

Calendar Notes for 2020

Lectionary

Sunday Year A *Weekdays* Year II

Additions to the Calendar

Mary, Mother of the Church, Obligatory Memorial, Monday after Pentecost — added to the General Roman Calendar

Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest, Feast, Thursday after Pentecost — added to National Calendars of England and of Wales

- Information about the liturgical text will be available from the Liturgy Office website through links on the Calendar for this year: <http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/2019/May.shtml>

St Paul VI, Optional Memorial, 29 May — added to the General Roman Calendar

Our Lady of Loreto, Optional Memorial, 10 December — added to the General Roman Calendar <http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Sanctoral/December.shtml>

Cycle of Prayer

The following Intention has been added to the Cycle of Prayer

- Survivors of Sexual Abuse [Friday in 5th Week of Lent]

Advent/Christmas

2019

Sunday 1 December	First Sunday of Advent
Monday 9 December	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday 25 December	The Nativity of the Lord
Sunday 29 December	The Holy Family

2020

Wednesday 1 January	Mary, Mother of God
Sunday 5 January	Epiphany
Sunday 12 January	Baptism of the Lord

Cycle of Prayer

During Advent and Christmastide we are asked to pray for these intentions

Openness to the Word of God, Migrants and Refugees, Expectant Mothers.

Migrants' Day	Tuesday 3 December
Bible Sunday	Sunday 8 December [2nd Sunday of Advent]
Expectant Mothers	especially on 4th Sunday in Advent, 22 December

Ordinary Time – Winter

Sunday 19 January	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 2 February	Presentation of the Lord
Sunday 23 February	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time (last Sunday before Lent)

Cycle of Prayer

During Ordinary Time (Winter), i.e. up to Lent, we are asked to pray for these intentions:

Peace on Earth; Christian Unity; The Sick and Those Who Care for Them; Victims of Trafficking and Those who Work to Combat it; The Unemployed.

Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity	18–25 January
Peace Day	Sunday 19 January [2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time]
Day for Victims of Trafficking	Saturday 8 February [St Josephine Bakhita]
World Day for the Sick	Tuesday 11 February
Racial Justice Day	Sunday 9 February [3 Sundays before 1st Sunday of Lent]
Day for the Unemployed	Sunday 23 February [Sunday before 1st Sunday of Lent]

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Lent

Wednesday 26 February	Ash Wednesday
Sunday 1 March	1st Sunday of Lent
Monday 2 March	St David (in Wales)
Thursday 19 March	St Joseph
Wednesday 25 March	The Annunciation of the Lord

Cycle of Prayer

During Lent we are asked to pray for these intentions:

Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.

Candidates for the Sacraments	especially on the Sundays of Lent
Women's World Day of Prayer	Friday 6 March [1st Friday in March]
Lent Fast Day	Friday 6 March [Friday 1st week of Lent]
Survivors of Sexual Abuse	Friday 3 April [Friday 5th week of Lent]

Easter

Sunday 12 April	Easter Sunday
Thursday 23 April	St George
Thursday 21 May	Ascension of the Lord
Sunday 24 May	7th Sunday of Easter
Friday 29 May	St Paul VI — Optional Memorial (added 2019)
Sunday 31 May	Pentecost

Cycle of Prayer

During Easter we are asked to pray for these intentions:

New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.

St Joseph the Worker	Friday 1 May
World Day of Prayer for Vocations	Sunday 3 May [4th Sunday of Easter]
World Communications Day	Sunday 24 May [7th Sunday of Easter]
The Church	especially at Pentecost, 31 May

Ordinary Time – Summer

Monday 1 June	Mary, Mother of the Church — Memorial [Week 9 in OT (Psalter Week I)]
Thursday 4 June	Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest— Feast (in England and Wales)
Sunday 7 June	Most Holy Trinity
Sunday 14 June	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Friday 19 June	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday 20 June	Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday 21 June	12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday 24 June	Nativity of St John the Baptist
Sunday 28 June	St Peter and St Paul
Thursday 6 August	Transfiguration of the Lord
Sunday 16 August	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Cycle of Prayer

During Ordinary Time (Summer), i.e. up to September, we are asked to pray for these intentions:
A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those Who Suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; Seafarers.

Day for Life	Sunday 21 June [3rd Sunday in June]
St John Fisher and St Thomas More	Monday 22 June
Europe	[St Benedict, St Bridget and St Teresa Benedicta as below. also Sts Cyril and Methodius (14 February) (& St Catherine of Siena (29 April)).]
St Benedict	Saturday 11 July
St Bridget	Thursday 23 July
[St Teresa Benedicta of Cross	Sunday 9 August]
Sea Sunday	Sunday 12 July [2nd Sunday in July]

Ordinary Time – Autumn

Monday 14 September	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Sunday 1 November	All Saints
Monday 2 November	All Souls
Monday 9 November	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Sunday 22 November	Our Lord Jesus Christ. King of the Universe

Cycle of Prayer

During Ordinary Time (Autumn), i.e. from September to Christ the King, we are asked to pray for these intentions:
Students and Teachers; The Spread of the Gospel; The Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.

World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation	Tuesday 1 September
Education Day	Sunday 13 September [2nd Sunday in September]
Home Mission Day	Sunday 20 September [3rd Sunday in September]
World Mission Day	Sunday 18 October [penultimate Sunday in October]
The Harvest, etc.	Sunday 27 September [Sunday between 22–28 September] or whenever Harvest Festivals are held.
Harvest Fast Day	Friday 2 October [1st Friday in October]
Prisons Week	11–17 October [2nd Week in October]
Remembrance Day	Sunday 8 November [2nd Sunday in November]
World Day of the Poor	Sunday 15 November [33rd Sunday in OT]
Youth Day	Sunday 22 November [Christ the King]

Advent/Christmas

Sunday 29 November	First Sunday of Advent
Tuesday 8 December	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Thursday 10 December	Our Lady of Loreto
Friday 25 December	The Nativity of the Lord
Sunday 27 December	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Cycle of Prayer

During Advent and Christmastide we are asked to pray for these intentions
Migrants and Refugees, Expectant Mothers.

Migrants' Day	Thursday 3 December
Expectant Mothers	especially on 4th Sunday in Advent, 20 December