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**LITURGICAL CALENDAR ITEMS**

**RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY**

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Sunday, October 4, 2015**

*The USCCB Respect Life Program begins anew each year on Respect Life Sunday, the first Sunday in October. The program is highlighted in liturgies and marked by special events. The USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities publishes a program packet each year to call attention to numerous human life issues. These materials are especially helpful for priests, parish groups, schools, and other organizations. For more information or to request packets, visit:*

[*http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/respect-life-program*](http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/respect-life-program)*.*

*Petitions for the Universal Prayer for the intention of Respect Life can found on the website for the Office for Worship.*

*Priests and deacons may consider, in conjunction with Respect Life Sunday, using the Rite for the Blessing of a Child in the Womb, published by the United States Conferences of Catholic Bishops in 2012. For more information on this Rite and to order in English or Spanish, see:*

[*http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/prayers/pro-life-blessings.cfm*](http://www.usccb.org/about/pro-life-activities/prayers/pro-life-blessings.cfm)*.*

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Sunday, October 18, 2015**

The *Mass for the Evangelization of Peoples*, number 18 of the Masses and Prayers for Various Needs and Occasions in the *Roman Missal*, may be used on World Mission Sunday. The Readings can be those of the Sunday or those for the *Evangelization of Peoples* in Volume IV of the *Lectionary for Mass.*

Additional information on the observance of World Mission Sunday can be found at the following website:

[*http://www.usccb.org/about/evangelization-and-catechesis/world-missions/index.cfm*](http://www.usccb.org/about/evangelization-and-catechesis/world-missions/index.cfm)*.*

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

**Sunday, November 29, 2015**

*As we approach the beginning of another year on the Liturgical Calendar, please note the Lectionary cycles for 2016 are:*

* *Sunday Cycle – Year C*
* *Weekday Cycle - II*

**CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

Additional information on Christian Initiation for adults can be found on the website for the Office for Divine Worship, under the heading *Christian Initiation*.

**FALL MEETING FOR CHRISTIAN INITIATION COORDINATORS**

The fall meeting for Christian Initiation Coordinators will take place at the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center on October 14, 2015 from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. More information will follow.

**THE INSTITUTE FOR CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR 2015-2016**

Saturday, October 24, 2015 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

(Neumann Room of the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul)

Saturday, November 21, 2015 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

(Auditorium A & B of Archdiocesan Pastoral Center)

Saturday, January 23, 2016 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

(Auditorium A & B of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center)

SNOW DATE: Saturday, February 6, 2016

(Auditorium A & B of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center)

*See the Registration Flyer in this Monthly Mailing.*

**PARISH BULLETIN INQUIRY ANNOUNCEMENT**

The following is provided as a guide for parish bulletin announcements for the Inquiry Period of Christian Initiation. This announcement respects the various groupings of adults who are seeking information on the Sacraments of Christian Initiation:

**DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS**

**ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH**

Saint N. Parish offers year round opportunities for people seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, the Sacraments and living the Christian Life. These opportunities are for adults who would like to inquire about following Jesus and becoming a member of the Catholic Church, or, if you are already a baptized Christian, would like to become a Catholic, or, if you are already a baptized Catholic, would like to receive Confirmation and Holy Communion. There are many people like yourself inquiring and we are ready to answer your questions.

Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

* **All Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are to have an appointment letter from the Archbishop.**
* Candidates are to be fully initiated practicing Catholics, high school graduates, validly married, if married, and recognized for faith and devotion to the Holy Eucharist as well as for service in the parish/institution.
* Pastors and chaplains are encouraged to send new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the archdiocesan formation sessions. Current Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are also welcome to these sessions.
* Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion typically serve for three years. Pastors/chaplains may renew terms, if agreeable and in consultation with the minister.
* Pastors and chaplains are reminded to inform the Office for Divine Worship if they conduct their own formation and to send to this office their request for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.
* Request forms can be found on the Office for Divine Worship website. Letters of Appointment from the Archbishop will then follow.
* Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are appointed for a three-year term and for the place where they are commissioned. Terms may be renewed if agreeable to both the pastor/chaplain and the minister.
* All records of active Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are maintained by the parish/institution.
* **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are commissioned after participation in a training session, according to the form found in the *Book of Blessings*, Chapter 63, “Order for the Commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.”**

• Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion only serve in the parishes/institutions for which they are commissioned.

**UPCOMING WORKSHOPS**

**All Workshops for 2015-2016**

**for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

**and for Lectors can be found on the website**

**of the Office for Divine Worship (odwphila.org)**

*See the Registration Flyers in this Monthly Mailing.*

**Workshops for Liturgical Music Ministers**

**will be posted after September 1, 2015**

**ASSOCIATION OF CHURCH MUSICIANS IN PHILADELPHIA EVENTS**

The Association of Church Musicians in Philadelphia (ACMP) will be hosting the following events:

Friday, October 2, 2015 6:15 PM

Annual Pastor and Musicians Banquet

Lamb Banquet Hall (Lamb Tavern) in Springfield

Sunday, October 11, 2015 2:30 PM to 6:30 PM

Fall Skills Workshop

Saint Monica Church, Berwyn

*For more information, please see the Association’s website:*

[**http://acmpmusic.com/**](http://acmpmusic.com/)

**OBSERVANCE OF THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY**

**Tuesday, December 8, 2015,**

**the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary,**

**through Sunday, November 20, 2016,**

**the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King of the Universe**

The Principal Dates for the Observance of the Jubilee in the Archdiocese will be:

Opening of the Jubilee Year of Mercy Opening of the Holy Door

and Solemn Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

Sunday, December 13, 2015 at 6:30 PM.

Archdiocesan Observance of 24 Hours for the Lord

Friday, March 4-Saturday, March 5, 2016

Observance of the Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday

Sunday, April 3, 2016

Archdiocesan Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

Saturday, April 23, 2016

Closing of the Jubilee Year of Mercy Closing of the Holy Door

and Solemn Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

Sunday, November 20, 2016 at 6:30 PM

*See the Flyer in this Monthly Mailing.*

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**links to helpful information**

**MAKE SURE YOUR PARISH RECEIVES THE MOST CURRENT INFORMATION**

Please notify the Office for Divine Worship if there are any changes to the Coordinators serving as liaisons between your parish and the Office for Divine Worship. The Coordinators Contact Form is available online as a [PDF](http://www.odwphiladelphia.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/Coordinator-Data-Collection-Form.pdf) or [Word](http://www.odwphiladelphia.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/Coordinator-Data-Collection-Form.docx) file.

**FOR THE MOST RECENT NEWSLETTER FROM THE USCCB**

Individual issues of the Newsletter are posted online approximately three months after they have been released to subscribers. The most recent newsletter available is December 2014,

[*http://www.usccb.org/about/divine-worship/newsletter/upload/newsletter-2014-04.pdf*](http://www.usccb.org/about/divine-worship/newsletter/upload/newsletter-2014-04.pdf)*.*

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