

Annual events as set by the Holy See, the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference and the Archdiocese of Sydney to assist you in your planning for 2019.

EVENTS FOR 2019

HOLY SEE

1 January 2019	52 nd World Day of Peace
22 to 27 January 2019	World Youth Day - Panama
11 February 2019	World Day of Prayer for the Sick (The Holy Father has declared 11 February the World Day of Prayer for the Sick. This is the Feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes – Lourdes is renowned as a place of holiness and healing)
19 April 2019	Good Friday (Holy Places – Annual Collection for the Church in the Holy Land)
12 May 2019	World Day of Prayer for Vocations (Each year, held on the 4th Sunday of Easter)
29 September 2019	World Day of Migrants and Refugees
20 October 2019	World Mission Day (2nd last Sunday in October)
17 November 2019	World Day of the Poor (33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE

26 May 2019	World Communications Day
3 June to 9 June 2019	Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.
24 May 2019	Solemnity of Our Lady Help of Christians, Patroness of Australia
7 July 2019	National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday (1st Sunday in July)
14 July 2019	Apostleship of the Sea (2nd Sunday in July)
28 July 2019	Bible Sunday (4th Sunday in July)
4 - 11 August 2019	National Vocations Awareness Week
4 August 2019	General Christian Vocation of every person;
11 August 2019	Vocations to Priesthood and Consecrated Life.
8 September 2019	Child Protection Sunday
29 September 2019	Social Justice Sunday
3 December 2019	International Day for People with Disabilities

ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

26 January 2019	Australia Day Mass
3 February 2019	Catechist Sunday
8 February 2019	Feast Day of Saint Bahkita – Catholic Anti-Slavery Day
6 March–18 April 2019	Lent (Project Compassion - Caritas)
6 March 2019	Ash Wednesday
10 March 2019	Rite of Election – RCIA - St Mary’s Cathedral (1st Sunday of Lent)
4 - 10 March 2019	Catholic Schools’ Week
3 April 2019	Clergy Conference – Waterview Function Centre – Olympic Park
18 April 2019	Chrism Mass
19 April 2019	Good Friday (Holy Places Appeal)
21 April 2019	Easter Sunday
28 April 2019	Divine Mercy Sunday
4 - 5 May 2019	1st Charitable Works Fund Appeal
19 May 2019	Paschal Eucharist – RCIA - St Mary’s Cathedral (Catechumenate Office)
9 June 2019	Archbishop’s Pentecost Pastoral Message
24 May 2019	Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians – Patroness of Australia
6 June 2019	Regional Clergy Conference (Location to be confirmed)
29-30 June 2019	Peter’s Pence – (Annual Collection for Intentions of Holy Father)
21 July 2019	Marriage Mass & Renewal of Vows – 10.30am at St Mary’s Cathedral (For couples in the Archdiocese of Sydney)
21-26 July 2019	Archdiocesan Clergy Retreat at St Joseph’s Retreat Centre, Kincumber South
TO BE ADVISED	Annie Casey Dinner
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28 July 2019	Marriage and Family Sunday
3 - 4 August 2019	2nd Charitable Works Fund Appeal
8 August 2019	Feast of St Mary of the Cross (MacKillop)
15 September 2019	Mass for Pregnant Mothers - St Mary’s Cathedral
28 August 2019	Memorial Mass for the Unborn – 7pm at St Mary’s Cathedral
31 August-1 September 2019	Fathers’ Day Appeal (Priests’ Retirement Foundation)
2 September 2019	Anniversary of Dedication of St Mary’s Cathedral
8 September 2019	Child Protection Sunday
11 September 2019	Clergy Conference – Waterview Function Centre – Olympic Park
29 September 2019	Annual Catechist Mass (CCD) - 2pm at St Mary’s Cathedral
30 October 2019	Clergy Remuneration System and Clerical Fund Annual General Meeting – Dooley’s Catholic Club, Lidcombe
2 - 3 November 2019	3rd Charitable Works Fund Appeal
13 November 2019	Memorial Mass for Deceased Priests at Rookwood Cemetery

Celebrations	Clergy Formation
Appeals	Other

NB: - Should any of the above dates be changed you will be advised in further Clergy Circulars. Updated information will be found on the website:
<https://www.sydneycatholic.org/>