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To All Clergy and Parish Secretaries of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord:

We are moving toward a new liturgical year. Within the past liturgical year we faced some challenges, such as the ongoing pandemic and then the damage wrought by Hurricane Ida. But there are signs that the pandemic may be weakening and day-by-day we make progress toward restoration from Hurricane Ida. A new liturgical year is the sign of a new beginning!

With the start of a new liturgical year we begin anew the cycle of celebrations of the mysteries of our faith. By means of this communication I intend to alert you to some particularities of the coming year's liturgical calendar. What is attached is not a complete *Ordo*. The advisory is meant to make you aware of the liturgical requirements of certain celebrations during the year, especially on those days when ritual Masses (Weddings, Confirmations) tend to occur. Also included are alerts on Holydays of Obligation and significant feasts, as well as celebrations pertinent to our diocese's particular calendar. **The timing of the Easter Vigil is stated herein!** Below also is a chart of scheduled diocesan liturgies; please note the venue of those liturgies which alternate between Houma and Thibodaux. In 2022 most of the Diocesan liturgical celebrations which rotate between Thibodaux and Houma will be in Thibodaux.

I am providing you with an advisory for the entire liturgical year at this time so as to facilitate advance planning.

Please disseminate this Calendar Advisory to all priests and deacons in your parish and anyone who may desire it.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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cc. Deacon Lee Crochet,

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DIOCESAN LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

Event	2022 Venue	Date
Mass held in conjunction with Dr. King's Birthday	St. Lucy and St. Luke	January 23, 2022, regularly scheduled Mass times
Ecumenical Prayer Service	St. Joseph Co-Cathedral	January 23, 2022, 3:00 PM
Rite of Election	St. Joseph Co-Cathedral	March 6, 2022, 3:00 PM Servers' Rehearsal: March 5, 6:30 PM Music Rehearsal, March 5, 10:00 AM
Chrism Mass	Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales	April 14, 2022, 10:30 AM Servers' Rehearsal: April 13, 2022, 6:30 PM
Priesthood Ordination Anniversary Mass	Lumen Christ Retreat Center	May 3, 2022, 11:00 AM
Transitional Diaconate Ordination	St. Joseph Co-Cathedral	May 14, 2022, 11:00 AM Servers' Rehearsal: May 13, 2022, 6:30 PM
Priesthood Ordination	Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales	June 4, 2022, 11:00 AM Servers' Rehearsal: June 3, 2022, 6:30 PM
Memorial Mass of St. Kateri Tekakwitha (American Indian Cultural Mass)	Holy Family, Grand Caillou	July 8, 2022, 6:30 PM Servers' Rehearsal: July 8, 2022, 5:00 PM
Acadian Cultural Mass	St. Hilary of Poitiers	August 15, 2022, 6:00 PM Servers' Rehearsal: August 15, 2022, 4:30 PM Music Rehearsal: August 13, 2022, 10:00 AM
Diocesan Service Awards Liturgy of the Word	Co-Cathedral	August 21, 2022, 3:00 PM Servers' Rehearsal: August 21, 2022, 1:30 PM Music Rehearsal: August 20, 2022, 10:00 AM
Mass for Racial Harmony (Commemoration of St. Peter Claver)	Co-Cathedral	September 9, 2022, 7:00 PM Servers' Rehearsal, September 9, 2022, 6:00 PM
Blue Mass	Co-Cathedral	September 29, 2022, 11:00 AM Servers' Rehearsal: September 27, 2022, 6:30 PM
Respect Life Mass	Co-Cathedral	October 2, 2022, 11:30 AM
Red Mass	Co-Cathedral	October 20, 2022, 12:00 PM Servers' Rehearsal: October 5, 2022, 10:30 AM
St. Luke Mass for Medical and Mental Health Professionals	All parishes	October 15-16, 2022 or October 22-23, 2022

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Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Liturgy of the Word	Co-Cathedral	October 23, 2022, 3:00 PM Servers' Rehearsal: October 23, 2022, 1:30 PM Music Rehearsal: October 22, 10:00 AM
St. Martin de Porres Mass for Black Catholics	St. Luke	November 3, 2022, 7:00 PM Servers' Rehearsal: November 3, 2022, 5:30 PM
American Indian Mass of Thanksgiving	St. Charles, Pointe-aux-Chenes	November 18, 2022, 6:30 PM Servers' Rehearsal: November 18, 2022, 5:00 PM
Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass	Christ the Redeemer	December 12, 2022, 7:00 PM

