

# Diocese of Owensboro

## LITURGICAL YEAR 2018

Sunday Cycle Year B; Weekdays Year II  
3 December 2017 – 1 December 2018

OBSERVANCE	DATE	NOTES
First Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 3, 2017	
<b>Diocesan Holy Hour</b>	<b>Sunday, December 3, 2017</b>	<b>2:00 pm</b>
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Friday, December 8, 2017	Holy Day of Obligation
Second Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 10, 2017	
Third Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 17, 2017	
Fourth Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 24, 2017	
Nativity of the Lord	Monday, December 25, 2017	Holy Day of Obligation
The Holy Name Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	Sunday, December 31, 2017	
Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother	Monday, January 1, 2018	Since this solemnity occurs on a Monday, the obligation is abrogated.
The Epiphany of the Lord	Sunday, January 7, 2018	
The Baptism of the Lord	Monday, January 8, 2018	Since the Solemnity of the Epiphany is celebrated on January 7, the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord is transferred to the following Monday, January 8, with only one reading before the Gospel.
<b>Rite of Election</b>	<b>Sunday, February 11, 2018</b>	<b>St. Jerome, Fancy Farm, 2:00 pm</b>
Ash Wednesday	Wednesday, February 14, 2018	
First Sunday of Lent	Sunday, February 18, 2018	
<b>Rite of Election</b>	<b>Sunday, February 18, 2018</b>	<b>St. Stephen Cathedral, 2 pm &amp; 6 pm</b>
Second Sunday of Lent	Sunday, February 25, 2018	
Third Sunday of Lent	Sunday, March 4, 2018	1 <sup>st</sup> Scrutiny
Fourth Sunday of Lent	Sunday, March 11, 2018	2 <sup>nd</sup> Scrutiny
<b>Diocesan Scout Mass</b>	<b>Sunday, March 11, 2018</b>	<b>St. Stephen Cathedral, 2:pm</b>
Fifth Sunday of Lent	Sunday, March 18, 2018	3 <sup>rd</sup> Scrutiny
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	Sunday, March 25, 2018	
<b>Chrism Mass</b>	<b>Tuesday, March 27, 2018</b>	<b>Sportscenter, 6:30 pm</b>
Holy Thursday	Thursday, March 29, 2018	
Friday of the Lord's Passion	Friday, March 30, 2018	
Holy Saturday	Saturday, March 31, 2018	
Easter Vigil	Saturday, March 31, 2018	The Easter Vigil may not begin before 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection	Sunday, April 1, 2018	
Second Sunday of Easter / Sunday of Divine Mercy	Sunday, April 8, 2018	
The Annunciation of the Lord	Monday, April 9, 2018	Since March 25 occurred during Holy Week, the Solemnity of the Annunciation is transferred to April 9.
Third Sunday of Easter	Sunday, April 15, 2018	
Fourth Sunday of Easter	Sunday, April 22, 2018	
Prayer for Protection & Healing	Monday, April 23, 2018	Sts. Peter & Paul, Hopkinsville, 6 pm
Fifth Sunday of Easter	Sunday, April 29, 2018	
Sixth Sunday of Easter	Sunday, May 6, 2018	
Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord	Sunday, May 13, 2018	In this diocese, Ascension is transferred to Sunday. Thursday, May 3 is celebrated as an Easter weekday and is not a Holy Day of Obligation
Pentecost Sunday	Sunday, May 20, 2018	
Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity	Sunday, May 27, 2018	
Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)	Sunday, June 3, 2018	
Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday, June 10, 2018	
The Nativity of St. John the Baptist	Sunday, June 24, 2018	Takes the place of the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles	Friday, June 29, 2018	
Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Wednesday, August 15, 2018	Holy Day of Obligation
Sophia Awards Mass	Sunday, September 9, 2018	St. Stephen Cathedral, 2 pm
Diocesan Marriage Anniversaries' Mass	Sunday, September 30, 2018	St. Stephen Cathedral, 2 pm
White Mass	Sunday, October 21, 2018	St. Stephen Cathedral, 2 pm
Solemnity of All Saints	Thursday, November 1, 2018	Holy Day of Obligation
The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)	Friday, November 2, 2018	
Thanksgiving	Thursday, November 22, 2018	
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	Sunday, November 25, 2018	
First Sunday of Advent	Sunday, December 2, 2018	

**SPECIAL NOTES:**

- The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent falls on December 24. Vigil Masses for Christmas Eve may be celebrated after 4:00 pm
- January 1, Mary, Mother of God, is not a Holy Day of Obligation since it falls on a Monday.
- Easter Vigil liturgies may not start before 8:00 pm on Saturday, March 31, 2018
- Green highlighted days are diocesan liturgical events.