



# The Year of Grace 2012: The Diocese of Des Moines

Lectionary: Sunday Year B (Mark)/Weekday Year II

## Advent

**First Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2011: Mandatory first use: Roman Missal, Third Edition**

**\*The Immaculate Conception, December 8 (Thursday)**

Our Lady of Guadalupe, December 12 (Monday)

## Christmas Time

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

Holy Family, December 30 (Friday)

Mary, Mother of God, January 1, 2012 (Sunday)

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

The Baptism of the Lord, January 9 (Monday)

## Ordinary Time

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 15

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, January 18-25

Presentation of the Lord, February 2 (Thursday)

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children: January 23 (Monday), trans. from Jan. 22

## Lent

Ash Wednesday, February 22

**Rite of Election: Sat., Feb. 25 at 7:00 pm (Corpus Christi/Queen of Apostles, Council Bluffs)**

First Sunday in Lent, February 26

**Rite of Election, Sunday, February 26 at 1:30 and 4:30 p.m. (Cathedral of St. Ambrose)**

Second Sunday in Lent, March 4 (Penitential Rite)

Third Sunday in Lent, March 11 (First Scrutiny)

Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 18 (Second Scrutiny)

Joseph, Husband of Mary, March 19 (Monday)

Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 25 (Third Scrutiny)

Annunciation of the Lord, March 26 (Monday), transferred from March 25

**Chrism Mass, March 30 at 7 pm, Cathedral of St. Ambrose (Friday)**

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, April 1

## The Sacred Paschal Triduum

**Holy Thursday, April 5**

**Good Friday, April 6**

**Holy Saturday/Easter Vigil, April 7 (Earliest Easter Vigil start time: 8:00 PM)**

**Easter Sunday, April 8**

## Easter Time

Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday, April 15

Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> Week of Easter, May 17 (Ascension is transferred to May 19-20)

Ascension of the Lord Vigil/Day, transferred to replace 7th Sunday of Easter, May 19-20

Pentecost Vigil/Day, May 26-27

## Ordinary Time

Diaconate Ordination, June 1 at 7 pm, Holy Trinity Parish, Des Moines (Friday, reserved date)

Trinity Sunday, June 3

The Body and Blood of Christ, June 10

Feast of the Sacred Heart, June 15 (Friday)

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, June 17

Birth of John the Baptist, June 24 (Sunday)

Feast of SS. Peter and Paul, June 29 (Friday)

Transfiguration of the Lord, August 6 (Monday)

**\*The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil/Day, August 14-15 (Tuesday-Wednesday)**

Triumph of the Cross, September 14 (Friday)

**\*All Saints, November 1 (Thursday)**

All Souls, November 2 (Friday)

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, November 9 (Friday)

Christ the King, November 25 (Sunday)

**\*A holy day of obligation (weekday)**



## The Year of Grace 2012: Diocese of Des Moines Calendar Notes

- 1. Sunday, 20 November 2011, Christ the King:** The Centennial Jubilee year officially closes with this liturgical celebration. Mention in the petitions or an announcement is suggested.
- 2. Sunday, 27 November 2011, Advent I:** The Roman Missal, Third Edition, is promulgated in all ICEL nations. After this date, the Third Edition is the only edition that may be used. Please see the document “Roman Missal Quick Reference” for helpful information as we all acclimate ourselves to the new Missal.  
  
Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with Children may be used in from the 1970 edition until they are offered in another publication. These texts may continue to be used with the new dialogues and words of institution interpolated into the prayer.
- 3. Holy Days of Obligation (Weekday):** Immaculate Conception, Thurs., 8 Dec. 2011; Assumption, Wed., 15 August 2012; All Saints, Thurs., 1 Nov. 2012.
- 4. Transferred Feasts and Observances:** Day of Prayer for Legal Protection of the Unborn transferred to Monday, January 23; Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord transferred to Monday, March 26, replacing Lenten weekday; Chrism Mass to be held on Thursday, March 29; Ascension of the Lord transferred to Sunday, May 20, replacing the Seventh Sunday of Easter.
- 5. New Vigil Texts:** Epiphany, Ascension, and Pentecost have new vigil texts. The dates of these vigils are January 8, May 19, and May 26, respectively. Note also that the new texts for the Pentecost Vigil details and optional extended vigil which mirrors the Easter Vigil.
- 6. Chrism Mass:** Friday, March 30, 7 pm at the Cathedral. At Bishop Pates’ request, please make special encouragement and invitation to the following groups at your parish: RCIA catechumens, candidates, sponsors, team; children who are to be or were recently baptized, along with the parents and sponsors; youth preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation. Many thanks.
- 7. Diaconate Ordination:** Friday, June 1 at 7 pm, at Holy Trinity Parish in Des Moines, has been reserved for the diocesan seminarians who will be ordained deacons. Currently three seminarians, Fabian Moncada, Ross Parker, and Adam Westphal are in Theology III and on track for a June 1 diaconal ordination. Please pray for these and all of our seminarians.