

**General Convention of The Episcopal Church 2024
Archives' Research Report**

Resolution No.: 2024-A126
Title: Transfer Dates of Commemorations in Lesser Feasts and Fasts
Proposer: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music
Topic: Church Calendar, Lesser Feasts/Fasts

Directly Related: (Attached)

None

Indirectly Related: (Available in the [Acts of Convention](#) database, searchable by resolution number)

None

In preparing this report, the Archives researched the resolutions in the Acts of Convention database for the period 1973 through 2022, selecting “direct” resolutions that have a substantive bearing on the proposed legislation. The “direct” resolutions are attached and “indirect” resolutions are available in the Acts of Convention database. Committee members who require other research assistance should contact the Archives through the [Research Request Form](#).

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Final Status: Not Yet Finalized

Proposed by: Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music

Has Budget Implications: No

Cost:

Amends C&C or Rules of Order: No

Requests New Interim Body: No

Changes Mandate Of Existing Ib: No

Directs Dfms Staff: No

Directs Dioceses: No

Directs Executive Council: No

HiA: No House Assigned

Legislative Committee Currently Assigned: No Committee Assigned

Completion Status: Incomplete

Latest House Action: N/A

Supporting Documents: No

Resolution Text

Resolved, That the 81st General Convention authorize the following transfers of dates in Lesser Feasts and Fasts.

Cornelius the Centurion: Transfer from February 4 to October 20.

Martyrs of Japan: Transfer from February 5 to February 6

Theodora: Transfer from February 11 to February 12

Mary of Egypt: Transfer from April 3 to March 30

Simeon Bachos: Transfer from August 27 to August 26

Remigius of Rheims: Transfer from October 1 to October 2

Nicholas Ferrar: Transfer from December 1 to December 8

First Book of Common Prayer: Fix date on June 13

Explanation

Many individuals on the Calendar are commemorated on more than one date by different provinces of the Anglican Communion and by other churches. These figures are currently commemorated on a date that is shared with another feast. By transferring them to another date associated with them, it prevents congestion in some months, and allows for most feasts to be observed. Under the rubrics for local commemoration, any community that preferred to use the traditional date could still keep the feast then. In addition, some have suggested that having a fixed date on which to commemorate the First Book of Common Prayer would be more helpful than a moveable feast in the first week after Pentecost.