# LITURGICAL CALENDAR

*Year of Mercy 2015 - 2016* 



APOSTOLIC VICARIATE OF SOUTHERN ARABIA

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Sunday Lectionary: Year C Weekday Lectionary, First Reading: Cycle II

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#### Notes:

- 1. This Liturgical Calendar is to be used as a supplement to the Liturgical Ordo that we use in every parish, for consultation on weekend celebrations and other celebrations proper to the Vicariate.
- 2. Where applicable, on Saturday morning, mass of the day is celebrated.
- 3. For regulations concerning fast, abstinence, holy days of obligation, collections etc. see  $p.\,13$
- 4. For addresses and contacts of parishes, see p. 14

## NOVEMBER 2015

27	Fri	1st Sunday of Advent
28	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1*
29	Sun	1st Sunday of Advent
30	Mon	St. Andrew, Apostle, Feast

## DECEMBER 2015

1	Tue	
2	Wed	
3	Thu	St. Francis Xavier
4	Fri	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent
5	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 2
6	Sun	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent
7	Mon	Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity
8	Tue	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, Solemnity Commencement of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy
9	Wed	
10	Thu	
11	Fri	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent
12	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 3
13	Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent
14	Mon	
15	Tue	
16	Wed	
17	Thu	
18	Fri	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent
19	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 4
20	Sun	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent
21	Mon	
22	Tue	
23	Wed	
24	Thu	Eve of Christmas, Vigil Mass, Evening Prayer I of Christmas
25	Fri	CHRISTMAS, Solemnity, Holy Day of Obligation **
26	Sat	St. Stephen, Protomartyr, Feast  Evening Prayer I of the following feast, Psalter Week 1
27	Sun	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Feast

<sup>\*</sup> The Divine Office Vol. I

<sup>\*\*</sup> The collections of Christmas will be for the mission of the Vicariate

28	Mon	The Holy Innocents, Feast
29	Tue	Octave of Christmas
30	Wed	Octave of Christmas
31	Thu	Octave of Christmas Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity

## JANUARY 2016

1	Fri	MARY, MOTHER OF GOD, Solemnity World Day of Peace
2	Sat	Weekday of Christmas Season, <i>Psalter Week 1</i> Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity
3	Sun	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD, Solemnity
4	Mon	Weekday of Christmas Season, <i>Psalter Week 2</i>
5	Tue	
6	Wed	
7	Thu	
8	Fri	The Baptism of the Lord, Feast
9	Sat	Weekday of Christmas season Evening Prayer I of the Bapt. of the Lord
10	Sun	The Baptism of the Lord, Feast
11	Mon	Ordinary time of the year, Week 1, <i>Psalter Week 1</i> General Pastoral Meeting
12	Tue	General Pastoral Meeting
13	Wed	General Pastoral Meeting
14	Thu	General Pastoral Meeting
15	Fri	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time, Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity
16	Sat	OUR LADY OF ARABIA, Patroness of Arabia, Solemnity  Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 2
17	Sun	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time <i>Santo Niño</i> <i>Christian Unity Week begins</i>
18	Mon	
19	Tue	
20	Wed	
21	Thu	St. Agnes
22	Fri	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
23	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 3
24	Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
25	Mon	Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle, Feast
26	Tue	Sts. Timothy and Titus
27	Wed	

28	Thu	St. Thomas Aquinas
29	Fri	4th Sunday in ordinary time
30	Sat	Consecration day of Bishop Paul, special prayers for the Bishop Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 4
31	Sun	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time

## FEBRUARY 2016

1	Mon	
2	Tue	Presentation of the Lord, Feast World Day for Consecrated Life
3	Wed	St. Blaise
4	Thu	
5	Fri	5th Sunday in ordinary time
6	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1
7	Sun	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
8	Mon	
9	Tue	St. Maroun
10	Wed	Ash Wednesday, Day of fast and abstinence* Psalter Week 4
11	Thu	Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of the Sick
12	Fri	1st Sunday of Lent
13	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1
14	Sun	1st Sunday of Lent
15	Mon	
16	Tue	
17	Wed	
18	Thu	
19	Fri	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent
20	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 2
21	Sun	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent
22	Mon	Chair of St. Peter the Apostle, Feast
23	Tue	
24	Wed	
25	Thu	
26	Fri	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent
27	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 3
28	Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent
29	Mon	