LITURGICAL YEAR 2021-2022 CALENDAR ADVISORY

Date	Liturgical Calendar or Celebration	Advisory
Sunday, November 28, 2021	First Sunday of Advent	
Wednesday, December 8, 2021	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	Holyday of Obligation
Sunday, December 12, 2021	Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) supplants Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe	All Masses beginning with the vigil on Saturday December 11 and continuing through Sunday December 12 must use the proper for the Third Sunday of Advent. Our Lady of Guadalupe may be honored in the homily, universal prayer, and in hymns. A Votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary (#10) may be celebrated on a weekday before or after December 12, 2021 with the proper readings and prayers from Our Lady of Guadalupe.
Wednesday, December 15, 2021	The Light Is On For You	All parishes offer the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation 6:00 to 8:00 PM.

Friday, December 24, 2021 from 4:00 pm until dusk.	Vigil of the Nativity of the Lord	Masses from 4:00 pm until dusk are the Vigil of Christmas. These anticipated Masses fulfill the obligation for Christmas. Later in the evening or midnight of Christmas Day: Mass during the night. The Mass should be scheduled late enough in the night that one can see it as genuinely beginning the celebration of Christmas Day.
Saturday, December 25, 2021	Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord	Holyday of obligation. No other Mass permitted. Masses for Christmas appropriate to the time of day (Mass at Dawn or Mass during the Day). Masses from 4:00 PM and later on December 25 are Mass during the Day of Christmas.
Sunday, December 26, 2021	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	There is no Vigil Mass this year for the Feast of the Holy Family (Sunday, December 26). However, participation in a Mass at 4:00 PM or later on Christmas Day (even if the proper texts are those of Christmas) would fulfill the obligation for the Sunday, as long as the person has participated in another Mass for Christmas. Priests may wish to make use of the Order of Blessing a Family (Book of Blessings ##62-67).

Saturday, January 1, 2022	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Day of Prayer for World Justice and Peace	Obligation dispensed, since this year the solemnity occurs on a Saturday. Funeral Mass is only other Mass permitted. Ritual Masses not permitted. If you have a Wedding to be celebrated at Mass on this day you must use the Mass of the Solemnity. Since Pope Saint Paul VI promulgated this celebration in 1968, this day is also the World Day of Peace. Pope Francis usually composes a message for this day with a particular focus. The 2022 message at this time is not ready. Check the following website as the day nears: http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-ac tion/human-life-and-dignity/war-and -peace/world-day-of-peace.cfm
Sunday, January 2, 2022	Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord	No other Mass permitted. In the United States this Solemnity is commuted from January 6 to the Sunday nearest it.
Saturday, January 8, 2022	Solemnity of Our Lady of Prompt Succor (for dioceses of Louisiana)	Until 4:00 PM, observed in all dioceses of Louisiana as a solemnity. Proper or Common of BVM (esp. no. III) or, #42 in Collection of Masses of the Blessed Virgin Mary, "Mary, Help of Christians." Readings, Lectionary ##707-712 or #42 in Collection. Ritual Masses (including, e. g. wedding or confirmation masses) not permitted. Funeral Mass is the only other Mass permitted.

Monday, January 17, 2022	Mass in conjunction with the national celebration of the birth of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.	A Mass for Promoting Harmony (#15 under Masses for the Holy Church) would be appropriate on this day. Intercessory prayers for an end to racial discrimination may be inserted into the Universal Prayer. The USCCB's "Prayer to Heal Racial Division" (https://www.usccb.org/committees/ad-hoc-committee-against-racism/prayer-heal-racial-division) would be appropriate on this day.
Tuesday, January 18-Tuesday, January 25, 2022	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity	A Mass for the Unity of Christians (#10 under Masses for the Holy Church) may be used on any of the weekdays of this octave, except on Tuesday, January 25 th . Readings may be taken from the Lectionary §§867-871.
Saturday, January 22, 2022	National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn Child (USA)	Until 4:00 PM suggested to use the Mass for Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life (#48 under Masses for Various Needs and Intentions). White vestments may be used. Readings may be taken from the Lectionary Supplement, §§947A-E, or from Masses for Peace and Justice §§887-891. Otherwise, a Mass for the Preservation of Peace and Justice (#30 under Masses for Civil Needs) may be used with violet vestments. Readings from Masses for the Preservation of Peace and Justice §§ 887-891.

