



The Year of Grace 2017: Roman Catholic Diocese of Des Moines

Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy

Lectionary: Sunday Year A (Matthew) / Weekday Year I

An asterisk (*) denotes a weekday holy day of obligation

Advent

November 27, 2016: First Sunday of Advent

***December 8 (Thursday): Immaculate Conception, Solemnity**

Friday, December 9: Optional Memorial of St. Juan Diego

Monday, December 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe

Christmas Time

***December 24-25: Christmas Vigil/Day (Saturday-Sunday)**

December 30: Feast of the Holy Family (Friday)

***December 31, 2016-January 1, 2017: Mary, Mother of God, Vigil/Day (Saturday-Sunday)**

January 7-8: The Epiphany of the Lord Vigil/Day (Saturday-Sunday)

January 9: The Baptism of the Lord (Monday)

Ordinary Time

January 15: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 15: Mass for Life with Iowa Bishops, 5 p.m. Sts. John and Paul Parish, Altoona

January 18-24: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

January 23: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children (Monday, opt. violet vestments)

January 25: Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle (Wednesday)

January 25: Anniversary of Ordination of Bishop Joseph Charron, C.P.P.S. (1990)

February 2: Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas; Thursday; white)

February 3: Optional Memorial, St. Blaise, Blessing of Throats (Friday)

Lent

March 1: Ash Wednesday

March 4: Rite of Election/Call to Continuing Conversion, 7:00 pm, Saturday (Corpus Christi, CB)

March 5: First Sunday of Lent

March 5: Rite of Election/Call to Continuing Conversion, 1:30 & 4:30 p.m. (Cathedral)

March 12: Second Sunday of Lent (Penitential Rite)

March 13: Anniversary of Election of Pope Francis (2013)

March 19: Third Sunday of Lent (First Scrutiny)

March 20: Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Solemnity, Monday

March 25: The Annunciation of the Lord, Solemnity, Saturday

March 26: Fourth Sunday of Lent (Second Scrutiny)

April 2: Fifth Sunday of Lent (Third Scrutiny)

April 7: Chrism Mass, Friday, 7 pm, Cathedral of St. Ambrose

April 9: Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Holy Thursday: April 13

Good Friday: April 14

Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil: April 15 (Earliest Easter Vigil start time: 8:30 PM)

Easter Sunday: April 16

Easter Time

April 23: Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday,

May 27-28: Solemnity of the Ascension Vigil/Day, tr. from May 25; replaces 7th Sun. of Easter

May 29: Anniversary of Installation of Bishop Richard Pates (2008)

June 3-4: Pentecost Vigil/Day

Ordinary Time

June 11: Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, Sunday

June 18: Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ, Sunday

June 23: Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, (Friday)

June 23: World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests

June 23: Priesthood Ordination, 7 pm, Cathedral of St. Ambrose (Friday)

June 24: Solemnity of the Birth of John the Baptist (Saturday)

June 25: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 29: Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles (Thursday)

August 6: Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord (Sunday)

***August 14-15: Solemnity of the Assumption BVM Vigil/Day (Mon.-Tues.)**

August 22: Queenship of Mary, Principal Patroness of the Diocese of Des Moines, Feast (Tuesday)

September 8: Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Friday)

September 14: Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Thursday)

Oct. 11: Anniversary of Dedication of Cathedral, Feast in Diocesan Churches; Solemnity in Cathedral

***November 1: Solemnity of All Saints (Wednesday)**

November 2: The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (Thursday)

November 9: Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (Thursday)

November 26: Solemnity of Christ the King (Sunday)