<sup>\*</sup> The Divine Office Vol. II

## **MARCH 2016**

1	Tue	
2	Wed	
3	Thu	
4	Fri	4th Sunday of Lent
5	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 4
6	Sun	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent
7	Mon	
8	Tue	
9	Wed	
10	Thu	
11	Fri	5th Sunday of Lent
12	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1
13	Sun	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent 3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of the Election of Pope Francis
14	Mon	
15	Tue	
16	Wed	
17	Thu	
17 18	Thu Fri	PALM SUNDAY
		PALM SUNDAY ST. JOSEPH, Solemnity Evening Prayer I of Palm Sunday, Psalter Week 2
18	Fri	
18 19	Fri Sat	ST. JOSEPH, Solemnity Evening Prayer I of Palm Sunday, Psalter Week 2
18 19 20	Fri Sat Sun	ST. JOSEPH, Solemnity Evening Prayer I of Palm Sunday, Psalter Week 2  PALM SUNDAY
18 19 20 21	Fri Sat Sun Mon	ST. JOSEPH, Solemnity Evening Prayer I of Palm Sunday, Psalter Week 2  PALM SUNDAY  Holy Week
18 19 20 21 22	Fri Sat Sun Mon Tue	ST. JOSEPH, Solemnity Evening Prayer I of Palm Sunday, Psalter Week 2  PALM SUNDAY  Holy Week  Chrism Mass, St. Joseph's Cathedral, Abu Dhabi  Holy Week  HOLY THURSDAY, Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
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<sup>\*</sup> The collections of Good Friday will be for the Holy Land

<sup>\*\*</sup> The collections of Easter Sunday will be for the mission of the Vicariate

## APRIL 2016

1	Fri	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)
2	Sat	Octave of Easter Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 2
3	Sun	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)
4	Mon	THE ANNUNCIATON OF THE LORD, Solemnity
5	Tue	
6	Wed	
7	Thu	
8	Fri	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter
9	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 3
10	Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter
11	Mon	
12	Tue	
13	Wed	
14	Thu	
15	Fri	4th Sunday of Easter
16	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 4
17	Sun	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  World Day of Prayer for Vocations
18	Mon	
19	Tue	
20	Wed	
21	Thu	
22	Fri	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
23	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1
24	Sun	5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
25	Mon	St. Mark, Evangelist, Feast
26	Tue	
27	Wed	
28	Thu	
29	Fri	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
30	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 2

## MAY 2016

1	Sun	6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter
2	Mon	Sts. Philip and James, Apostles, Feast
3	Tue	•
4	Wed	Our Lady of Lebanon
5	Thu	
6	Fri	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, Solemnity
7	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity
8	Sun	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD, Solemnity World Communications Day
9	Mon	7th Week of Easter <i>Psalter Week 3</i>
10	Tue	
11	Wed	
12	Thu	
13	Fri	PENTECOST, Solemnity
14	Sat	St. Matthias, Apostle, Feast  Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity
15	Sun	PENTECOST, Solemnity
16	Mon	Ordinary time of the year resumed, 7th Week <i>Psalter Week 3*</i>
17	Tue	
18	Wed	
19	Thu	
20	Fri	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, Solemnity
21	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity
22	Sun	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY, Solemnity
23	Mon	8th Week of ordinary time <i>Psalter Week 4</i>
24	Tue	Mary Help of Chrisitans
25	Wed	
26	Thu	St. Philip Neri The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ transferred to the weekend
27	Fri	THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST, Solemnity
28	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity
29	Sun	THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST, Solemnity
30	Mon	9th Week of ordinary time <i>Psalter Week 1</i>
31	Tue	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast

<sup>\*</sup> The Divine Office Vol. III

## **JUNE 2016**

1	Wed	St. Justin
2	Thu	
3	Fri	THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS, Solemnity
4	Sat	The Immaculate Heart of Mary  Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 2
5	Sun	10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
6	Mon	
7	Tue	
8	Wed	
9	Thu	
10	Fri	11th Sunday in ordinary time
11	Sat	St. Barnabas, Apostle  Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 3
12	Sun	11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
13	Mon	St. Anthony of Padua
14	Tue	
15	Wed	
16	Thu	
17	Fri	12th Sunday in ordinary time
18	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 4
19	Sun	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
20	Mon	
21	Tue	
22	Wed	
23	Thu	Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity
24	Fri	THE BIRTHDAY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST, Solemnity
25	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1
26	Sun	13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
27	Mon	
28	Tue	Evening Prayer I of the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul
29	Wed	APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL, Solemnity* Feast day of Bishop Paul Hinder
30	Thu	

