

GENERAL LITURGICAL CALENDAR

This calendar is specific to the Carmelite Order and to the Roman Catholic Church in Ireland.

The following abbreviations are used:

SOL - Solemnity: Days of the highest celebration and solemnity and which must be celebrated in full with special readings and prayers.

FEAST - Feast: must be celebrated with special readings and prayers.

Mem - Memorial: the particular saint is to be remembered in concluding prayers and special readings may also be used.

O Mem - Optional Memorial: a particular saint is in the Roman Calendar but need not be remembered throughout the Church but only in places with particular devotion to that saint.

Com - Commemoration.

Unless otherwise noted by **O.Carm** or the name of a diocese, all the solemnities, feasts, memorials and commemorations given above are celebrated in all places. Optional memorials may be celebrated though there is no obligation to do so. They are usually celebrated in places which may be named after the particular saint. In some instances, such as October 1, the celebration may only be a memorial for the Church but may have greater significance and importance for a diocese or religious Order.

On Saturdays where there is no other celebration noted, the Mass may be a memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Church's year begins on the vigil of the First Sunday of Advent and continues through to the vigil of the First Sunday of Advent the following year. During the year, Sundays take precedence over feasts in which case the feast or memorial, should it fall on a Sunday, is not celebrated that year. The Season of Lent also takes precedence over memorials which fall during the season.

January

- 1 SOL: OCTAVE DAY OF CHRISTMAS, SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
2 Mem: Sts Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church
3 O Mem: O.Carm – Bl Kuriakos Elias Chavara, Priest
O Mem: The Holy Name of Jesus
O Mem: St Mainchin (Munchin), Bishop (Feast in Limerick)
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5 O Mem: Dublin: Blessed Charles of St Andrew
6 SOL: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD
7 O Mem: St Raymond of Penyafort, priest
8 Feast: O.Carm – St Peter Thomas, Bishop
9 Feast: O.Carm – St Andrew Corsini, Bishop
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13 O Mem: St Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
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15 Mem: St Ita, Virgin (Feast in Limerick)
16 O Mem: St Fursa, Abbot & missionary
17 Mem: St Antony, Bishop
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20 O Mem: St Fabian, Pope & Martyr
O Mem: St Sebastian, Martyr
21 Mem: St Agnes, Virgin & Martyr
22 O Mem: St Vincent, Deacon & Martyr
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24 Mem: St Francis de Salles, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
25 FEAST: THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL
26 Mem: Sts Timothy & Titus, Bishops
27 O Mem: St Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious
28 Mem: St Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church
29 O Mem: O.Carm – Bl Archangela Girelli, Virgin
30 O Mem: St Aidan (Feast in Ferns)
Mem: Dublin – Blesseds Margaret Bermingham & Francis Taylor, Martyrs
31 Mem: St John Bosco, Priest

Sunday after the 6 January: FEAST: THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

February

- 1 **FEAST: ST BRIGID, VIRGIN – SECONDARY PATRON OF IRELAND**
- 2 **FEAST: THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**
- 3 *○ Mem: St Blaise, Bishop & Martyr*
○ Mem: St Ansgar, Bishop
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- 5 **Mem: St Agatha, Virgin & Martyr**
- 6 **Mem: St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs**
- 7 *○ Mem: St Mel, Bishop (Feast in Ardagh & Clonmacnois)*
- 8 *○ Mem: St Jerome Emiliani*
○ Mem: St Josephine Bakhita, Virgin
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- 10 **Mem: St Scholastica, Virgin**
- 11 *○ Mem: Our Lady of Lourdes*
○ Mem: Waterford – St Gobnait, Virgin
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- 14 **FEAST: ST CYRIL, MONK, & ST METHODIUS, BISHOP – PATRONS OF EUROPE**
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- 17 *○ Mem: Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order*
○ Mem: St Fintan, Abbot
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- 21 *○ Mem: St Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*
- 22 **FEAST: THE SEE OF ST PETER THE APOSTLE (THE CHAIR OF PETER)**
- 23 **Mem: St Polycarp, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**
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March

