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LITURGICAL CALENDAR JULY - AUGUST 2026

July 1

St. Junípero Serra, Priest, *Obligatory Memorial*

Secondary Patron in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles

- Liturgical Color: **White**
- Mass proper is found in the Proper of Pastors
- Use Preface of Holy Pastors

July 2

Weekday - 13th Week in Ordinary Time

July 3

Feast St. Thomas the Apostle

- Liturgical Color: **RED**
- Mass proper is found in the Proper of Saints
- Sprinkling rite may be used for the feast of an apostle
- *Gloria* is said or sung
- Creed is not said.
- Use Preface I or II of the Apostles
- Solemn Blessing #17 may be used.

Mass for the Nation in celebration of America's 250th Birthday

At the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels at 12:10pm.

- Patriotic celebration in the Cathedral Plaza starting at 11:00am.

July 4th Morning Masses

Independence Day

- Mass proper is found in the Proper of Saints.
- Liturgical Color: **White**
- When the Mass for Independence Day is used, the *Gloria* should be either said or sung.
- Creed is not said.
- Readings may be taken from Lectionary Vol. IV #882-886, #887-891
- **Pastoral Note:** For the general intercessions, one may use the adaptation of the prayer composed by Archbishop John Carroll for the inauguration of George Washington, as found in *Book of Blessings*, no. 1965. See also *Handbook of Blessings*, 176.
- Music: The following hymns such as *America the Beautiful*, *My Country 'Tis of Thee*, *God Bless America*, *Faith of Our Fathers*, *Battle Hymn of the Republic*, as well as those found in various hymnals may be reserved for use during the **Recessional** or **Postlude**.
- Independence Day may also be appropriately acknowledged in the Homily, Universal Prayer, and closing hymn during the liturgy.
- Solemn Blessing found in the Mass proper for Independence Day.

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July 4th Evening Masses

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July 5 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 6-8 Weekday - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 9 St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest & Companions, Martyrs (optional memorial) *Let us pray for the Chinese Catholic community in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.*

- Common for Several Martyrs may be used.
- Liturgical Color: **RED**
- Preface I or II of the Saints; Holy Martyrs, or Holy Pastors may be used.

July 10 Weekday - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 11 St. Benedict, Abbot (Memorial) - White *Let us pray for the Benedictine Order serving in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.*

July 12 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 13 Weekday - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 14 St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin (Memorial) - White *We join in prayer with the Native American community in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and also the parish community of St. Kateri Tekakwitha in Santa Clarita.*

July 15 St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Memorial) - White

July 16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel (optional memorial) - White

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Let us pray for the Carmelite Order serving in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

July 17 - 18

Weekdays - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 20 - 21

Weekdays - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 19-25, 2026

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week

- In July in the United States, the observance of [Natural Family Planning Week](#) takes place beginning on the Sunday before July 25 and ending on the following Saturday.
- For more information, [click here](#).

July 22

Feast of Saint Mary Magdalene

- Mass proper found in the Proper of Saints
- Liturgical Color: **White**
- *Gloria* is said or sung.
- Creed is omitted.
- A new Preface before the Eucharistic Prayer for the Feast was promulgated in Latin.
- The proper liturgical text in English of the Preface may be found on the [USCCB website](#).

July 23-24

Weekdays - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25

Feast of St. James, Apostle

- Mass proper found in the Proper of Saints
- Liturgical Color: **RED**
- *Gloria* is said or sung.
- Creed is omitted.
- Preface I or II of the Apostles are used.
- Solemn Blessing #17 may be used.

July 26

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly 2026

Theme: "I will never forget you" (cf. Is 49:15)

[For more information, click here](#)

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July 27-28

Weekdays - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 29

Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus (Memorial)

- The Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments expanded the Memorial of St. Martha to become the Memorial of Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus.
- Liturgical Color: **White**
- The Gospel for this memorial is proper (Lectionary no. 607). The first reading may be taken from the weekday, the reading found at the link below, or from the Common of Holy Men and Women, nos-737-742.
- The interim mass formularies in English and Spanish are found [here](#).