<sup>\*</sup>Peter's Pence collections for the Holy Father's humanitarian works

## **JULY 2016**

1	Fri	APOSTLES PETER AND PAUL, Solemnity*
2	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 2
		14 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
3	Sun	St. Thomas, Apostle (Special feast day for Syro-Malabar and Syro-Malankara churches)
4	Mon	
5	Tue	
6	Wed	
7	Thu	
8	Fri	15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
9	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 3
10	Sun	15 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
11	Mon	St. Benedict
12	Tue	
13	Wed	
14	Thu	
15	Fri	16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time St. Bonaventure
16	Sat	Our Lady of Mount Carmel  Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 4
17	Sun	16 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
18	Mon	
19	Tue	
20	Wed	
21	Thu	
22	Fri	17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
23	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1
24	Sun	17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time St. Charbel Makhlouf
25	Mon	St. James, Apostle, Feast
26	Tue	
27	Wed	
28	Thu	St. Alphonsa Muttathupadathu
29	Fri	18th Sunday in ordinary time
30	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 2
31	Sun	18 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time

 $<sup>{\</sup>it *Peter's Pence collections for the Holy Father's humanitarian works}$ 

## AUGUST 2016

1	Mon	St. Alphonsus Ligouri
2	Tue	Our Lady of Portiuncula
3	Wed	
4	Thu	St. John Mary Vianney
5	Fri	19th Sunday in ordinary time
6	Sat	The Transfiguration of the Lord, Feast
7	Sun	19 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time, <i>Psalter Week 3</i>
8	Mon	St. Dominic
9	Tue	
10	Wed	St. Lawrence, Deacon, Feast
11	Thu	St. Clare of Assisi
12	Fri	20th Sunday in ordinary time
13	Sat	Evening Prayer I of 20th Sunday, Psalter Week 4
14	Sun	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BL. VIRGIN MARY, Solemnity
14	Sull	Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity
15	Mon	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BL. VIRGIN MARY, Solemnity
1)	IVIOII	Evening Prayer II of the Assumption
16	Tue	20th Week of ordinary time, <i>Psalter Week 4</i>
17	Wed	
18	Thu	
19	Fri	21st Sunday in ordinary time
20	Sat	St. Bernard Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1
21	Sun	21st Sunday in ordinary time
22	Mon	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
23	Tue	
24	Wed	St. Bartholomew, Apostle, Feast
25	Thu	
26	Fri	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
27	Sat	St. Monica Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 2
28	Sun	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
29	Mon	The Beheading of St. John the Baptist
30	Tue	
31	Wed	

## SEPTEMBER 2016

1	Thu	
2	Fri	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
3	Sat	St. Gregory the Great  Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 3
4	Sun	23 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
5	Mon	Bl. Teresa of Calcutta
6	Tue	
7	Wed	
8	Thu	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast
9	Fri	24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
10	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 4
11	Sun	24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
12	Mon	
13	Tue	
14	Wed	The Exaltation of the Cross, Feast
15	Thu	Our Lady of Sorrows
16	Fri	25th Sunday in ordinary time
17	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1
18	Sun	25 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
19	Mon	
20	Tue	
21	Wed	St. Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist, Feast
22	Thu	
23	Fri	26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time St. Pio of Pietrelcina
24	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 2
25	Sun	26 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time Bible Sunday
26	Mon	·
27	Tue	
28	Wed	
29	Thu	Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels, Feast
30	Fri	27th Sunday in ordinary time