- 1 O Mem: *St David, Bishop*
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- 4 O Mem: *St Casimir*
- 5 O Mem: *St Kieran, Bishop (Feast in Ossory)*
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- 7 **Mem: Sts Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs**
- 8 O Mem: *St John of God, Religious*
O Mem: *St Senan, Bishop*
- 9 O Mem: *St Francis of Rome, Religious*
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- 11 O Mem: *St Aengus*
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- 17 **SOL: ST PATRICK, BISHOP**
- 18 O Mem: *St Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*
- 19 **SOL: ST JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF OUR LADY**
- 20 O Mem: *O.Carm - Bl Francis Palau y Quer, Priest*
- 21 O Mem: *St Enda, Abbot*
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- 23 O Mem: *St Turibius of Mongrovejo, Bishop*
- 24 O Mem: *St Macartan, Bishop (Feast in Clogher)*
- 25 **SOL: THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**
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April

- 1 **Mem: O.Carm – Bl Nuno Lavares Pereira, Religious**
O Mem: *Armagh – St Ceallach (Celsus)*
- 2 O Mem: *St Francis of Paola, Hermit*
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- 4 O Mem: *St Isidore, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*
- 5 O Mem: *St Vincent Ferrer, Priest*
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- 7 **Mem: St John Baptist de la Salle, Priest**
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- 11 **Mem: St Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr**
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- 13 O Mem: *St Martin I, Pope & Martyr*
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- 16 O Mem: *St Bernadette Soubirous, Virgin*
- 17 **Mem: O.Carm – Bl Baptist Spagnoli of Mantua, Priest**
- 18 O Mem: *St Laserian, Bishop (Feast in Leighlin)*
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- 21 O Mem: *St Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*
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- 23 O Mem: *St George, Martyr*
O Mem: *St Adalbert of Prague, Bishop & martyr*
- 24 O Mem: *St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr*
- 25 **FEAST: ST MARK THE EVANGELIST**
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- 27 O Mem: *St Asicus, Bishop (Feast in Elphin)*
- 28 O Mem: *St Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr*
O Mem: *St Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort, Priest & religious founder*
- 29 **Mem: St Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church, Patron of Europe**
- 30 O Mem: *St Pius V, Pope*

May

- 1 O Mem: *St Joseph the Worker*
2 **Mem: St Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**
3 **FEAST: STS PHILIP & JAMES, APOSTLES**
4 O Mem: *St Conleth, Bishop (Feast in Kildare)*
5 **Mem: O.Carm – St Angelus, Priest & Martyr**
 O Mem: *Blessed Edmund Ignatius Rice, Religious*
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8 O Mem: *O.Carm – Bl Aloysius Rabatà, Priest*
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10 O Mem: *St Comgall, Abbot*
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12 O Mem: *St Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs*
 O Mem: *St Pancras, Martyr*
13 O Mem: *Our Lady of Fatima*
14 **FEAST: ST MATTHIAS, APOSTLE**
15 O Mem: *St Carthage, Bishop (Feast in Waterford & Lismore)*
16 O Mem: *O.Carm – St Simon Stock, Religious*
 O Mem: *St Brendan, Abbot (Feast in Kerry & Clonfert)*
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18 O Mem: *St John I, Pope & Martyr*
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20 O Mem: *St Bernardine of Siena, Priest*
21 O Mem: *St Christopher Magallanes, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs*
22 O Mem: *St Rita of Cascia, Religious*
 O Mem: *O.Carm – St Joachina de Vedruna de Mas, Religious*
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25 **FEAST: O.Carm – ST MARY MAGDALENE DE PAZZI, VIRGIN**
 O Mem: *St Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church*
 O Mem: *St Gregory VII, Pope*
 O Mem: *St Mary Magdalen de Pazzi, Virgin*
26 **Mem: St Philip Neri, Priest**
27 O Mem: *St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop*
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31 **FEAST: THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

First Sunday after Pentecost: **SOL: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

Thursday after Most Holy Trinity: **SOL: CORPUS CHRISTI**

Friday after 2nd Sunday after Pentecost: **SOL: MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

