

# 2024 Liturgical Calendar

Last Updated: 30 December 2022

## Major Feasts and Fasts

Pascha and the 12 Great Feasts are in **bold**.  
Includes Major Civil Holidays in the United States and Canada

<b>January 1</b>	<b>Circumcision of Our Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ</b> Feast of St. Basil the Great New Year's Day <i>(Civil)</i>
<b>January 6</b>	<b>Theophany of Our Lord, God, and Savior, Jesus Christ</b>
January 7	Sunday After Theophany
January 14	Sunday of Zacchaeus
January 15	Martin Luther King Day <i>(USA)</i>
January 21	Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee
January 30	Synaxis of the Ecumenical Teachers and Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian
January 28	Sunday of the Prodigal Son
<b>February 2</b>	<b>Encounter of Our Lord, God, and Savior, Jesus Christ with Simeon and Anna (Presentation)</b>
February 3	First All-Souls Saturday
February 4	Sunday of the Second Coming of Christ (Meat-Fare)
February 11	Forgiveness Sunday (Cheese-Fare)
February 12	<b>Beginning of the Holy Forty Days Fast</b>
February 18	First Sunday of the Great Fast (Sunday of Orthodoxy)
February 19	President's Day <i>(USA)</i>
February 24	Second All-Souls Saturday
February 25	Second Sunday of the Great Fast (St. Gregory Palamas)
March 2	Third All Souls Saturday
March 3	Third Sunday of the Great Fast (Veneration of the Cross)
March 9	Fourth All-Souls Saturday
March 10	Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast (St. John of the Ladder)
March 14	Canon of St. Andrew of Crete
March 17	Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast (St. Mary of Egypt), Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel
March 22	End of the Holy Forty Day's Fast (at sunset or after Vespers or Presanctified on Friday)

<b>March 23-30</b>	Great and Holy Week
<b>March 23</b>	Lazarus Saturday
<b>March 24</b>	<b>Palm (Flowery) Sunday - Entrance into Jerusalem</b>
<b>March 25</b>	Annunciation to the Mother of God, Great and Holy Monday
<b>March 26</b>	Great and Holy Tuesday
<b>March 27</b>	Great and Holy Wednesday
<b>March 28</b>	Great and Holy Thursday
<b>March 29</b>	Great and Holy Friday
<b>March 30</b>	Great and Holy Saturday
<b>March 31</b>	<b>Pascha - Feast of the Resurrection of Christ (Easter Sunday)</b>
March 31 - April 7	Bright Week
April 7	Second Sunday of Pascha (Apostle Thomas)
April 14	Third Sunday of Pascha (Myrrh-Bearing Women)
April 21	Fourth Sunday of Pascha (Healing of the Paralytic)
April 24	Mid-Pentecost, Feast of SS Cyril & Methodius
April 28	Fifth Sunday of Pascha (Samaritan Women at the Well)
May 4	Sixth Sunday of Pascha (Man Born Blind)
<b>May 9</b>	<b>Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord, God, and Savior, Jesus Christ</b>
May 12	Seventh Sunday of Pascha (Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council)
May 18	Fifth All-Souls Saturday
<b>May 19</b>	<b>Pentecost - Descent of the Holy Spirit</b>
May 20	Pentecost Monday: Feast of the Holy Trinity
May 26	All Saints Sunday
May 26	Memorial Day ( <i>USA</i> ), Victoria Day ( <i>Canada</i> )
May 5 - June 29	The Apostles' Fast (The fast begins with the vespers on Sunday evening and concludes on
June 24	Nativity of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John
June 29	The Holy Glorious and All-Praised Leaders of the Apostles, Peter & Paul
July 1	Canada Day ( <i>Canada</i> )
July 4	Independence Day ( <i>USA</i> )
July 14	Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils
July 20	Holy, Glorious Prophet Elijah
August 1-14	Dormition Fast
<b>August 6</b>	<b>Transfiguration of Our Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ</b>

<b>August 15</b>	<b>The Dormition of our Most Holy Lady, the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary</b>
August 29	The Beheading of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptist John
September 1	Liturgical New Year (7533)
September 2	Labor Day <i>(USA &amp; Canada)</i>
<b>September 8</b>	<b>The Nativity of our Most Holy Lady, the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary</b>
<b>September 14</b>	<b>The Universal Exaltation of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross</b>
October 1	The Protection of our Most Holy Lady the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary
October 13	Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council
October 14	Columbus Day <i>(USA)</i> , Thanksgiving Day <i>(Canada)</i>
November 8	Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and the Other Bodiless Powers
November 11	Veterans' Day <i>(USA)</i> , Remembrance Day <i>(Canada)</i>
November 15	Nativity Fast (Philip's Fast also known as Advent)
<b>November 21</b>	<b>The Entry of the Most Holy Mother of God into the Temple</b>
November 28	Thanksgiving Day <i>(USA)</i>
December 6	St Nicholas the Wonderworker and Archbishop of Myra in Lycia
December 9 (8)	The Conception of the Most Holy Mother of God by the Righteous Anna
December 12	Our Lady of Guadalupe <i>(Ruthenians, USA)</i>
December 15	Second Sunday Before Christmas (Holy Forefathers)
December 22	Sunday Before Christmas (Holy Fathers)
December 24	Christmas Eve
<b>December 25</b>	<b>The Nativity of our Lord God and Savior, Jesus Christ</b>
December 26	Synaxis of the Most Holy Mother of God, Boxing Day <i>(Canada)</i>
December 27	First-Martyr and Archdeacon Stephen
December 28	20,000 Martyrs of Nicomedia
December 29	14,000 Infants (the Holy Innocents) Slain by Herod at Bethlehem
December 29	Sunday after Christmas: Commemoration of the Holy Righteous David the King, Joseph

Note: The Byzantine liturgical year starts on September 1 and ends on August 31. The movable feasts are determined by the date of Pascha (the feast of the Resurrection). There are two systems currently in use to calculate Pascha - Gregorian (Western) and Julian (Eastern). Roman Catholics, most Byzantine Catholics in America and some Orthodox (notably those in Finland) follow the Gregorian date. Some Byzantines in America and most Byzantines and Orthodox in Canada and elsewhere follow the Julian date. In the year AD 2024 the Gregorian date is March 31 and the Julian date is May 5.