

Celebrating the Liturgical Year “Many Faces In God’s House”

January:

- Martin Luther King Day (celebrated the 3rd Monday)
- 4- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
- 6-Feast of Three Kings

February:

Black History Month

- National Day of Prayer for African American Families (1st Sunday)
- 8 - Feast Day, St. Josephine Bakhita

March: Lent, Women History Month

- Lent (Ash Wednesday to Holy Thursday)
- 3- St. Katharine Drexal
- 17 - St. Patrick Day, Patron Saint of Ireland
- 19 - St. Joseph Day, Patron Saint of Italy

April:

- The Paschal Triduum (Holy Thursday evening to Easter Sunday)
- Rev. Augustine Tolton, first Black priest ordained in Rome 1886

May: Asian American History Month

- World Day of Prayer for Vocations 1st Sunday
- Mother’s Day, 2nd Sunday
- Eastertime (Easter Sunday to Pentecost)

June:

- Ordinary Time (Christmastime and Lent, Eastertime to Advent)
- 3 - St. Charles Lwanga and Companies
- 5 - St. Boniface “the Apostle of Germany”
- 19 - African American: Juneteenth, (celebration of the ending of slavery, today it commemorates African American freedom and emphasizes education and achievement)

July:

- 11 - St. Benedict
- 14 - Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha- Native American

August:

- Feast of the Assumption-August 15 (Italian)

September:

National Hispanic/Latino American Heritage Month

- 9 - St. Peter Claver
- 20 - St. Andrew Kim Taegon and Companies, Korean saint

October: Disability Awareness

- 2nd Monday Columbus Day (Italian)

November:

African American Catholic History Month/ National American Indian Heritage Month

Advent (from the Fourth Sunday before Christmas to December 24)

- 1 - All Saints Day
- 2 - All Souls Day
- 2-Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead)
- 3 - Feast of St. Martin de Porres
- 19 - Feast of Our Lady of Divine Providence (Patroness of the island of Puerto Rico)

December:

- Christmastime (Christmas Day to the feast of the Baptism of the Lord)
- 9 - Feast of St. Juan Diego
- 12 - Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Patroness of Mexican Americans)
- 16 - Hispanic: La Posadas (Joseph and Mary seeking shelter)
- 23 - Feast of St. John Kanty, Polish saint
- 26 - January 1 - Kwanzaa, Celebrating the seven principles of the Nguzo Saba

For more information:

www.catholic.org/saints

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