

Moveable (Movable) Feast Days

Scandinavian Gothic Handwriting Course



Movable feast days are those based on a movable feast. Easter is the most common moveable feast, occurring between 22 March and 25 April each year, a range of thirty-five days. Seventeen weeks of the ecclesiastical calendar are dependent upon this variable.

Latin Name	English Name	Time of Occurrence
Septuagesima	Septuagesima Sunday	9 th Sunday before Easter
Sexagesima	Sexagesima Sunday	8 th Sunday before Easter
Quinquagesima	Quinquagesima Sunday	7 th Sunday before Easter
Quadragesima (Invocavit)	Quadragesima Sunday	6 th Sunday before Easter
Caput Jejunii, Dies Cinerum	Shrove Tuesday, Ash Wednesday	the eve of Lent First day of Lent
Caresme	Lent	40 days of fasting
Reminiscere		2 nd Sunday in Lent, 5 th before Easter
Oculi		3 rd Sunday in Lent, 4 th before Easter
Lataere		4 th Sunday in Lent, 3 rd before Easter
Judica		5 th Sunday in Lent, 2 nd before Easter
Dies Palmarum, Dominica ad Palmas	Palm Sunday	6 th Sunday in Lent, end of Lent
Festum Eucharistie		Thursday before Easter
Die Adoratis	Good Friday	Friday before Easter
Pascha, Dies Magnus, Satirious	Easter Sunday	the first Sunday after the full moon on or after the 21 st of March
Quasimodo		Sunday after Easter
Misericordia		2 nd Sunday after Easter
Jubiliati		3 rd Sunday after Easter
Cantate		4 th Sunday after Easter
Dominica Rogationum	Rogation Sunday	5 th Sunday after Easter
Ascensio	Ascension Day	40 days after Easter
Exaud		6 th Sunday after Easter
Pentecoste	Pentecost, Whit Sunday	7 th Sunday after Easter
Trinitatis	Trinity Sunday	8 th Sunday after Easter
Adventio	Advent Sunday	Sunday nearest 30 November (that is, nearest the Feast of St. Andrew)

Fixed Feast Days

Fixed feast days fall on the same day each year.

List of Fixed Feast Days		
Latin Name	English Name	Date of Occurance
Cicumcisio Domini	Circumcision of the Lord	1 January
Ephiphania Domini	Epiphany	6 January
Trium Regum	Epiphany	6 January
Purificatio B. V. Marie	Purification of the Virgin Mary	2 February
Eucarias		20 February
Annunciato Dominicia	Annunciation or Lady Day	25 March
Assumptio B. Mariae	Assumption of Mary	15 August
Nativitas B. V. Mariae	Birth of the Virgin Mary	8 September
Sct. Michailis Arch.	St. Michael the Archangel	29 September
Festum Omnium Sanctorum	All Saints	1 November
Nativitas Domini	Christmas Day	25 December
Stephanus, Protomartyr	St. Stephens, Martyr	26 December