Saturday after 2nd Sunday after Pentecost: **Mem: The Immaculate Heart of Mary**

June

- 1 **Mem: St Justin, Martyr**
- 2 *O Mem: St Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs*
- 3 **Mem: St Kevin, Abbot (Feast in Dublin)**
- 4 **Mem: Sts Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs**
- 5 **Mem: St Boniface, Bishop & Martyr**
- 6 *O Mem: St Norbert, Bishop*
O Mem: St Jarlath, Bishop (Feast in Tuam)
- 7 *O Mem: St Colman, Bishop (Feast in Dromore)*
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- 9 **FEAST: ST COLUMBA (COLUM CILLE), ABBOT, SECONDARY PATRON OF IRELAND**
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- 11 **Mem: St Barnabas, Apostle**
- 12 *O Mem: O.Carm - Bl Hilary Januszewski, Priest & Martyr*
- 13 **Mem: St Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor of the Church**
- 14 **Mem: O.Carm - St Elisha, Prophet**
O Mem: St Dawnet, Virgin
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- 19 *O Mem: St Romauld, Abbot*
- 20 **Mem: The Irish Martyrs**
- 21 **Mem: St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious**
- 22 *O Mem: St Paulinus of Nola, Bishop*
O Mem: Sts John Fisher, Bishop, & Thomas Moore, Martyrs
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- 24 **SOL: THE BIRTH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST**
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- 27 *O Mem: St Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*
- 28 **Mem: St Irenaeus, Bishop & Martyr**
- 29 **SOL: STS PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES**
- 30 *O Mem: The First Martyrs of the Church of Rome*

July

- 1 **Mem: St Oliver Plunkett, Bishop & martyr (Feast in Armagh & Meath)**
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3 **FEAST: ST THOMAS, APOSTLE**
4 *O Mem: St Elizabeth of Portugal*
5 *O Mem: St Antony Mary Zaccaria, Priest*
6 *O Mem: St Maria Goretti, Virgin and Martyr*
O Mem: St Monnine of Killeavy, Virgin
7 *O Mem: St Maelruain, Bishop and abbot*
8 *O Mem: St Killian, Bishop and Martyr*
9 *O Mem: St Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs*
O Mem: O.Carm - Bl Jane Scopelli, Virgin
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11 **FEAST: ST BENEDICT, ABBOT, PATRON OF EUROPE**
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13 *O Mem: St Henry*
O Mem: O.Carm - Bl Teresa of Jesus 'of Los Andes,' Virgin
14 *O Mem: St Camillus of Lellis, Priest*
15 **Mem: St Bonaventure, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**
16 **SOL: O.Carm - OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL**
O Mem: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
17 *O Mem: O.Carm - Bl Teresa of St Augustine and Companions, Virgins and Martyrs*
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20 **FEAST: O.Carm - ST ELIJAH, PROPHET**
O Mem: St Apollinarius, Bishop & Martyr
21 *O Mem: St Laurence of Brindisi, Priest & Doctor of the Church*
22 **Mem: St Mary Magdalen**
23 **FEAST: ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, RELIGIOUS, PATRON OF EUROPE**
24 *O Mem: St Declan, Bishop (Feast in Waterford & Lismore)*
O Mem: St Charbel Makhluaf, Priest
25 **FEAST: ST JAMES, APOSTLE**
26 **Mem: Sts Joachim & Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
27 **Mem: O.Carm - Bl Titus Brandsma, Priest and Martyr**
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29 **Mem: St Martha**
30 *O Mem: St Peter Chrysologous, Bishop & Doctor of the Church*
31 **Mem: St Ignatius Loyola, Priest**

