

There are twelve Great Feasts of the Church that are divided into two groups - feasts of our Lord and feasts of the Mother of God (Theotokos). Here is a listing of those feasts for reference along with the dates on which they fall.

The Feasts of our Lord are:

- Exaltation of the Cross (September 14)
- Nativity of our Lord (Christmas - December 25)
- Theophany or Epiphany (January 6)
- The Meeting of our Lord (February 2)
- Palm Sunday (one week before Pascha)
- Ascension of our Lord (40 days after Pascha)
- Pentecost (50 days after Pascha)
- Transfiguration (August 6)

The Feasts of the Mother of God are:

- Nativity of the Theotokos (September 8)
- Entry of the Theotokos into the Temple (November 21)
- The Annunciation (March 25)
- The Dormition of the Theotokos (August 15)

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