

CALENDAR MARKS SEASONS

A year is a year, except when you want to get more specific. There's the calendar year from January through December, the school year from fall to spring, the varied fiscal years for businesses, and, yes, a liturgical year for the Catholic Church. These markings of time give us a cycle with a beginning, interim and ending.

TRADITIONS CONNECT US – Beyond turning calendar pages, tracking time helps Catholics learn more about our history, chronologically revisit events, celebrate specific holidays and bring reverent meaning to our daily lives.

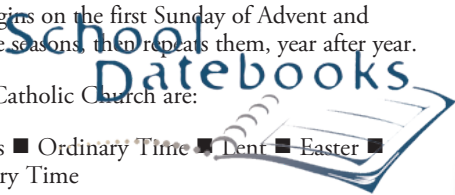
The liturgical year connects us to both our faith and to each other with meaning.

REVIEW ONLY

REPEATING SEASONS – In the Catholic Church, the liturgical year begins on the first Sunday of Advent and proceeds through the seasons, then repeats them, year after year.

The seasons of the Catholic Church are:

- Advent ■ Christmas ■ Ordinary Time ■ Lent ■ Easter ■ Pentecost ■ Ordinary Time



YOUR FAVORITE SEASON

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What's your favorite season of the liturgical year? Why?

What are your family's traditions during the different church seasons?

How do you think these traditions help connect you to your family and your faith?



LITURGICAL YEAR, COLORS