August

- 1 **Mem: St Alphonsus Mary de Ligouri, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**
- 2 *O Mem: St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop*
O Mem: St Peter Julian Eymard
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- 4 **Mem: St John Mary Vianney, Priest**
- 5 *O Mem: Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major*
- 6 **FEAST: THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**
- 7 **FEAST: O.Carm – ST ALBERT OF TRAPANI, PRIEST**
O Mem: Pope St Sixtus II & Companions, Martyrs
O Mem: St Cajetan, Priest
- 8 **Mem: St Dominic, Priest**
- 9 **FEAST: ST TERESA BENDICTA OF THE CROSS (EDITH STEIN), MARTYR, PATRON OF EUROPE**
Feast: O.Carm – St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), Martyr
- 10 **FEAST: ST LAURENCE, DEACON & MARTYR**
- 11 **Mem: St Clare, Virgin**
- 12 *O Mem: O.Carm – Bl Isidor Bakanja, Martyr*
O Mem: St Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious
O Mem: St Attracta, Virgin (Memorial in Achonry)
O Mem: St Lelia, Virgin
O Mem: St Muredach, Bishop (Feast in Killala)
- 13 *O Mem: Sts Pontianus, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest & Martyrs*
O Mem: St Fachanan (Fachtna), Bishop (Feast in Ross)
- 14 **Mem: St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest & Martyr**
- 15 **SOL: THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**
- 16 *O Mem: St Stephen of Hungary*
- 17 *O Mem: O.Carm – Bl Angelus Augustine Mazzinghi, Priest*
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- 19 *O Mem: St John Eudes, Priest*
- 20 **Mem: St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church**
- 21 **Mem: St Pius X, Pope**
- 22 **Mem: Our Lady, Mother & Queen**
- 23 *O Mem: St Rose of Lima, Virgin*
O Mem: St Eugene, Bishop (Feast in Derry)
- 24 **FEAST: ST BARTHOLOMEW, APOSTLE**
- 25 *O Mem: O.Carm – Bl Mary of Jesus Crucified, Virgin*
O Mem: St Louis of France, King
O Mem: St Joseph of Calasanz, Priest
- 26 *O Mem: O.Carm – Bl Jacques Retouret, Priest & martyr*
- 27 **Mem: St Monica**
- 28 **Mem: St Augustine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**
- 29 **Mem: The Beheading of John the Baptist**
- 30 *O Mem: St Fiacre, Monk*
- 31 *O Mem: St Aidan of Lindisfarne, Bishop & missionary*

September

- 1 O Mem: O.Carm – St Teresa Margaret Redi, Virgin
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3 **Mem: St Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church**
4 O Mem: St Mac Nissi, Bishop (Feast in Connor, Mem in Down)
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8 **FEAST: THE BIRTHDAY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**
9 **Mem: St Ciaran, Abbot (Feast in Ardagh & Clonmacnois)**
 O Mem: St Peter Claver, Priest
 O Mem: Bl Frederick Ozanam
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12 O Mem: The Holy Name of Mary
 O Mem: St Ailbe, Bishop (Feast in Cashel & Emly)
13 **Mem: St John Chrysostom, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**
14 **FEAST: THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**
15 **Mem: Our Lady of Sorrows**
16 **Mem: Sts Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop and Martyrs**
17 **FEAST: O.Carm: ST ALBERT OF JERUSALEM, BISHOP & MARTYR**
 O Mem: St Robert Bellarmine, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
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19 O Mem: St Januarius, Bishop and Martyr
20 **Mem: Sts Andrew Kim Taegon & Companions, Martyrs**
21 **FEAST: ST MATTHEW, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST**
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23 **Mem: St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Religious**
 Feast: Raphoe: St Eunan (Adomnan), Abbot
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25 O Mem: St Finbarr, Bishop (Feast in Cork)
26 O Mem: Sts Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
27 **Mem: St Vincent de Paul, Priest**
28 O Mem: St Wenceslaus, Martyr
 O Mem: St Lawrence Ruiz & Companions, Martyrs
29 **FEAST: STS MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS**
30 **Mem: St Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church**

