

**NOTATIONS ON THE
LITURGICAL CALENDAR
FOR THE
ARCHDIOCESE OF INDIANAPOLIS**



THE YEAR OF GRACE 2009

*Prepared by the Office of Worship for use in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis
as a companion to
The Order of Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours and Celebration of the Eucharist 2009*

THE EASTER VIGIL: The first Mass of Easter, the Easter Vigil, falls between nightfall of Holy Saturday, 11 April and daybreak of Easter Sunday, 12 April 2009. The *General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar*, no. 21, states:

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.

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HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION: In addition to Sunday, the days to be observed as holy days of obligation in the Latin Rite are five since, in the Province of Indiana, the **Solemnity of the Ascension has been permanently transferred to the following Sunday**. These additional days in 2009 are:

- 01 January: The Octave Day of Christmas: The Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, solemnity
- 08 December: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, solemnity
- 25 December: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas), solemnity

The NCCB decree of 13 December 1991, confirmed by the Apostolic See on 04 July 1992, stipulates that whenever 01 January, 15 August, or 01 November falls on a Saturday or on a Monday, the precept to attend Mass is abrogated.

RITUAL MASSES: Ritual Masses are prohibited on the Sundays of Advent, Lent and the Easter season, on all solemnities (of precept or not of precept, on days within the octave of Easter, on the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls), on Ash Wednesday, and during Holy Week. In addition, the norms in the ritual books or in the Masses themselves also apply [*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 330].

Rite of Marriage:

“Weekend wedding masses are normally to be celebrated prior to any Saturday evening masses of anticipation. For exceptional Saturday night or Sunday wedding masses, consult the Sacramentary for the appropriate prayers and readings.” (Rituals Masses, IV, 1)
Sacramental/Liturgical Policies, Archdiocese of Indianapolis, 9560.52

If the marriage is celebrated on a Sunday or solemnity, the Mass of the day is used with the nuptial blessing and the special final blessing according to the circumstances.

When the wedding Mass may not be held, one of the readings from the texts provided for the marriage celebration (nos. 67-105) may be chosen, except from Holy Thursday to Easter, on the solemnities of Epiphany, Ascension, Pentecost, or the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, or on holy days of obligation.

However, the Rite of Marriage outside Mass may be celebrated on the above days except during the Easter Triduum.

On the Sundays of the Christmas season and in Ordinary Time, the entire wedding Mass may be used in Masses that are not parish Masses.

When a marriage is celebrated during Advent or Lent or other days of penance, the special nature of these liturgical seasons are to be considered [*Rite of Marriage*, no. 11].

FUNERAL MASSES: Funeral Masses are not permitted on solemnities that are holy days of obligation, Holy Thursday, the Easter Triduum, and the Sundays of Advent, Lent and the Easter season [*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, no. 336]. Do note, however, that on days when Funeral Masses are not permitted, it may be possible to use the Rite of Funerals Outside of Mass.

Other days of particular note in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis are included as well.

Where reference is made to the ORDO 2009, this refers to “The Order of Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours and Celebration of the Eucharist 2009”, Dioceses of the Province of Indiana.

SEASON OF ADVENT-CHRISTMAS 2008
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30 November, Sunday, **First Sunday of Advent**

beginning of the new liturgical year, Year B, Weekdays I

DECEMBER 2008

03 December, Wednesday, **St. Francis Xavier, Patron of the Archdiocese**
feast

08 December, Monday, **The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
solemnity

holy day of obligation - not lifted because it is the patronal feast of the U.S.

Sunday evening Masses on December 7th may be either for Sunday or the Solemnity, provided that the faithful are properly informed in advance

ritual Masses are not permitted

a funeral Mass is not permitted

12 December, Friday, **Our Lady of Guadalupe**

feast

patroness of the Americas

21 December, Sunday, **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Anniversary of the Dedication of SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral

25 December, Thursday, **The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)**

solemnity

holy day of obligation

ritual Masses are not permitted

a funeral Mass is not permitted

28 December, Sunday, **Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph**

feast

JANUARY 2009

1 January, Thursday, **The Octave Day of Christmas: The Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God**

solemnity

holy day of obligation

ritual Masses are not permitted

a funeral Mass is not permitted

10 January, Saturday, **Anniversary of the death of Edward T. O'Meara, 10th bishop/4th archbishop**

11 January, Sunday, **Baptism of the Lord**
feast

12 January, Monday, Ordinary Time begins (1st Week)

22 January, Thursday, **Day of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life** (GIRM, 373.)

Ritual mass “For Peace and Justice” may be celebrated.

