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LITURGICAL CALENDAR ITEM

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday, October 1, 2017

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/>

Intentions for the Universal Prayer for Respect Life can found on the website for the Office for Divine 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>.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Sunday, October 22, 2017**

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 Missions can be found at the following website:

<http://www.usccb.org/about/evangelization-and-catechesis/world-missions/>.

**SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
Wednesday, November 1, 2017**

The Solemnity of All Saints Day is observed as a Holy Day of Obligation.

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Sunday, December 3, 2017**

As we approach the beginning of another year of the Liturgical Calendar, please note the Lectionary cycles for 2018 are:

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

**SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Friday, December 8, 2017**

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the patronal feast of the United States of America, is *always* a Holy Day of Obligation, even if it falls on a Monday or Saturday.

SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

Monday, December 25, 2017

The Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord is *always* a Holy Day of Obligation, even if it falls on a Monday or Saturday

4:00 P.M. is the earliest time in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for a Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord.

PLEASE PROMOTE:

**Archdiocesan Rosary
Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul
18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103
Saturday, October 7, 2017 at 7:00 PM**

Plan now to participate. Parish groups, such as the Legion of Mary, the Altar and Rosary Society, and Prayers Groups, are encouraged to attend as a group. This year, the Archdiocesan Rosary will focus on the invitation of Our Lady of Fatima to the shepherd children and to all of us to pray the daily Rosary for the intention of peace. Parking is available in the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center Parking Lot.

**Archdiocesan Pilgrimage
to the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
Washington, DC
Saturday, October 28, 2017**

All Parishes, Schools and Institutions are encouraged to participate. Parishes with titles of Our Blessed Mother are especially asked to consider making the Pilgrimage as a parish group. Each parish and institution is responsible for securing its own transportation to the National Shrine. Information about parking and the schedule of the day has already been sent to the parishes and institutions in a separate mailing.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The Office for Divine Worship has the responsibility for direction, guidance and support of pastors and those who collaborate with them in the formation of adults for Christian Initiation. Additional information on Christian Initiation for adults can be found on the website for the Office for Divine Worship, under the heading *Christian Initiation*.

- For the current Christian Initiation Information Periodic Mailing, see: <http://www.odwphiladelphia.org/christian-initiation/>.
- The *Institute for Christian Initiation* will again take place next year. Please see the flyer attached to this edition of the Monthly Mailing.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS

LITURGICAL FORMATION WORKSHOPS 2017-2018

INSTITUTE FOR CHRISTIAN INITIATION

Saturdays, October 21, 2017, January 13, 2018 and March 3, 2018, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Archdiocesan Pastoral Center, 222 North 17th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103
Presenter, Father Dennis Gill, Director of the Office for Divine Worship

LECTORS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Since 2008, the Office for Divine Worship has provided workshops throughout the fall and spring all throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for Extraordinary Ministers and Lectors. These have in some instances been very well attended and in other instances poorly attended. For 2017-2018, the Office is experimenting with a new approach to the workshops.

For Lectors:

Wednesday, October 4, 2017, 7:00 - 9:00 PM
Cathedral Chapel, 18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19103
Presenter, Sister Marganne Drago, SSJ

For Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Thursday, November 9, 2017, 7:00 - 9:00 PM
and Thursday, March 15, 2018, 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Cathedral Chapel, 18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19103
Presenter, Father Dennis Gill, Director of the Office for Divine Worship

For Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for the Sick:

Saturday, February 3, 2018, 10:00 AM--Noon

Cathedral Chapel, 18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19103
Presenter, Father Dennis Gill, Director of the Office for Divine Worship

**ON REVISED GUIDELINES
FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS
WITH PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Saturday, October 7, 2017, 9:30—11:30 AM

Cathedral Chapel, 18th Street and the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19103
Presenters: Father Dennis Gill, Director of the Office for Divine Worship
and Sister Kathleen Schipani, IHM, Director of the Office for Persons with Disabilities

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), 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 attend.
- 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.

TO OBTAIN A COPY OF THE ORDER OF CONFIRMATION

As of Pentecost 2016, the revised *Order of Confirmation* is the only ritual book to be used by priests when delegated by the Archbishop to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. This new ritual book is only published in a bi-lingual (Spanish-English) format by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. To purchase a copy of *The Order for Confirmation*, see: <http://store.usccb.org/>.

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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.

FOR THE MOST RECENT NEWSLETTER FROM THE USCCB

Individual issues of the Newsletter are posted online around the fifteenth of the month approximately three months after they have been released to subscribers.

<http://www.usccb.org/about/divine-worship/newsletter/>

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