

2015- 2016

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION & FEAST DAYS

Holy days of obligation are feast days on which Catholics are required to attend Mass and to avoid (to the extent that they are able) servile work. The observance of Holy Days of Obligation is part of the Sunday Duty, the first of the Precepts of the Church. There are currently ten Holy Days of Obligation in the Latin Rite of the Catholic Church; in the United States, only six Holy Days of Obligation are observed. Those six are identified below.

First Sunday of Advent
Sunday, November 29, 2015

Immaculate Conception
Friday, December 8, 2015
Holy Day of Obligation

Christmas
Friday, December 25, 2015
Holy Day of Obligation

Mary, Mother of God
Friday, January 1, 2016
Holy Day of Obligation

Ash Wednesday
Wednesday, February 10, 2016

Palm Sunday
Sunday, March 20, 2016

Holy Thursday
Thursday, March 24, 2016

Good Friday
Friday, March 25, 2016

Holy Saturday
Saturday, March 26, 2016

Easter Sunday
Sunday, March 27, 2016

Divine Mercy Sunday
Sunday, April 3, 2016

Ascension
Thursday, May 5, 2016
Holy Day of Obligation
transferred to Sunday, May 8, 2016
in most U. S. dioceses

Pentecost Sunday
Sunday, May 15, 2016

Trinity Sunday
Sunday, May 22, 2016

Corpus Christi
Thursday, May 26, 2016
transferred to
Sunday, May 29, 2016

Sacred Heart of Jesus
Friday, June 3, 2016

Assumption of Mary
Monday, August 15, 2016
Holy Day of Obligation (abrogated)

All Saints Day
Tuesday, November 1, 2016
Holy Day of Obligation