Sunday, January 23, 2022	POPE FRANCIS THE SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD APERUIT ILLIS Apostolic Letter Sunday of the Word of God (Third Sunday in Ordinary Time)	According to Pope Francis (Aperuit Illis, 30 September 2019) this Sunday every year is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God.
Monday, January 24, 2022	Feast of St. Francis de Sales, Principal Patron of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux.	Observed with the rank of feast in the Diocese of Houma Thibodaux. Mass from the Proper of Saints with corresponding readings in the Lectionary. Ritual and Funeral Masses permitted.
Tuesday, January 25, 2022	Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul	Ritual Masses permitted. Funeral Masses permitted. Last day of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

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Wednesday, February 2, 2022	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord	On this day the faithful are encouraged to bring candles from home to be blessed. Also, candles to be used at liturgies during the year may be blessed. This day is also the World Day for Consecrated Life. An intention for those in consecrated life may be included in the Universal Prayer. It would be "a suitable occasion for consecrated persons who are members of the parish to renew their commitment and rekindle the fervor which should inspire their offering of themselves to the Lord" (Pope Saint John Paul II, 1997)
Thursday, February 3, 2022	Memorial of St. Blaise, Bishop, Martyr	The blessing of throats (see Book of Blessings ## 1622-1635) may be given on this day. For pastoral reasons it may also be done at the Vigil or Sunday Masses on the preceding or following weekend. However, this decision should not be considered lightly because of the association with St. Blaise.

Friday, February 11, 2022	memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes, World Day of the Sick	The optional memorial may be celebrated. Otherwise, a Mass for the Sick (#45 under Masses for Various Intentions) is permissible. A communal celebration of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick may be done on this day.
Sunday February 13, 2022	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, World Marriage Day	The Order for the Blessing of a Married Couple within Mass on Other Occasions (other than the anniversary date itself), Book of Blessings ##107-114 may be used for all married couples in attendance at Mass. Minor adaptations may have to be made to the rite, since the rite presumes the blessing is for one couple.
Monday, February 21, 2022	Presidents' Day (National Holiday)	The Collect may be taken from the Mass for the Head of State or Ruler (#24 under Masses for Civil Needs) with other prayers from the Mass for the Preservation of Peace and Justice (#30). Eucharistic Prayer III for Various Needs and Occasions would be appropropriate.
Tuesday, February 22, 2022	Feast of the Chair of St. Peter	Ritual and Funeral Masses permitted.

Monday, February 28, 2022	Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Shelton Fabre	Mass #3 under Masses for Holy Church (For the Bishop) would be appropriate. Readings from the Common of Pastors, ##719-724.
Wednesday, March 2, 2022	Ash Wednesday	Funeral Mass is only other Mass permitted. During the season of Lent, the two Eucharistic Prayers for Reconciliation may be used with their proper prefaces, with Lenten prefaces or with prefaces which refer to penance and conversion. This is a day of both fast and abstinence.
Sunday, March 6, 2022	First Sunday of Lent	Rite of Election Celebrated with Liturgy of the Word at the Co- Cathedral, 3pm. No other Mass permitted on this day.
Sundays, March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, 2022	Sundays of Lent	No other Mass permitted. On the Second Sunday of Lent (March 13) the reference to Abram in the first reading lends itself to the use of Eucharistic Prayer I, which speaks of "Abraham, our father in faith." Also, if a parish has baptized candidates in the RCIA Process, the Penitential Rite, which parallels the Scrutinies for Catechumens, may be celebrated on this Sunday.

