



## Table of Liturgical Days According to Their Order of Precedence

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and *Ceremonial of Bishops*, Appendix II

### & Days of Importance for the Archdiocese of Dubuque

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1. The Paschal Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord.
2. The Nativity of the Lord, the Epiphany, the Ascension, and Pentecost.  
Sundays of Advent, Lent, and Easter.  
Ash Wednesday  
Weekdays of Holy Week from Monday up to and including Thursday  
Days within the Octave of Easter
3. Solemnities inscribed in the General Roman Calendar, whether of the Lord,  
of the Virgin Mary, or of Saints  
The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed
4. Proper Solemnities, namely:
- a. The Solemnity of the principal Patron of the place, city or state
  - b. The Solemnity of the dedication and of the anniversary of the  
dedication of one's own church
  - c. The Solemnity of the Title of one's own church
  - d. The Solemnity either of the Title or of the Founder  
or of the principal Patron of an Order or Congregation.
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5. Feasts of the Lord inscribed in the General Calendar
6. Sundays of Christmas Time and the Sundays in Ordinary Time
7. Feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Saints in the General Calendar
8. Proper Feasts, namely:
- a. The Feast of the principal Patron of the diocese
  - b. The Feast of the anniversary of the dedication of the cathedral church
  - c. The Feast of the principal Patron of a region or province, or a country, or of a wider territory
  - d. The Feast of the Title, Founder, or principal Patron of an Order or Congregation  
and of a religious province, without prejudice to the prescriptions given under no. 4
9. Weekdays of Advent from 17 December up to and including 24 December  
Days within the Octave of Christmas  
Weekdays of Lent

10. Obligatory Memorials in the General Calendar
11. Proper Obligatory Memorials, namely:
  - a. The Memorial of a secondary patron of the place, diocese, region, or religious province
  - b. Other Obligatory Memorials inscribed in the Calendar of each diocese or Order or Congregation
12. Optional Memorials, which, however, may be celebrated, in the special manner described in the *General Instruction* of the Roman Missal and of the Liturgy of the Hours, even on the days listed in no. 9  
In the same manner Obligatory Memorials may be celebrated as Optional Memorials if they happen to fall on Lenten weekdays.
13. Weekdays of Advent up to and including 16 December  
Weekdays of Christmas Time from 2 January until the Saturday after the Epiphany  
Weekdays of Easter Time from Monday after the Octave of Easter up to and including the Saturday before Pentecost  
Weekdays in Ordinary Time

### Notes

If several celebrations fall on the same day, the one that holds the highest rank according to the Table of Liturgical Days is observed. However, a Solemnity impeded by a liturgical day that takes precedence over it should be transferred to the closest day not listed under nos. 1-8 in the Table of Precedence, provided that what is layed down in no. 5 is observed. As to the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, whenever it falls on any day of Holy Week, it shall always be transferred to the Monday after the Second Sunday of Easter.

Other celebrations are omitted in that year.

Should on the other hand, Vespers (Evening Prayer) of the current day's Office and First Vespers (Evening Prayer I) of the following day be assigned for celebration on the same day, then Vespers (Evening Prayer) of the celebration with the higher rank in the Table of Liturgical Days takes precedence; in cases of equal rank, Vespers (Evening Prayer) of the current day takes precedence.

### Days of Importance in the Archdiocese of Dubuque

1. Feast of Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael: September 29 (Proper Feast, see no. 8a above; or if Cathedral, Proper Solemnity, see no. 4a)
2. Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral of St. Raphael: July 7 (Proper Feast, see no. 8b above; or if Cathedral, Proper Solemnity, see no. 4b)
3. Solemnity of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (patron Saint of Iowa (Mary of Nazareth); Proper Solemnity, see no. 4a)