



*Office of the Chancellor*

**Memorandum**

**To: All Pastors and Administrators**  
**From: Mary Jo Tully**  
**Re: 2011-2012**  
**Date: July 25, 2011**

**2011**

Since the Feast of the Assumption, August 15, 2011, falls on a Monday, there is no obligation to attend Holy Mass on this day. (Decree of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops, December 13, 1991)

Catholics are obliged to attend Holy Mass on the remaining holy days of obligation in 2011:

Tuesday, November 1, 2011	Feast of All Saints
Thursday, December 8, 2011	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
Sunday, December 25, 2011	Feast of the Nativity of the Lord

**2012**

Catholics are obliged to attend Holy Mass on the following holy days of obligation in 2012:

Sunday, January 1, <b>2012</b>	Feast of Mary the Mother of God
Wednesday, August 15, <b>2012</b>	Feast of the Assumption
Thursday, November 1, <b>2012</b>	Feast of All Saints
Saturday, December 8, <b>2012</b>	Feast of the Immaculate Conception*
Tuesday, December 25, <b>2012</b>	Feast of the Nativity of the Lord

\*The Monday-Saturday rule does not apply to the Feast of the Immaculate Conception or to Christmas.

Observance of the Feast of the Ascension is transferred to the Seventh Sunday of Easter.