

# Diocese of Owensboro

## LITURGICAL YEAR 2021

Sunday Cycle Year B; Weekdays Cycle I  
November 29, 2020 – November 28, 2021

OBSERVANCE	DATE	NOTES
First Sunday of Advent	Sunday, November 29, 2020	
Second Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 6, 2020	
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Tuesday, December 8, 2020	Holy Day of Obligation*
Third Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 13, 2020	
Fourth Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 20, 2020	
Nativity of the Lord	Friday, December 25, 2020	Holy Day of Obligation*
The Holy Name Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	Sunday, December 27, 2020	
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother	Friday, January 1, 2021	Holy Day of Obligation*
National Migration Week (Jan. 3-9) Mass	TBD	Location/Time TBD
The Epiphany of the Lord	Sunday, January 3, 2021	
The Baptism of the Lord	Sunday, January 10, 2021	
The Presentation of the Lord	Tuesday, February 2, 2021	
Rite of Election	Sunday, February 14, 2021	St. Leo Parish, 2 PM
Ash Wednesday	Wednesday, February 17, 2021	
First Sunday of Lent	Sunday, February 21, 2021	
Rite of Election	Sunday, February 21, 2021	St. Stephen Cathedral, 2 PM & 6 PM
Second Sunday of Lent	Sunday, February 28, 2021	
Third Sunday of Lent	Sunday, March 7, 2021	1 <sup>st</sup> Scrutiny
Fourth Sunday of Lent	Sunday, March 14, 2021	2 <sup>nd</sup> Scrutiny
Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Friday, March 19, 2021	
Fifth Sunday of Lent	Sunday, March 21, 2021	3 <sup>rd</sup> Scrutiny
The Annunciation of the Lord	Thursday, March 25, 2021	
Transitional Diaconate Ordination(s)	(Possible date: Saturday, March 27, 2021) (TBD)	St. Stephen Cathedral, 10 AM (TBD)
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	Sunday, March 28, 2021	
Chrism Mass	Tuesday, March 30, 2021	Location/Time TBD
Holy Thursday	Thursday, April 1, 2021	
Friday of the Lord's Passion	Friday, April 2, 2021	
Holy Saturday	Saturday, April 3, 2021	
Easter Vigil	Saturday, April 3, 2021	The Easter Vigil may not begin before total darkness (around 8:00 PM)
Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection	Sunday, April 4, 2021	
Second Sunday of Easter /	Sunday, April 11, 2021	

Sunday of Divine Mercy		
Third Sunday of Easter	Sunday, April 18, 2021	
Fourth Sunday of Easter	Sunday, April 25, 2021	
Fifth Sunday of Easter	Sunday, May 2, 2021	
Sixth Sunday of Easter	Sunday, May 9, 2021	
<b>Priesthood Ordination of Dcn. Corey Bruns</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>St. Stephen Cathedral, 10 AM</b>
Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord	Sunday, May 16, 2021	In this diocese, Ascension is transferred to Sunday. Thursday, May 13 is celebrated as an Easter weekday ( <i>Our Lady of Fatima</i> ) and is not a Holy Day of Obligation.
Pentecost Sunday	Sunday, May 23, 2021	
Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church	Monday, May 24, 2021	In 2018, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments inscribed a new obligatory Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, into the General Roman Calendar. <a href="#">Here</a> are the proper liturgical texts.
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity	Sunday, May 30, 2021	
Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)	Sunday, June 6, 2021	
Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	Friday, June 11, 2021	
The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist	Thursday, June 24, 2021	
Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles	Tuesday, June 29, 2021	
The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Sunday, August 15, 2021	
<b>Permanent Diaconate Ordination</b>	<b>Saturday, September 11, 2021 (TBD)</b>	<b>Location TBD, 9 AM</b>
<b>Sophia Awards Mass</b>	<b>Sunday, September 12, 2021</b>	<b>St. Stephen Cathedral, 2 PM</b>
NEW: Optional Memorial of Saint Faustina Kowalska	Tuesday, October 5, 2021	In 2020, Pope Francis inscribed a new optional Memorial of Saint Faustina Kowalska. Information for liturgical texts can be found <a href="#">here</a> .
Solemnity of All Saints	Monday, November 1, 2021	<u>Not</u> a Holy Day of Obligation this year. When the solemnity of All Saints falls on a Saturday or on a

		Monday, the precept to attend Mass is abrogated by <a href="#">USCCB general decree</a> .
The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)	Tuesday, November 2, 2021	
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	Sunday, November 21, 2021	
First Sunday of Advent	Sunday, November 28, 2021	

*\*While the Sunday obligation is lifted during the pandemic, there is no obligation to attend Mass on Holy Days of obligation.*

**Special Notes:**

- Yellow highlighted days are diocesan or diocesan-office sponsored liturgies.
- Due to the pandemic, there will likely be changes to diocesan liturgies (ritual adaptations/omissions, attendance limitations, etc.). Please watch for any communications beforehand regarding the specifics for each event.

**Common days of prayer and special observances promoted by the Holy See (not an exhaustive list):**

World Day of Peace .....	January 1
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity .....	January 18–25
[USA] Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children .....	January 22
Sunday of the Word of God .....	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
World Day for Consecrated Life .....	Sunday following February 2 [USA]
World Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking .....	February 8
World Day of the Sick .....	February 11
World Day of Prayer for the Church in China.....	May 24
World Day of Prayer for Vocations .....	Fourth Sunday of Easter
World Communications Day .....	Seventh Sunday of Easter
World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests .....	Solemnity of the Sacred Heart
World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation .....	September 1
Catechetical Sunday .....	Third Sunday of September [USA]
World Day of Migrants and Refugees .....	Last Sunday of September
World Mission Sunday .....	Penultimate Sunday of October
World Youth Day .....	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time [USA]
World Day of the Poor .....	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time