

Seasonal Considerations in Planning

<p>FALL (September-October-November) What the Church is celebrating: Ordinary Time Birth of the Virgin Mary (September 8) Catechetical Sunday (third Sunday in September) Respect Life Sunday (first Sunday in October) World Youth Day (thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time) All Saints' Day (November 1) All Souls' Day (November 2) Christ the King Advent</p> <p>Holiday connections: Labor Day (first Monday in September) Columbus Day (first Monday in October) Halloween (October 31) Veteran's Day (November 11) Thanksgiving (fourth Thursday in November)</p> <p>School connections: back-to-school activities homecoming sports youth newsletter birthday cards meeting the administration at local high schools</p>	<p>WINTER (December-January-February) What the Church is celebrating: Advent Immaculate Conception (December 8) Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12) Christmas (December 25) Mary, Mother of God (January 1) Epiphany Ordinary Time Presentation of the Lord</p> <p>Holidays: winter break New Year's Day (January 1) Martin Luther King Jr. Day (third Monday in January) Valentine's Day (February 14) Presidents' Day (third Monday in February)</p> <p>School connections: sports midterm exams</p>
<p>SPRING (March-April-May) What the Church is celebrating: Ash Wednesday Lent Saint Patrick's Day (March 17) Saint Joseph's Day (March 19) Annunciation of the Lord (March 25) Palm Sunday Triduum Easter Ascension (last Thursday in May)</p> <p>Holidays: Mother's Day (second Sunday in May) Memorial Day (fourth Monday in May)</p> <p>School connections: spring break final exams baccalaureate graduation prom</p>	<p>SUMMER (June-July-August) What the Church is celebrating: Pentecost Most Holy Trinity Corpus Christi Ordinary Time Feast of the Assumption (August 15)</p> <p>Holidays: Father's Day (third Sunday in June) Independence Day (July 4)</p> <p>School connections: baccalaureate graduation summer school sports camps band camps back-to-school</p>