Violet vestments should be worn for this mass.

Additional information, see *ORDO 2009*.

25 January, Sunday, Conversion of St. Paul

As a result of the Pauline Year celebrating the 2000th anniversary of the birth of Saint Paul, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments issued a decree on May 30, 2008 authorizing the use of the Mass formulary and lectionary readings for the Conversion of Saint Paul for Mass on Sunday, January 25, 2009. The date, however, remains the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. Regarding the Lectionary readings, as there is no Second Reading for the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, the Second Reading is taken from the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, namely 1 Corinthians 7:29-31. In addition, the Creed is said, as is customary for a Sunday Mass.

28 January, Wednesday, Catholic Schools Week

All Schools Mass, SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral

FEBRUARY 2009

2 February, Monday, **The Presentation of the Lord**
feast

candles may be blessed this day as a part of the principal liturgy. See the Sacramentary for a description of this rite.

17 February, Tuesday, **Anniversary of the death of Paul C. Schulte**, 8th bishop/2nd archbishop

22 February, Sunday, **Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion 2:00 PM, SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral

the parish **Rite of Sending to the Bishop** may be celebrated at a time prior to the diocesan Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion [RCIA, no. 108]

25 February, Wednesday, **Ash Wednesday**

ritual Masses are not permitted

a funeral Mass is permitted

MARCH 2009

1 March, Sunday, **First Sunday of Lent**

Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion

2:00 PM and 6:00 PM, SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral Church

the parish **Rite of Sending to the Bishop** may be celebrated at a time prior to the diocesan Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion [RCIA, no. 108]

2 March, Monday, **Anniversary of episcopal ordination of Archbishop Buechlein, O.S.B. (1987)**

8 March, Sunday, **Second Sunday of Lent**

Penitential Rite - optional rite for baptized but uncatechized adults and children of catechetical age

15 March, Sunday, **Third Sunday of Lent**

First Scrutiny with the Elect. Year A readings and ritual prayers are to be used for the Mass of the Scrutiny with the Elect, and may be used at the other Masses as well.

Presentation of the Creed is not celebrated on Sunday but at Mass within the Third Week, unless it was anticipated prior to Lent

19 March, Thursday, **Saint Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

solemnity

ritual Masses are not permitted

however, marriage may be celebrated within the Mass of the day. One reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used

a funeral Mass is permitted

patronal feast of Pope Benedict XVI, prayers may be included in the general intercessions

22 March, Sunday, **Fourth Sunday of Lent**

Second Scrutiny with the Elect. Year A readings and ritual prayers are to be used for the Mass of the Scrutiny with the Elect, and may be used at the other Masses as well.

29 March, Sunday, **Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Third Scrutiny with the Elect, Year A readings and ritual prayers are to be used for the Mass of the Scrutiny with the Elect, and may be used at the other Masses as well.

Presentation of the Lord's Prayer is not observed on Sunday but at Mass within the Fifth Week unless it was anticipated prior to Lent or deferred to the **Preparation Rites on Holy Saturday** during the day

APRIL 2009

5 April, Sunday, **Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**

Holy Week begins

6-8 April, Monday-Wednesday, **Weekdays of Holy Week**

ritual Masses are not permitted

however, marriage may be celebrated within the Mass of the day, one reading from the ritual may be substituted, and the nuptial blessing is used

a funeral Mass is permitted

7 April, Tuesday of Holy Week, **Chrism Mass**

7:00 PM, SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral

9 April, Thursday of Holy Week, morning and afternoon

the only Mass permitted is the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

a funeral rite (Liturgy of the Word, closing with the rite of Farewell; cf. OCF part I, no. 4) may be celebrated, with the readings reflecting the nature of this day. Communion is not given.

9-12 April, Holy Thursday evening through Easter Sunday, **The Easter Triduum**

ritual Masses are not permitted

the sacraments are not celebrated except the non-communal forms of penance and anointing of the sick, and the sacraments of initiation within the Masses of Easter

a funeral Mass is not permitted. A funeral rite (Liturgy of the Word, closing with the rite of Farewell; cf. OCF part I, no. 4) may be celebrated, with the readings reflecting the nature of these days. Communion is not given.

