



Office of Divine Worship

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Liturgical Notes for Holy Days of Obligation in 2025

In 2025, the Solemnity of All Saints falls on Saturday, November 1, followed the next day by the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day) on Sunday, November 2. This year, All Saints Day is not a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses on Friday evening, October 31, are regular weekday Masses, not a vigil for All Saints. On Saturday, November 1, Masses during the day are for All Saints. However, the usual Saturday evening Mass that fulfills the Sunday obligation should use the prayers and readings for All Souls Day.

Because weddings are often celebrated on Saturdays, it is important to note that Ritual Masses are not permitted on All Saints Day (GIRM 372). A wedding may still take place, but it must be within the Mass of All Saints (with the nuptial blessing) or celebrated without Mass.

Since All Saints is not a holy day of obligation this year, funeral Masses are permitted (GIRM 380).

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary falls on Monday, December 8, and is a Holy Day of Obligation, as it is the patronal feast of the United States. All Masses on Sunday, December 7, are for the Second Sunday of Advent, while all Masses on Monday, December 8, are for the Immaculate Conception.