Sunday, March 13, 2022	Anniversary of the Election of Pope Francis	Pope Francis' Election Anniversary this year coincides with the 2nd Sunday of Lent. He might be mentioned in the homily and a prayer may be included in the intercessions for him. Perhaps the concluding prayer of the Universal Prayer could be the Collect from Mass #2 (For the Pope).
Saturday, March 19, 2022	Solemnity of St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and secondary patron of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux	Masses of the Solemnity celebrated until 4:00 PM. Secondary patron of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux. Funeral Mass is only other Mass permitted. An order for the blessing of St. Joseph Altars is found in the Book of Blessings ##1679-1700
Sunday, March 20, 2022	3 rd Sunday of Lent	First Scrutiny is celebrated. Prayers from the Mass for the First Scrutiny may be used on this Sunday if there are Catechumens. Readings for the 3 rd Sunday of Lent, Cycle A, are used when the Scrutiny is done.
Friday, March 25, 2022	Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord	Funeral Mass is only other Mass permitted. Confirmations and Marriages during Mass must be celebrated within the context of the Mass of the Solemnity. White vestments used.
Saturday March 27, 2022	4 th Sunday of Lent	Second Scrutiny is celebrated. Prayers from the Mass for the Second Scrutiny may be used on this Sunday if there are Catechumens. Readings for the 4 th Sunday of Lent, Cycle A are used.
Sunday, April 3, 2022	5 th Sunday of Lent	Third Scrutiny is celebrated. Prayers from the Mass for the Third Scrutiny may be used on this Sunday if there are Catechumens. Readings for 5 th Sunday of Lent, Cycle A are used.

Wednesday, April 6, 2022	The Light Is On For You	All parishes offer the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation 6:00-8:00 PM.
Sunday, April 10-Saturday April 16, 2022	Holy Week EASTER VIGIL IS EVENING OF APRIL 16, 2022	Funeral Mass is only other Mass permitted on Monday-Wednesday. Funeral Masses are not allowed on Holy Thursday, or during the Paschal Triduum. Funeral rites on these days make use of a liturgy of the Word, closing with the rite of Farewell, as found in the Order of Christian Funerals, part I, no. 4. Readings should reflect the nature of these days and communion is not given. The paschal fast is observed on Good Friday and continues, where possible, until the Easter Vigil itself. According to sunrise-sunset.org, sunset for April 16, 2022 is at 7:31 PM. EASTER VIGIL MAY NOT BEGIN UNTIL 8 PM.
Sunday, April 17, 2022	Easter Sunday	No other Mass permitted.
Monday, April 18-Sunday April 24, 2022	Octave of Easter (Solemnity)	Funeral Mass is only other Mass permitted Monday-Saturday. Sunday is Sunday in the Octave of Easter (or Divine Mercy Sunday).

Revised 01/04/2022 Sundays, May 1, 8, 15, No other Mass permitted. 22, 29, 2022 May 8, the Fourth Sunday of Easter is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. The intercessions may reflect this observance. May 8 is also Mother's Day in the U. S. See the Book of Blessings ##1724-1728 as to how recognition of this Sundays of the Easter Season secular celebration might be incorporated in a liturgically appropriate way. May 8 is also the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux' Day of Prayer for the Beginning of the Hurricane Season. An intercession related to safety in the hurricane season might be included. Since so many things are coinciding at once on Sunday, May 8, you may want to offer a Mass for the beginning of the hurricane season on Monday or another day of the week, such as Monday, May 9, which is an Easter Season weekday. In such a case you may want to use the Collect "For Fine Weather" (#36 under Masses for Civil Needs). The Prayer over the Offerings and Prayer after Communion may be taken from the Mass "For Any Need" (#48 under Masses for Various Needs and Occasions). Another option regarding prayer for the hurricane season might be to have a liturgy of the word (with

Feast of St. Matthias,

Apostle

Saturday, May 14, 2022

optional exposition of the Blessed Sacrament) some time during the

Ritual and funeral Masses permitted.

day on May 8.

Thursday, May 26, 2022	Thursday of the Sixth	Ritual and funeral Masses permitted.
	Week of Easter (NOT ASCENSION in most dioceses of the U. S., including Houma-Thibodaux)	Votive, Special Occasion Masses permitted.
	Or Memorial of St. Philip Neri, Priest.	
Sunday, May 29, 2022	Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord	No other Mass permitted.
Monday, May 30, 2022	Memorial Day (National Holiday)	Mass for Peace and Justice may be used on this day. Also, Order for Visiting a Cemetery, Book of Blessings ##1734-1754 may be used.
Saturday, June 4, 2022 (4 pm on)	Vigil of Pentecost Sunday	Ordo encourages a prolonged celebration, using all readings given for the celebration with corresponding responsorial psalms, similar to Easter Vigil. See the Ordo for the order of service.
Sunday June 5, 2022	Pentecost Sunday	No other Mass permitted. Easter season ends with Evening Prayer II of the Solemnity of Pentecost.