## OCTOBER 2016

1	Sat	St. Teresa of the Child Jesus, Patroness of the missions  Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 3
2	Sun	27 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
3	Mon	
4	Tue	St. Francis of Assisi The Feast of Pope Francis
5	Wed	
6	Thu	
7	Fri	28th Sunday in ordinary time Our Lady of the Rosary
8	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 4
9	Sun	28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
10	Mon	St. Daniel Comboni
11	Tue	St. John XXIII
12	Wed	
13	Thu	
14	Fri	29th Sunday in ordinary time
15	Sat	St. Teresa of Avila Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1
16	Sun	29 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
17	Mon	St. Ignatius of Antioch
18	Tue	St. Luke, Evangelist
19	Wed	
20	Thu	
21	Fri	30th Sunday in ordinary time Mission Sunday*
22	Sat	St. John Paul II Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 2
23	Sun	30 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary time Mission Sunday*
24	Mon	
25	Tue	
26	Wed	
27	Thu	
28	Fri	31st Sunday in ordinary time Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles, Feast
29	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 3
30	Sun	31st Sunday in ordinary time
31	Mon	Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity

<sup>\*</sup> The collections of Mission Sunday (October 21-23) will be for the Propogation of the Faith

## NOVEMBER 2016

1	Tue	ALL SAINTS, Solemnity Evening prayer II of All Saints
2	Wed	All Souls, Mass of All Souls day Divine Office of the Dead
3	Thu	
4	Fri	32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
5	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 4
6	Sun	32 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
7	Mon	
8	Tue	
9	Wed	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, Feast
10	Thu	St. Leo the Great
11	Fri	33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
12	Sat	St. Josaphat Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1
13	Sun	33 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in ordinary time
14	Mon	
15	Tue	
16	Wed	
17	Thu	St. Elizabeth of Hungary
18	Fri	CHRIST THE KING, Solemnity
19	Sat	Evening Prayer I of the following Solemnity
20	Sun	CHRIST THE KING, Solemnity
20		Conclusion of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy
21	Mon	34th Week of ordinary time, <i>Psalter Week 2</i>
		The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
22	Tue	St. Cecilia
23	Wed	
24	Thu	Sts. Andrew Dung-Lac and his Companions
25	Fri	1st Sunday of Advent, Year A Cycle I
26	Sat	Mass from the Common of our Lady during Advent  Evening Prayer I of the following Sunday, Psalter Week 1*
27	Sun	1st Sunday of Advent, Year A Cycle I
28	Mon	
29	Tue	
30	Wed	St. Andrew, Apostle, Feast

 $<sup>^*</sup>$  The Divine Office Vol. I

#### REGULATIONS

#### FAST, ABSTINENCE, HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

- 1. **Fast and Abstinence** are prescribed for Ash Wednesday and Good Friday for those who have completed 18 years of age and up to the age of 60 years.
- 2. Abstinence is prescribed as a general rule for every Friday, applicable to those who have completed the 14 years of age. However, for the particular circumstances of the Vicariate of Southern Arabia, abstinence is to be observed on Wednesdays of Lent. Out of devotion, abstinence may be observed every Wednesday throughout the year.
- 3. Eucharistic Fast: The faithful must abstain from solid food and liquids for one hour before receiving Holy Communion. This regulation is applied to Masses celebrated in the morning, afternoon or at midnight. Water does not break the fast. Those who are sick, even though not confined to bed, may take any liquid or food as medicine at any time before Holy Communion without asking permission.
- 4. **Easter Obligation** may be fulfilled at any time between the First Sunday in Lent and Trinity Sunday (Sunday after Pentecost).
- Holy Days of Obligation: Sundays or Fridays (where it has been decided), Christmas and Assumption of the Bl. Virgin Mary.
- 6. Feastdays transferred to the following or preceding Sunday: Epiphany (January 6th); Corpus Christi; Ascension; Sts. Peter & Paul (June 29th); Assumption of the Bl. Virgin Mary (August 15th).
- 7. **Special celebration days:** Mary, Mother of God (January 1st); Our Lady of Arabia (Saturday after the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord); St. Joseph (March 19th); All Saints (November 1st); Immaculate Conception (December 8th).

## DAYS ON WHICH SPECIAL COLLECTIONS ARE TO BE MADE IN ALL THE CHURCHES OF THE VICARIATE

- 1. Christmas Day & Easter Sunday for the mission of the Vicariate
- 2. Good Friday for the Holy Land
- 3. Sts. Peter & Paul for Peter's Pence
- 4. Mission Sunday for the Propagation of the Faith

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Location: Jebel Ali Village, behind Jebel Ali Hospital/Al Muntazah complex in the churches' area

#### FUJAIRAH - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

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Church

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Location: Al Yarmook Area, close to Al Estiglal

Square, the Ministry of Labour

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