



## Sunday Morning Athletics

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The Office for the Bishop has made it clear that holding athletic events on Sunday mornings when liturgy takes place is inappropriate.

Due to the fact that the Office for Catholic Youth Ministry does not have direct responsibility for non-CYM leagues or tournaments, it is the responsibility of the pastor of each parish (or principal in the case of private Catholic schools) to monitor all parish/school teams.

Other dates that should be considered blackout dates where no tryouts, practices, or athletic contests should be played are as follows:

- Christmas Eve (after 3pm)
- Christmas Day
- Holy Thursday (after 6pm)
- Good Friday
- Holy Saturday
- Easter Sunday
- CYM Pilgrimage (Saturday prior to Palm Sunday) - exception may be offered if a full team is not participating in the pilgrimage.

### *Related Policies:*

- 9.4** Parish and private Catholic School athletic teams (CYM and non-CYM teams) are not to practice or participate in athletic contests prior to Noon on Sundays. <sup>2198</sup>