

Catholic Connections

Overview of June, 2017

The month of June is dedicated to The Sacred Heart of Jesus. This month falls within the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time. The last portion of the liturgical year represents the time of our pilgrimage to heaven during which we hope for reward.-Catholic Culture

Pope Francis' Intentions for the Month of June

National Leaders: That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people.

Highlights of the Month

As we begin to feel the warmth of summer, we can reflect that we celebrate the feasts of the **Sacred Heart of Jesus** (June 23) and the **Immaculate Heart of Mary** (June 24). God is Love and the Sacred Heart of Jesus — present on earth in the Blessed Sacrament — is the human manifestation of God's Love for men.

1. [Justin](#), Memorial
2. [Marcellinus and Peter](#), Opt. Mem.
3. [Charles Lwanga and Companions](#), Memorial
4. [Pentecost: Whitsunday](#), Sunday
5. [Boniface](#), Memorial
6. [Norbert](#), Opt. Mem.
9. [Ephrem](#), Opt. Mem.
11. [Trinity Sunday](#), Solemnity
13. [Anthony of Padua](#), Memorial
18. [Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ](#), Solemnity
19. [Romuald](#), Opt. Mem.
21. [Aloysius Gonzaga](#), Memorial
22. [Paulinus of Nola; John Fisher and Thomas More](#), Opt. Mem.
23. [Sacred Heart of Jesus](#), Solemnity
25. [Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time](#), Sunday
26. [Josemaría Escrivá de Balaguer](#), Opt. Mem.
27. [Cyril of Alexandria](#), Opt. Mem.
28. [Irenaeus](#), Memorial
29. [Peter and Paul](#), Solemnity
30. [First Martyrs of the Church of Rome](#), Opt. Mem.

Summer Spiritual Activities:

<http://www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/family/catholic-kids>

<https://catholicblogger1.blogspot.com/2008/10/activities-games-coloring-sheets-for.html>

<http://www.catholicicing.com/catholic-crafts-for-kids-free/>