

2023 / 2024 Liturgical Calendar and Diocesan Events for the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston

December 3, 2023		First Sunday of Advent (Year B); (Weekday: Year II)
December 8, 2023	Friday	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
December 24, 2023	Sunday – Christmas Eve	
December 25, 2023	Monday – Christmas Day	Solemnity of the Nativity of Our Lord*
January 1, 2024	Monday	Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God***
January 8, 2024	Monday	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord; Christmas season ends
January 20-21, 2024	Saturday-Sunday	Sunday of the Word of God
February 14, 2024	Ash Wednesday	Lent begins
February 18, 2024	First Sunday of Lent	Rite of Election – Charleston, 3 pm
February 24, 2024	Saturday of the First Week of Lent	Rite of Election – Charles Town, 11:00 am
February 25, 2024	Second Sunday of Lent	Rite of Election – Wheeling, 3 pm
March 19, 2024	Tuesday	Solemnity of Saint Joseph, patron saint of the diocese
March 24, 2024	Sunday	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
March 25, 2024	Monday of Holy Week	Chrism Mass, Basilica/Co-Cathedral, Charleston, 4 pm
March 26, 2024	Tuesday of Holy Week	Chrism Mass, Cathedral, Wheeling, 4 pm
March 28-31, 2024	Thursday through Sunday	Sacred Triduum
March 30, 2024	Saturday of Holy Week	Easter Vigil must begin at 8 pm or later
March 31, 2024	Easter Sunday	Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord
May 12, 2024	Sunday	Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**
May 31, 2024	Friday	Priesthood Ordination, Cathedral of St. Joseph, 5 pm
June 7, 2024	Friday	Permanent Diaconate Ordination, Co-Cathedral (Charleston) 3 pm
June 20-24, 2024	Thursday-Monday	National Eucharistic Pilgrimage (Weirton and Wheeling)
July 17-21, 2024	Wednesday-Sunday	National Eucharistic Congress (Indianapolis)
August 15, 2024	Thursday	Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
November 1, 2024	Friday	Solemnity of All Saints*

* Holy Day of Obligation

** The bishops of the Province of Baltimore, to which the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston belongs, have moved the celebration of this solemnity to the Seventh Sunday of Easter.

*** Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.