

Noteworthy Liturgical Days, 2019–2020
Diocese of Lansing

December 8, 2019 (Sunday)
Second Sunday of Advent

- Funeral Mass not permitted
- Ritual Mass not permitted
- Evening Masses observe the Second Sunday of Advent rather than the upcoming solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
- EP II of the Second Sunday of Advent

December 9, 2019 (Monday)
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- Not a holy day of obligation this year, but Mass should still be offered in each parish
- Funeral Mass permitted
- Ritual Mass not permitted

December 10, 2019 (Tuesday)
Solemnity/Feast of the Anniversary of the Dedication of Saint Mary Cathedral (The Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception)

- Observed with the rank of a Solemnity (*Gloria* and *Creed*) within the Cathedral, and as a Feast (*Gloria*) in all parishes and institutions in the Diocese of Lansing
- Orations are taken from the *Roman Missal*, Common of the Dedication of a Church:
 - o I. In the Church that was Dedicated [at the Cathedral only], or
 - o II. Outside the Church that was Dedicated [in all parishes and institutions in the Diocese of Lansing].
- A wide selection of proper scriptural texts are found in the Common of the Anniversary of the Dedication of a Church in the *Lectionary*, numbers 701–706.

- The *Liturgy of the Hours* is taken from the Common of the Dedication of a Church
 - o I. In the Church that was Dedicated [at the Cathedral only], or
 - o II. Outside the Church that was Dedicated [in the Diocese].
- The *Te Deum* is said.
- The 2019 decree from the Congregation for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments affixing the optional memorial of Our Lady of Loreto (10 December) to the General Roman Calendar notwithstanding (Prot. N. 404/19), the Anniversary of the Dedication of a diocesan cathedral (#4) outranks a memorial (#7).

December 25, 2019 (Wednesday)
The Nativity of the Lord

- Always a holy day of obligation
- Funeral Mass not permitted
- Ritual Mass not permitted

December 29, 2019 (Sunday)
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

- Funeral Mass permitted
- Ritual Mass permitted

December 31, 2019 (Tuesday)
Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

- Funeral Mass permitted
- Ritual Mass permitted
- Evening Masses observe Mary, the Holy Mother of God

January 1, 2020 (Wednesday)
Mary, the Holy Mother of God

- Holy day of obligation
- Funeral Mass not permitted
- Ritual Mass not permitted

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January 26, 2020 (Sunday)
Sunday of the Word of God

- Pope Francis has declared the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time the *Sunday of the Word of God* and is to be “devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God” (*Aperuit Illis*).

February 2, 2020 (Sunday)
Presentation of the Lord

- Funeral Mass permitted
- Ritual Mass permitted

February 26, 2020 (Wednesday)
Ash Wednesday

- Funeral Mass permitted
- Ritual Mass not permitted

February 29, 2020
Rite of Election

- 9:30am St Joseph, Dexter
- 2pm St Mary Magdalene, Brighton

March 1, 2020
Rite of Election

- 3pm St Martha, Okemos

April 5–11, 2020
Holy Week

- Funeral Mass permitted only Monday–Wednesday
- Ritual Mass not permitted

April 9, 2020 (Thursday)
Thursday of the Lord’s Supper (Holy Thursday)

- Only one (evening) Mass per church, unless for pastoral reasons the local Ordinary permits another
- Only the sick may receive Holy Communion outside Mass
- Funeral outside of Mass permitted

April 10, 2020 (Friday)

Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

- Only one Celebration of the Passion of the Lord per church, unless due to the size or nature of the community the Diocesan Bishop permits another
- Only the sick may receive Holy Communion outside the celebration of the Lord’s Passion

April 11, 2020 (Saturday)
Holy Saturday

- Holy Communion only given as Viaticum

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

- The entire celebration of the Easter Vigil takes place at night; based on local twilight, **the 2020 Easter Vigil may not begin before 8:30 p.m.**

April 12–19, 2020

Easter and its Octave

- Easter Sequence permitted throughout the octave
- Funeral Mass permitted Monday–Saturday
- Ritual Mass not permitted

May 24, 2020 (Sunday)
The Ascension of the Lord

- Funeral Mass not permitted
- Ritual Mass not permitted

May 31, 2020 (Sunday)
Pentecost Sunday

- Funeral Mass not permitted
- Ritual Mass not permitted

June 1, 2020 (Monday)
Mary, Mother of the Church

- [Readings](#) for this memorial remain available on the USCCB website
- Funeral Mass permitted
- Ritual Mass permitted

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June 28, 2020 (Sunday)

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- Funeral Mass permitted
- Ritual Mass permitted
- Evening Masses observe the Sunday rather than the upcoming solemnity of SS. Peter and Paul
- EP I of Saints Peter and Paul

July 30, 2020 (Thursday)

Solanus Casey

- The optional memorial of Blessed Solanus Casey may be observed in the Diocese of Lansing as per a rescript given by the Congregation for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments (July 3, 2018).

August 15, 2020 (Saturday)

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- Not a holy day of obligation this year, but Mass should still be offered in each parish
- Funeral Mass permitted
- Ritual Mass not permitted
- Evening Masses observe the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Evening Prayer is from EP II of the Assumption

Saturday, October 24, 2020

Louis Guanella

- The optional memorial of Saint Louis Guanella, priest, may be observed in the Diocese of Lansing.

November 1, 2020 (Sunday)

All Saints

- Funeral Mass not permitted
- Ritual Mass not permitted

November 2, 2020 (Monday)

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

- Funeral Mass permitted
- Ritual Mass not permitted

- All priests permitted to offer three Masses:
 - o one for the faithful departed
 - o one for the priest's intentions
 - o one for the intentions of the Holy Father

December 8, 2020 (Tuesday)

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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December 9, 2020 (Wednesday)

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- The *Te Deum* is said.
- Note should be made that though the Dedication of Saint Mary Cathedral outranks the optional memorial of Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin, due attention may be paid to this important saint in the homily and in the universal prayers where it is favorable to the devotion of the faithful.

December 10, 2020

Our Lady of Loretto

- A 2019 decree from the Congregation for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments affixed the optional memorial of Our Lady of Loreto (10

December) to the General Roman Calendar.

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