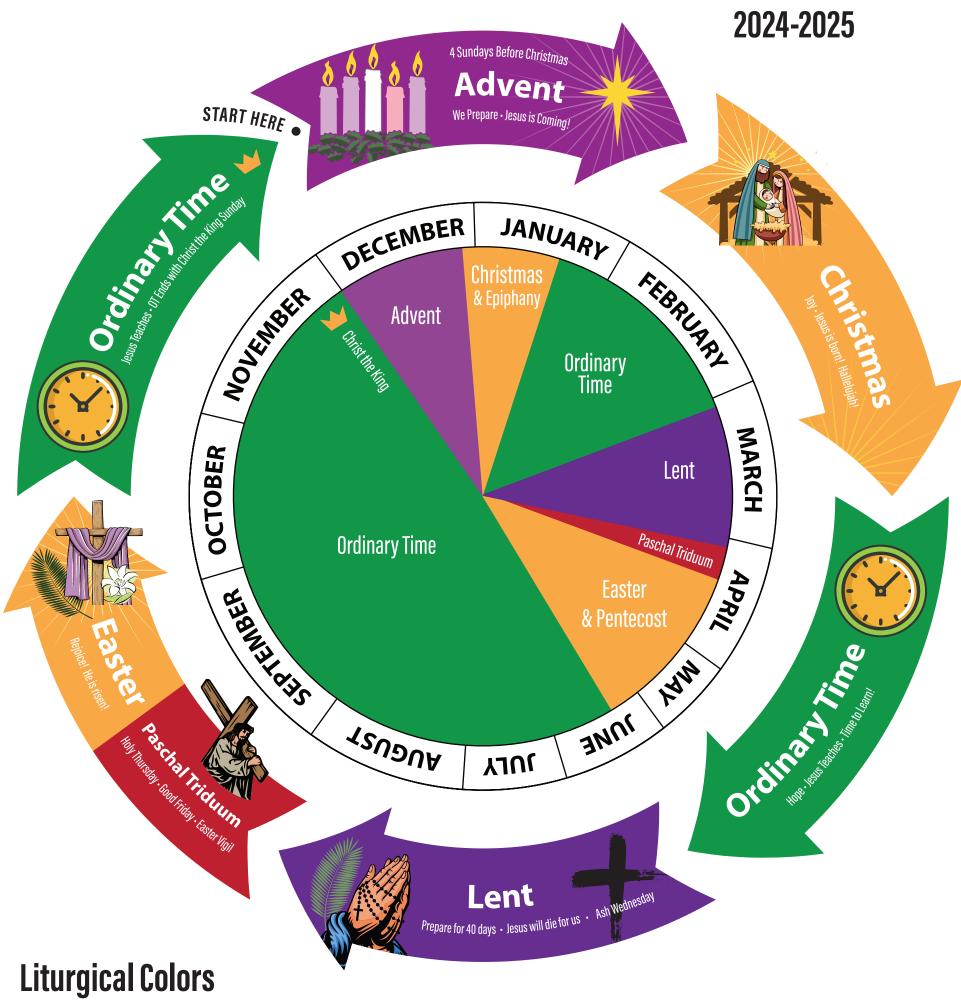
The Liturgical Calendar



Purple = Preparation **Advent** Jesus is coming! Gold = JOY!**Christmas** ≧ Jesus is born! Hallelujah! Green = HOPE!HOPE **Ordinary Time** Jesus Teaches / Time to Learn Purple = Preparation Lent Jesus will die and rise SACRIFICE Red = Sacrifice Paschal Triduum Jesus suffers and is crucified Holy Thursday • Good Friday • Easter Vigil **Easter Jesus** is risen!

Mark the Date

Advent begins four Sundays before Christmas Day, December 25.

The Epiphany is celebrated on the Sunday after January 1 and marks the arrival of visitors, identified in Scripture as the magi, to the place where Jesus was born.

Pentecost Sunday is the "Birthday of the Church". Fifty days after Easter Sunday, this day commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles.

Ash Wednesday is the Wednesday before the first Sunday of Lent

Palm Sunday is the Sunday before Easter.

Paschal Triduum is the period of three days and events leading up to Easter: Holy Thursday - Good Friday - Easter Vigil

Easter is the first Sunday after the Paschal full moon, which is the first full moon on or after March 21. Easter always falls between March 22 and April 25.

Christ the King is celebrated on the last Sunday of the liturgical year.