**LITURGICAL CALENDAR QUIZ  REVIEW**

**Table 1 Main Liturgical Colors**

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| **COLOR** | **MEANING** | **SEASON** | **LENGTH** | **Also used for** |
| Purple/Violet | penance, preparation, sacrifice | ADVENT | 4 WEEKS  Begins on the First Sunday of Advent | Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| White/Gold | purity, joy, light, glory | CHRISTMAS | 2 WEEKS  Begins on Christmas and ends on The Baptism of the Lord. | -Feasts of the Trinity  -Feasts of Our Lord  -Feast of Mary  -Masses for the Angels  -Masses for saints who are not martyrs  -Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, Matrimony, Holy Orders, Anointing of the Sick  -Funerals |
| Purple/Violet | penance, preparation, sacrifice | LENT | 6 WEEKS  Begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on the evening of Holy Thursday | Sacrament of Reconciliation |
| White/Gold | purity, joy, light, glory | EASTER | 7 WEEKS  Begins at the Easter Vigil and ends on Pentecost Sunday (50 days after Easter) | -Feasts of the Trinity  -Feasts of Our Lord  -Feast of Mary  -Masses for the Angels  -Masses for saints who are not martyrs  -Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, Matrimony, Holy Orders, Anointing of the Sick  -Funerals |
| Green | hope, life, anticipation | ORDINARY TIME | 34 WEEKS |  |

**Table 2 Other Liturgical Colors**

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| **COLOR** | **MEANING** | **WHEN USED** |
| Pink | anticipation, rejoicing | Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)  Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday)  Both *gaudete* and *laetare* are from Latin meaning rejoice. |
| Red | blood, fire, passion | Martyrs, Apostles, Palm Sunday, Good Friday, Pentecost Sunday, sacrament of Confirmation, and Masses for the Holy Spirit |
| Black | death, mourning | All Soul’s Day (November 2), Funerals, Anniversaries of the death of a loved one.  Following Vatican II the color white is preferred because it symbolizes the Resurrection and our baptism. |