Liturgical Calendar and Saints of the TCDSB

Liturgical Calendar

- **Pentecost Sunday**, which marks the end of the Easter season in the Christian calendar, celebrates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles.

- **RESPECT FOR LIFE WEEK** - Begins on Mother’s Day

- The **Ascension of Our Lord**, a Holy Day of Obligation, celebrates the day that Christ, in the presence of His apostles, ascended bodily into Heaven. The Ascension occurred on the 40th day of Easter, so it falls on a Thursday, and thus is often called Ascension Thursday.

“**CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK**” in the TCDSB is the First full week in May each year

The "liturgical year" includes the first Sunday of Advent and the last week in Ordinary Time. The liturgical year consists of two times: one can call the first time “special season times” and the other is known as ordinary time. The special season times are, Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter, during which a particular mystery of salvation is celebrated. Ordinary Time, in turn, does not hold any particular mystery, but rather the same mystery of Christ in His fullness, especially on Sundays. Ordinary Time is divided into two parts throughout the liturgical year and in total lasts 33 or 34 weeks.

Saint Days of the Toronto Catholic District School Board

- May 1  St. Joseph the Worker
- May 5  Blessed Brother Edmund Rice
- May 13 Our Lady of Fatima
- May 14 St. Matthias
- May 16  St. Brendan
- May 17 St. Paschal Baylon
- May 19 Holy Spirit, St. Dunstan
- May 22 St. Rita
- May 26 Holy Trinity and St. Philip Neri
- May 28 St. Augustine of Canterbury