Monday, June 6, 2022	Solemnity of the Anniversaries of the Dedications of the Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales, Houma, and the Co-Cathedral of St. Joseph, Thibodaux	Commuted from June 5 this year, since the date of the usual celebration coincides with Pentecost Sunday. This year, celebrated only in the Cathedrals as a solemnity. A funeral Mass is the only other Mass permitted. Use Mass from the Common of the Dedication of a Church (within the dedicated church).
Monday, June 6, 2022	Obligatory Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church	In all parishes of the diocese other than the cathedrals, this obligatory memorial is observed. This memorial was promulgated by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, acting on Pope Francis' decision that it would be celebrated on the Monday after Pentecost. You may use a Mass from the Common of the BVM or Votive Mass #10B, Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church. Corresponding readings are given in Lectionary §572A.
Tuesday, June 7, 2022	Resumption of Ordinary Time	10 th week.

Sunday, June 12, 2022	Solemnity of the	Most Holy Trinity	No other Mass permitted.
Sunday, June 19, 2022		Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	No other mass permitted. On Saturday from 4:00 PM on, the Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ is celebrated. Today is also Father's Day in the U. S. See the Book of Blessings ##1729-1733 as to how recognition of this secular celebration might be incorporated in a liturgically appropriate way.
Wednesday, June 22, 2022 (4:00 PM and later)	Vigil of the Soler St. John the Bapt	nnity of the Birth of	This solemnity has both a set of prayers and readings for the Vigil Mass.

Thursday, June 23, 2022	Solemnity of the Birth of St. John the Baptist	This solemnity, usually on June 24, is commuted this year to June 23, since it coincides with the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Prayers and readings are taken from the Mass on the day of the solemnity. Funeral Mass is only other Mass permitted.
Friday, June 24, 2022	Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	Funeral Mass is the only other Mass permitted. Ritual Masses (including Wedding Masses) not permitted. This day is observed as the World Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests.
Monday, July 4, 2022	IN CONGRES S, JULY 4, 17776. A DE CLAR RATION BY THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN GENERAL CONGRESS ASSEMBLE DO. "If I have then deep been been been to be a second of the conference o	There is an entire Mass formulary in the Proper of Saints (see July 4) for U. S. Independence Day. For the Universal Prayer one may use the adaptation of the prayer composed by Archbishop John Carroll for the inauguration of President George Washington in the Book of Blessings #1965.
Friday, July 22, 2022	Feast of St. Mary Magdalene	Ritual and Funeral Masses permitted. Readings from the Proper of Saints.

Saturday, August 6, 2022	Feast of the Transfiguration	Masses for the feast celebrated until 4:00 PM. Ritual and Funeral Masses permitted.
Month of August	Opening of Schools	Parishes and Schools may want to celebrate a Votive Mass of the Holy Spirit for the opening of schools. The "Order for the Blessing of Students and Teachers" (Book of Blessings ##522-550) would be appropriate at this time of the year and could be used on an Ordinary Time Sunday.
Monday, August 15, 2022	Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Not a Holyday of Obligation this year since it occurs on a Monday. All parishes should offer at least 1 Mass for the benefit of those who would like to observe this solemnity. Funeral Mass is only other Mass permitted.
Thursday, September 1, 2022	World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation	Liturgical resources may be found at http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-w orship/prayers-and-devotions/prayer s/prayers-to-care-for-creation.cfm.
Monday, September 5, 2022	HONOR LABOR Labor Day (U. S. Holiday)	Mass for the Sanctification of Human Labor (#26 under Masses for Civil Needs) would be appropriate.

Friday, September 9, 2022	National Day of Prayer for Peace in our Communities (Memorial of St. Peter Claver)	See liturgical resources on USCCB Ad- Hoc Committee against Racism's webpage: https://www.usccb.org/committees/ ad-hoc-committee-against-racism
Friday, September 23, 2022	Anniversary of the Appointment of Bishop Shelton Fabre as Fourth Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux	Mass #3 (For the Bishop, with 2 nd option for the Collect) under Masses for Holy Church would be appropriate for this day. Readings may be taken from the Common of Pastors, ##719-724 in Volume IV of the Lectionary.
Sunday, September 26, 2022	World Day of Migrants and Refugees (Last Sunday of September)	Both the Vatican and the USCCB will post resources as the day gets closer.
Sunday, October 2, 2022	Respect Life Sunday	Intercessory Prayers should reflect all life issues from conception to natural death.
Thursday, October 6, 2022	Anniversary of the Death of Bishop Warren L. Boudreaux, Founding Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux	In observance of this memorial you may use Masses for the Dead, IV. Various Prayers for the Dead, 2A, For a Diocesan Bishop with corresponding readings from the Lectionary for Masses for the Dead.