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13-19 April, Monday through Sunday, **Days within the Octave of Easter**

solemnities

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a funeral Mass is permitted on Monday through Saturday only

25 March, Monday, **The Annunciation of the Lord**

solemnity

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MAY 2009

3 May, Sunday, Fourth Sunday of Easter, 175th Anniversary of the Archdiocese

3:00 PM, Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis

Adult and Youth Confirmations

Recognition of Golden Wedding Jubilees

Recognition of Jubilees of Consecrated Life

24 May, Sunday, **The Ascension of the Lord**

solemnity

replaces the Seventh Sunday of Easter in the Province of Indiana

ritual Masses are not permitted

a funeral Mass is not permitted

31 May, Sunday, **Pentecost Sunday**

solemnity

proper Vigil Mass

ritual Masses are not permitted

a funeral Mass is not permitted

JUNE 2009

1 June, Monday, **Ordinary Time resumes, 9th Week**

6 June, Saturday, **Priesthood Ordinations**

10:00 AM, SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral Church

7 June, Sunday, **The Most Holy Trinity**

solemnity

ritual Masses are not permitted

14 June, Sunday, **The Most Holy Body and Blood of the Christ**

solemnity

ritual Masses are not permitted

10 June, Wednesday, **Anniversary of the death of Joseph Elmer Ritter, 7th bishop/1st archbishop**

26 June, Friday, **Anniversary of the death of Servant of God Simon Brute, 1st bishop**

28 June, Saturday, **Priesthood Ordinations**

10:00 AM, SS. Peter and Paul Cathedral Church

29 June, Monday, **Peter and Paul, Apostles**

solemnity

patronal feast of the Cathedral of Indianapolis

conclusion of the Pauline Year

ritual Masses are not permitted

JULY 2009

04 July, Saturday, **Independence Day**

for options see ORDO 2009

AUGUST 2009

15 August, Saturday, **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

solemnity

not holy day of obligation in 2009

ritual Masses are not permitted

a funeral Mass is not permitted

SEPTEMBER 2009

7 September, Monday, **Labor Day**

for options see ORDO 2009

9 September, Wednesday, **Anniversary of the installation of Archbishop Daniel Mark Buechlein, O.S.B. (1992)**

OCTOBER 2009

03 October, Saturday, **Saint Theodora Guérin, virgin, Patroness of the Archdiocese**
feast (Solemnity at St. Mary-of-the-Woods Motherhouse)
proper texts, see page 8 of this calendar

17 October, Saturday, **Saint Ignatius of Antioch, bishop and martyr**
Anniversary of the death of George Joseph Biskup, 9th bishop/3rd archbishop

NOVEMBER 2009

01 November, Sunday, **All Saints**
Solemnity
ritual Masses are not permitted
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a funeral Mass is permitted

02 November, Monday, **The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)**
White, violet or black vestments may be worn
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26 November, Thursday, **Thanksgiving Day**
for options see ORDO 2009

29 November, Sunday, **First Sunday of Advent**
beginning of the new liturgical year, Year C, Weekdays II

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Proper Texts for the Feast of Saint Theodora Guérin – October 3

First Reading: Sirach 2: 7-13 (Lectionary no. 737.12)

Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14 (Lectionary no. 740.9)

Gospel Reading: Luke 12:32-34 (Lectionary no, 742.12)

Opening Prayer

**Loving God,
in Saint Theodora Guérin
you have given us an example of a religious woman
who trusted deeply in Providence.
Through her intercession,
inspire us to dedicate our lives
to proclaiming the Gospel
through works of love, mercy and justice.
We ask this through....**

Prayer over the Gifts

**Lord,
may the gifts we bring you
help us follow the example
of St. Theodora Guérin.
Cleanse us from our earthly way of life,
and teach us to live the new life
of your kingdom.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.**

Prayer after Communion

Lord,

**may our reception of the body and blood of your Son
keep us from harmful things.
Help us by the example of St. Theodora Guérin
to grow in your love on earth
that we may rejoice for ever in heaven.
We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord.**

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