



ASSUMPTION

OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

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WHAT IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Holy days of obligation are particular solemnities, or extraordinary days, in the Church's liturgical calendar in which Catholics are obligated to participate in mass. We are all familiar with Sunday being the day in which Catholics celebrate the paschal mystery (the life, death and resurrection of Christ) as passed through apostolic tradition. However, within our Catholic faith, there are other solemnities (or high points) that deserve our reverence and recognition. Why? Because these are special days that God has done miraculous work through Jesus and the saints! We hold these days, therefore, as high points in our own spiritual lives as opportunities for the outpouring of special grace and blessing upon us through the celebration of mass as an entire community. These solemn days are Christmas day celebrating the Nativity of Jesus, the Epiphany, The Ascension, Corpus Christi (which is observed on a Sunday), Mary Mother of God, Immaculate Conception and Assumption, and All Saints Day. So, while we come together in community through tradition and reverence for the wonders of our Lord through Holy Mother Church, these days are ultimately for our own benefit to draw into a deeper faith and communion with Christ and our parish family.

Dogma

A dogma is a divinely revealed truth. According to Cardinal Avery Dulles the Survival of Dogma, he states, "In current Catholic usage, the term "dogma" means a divinely revealed truth, proclaimed as such by the infallible teaching authority of the Church, and hence binding on all the faithful without exception, now and forever."

As we can see, it is not only divinely revealed but it's also infallibly taught by the Magisterium, or teaching body of the Church.

You can learn more about dogma, doctrine, and other theological truths at usccb.org or in the Catechism of the Catholic Church under "Profession of Faith"

MASS SCHEDULES

Tuesday, August 14

5 PM-Vigil Mass in English
7 PM-Vigilia en Español

Wednesday, August 15

8:30 AM-Mass in English
7 PM-Bilingual Mass