

# Calendar Notes for 2014

## Lectionary

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## Blessed John Paul II

The Holy See have granted recognition to the Bishops' request for Blessed John Paul to be included in the National Calendars for England and for Wales as an Optional Memorial on 22 October.

## Changes to Cycle of Prayer

The Bishops' Conference has agreed to add to *Ordinary Time — Winter* the intention of **Victims of Human Trafficking and Those who Work to Combat it** with a Day of Prayer marked on 8 February, St Josephine Bakhita.

The Bishops' Conference has also agreed to the moving of the **Day of Prayer for Prisoners** to the 2nd Sunday in October.

## Advent/Christmas

### 2013

Sunday 1 December	First Sunday of Advent
Monday 9 December	Immaculate Conception of BVM
Wednesday 25 December	The Nativity of the Lord
Sunday 29 December	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

### 2014

Wednesday 1 January	Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Sunday 5 January	Epiphany of the Lord [the Epiphany falls on the Sunday between 2–8 January]
Sunday 12 January	Baptism of the Lord

## Cycle of Prayer

During Advent and Christmastide we are asked to pray for these intentions

**Openness to the Word of God, Migrants and Refugees, Expectant Mothers.**

Migrants' Day	Tuesday 3 December
Bible Sunday	Sunday 8 December [2nd Sunday of Advent]
Expectant Mothers	especially on 4th Sunday in Advent, 22 December

## Ordinary Time – Winter

Sunday 19 January	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 2 February	Presentation of the Lord
Sunday 2 March	8th Sunday in Ordinary Time (last Sunday before Lent)

## Cycle of Prayer

During Ordinary Time (Winter), i.e. up to Lent, we are asked to pray for these intentions:

**Peace on Earth; Christian Unity; The Sick and Those Who Care for Them; Victims of Trafficking and Those who Work to Combat it; Students and Teachers; The Unemployed.**

Peace Day	Sunday 19 January [2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time]
Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity	18–25 January
Day for Victims of Trafficking	Saturday 8 February [St Josephine Bakhita]
World Day for the Sick	Tuesday 11 February
Education Day	Sunday 16 February [3 Sundays before 1st Sunday of Lent]
Day for the Unemployed	Sunday 2 March [Sunday before 1st Sunday of Lent]

## Lent

Wednesday 5 March	Ash Wednesday
Sunday 9 March	1st Sunday of Lent
Wednesday 19 March	St Joseph, Spouse of BVM
Tuesday 25 March	The Annunciation of the Lord

### Cycle of Prayer

During Lent we are asked to pray for these intentions:

**Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; The Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.**

Candidates for the Sacraments	especially on the Sundays of Lent
Women's World Day of Prayer	Friday 7 March [1st Friday in March]
Lent Fast Day	Friday 14 March [Friday, 1st week of Lent]

## Easter

Sunday 20 April	Easter Sunday
Monday 28 April	St George
Sunday 1 June	Ascension of the Lord
Sunday 8 June	Pentecost

### Cycle of Prayer

During Easter we are asked to pray for these intentions:

**New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.**

St Joseph the Worker	Thursday 1 May
World Day of Prayer for Vocations	Sunday 11 May [4th Sunday of Easter]
World Communications Day	Sunday 1 June [Ascension]
The Church	especially at Pentecost, 8 June

## Ordinary Time – Summer

Monday 9 June	Monday, Week 10 in Ordinary Time (Psalter Week II)
Sunday 15 June	The Most Holy Trinity
Sunday 22 June	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Tuesday 24 June	Nativity of St John the Baptist
Friday 27 June	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Saturday 28 June	The Immaculate Heart of BVM, St Irenaeus
	<i>Optional Memorial</i>
	(when the Immaculate Heart falls on another Obligatory Memorial the rank of both celebrations is amended.)
Sunday 29 June	St Peter and St Paul
Wednesday 6 August	Transfiguration of the Lord
Friday 15 August	The Assumption of BVM

**Cycle of Prayer**

During Ordinary Time (Summer), i.e. up to September, we are asked to pray for these intentions:  
**A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those Who Suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; Seafarers.**

Europe	[St Benedict, St Bridget and St Teresa Benedicta as below. also Sts Cyril and Methodius (14 February) and St Catherine of Siena.]
St Benedict	Friday 11 July
St Bridget	Wednesday 23 July
St Teresa Benedicta of Cross	Saturday 9 August
Sea Sunday	Sunday 13 July [2nd Sunday in July]
Day for Life	Sunday 27 July [last Sunday in July]

**Ordinary Time – Autumn**

Sunday 14 September	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Wednesday 22 October	Bl. John Paul II (Optional Memorial in England, and in Wales)
Sunday 2 November	All Saints
Monday 3 November	All Souls
Sunday 9 November	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Sunday 23 November	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

**Cycle of Prayer**

During Ordinary Time (Autumn), i.e. from September to Christ the King, we are asked to pray for these intentions:  
**The Spread of the Gospel; The Harvest; the Fruits of Human Work, and the Reverent Use of Creation; Justice and Peace in the World; All Victims of War; Young People; Prisoners and their Families.**

Racial Justice Day	Sunday 14 September [2nd Sunday in September]
Home Mission Day	Sunday 21 September [3rd Sunday in September]
World Mission Day	Sunday 19 October [penultimate Sunday in October]
The Harvest, etc.	Sunday 28 September [Sunday between 22–28 September] or whenever Harvest Festivals are held.
Harvest Fast Day	Friday 3 October [1st Friday in October]
Day of Prayer for Prisoners	Sunday 12 October [2nd Sunday in October]
Remembrance Day and their Dependants	Sunday 9 November [2nd Sunday in November]
Youth Day	Sunday 23 November [Christ the King]

**Advent/Christmas**

Sunday 30 November	First Sunday of Advent
Monday 8 December	Immaculate Conception of BVM
Thursday 25 December	The Nativity of the Lord
Sunday 28 December	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

**Cycle of Prayer**

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Expectant Mothers	especially on 4th Sunday in Advent, 21 December