Solemnities in the Liturgical Calendar, 2016 - 2017

Consult the Diocese of Pittsburgh Table of Liturgical Days regarding funerals, ritual Masses, and Solemnities.

Solemnity	2016	2017
Mary, Mother of God: January 1	FRIDAY (OBL)	Sunday
Epiphany	Sunday, January 3	Sunday, January 8
Saint Joseph: March 19	SATURDAY	Transferred to Monday, March 20
Annunciation: March 25	Monday, April 4	SATURDAY, MARCH 25
Easter Sunday and its Octave (Each day is a solemnity.)	SUNDAY, MARCH 27 through SATURDAY, APRIL 2	SUNDAY, APRIL 16 through SATURDAY, APRIL 22
Ascension	Thursday, May 5 (OBL)	Thursday, May 25 (OBL)
Pentecost	Sunday, May 15	Sunday, June 4
Most Holy Trinity	Sunday, May 22	Sunday, June 11
Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	Sunday, May 29	Sunday, June 18
Sacred Heart	FRIDAY, JUNE 3	FRIDAY, JUNE 23
Birth of John the Baptist: June 24	FRIDAY, JUNE 24	SATURDAY, JUNE 24
Saints Peter and Paul: June 29	Wednesday	Thursday
Assumption: August 15	Monday – obligation removed	Tuesday (OBL)
All Saints: November 1	Tuesday (OBL)	Wednesday (OBL)
*[All the Faithful Departed: Nov 2]	Wednesday	Thursday
Christ The King	Sunday, November 20	Sunday, November 26
Immaculate Conception: December 8	Thursday (OBL)	FRIDAY (OBL)
Christmas: December 25	Sunday (OBL)	Monday (OBL)
**Parish Patronal Day	?	?
**Anniversary of Dedication of Parish Church	?	?

^{*} Although the commemoration of All the Faithful Departed is not a solemnity, it holds a similar rank. Funeral Masses are permitted; all other Masses follow the texts of the commemoration.

^{**} These two occasions are solemnities in the calendar of the local parish. They may be celebrated on the day itself or, for pastoral advantage, transferred to the nearest Sunday (if that is a Sunday in Ordinary Time).