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Tuesday, October 11, 2022	memorial of St. John XXIII, Pope and Anniversary of the Opening of the Second Vatican Council	Proper Collect is found in the Ordo. Other prayers may be taken from the Common of Pastors. The same with readings, if desired.
Sunday October 23, 2022	World Mission Sunday MISSION SUNDAY	Parishioners should be encouraged to participate in the mission of the Church to spread the gospel.
Friday, October 28, 2022	Feast of Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles	Ritual Masses and Funeral Masses permitted.

Sunday, October 30, 2022	Anniversary of the Installation of Bishop Shelton Fabre as Fourth Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux	This anniversary coincides with an Ordinary Time Sunday, therefore, the readings and prayers of the 31 st Sunday in Ordinary Time are to be used. At the Vigil and Sunday Masses an intercession for Bishop Fabre might be included. Either of the 2 Collects from Masses for Holy Church #3, "For the Bishop" may be used as the conclusion to the Universal Prayer. Applications to the Bishop's anniversary may be made in the homily.
Monday, October 31, 2022	Reformation Day	Until 4:00 PM, Mass for the Unity of Christians (#17 under Masses for Holy Church) may be used. Eucharistic Prayer #1 for Various Needs and Occasions ("The Church on the Path to Unity") would be appropriate. Intercessory prayers for Christian unity might be included.
Tuesday, November 1, 2022	Solemnity of All Saints	Holyday of Obligation. No other Masses permitted.

Wednesday, November 2, 2022



Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

If only one Mass is celebrated, one of the three Masses for All Souls must be used this day. Readings come from Masses for the Dead. Funeral Masses are permitted, but liturgy of All Souls is appropriate for funerals. Ritual Masses not permitted.

Pastoral Note on Visiting

Cemeteries: It has become customary to visit the graves of loved ones on All Souls Day or near it. The Book of Blessings ##1734-1754 provides an "Order for Visiting a Cemetery." "If the service of visiting the cemetery takes place immediately after Mass and there is to be a procession to the cemetery, the blessing and dismissal of the Mass are omitted. During the procession a psalm or other suitable song may be sung. The priest may wear the chasuble or a cope for the procession and for the service in the cemetery" (Book of Blessings #1736).

Notice that this is a completely separate rite from the "Order for the Blessing of a Cemetery," (Book of Blessings ##1418-1439). Cemeteries need only be blessed once, not every year. After the initial blessing, the "Order for Visiting a Cemetery," which is basically a rite for commemorating and praying for the dead is to be used.

Thursday, November 3, 2022	Feast of St. Martin de Porres (Province of New Orleans)	In the ecclesiastical province of New Orleans St. Martin de Porres' day is celebrated with the rank of Feast, since he is the secondary patron of the province. Collect should be taken from the proper, with the other presidential prayers from the common. The Gloria is sung or said. Preface is Saints I or II, or Holy Virgins and Religious.
Sunday, November 13, 2022	World Day of the Poor	In his Apostolic Letter, <i>Misericordia</i> et <i>Misera</i> , Pope Francis designated the 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time "The World Day of the Poor." Its purpose is "to help communities and each of the baptized to reflect on how poverty is at the very heart of the Gospel and that, as long as Lazarus lies at the door of our homes (cf. Lk 16:19-21), there can be no justice or social peace" (<i>Misericordia</i> et <i>Misera</i> #21).
Sunday, November 20, 2022	Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	No other Masses permitted.
Tuesday, November 22, 2022	Day of Special Thanks for the End of the Hurricane Season (Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux Particular Calendar)	A Mass for Giving Thanks to God (#49 under Masses for Various Needs and Occasions, For Various Occasions) would be appropriate on this day. Corresponding readings may be found in Volume IV of the Lectionary, ##943-947. Eucharistic Prayer #II for Various Needs and Occasions ("God Guides His Church Along the Way of Salvation") would be appropriate.

Thursday, November 24, 2022



Thanksgiving Day (U. S.)

Use Mass from the Proper for Thanksgiving Day. Readings may come from §§943-947 for Masses in Thanksgiving to God.