

The Colors: Red

- Green is the color of life and growth and during Ordinary Time, reminds us that it is Christ who grows the church.
- White is the color of purity, victory, and joy, and during the high days of celebration reminds us that we are celebrating the purity, victory, and joy we receive in our salvation.
- Purple is the color of mourning and during Lent, reminds us to take repentance and Lent seriously.
- Blue is the color of the sky and royalty and during Advent, reminds us that we are preparing for the coming of our Savior and King.

Today, we talk about red. Fire is red. Blood is red. We use red on Pentecost, because it reminds us of the tongues of fire the Holy Spirit came as on that day. On Reformation Day, it reminds us that the Reformation was led by the Holy Spirit. We also use it for Palm Sunday, the first day of Passion Week, along with Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of that week. It reminds us of the blood that Jesus shed for our sins on the cross. We also use it on days that celebrate martyrs, people who have died for their faith. It reminds us of the blood they shed for their faith.

Prayer:

*Lord, help us to allow the colors of the seasons to always point to You and remind us of what is special about each time. **Amen.***