

2008-2009 CHURCH SCHOOL PLANNING CALENDAR - Julian*

Number in []'s identifies the Sunday as 1st, 10th, 20th, etc.

SEPTEMBER

Sun 7 [1] _____

Sun 14 [2] *Beginning of the Ecclesiastical Year* _____

Sun 21 [3] _____ *Nativity of the Theotokos (Feast Day1)* _____

Sat 27 _____ *Elevation of the Cross (Feast Day 2)* _____

Sun 28 [4] _____

OCTOBER

Sun 5 [5] _____

Sun 12 [6] _____

Sun 19 [7] _____

Sun 26 [8] _____

NOVEMBER

Sun 2 [9] _____

Sun 9 [10] _____

Sun 16 [11] _____

Sun 23 [12] _____

Th 27 **Thanksgiving**

Fri 28 **NATIVITY FAST or ST. PHILIP'S FAST Begins** [Advent or Coming of the Lord]

Sun 30 [13] _____

DECEMBER

Tu 4 *Presentation of the Theotokos to the Temple (Feast Day 3)*

Sun 7 [14] _____

Sun 14 [15] _____

Fri 19 **St. Nicholas Day**

Sun 21 [16] _____

Sun 28 [17] _____

JANUARY

Sun 4 [18] _____

Wed 7 *Nativity of Our Lord (Feast Day 4)*

Sun 11 [19] _____

Sun 18 [20] _____

Mon 19 *Theophany of Our Lord (Feast Day 5)*

Sun 25 [21] _____

FEBRUARY

Sun 1 [22] _____

Sun 8 [23] **TRIODION BEGINS: Publican & Pharisee** _____

Sun 15 [24] **Prodigal Son** *Presentation of Our Lord to the Temple (Feast Day 6)* _____

Sun 22 [25] **Judgment Sunday/Meatfare** _____

MARCH

Sun 1 [26] **Forgiveness Sunday/Cheesefare** _____

Mon 2 **GREAT LENT Begins / Pure Monday**

Sun 8 [27] **Sunday of Orthodoxy** _____

Sun 15 [28] **St. Gregory Palamas** _____

Sun 22 [29] **Veneration of the Cross** _____

Sun 29 [30] **St. John Climacus** _____

APRIL

Sun 5 [31] **Mary of Egypt** _____

Tu 7 *The Annunciation of the Theotokos (Feast Day 7)*

Sat 11 **Lazarus Saturday**

Sun 12 [32] ~~~~~ ***Palm Sunday (Feast Day 8) - Western Easter*** ~~~~~

HOLY WEEK

Mon	13	Holy Monday	Th	16	Holy Thursday
Tu	14	Holy Tuesday	Fri	17	Holy Friday
Wed	15	Holy Wednesday	Sat	18	Holy Saturday

Sun 19 ~~~~~ ***PASCHA- the Feasts of Feasts*** ~~~~~

Sun 26 [33] **St. Thomas Sunday** _____

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Sun 3 [34] **Myrrhbearing Women** _____

Sun 10 [35] **Mother's Day** _____

Sun 17 [36] _____

Sun 24 [37] _____

Th 28 ~~~~~ ***Ascension (Feast Day 9)*** ~~~~~

Sun 31 [38] _____

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Sat 6 Saturday of the Souls

Sun 7 [39] ~~~~~ ***Pentecost (Feast Day 10)*** ~~~~~

Sun 14 **All Saints Day** [Fast-free week.]

Mon 15 **SS PETER & PAUL FAST Begins**

Sun 21 Fathers' Day

J U L Y

Sun 12 **SS Peter & Paul Feast Day**

A U G U S T

Fri 14 **DORMITION FAST Begins**

Wed 19 ~~~~~ ***Transfiguration (Feast Day 11)*** ~~~~~

Fri 28 ~~~~~ ***Dormition of the Theotokos (Feast Day 12)*** ~~~~~

*FYI: This is a tool to help teachers lay out their lessons and special projects. They need to know the number of available Sundays. Expand the calendar with detail about your parish & anything that changes the number of Sundays or the amount of class time. Example: Parish Feast Day, Christmas Program and Rehearsals, Oratorical Festival Dates, Orthodoxy Sunday Processions, Missions Activities, the Beginning and End of Lenten Projects, and for the teens, away Basketball Tournaments and Metropolis Retreats. The bracketed numbers can be changed as needed.