July 29

Weekday - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 31

St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest (Memorial)

Let us pray for the Jesuit Order serving in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

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August 2026

Month Dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

August 1

St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop and Doctor (Memorial)

Let us pray for Redemptorist Order, founded by St. Alphonsus Liguori, serving in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

August 2

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 3

Monday - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 4

St. John Mary Vianney, Priest (Memorial), Patron Saint of Parish Priests

Let us pray for all priests serving in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

August 5

Wednesday - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 6

Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

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- Readings can be found here from the USCCB website.
- Liturgical Color: **White**
- *Gloria* is sung.
- Creed is not said today.
- Solemn Blessing #9 or #13 may be used.

August 6th and 9th

Anniversary of the Bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

Parishes may include the following intersession:

For an end to the violence perpetrated by harsh words, deadly weapons, or cold indifference. May our homes, our nation, and countries around the world become havens of peace, let us pray to the Lord.

August 7

Friday - 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 8

St. Dominic, Priest (Memorial)

Founder of the Order of Preachers (Dominican Order)

Let us pray for all Dominican priests, religious brothers and sisters, & lay associates serving in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

August 9

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 10

St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

- Liturgical Color: **Red**
- Common of one Martyr
- Preface of Holy Martyrs I or II
- *Gloria is sung.*

We thank all the Permanent Deacons of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles for their service. May they continue to be conformed to Jesus Christ, the servant, through the ministries of the proclamation and instruction (word), the ministry of sanctification in the sacramental life of the Church (liturgy) and the ministry of charity and assistance.

August 11

St. Clare, Virgin (Memorial) - White

August 12

Wednesday - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 13

Blessed Michael McGivney, Priest (Optional Memorial) - White

Founder of the Knights of Columbus

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- In a letter dated September 25, 2020, to the Supreme Knight of the K of C, the Congregation for Divine Worship and Discipline of the Sacraments wrote: "it will be possible for gatherings of the Knights to celebrate a votive Mass in honor of Father McGivney with the permission of the local ordinary and respecting the rules of precedence laid out in the Table of Liturgical Days."
- [Click Here for the Votive Mass of Bl. Michael McGivney.](#)

August 14 (Friday Morning Mass)

St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest and Martyr (Memorial) - Red

Founder of the Militia of Mary Immaculate

August 14 (Friday Evening Mass)

Vigil for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)

- Liturgical Color: **White**
- Mass propers found in the Proper of Saints **"At the Vigil Mass"**
- Readings may be found here: **VIGIL**
- Sprinkling Rite may be used.
- Gloria is said or sung.
- Creed is said.
- Solemn Blessing no. 15 may be used.

August 15, 2025 (Saturday Morning Mass)

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)

- Liturgical Color: **White**
- Mass propers found in the Proper of Saints **"At the Mass during the Day"**
- Readings may be found here: **MASS DURING THE DAY**
- Funeral Mass is **not** permitted. Funeral Liturgy Outside the Mass may be used.
- Ritual Mass (ex. Weddings) is **not** permitted. The Liturgy of the Word only is used even with weddings.
- Please click here for information on Funeral Liturgies Outside the Mass and How to celebrate Marriage Outside the Mass.
- Sprinkling Rite may be used.
- Gloria is said or sung.
- Creed is said.
- Solemn Blessing no. 15 may be used.

48th Sacerdotal Anniversary of Archbishop José H. Gomez.

May the Lord continue to guide him in his priestly ministry with courage, perseverance, and charity.

August 16

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 17 - 19

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Weekdays - 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 20

St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor, (Memorial) - White

August 21

St. Pius X, Pope (Memorial) - White

August 22

Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Memorial) - White

August 23

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 24

St. Bartholomew, Apostle (Feast) - Red

August 25-26

Weekdays - 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 27

St. Monica (Memorial) - White

[Click Here for the Novena Prayer.](#)

August 28

St. Augustine, Bishop and Doctor (Memorial) - White

Let us pray for the Augustinian Order serving in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles, and in a special way, our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV.

August 29

The Passion of St. John the Baptist (Memorial) - Red

- Mass proper found in Proper of Saints
- Readings may be found here: [USCCB website](#)
- Liturgical Color: **RED**
- No *Gloria*.
- No Creed.

August 30

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 31

Weekday - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time