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Liturgical Calendar for the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois

- ♦ **NOTE:** items particular to the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois are printed in red.

JANUARY 2021

01 January, Wednesday, **Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas): Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God**

- ♦ Holyday of Obligation
- ♦ Ritual Masses are not permitted
- ♦ A Funeral Mass is not permitted

03 January, Sunday, **The Epiphany of the Lord**, Solemnity

- ♦ *The Announcement of Easter and the Moveable Feasts* may be sung or proclaimed at every Mass after the Gospel from the ambo; the text is in the *Roman Missal*, Appendix I

10 January, Sunday, **The Baptism of the Lord**, Feast

- ♦ Final day of Christmas Time
- ♦ **Special diocesan collection: Catholic Times Subscription Renewal [2nd Sunday of January]**

18-25 January, **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

- ♦ Chosen Theme: Your right hand, O Lord, glorious in power (cf. Exodus 15:6)

22 January, Wednesday, **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children (USA)**

- ♦ Mass: “For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life” with white vestments or “For the Preservation of Peace and Justice” with violet vestments [see GIRM, no. 373]

24 January, Sunday, **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – Sunday of the Word of God**

- ♦ **Special collection: Church in Latin America [4th Sunday of January]**

31 January- 6 February, Sunday-Saturday, **Catholic Schools Week**

- ♦ Chosen Theme: Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.