prayer During the Day the hymn is taken from the Psalter; the antiphon, the short reading, the versicle and the response and the prayer are taken from the Proper or the Common. The Psalms: if particular psalms are laid down for a solemnity, these are to be recited at one of the Middle Hours; those who recite the other two Middle Hours that day take the psalms from the complementary psalms to be found at the end of the Psalter. If no particular psalms are laid down for a solemnity which occurs on a Sunday, at one of the Middle Hours the psalms recited are taken from those given for Sunday Week 1; those who recite the other Middle Hours that day take the psalms from the complementary psalms to be found at the end of the Psalter. In other cases all the psalms are taken from the complementary psalms to be found at the end of the Psalter. At Evening Prayer II everything is taken from the Proper or the Common. The Night Prayer that follows Evening Prayer II is that laid down for recitation after Evening Prayer II of Sunday.

ON FEASTS: Evening Prayer I is recited only on Feasts of the Lord inscribed in the General Calendar which fall on a Sunday. In this case Night Prayer that follows Evening Prayer I is that laid down for recitation after Evening Prayer I. At the Office of Readings, everything is taken from the Proper or the Common and the Hymn *Te Deum* is always said. At Morning Prayer everything is taken from the Proper or the Common using also the psalms of Sunday Week 1. At Prayer During the Day the hymn is taken from the Psalter; the antiphon, the short reading, the versicle and the response and the prayer are taken from the Proper or the Common. At one of these Middle Hours the

antiphons (unless there are proper ones) and the psalms are taken from the current day of the week; those who recite the other Middle Hours that day take the psalms from the complementary psalms to be found at the end of the Psalter. At Evening Prayer everything is taken from the Proper or the Common. The Night Prayer is that laid down for that particular day of the week.

ON MEMORIALS: at Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer and the Office of Readings the psalms and their antiphons are those of the weekday. NB: if the memorial has proper antiphons at Morning Prayer, these are used together with the psalms of Sunday Week 1. If there are proper antiphons for Evening Prayer, these are used together with psalms from the Common. As to the antiphon at the invitatory, the hymns, the short readings with their versicle and response, the *Benedictus* and *Magnificat* antiphons, and the intercessions: if there are proper texts, those of the memorial are used, otherwise they may be taken either from the Common or from the particular weekday; the prayer is also that of the memorial. At the Office of Readings the biblical reading and its Responsory is taken from the present season; the second reading is of the saint, with its proper Responsory, or from the Common, but in the absence of a proper reading concerning the saint, the reading may be taken from the weekday; the Hymn *Te Deum* is never said. At the Middle Hour, and at Night Prayer, everything is taken from the weekday.

ON WEEKDAYS: everything is taken from the Ordinary, from the Psalter, and from the Proper, according to the season; at the Office of Readings the Hymn *Te Deum* is never said; the prayer at the Office of Readings is taken from the Proper, at the other Hours during Ordinary Time it is taken from the Psalter, and at other seasons from the Proper.

THE NATIONAL CALENDAR

The National Calendar for England received the *recognitio* of the Holy See in 2000 (revised in 2018). The calendar includes a wide range of Saints from England representing the history of Christianity in this country. The Calendar also includes the Feasts of the 6 patrons of Europe established by Blessed Pope John Paul II. The National Calendar is complemented by diocesan calendars which can include more local saints and attach greater solemnity to particular local patrons.

MEMORIALS CELEBRATED IN A REDUCED MANNER

The weekdays of Advent from 17th – 24th December and the Octave of Christmas take precedence over the Memorial of Saints, which may therefore be celebrated as follows: a) at the Office of Readings, after the prescribed second reading and its Responsory is added the reading of the saint with its Responsory and then the prayer of the saint; b) at Morning and Evening Prayer, after the Concluding Prayer, the conclusion is omitted and the antiphon and prayer of the saint is added; c) at Mass that day the Opening Prayer from the Proper of Saints may be used in place of the Advent Weekday, everything else is from the Proper of Seasons.

REFERENCE

The following Liturgical Books have been issued by the Congregation for Divine Worship; the ICEL translation has been authorised for use by certain Episcopal Conferences. The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has approved them as resources: *The Book of Blessings* and *The Collection of Masses of the Blessed Virgin Mary*.

ABBREVIATIONS FOR THE BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

Gen	Genesis
Ex	Exodus
Lev	Leviticus
Num	Numbers
Deut	Deuteronomy
Josh	Joshua
Jdg	Judges
Ruth	Ruth
Sam	Samuel
1 + 2 Kgs	Kings
1 + 2 Chr	Chronicles
Ezra	Ezra
Neh	Nehemiah
Tob	Tobit
Jdt	Judith
Esther	Esther
Job	Job
Ps	Psalms
Prov	Proverbs

Ecc	Ecclesiastes (Qoheleth)
Song	Song of Songs
Wis	Wisdom
Eccle	Ecclesiasticus (Sirach)
Is	Isaiah
Jer	Jeremiah
Lam	Lamentations
Bar	Baruch
Ez	Ezekiel
Dan	Daniel
Hos	Hosea
Joel	Joel
Am	Amos
Jonah	Jonah
Mic	Micah
Zeph	Zephaniah
Hag	Haggai
Zec	Zechariah
Mal	Malachi
1 + 2 Macc	Maccabees
Mt	Matthew
Mk	Mark
Lk	Luke
Jn	John
Acts	Acts of the Apostles
Rom	Romans
Cor	Corinthians
Gal	Galatians
Eph	Ephesians
Phil	Philippians
Col	Colossians
Th	Thessalonians
Tim	Timothy
Tit	Titus
Phm	Philemon
Heb	Hebrews
Jm	James
1 Pt	Peter
1/2/3 Jn	John
Rev	Revelation

ABBREVIATIONS USED IN THIS ORDER

BVM	Blessed Virgin Mary
SOL	Solemnity
FEAST	Feast
MEM	Memorial
OM	Optional Memorial
MP	Morning Prayer
EP	Evening Prayer
GIL	General Introduction to the Lectionary
GILH	General Introduction to the Liturgy of the Hours
GIRM	General Instruction of the Roman Missal
GN	General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the New General Roman Calendar
RCIA	Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
RM	Roman Missal
OT	Ordinary Time