Calendar Notes for 2010

Lectionary

**Sunday** Year C

**Weekdays** Year II

Cycle of Prayer

From 2009 the Day for Life in the Cycle of Prayer: Summer will be observed on the last Sunday in July.

### Advent/Christmas

**2009**
- Sunday 29 November: First Sunday of Advent
- Tuesday 8 December: Immaculate Conception BVM
- Friday 25 December: The Birth of the Lord
- Sunday 27 December: The Holy Family

**2010**
- Friday 1 January: Mary, Mother of God
- Sunday 3 January: Epiphany of the Lord

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: Thursday 3 December
- Bible Sunday: Sunday 6 December [2nd Sunday of Advent]
- Expectant Mothers: especially on 4th Sunday in Advent, 20 December

### Ordinary Time – Winter

**Sunday 10 January** Baptism of the Lord
**Sunday 17 January** 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
**Tuesday 2 February** Presentation of the Lord
**Sunday 14 February** 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time (last Sunday before Lent)

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; Students and Teachers; The Unemployed.**

- Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity: 18–25 January
- World Day for the Sick: Thursday 11 February
- Education Day: Sunday 31 January [3 Sundays before 1st Sunday of Lent]
- Day for the Unemployed: Sunday 14 February [Sunday before 1st Sunday of Lent]
Lent

Wednesday 17 February  
Ash Wednesday
Sunday 21 February  
1st Sunday of Lent
Monday 1 March  
St David
Friday 19 March  
St Joseph
Thursday 25 March  
The Annunciation of the Lord

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.**

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<td>Women's World Day of Prayer</td>
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<td>Lent Fast Day</td>
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Easter

Sunday 4 April  
Easter Sunday
Friday 23 April  
St George
Sunday 16 May  
Ascension
Sunday 23 May  
Pentecost

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.**

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<td>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</td>
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<td>The Church</td>
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Ordinary Time – Summer

Monday 24 May  
Monday, Week 8 Ordinary Time (Psalter Week IV)
Sunday 30 May  
Trinity Sunday
Sunday 6 June  
The Body and Blood of Christ
Friday 11 June  
Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sunday 13 June  
11th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Thursday 24 June  
Birth of St John the Baptist
Tuesday 29 June  
St Peter and St Paul
Friday 6 August  
Transfiguration of the Lord
Sunday 15 August  
The Assumption of BVM
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.**

- **St John Fisher and St Thomas More** Tuesday 22 June
- **Europe** [St Benedict, St Bridget and St Benedicta as below.
  also Sts Cyril and Methodius (14 February) and St Catherine of Siena (29 April).]
- **St Benedict** [Sunday 11 July]
- **St Bridget** Friday 23 July
- **St Benedicta of Cross** Monday 9 August
- **Sea Sunday** Sunday 11 July [2nd Sunday in July]
- **Day for Life** Sunday 25 July [last Sunday in July]

## Ordinary Time – Autumn

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<td>Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</td>
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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 12 September [2nd Sunday in September]
- **Home Mission Day** Sunday 19 September [3rd Sunday in September]
- **World Mission Day** Sunday 24 October [penultimate Sunday in October]
- **The Harvest, etc.** Sunday 26 September [Sunday between 22–28 September] or whenever Harvest Festivals are held.
- **Remembrance Day** Friday 1 October [1st Friday in October]
- **Harvest Fast Day** Sunday 14 November [2nd Sunday in November] 9–15 November
- **Prisons Week** Sunday 21 November [3rd Sunday in November]
- **Day of Prayer for Prisoners and their Dependents** Sunday 21 November [Christ the King]
- **Youth Day** Sunday 21 November [Christ the King]

## Advent/Christmas

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