

# THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF EASTER AND THE MOVEABLE FEASTS • 2019

**I**N KEEPING WITH an ancient practice of the Holy Church, the moveable feasts of the coming year are announced on the Epiphany of the Lord. It is sung immediately following the Gospel (and before the homily). We are grateful to Paul J. Murray who has kindly typeset the specific dates for 2019 according to the Roman Missal formula which can be found in Appendix I: “Various Chants for the Order of Mass.”

The rubrics from the Roman Missal indicate:

*On the Epiphany of the Lord, after the singing of the Gospel, a Deacon or cantor, in keeping with an ancient practice of the Holy Church, announces from the ambo the movable feasts of the current year according to this formula:*

(see music on the following page)

This proclamation is a reminder of the centrality of the resurrection of the Lord in the liturgical year and the importance of the great mysteries of faith, which are celebrated each year. Although optional, it is a living tradition that connects the present day to our ancient roots in the Church.



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*Epiphany 2019 (Ascension on Thursday)*

Know, dear breth-ren, (broth-ers and sis-ters,) that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our  
Lord Je - sus Christ, so by\_\_ leave of God's mer - cy we an-nounce to you al - so  
the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Sav - ior. On the sixth day of March  
will fall Ash Wednes-day, and the beginning of the fast of the most sac-red Lent-en sea - son.  
On the twen-ty-first day of Ap-ril you will celebrate with joy East - er Day, the Paschal feast of our  
Lord Je - sus Christ. On the thir-ti-eth day of May will be the As-cen-sion of our Lord Je - sus Christ.  
On the ninth day of June, the feast of Pen - te-cost. On the twen-ty-third day of June,  
the feast of the Most Ho - ly Bod-y and Blood\_\_ of Christ. On the first day of De-cem-ber,  
the First Sun-day of the Ad-vent of our Lord Je - sus Christ, to whom is honor and glory for  
ev - er and ev - er. A - men.