October

- 1 **FEAST: O.Carm – ST THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX, VIRGIN & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**
Mem: St Thérèse of Lisieux, Virgin & Doctor of the Church
- 2 **Mem: The Guardian Angels**
- 3 O Mem: Bl Columba Marmion, Monk
- 4 **Mem: St Francis of Assisi**
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- 6 O Mem: St Bruno, Priest
- 7 **Mem: Our Lady of the Rosary**
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- 9 O Mem: St Denis, Bishop, & Companions, Martyrs
O Mem: St John Leonardi, Priest
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- 11 O Mem: St Canice, Abbot (Solemnity in Kilkenny City)
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- 14 O Mem: St Callistus, Pope and Martyr
- 15 **FEAST: O.Carm – ST TERESA OF AVILA, VIRGIN & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**
Mem: St Teresa of Avila, Virgin & Doctor of the Church
- 16 O Mem: St Hedwig, Religious
O Mem: St Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin
O Mem: St Gall, Abbot
- 17 **Mem: St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr**
- 18 **FEAST: ST LUKE, EVANGELIST**
- 19 O Mem: Sts John of Brébeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests & Companions, Martyrs
O Mem: St Paul of the Cross
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- 23 O Mem: St John of Capestrano, Priest
- 24 O Mem: St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop
- 25 **Mem: Cork & Ross, Cloyne – Blessed Thaddeus MacCarthy, Bishop**
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- 27 O Mem: St Otteran, Monk (Feast in Waterford)
- 28 **FEAST: STS SIMON & JUDE, APOSTLES**
- 29 O Mem: St Colman, Bishop (Feast in Kilmacduagh)
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- 31 O Mem: Cloyne – Blessed Dominic Collins

November

- 1 SOL: ALL SAINTS DAY
- 2 COMM: ALL SOULS DAY
- 3 Mem: St Malachy, Bishop (Feast in Armagh, Down & Connor)
- 4 Mem: St Charles Borromeo, Bishop
- 5 O Mem: O.Carm - Bl Frances d'Amboise, Religious
- 6 FEAST: ALL SAINTS OF IRELAND
- 7 O Mem: St Willibrord, Bishop & missionary
- 8 O Mem: O.Carm - Bl Elizabeth of the Trinity, Virgin
- 9 FEAST: DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA
- 10 Mem: St Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church
- 11 Mem: St Martin of Tours, Bishop
- 12 Mem: St Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr
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- 14 FEAST: O.Carm - ALL CARMELITE SAINTS
O Mem: St Laurence O'Toole, Bishop (Feast in Dublin)
- 15 COMM: O.Carm - COMMEMORATION OF ALL CARMELITE SOULS
O Mem: St Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
- 16 O Mem: St Margaret of Scotland
O Mem: St Gertrude, Virgin
- 17 Mem: St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
- 18 O Mem: Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul, Apostles
- 19 O Mem: O.Carm - St Raphael Kalinowski, Priest
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- 21 Mem: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 22 Mem: St Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr
- 23 FEAST: ST COLUMBAN, ABBOT
- 24 Mem: St Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions, Martyrs
Feast: Cloyne - St Colman, Bishop
- 25 O Mem: St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr
O Mem: St Colman, Bishop
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- 27 O Mem: St Fergal, Bishop & Missionary
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- 29 O Mem: O.Carm - Bls Denis & Redemptus, Martyrs
- 30 FEAST: ST ANDREW, APOSTLE

The Last Sunday of the Church's Year:

SOL: CHRIST THE KING

December

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3 **Mem: St Francis Xavier, Priest**

4 O Mem: *St John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the Church*

5 O Mem: O.Carm - *Bl Bartholomew Fanti, Priest*

6 O Mem: *St Nicholas, Bishop (Mem in Galway, Solemnity in Galway City)*

7 **Mem: St Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

8 **SOL: THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

9 O Mem: *St Juan Diego Cuahltloatzin, Visionary*

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11 O Mem: *St Damasus I, Pope*

12 O Mem: *Our Lady of Guadalupe*

O Mem: *St Finnian, Bishop (Feast in Meath)*

13 **Mem: St Lucy, Virgin & Martyr**

14 **FEAST: O.Carm: ST JOHN OF THE CROSS, PRIEST & DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**

Mem: St John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor of the Church

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18 O Mem: *St Flannan, Bishop (Feast in Killaloe)*

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20 O Mem: *St Fachanan, Bishop (Feast in Kilfenora)*

21 O Mem: *St Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church*

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23 O Mem: *St John of Kenty, Priest*

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25 **SOL: CHRISTMAS DAY**

26 **FEAST: ST STEPHEN, THE FIRST MARTYR**

27 **FEAST: ST JOHN, APOSTLE & EVANGELIST**

28 **FEAST: THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS**

29 O Mem: *St Thomas Beckett, Bishop & Martyr*

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31 O Mem: *St Sylvester I, Pope*

Sunday within the Octave of Christmas (if no Sunday then December 30):

FEAST: THE HOLY FAMILY