

Pope St. John XXIII National Seminary
Weston, Massachusetts

2026-2027 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

FALL SEMESTER

Arrival of new seminarians	Aug. 17 (Mon.)
Arrival of returning seminarians by 5 p.m.	Aug. 30 (Sun.)
Orientation for all seminarians	Aug. 31 (Mon.)
Classes begin	Sept. 1 (Tues.)
Mass of the Holy Spirit (11:45 a.m.)	Sept. 3 (Thurs.)
Labor Day (No classes)*	Sept. 7 (Mon.)
Seminarian retreat begins (afternoon)	Oct. 11 (Sun.)
Seminarian retreat ends (12 p.m.)	Oct. 16 (Fri.)
Pastoral assignments resume	Oct. 17 & 18 (Sat. – Sun.)
Classes resume	Oct. 19 (Mon.)
Full faculty gathering (5:00-7:00 p.m.)	Oct. 20 (Tues.)
Thanksgiving Break begins after last class or pastoral assignment	Nov. 24 (Tues.)
Classes resume	Nov. 30 (Mon.)
Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (no classes)*	Dec. 8 (Tues.)
Last class day	Dec. 14 (Mon.)
Study day**	Dec. 15 (Tues.)
Examinations	Dec. 16-17 (Wed. – Thurs.)

N.B.: The Solemnity of All Saints falls on a Sunday this year

*Other formational activities may occur on these days

Seminarians are free to depart after their last exam, **but no earlier than after Mass on Dec. 15

Number of class sessions: M-13; T-13; W-13; F-13; S-13

SPRING SEMESTER

All seminarians due back by 5 p.m.	Jan. 10 (Sun.)
Seminarian Day of Prayer	Jan. 11 (Mon.)
Classes begin	Jan. 12 (Tues.)
Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No classes)	Jan. 18 (Mon.)
National March for Life (No classes)	Jan. 20-23 (Wed. – Sat.)
Ash Wednesday (No classes)*	Feb. 10 (Wed.)
Presidents' Day (No classes)	Feb. 15 (Mon.)
Monday Class Schedule	Feb. 16 (Tues.)
Easter Break begins after last class or pastoral assignment	Mar. 20 (Sat.)
Classes resume	Apr. 5 (Mon.)
Full faculty gathering	Apr. 20 (Tues.)
Last class day	May 5 (Wed.)
Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord/Study Day	May 6 (Thurs.)
Examinations	May 7-8 (Fri. – Sat.)

N.B.: Spring Break will not take place this year due to the early date of Easter

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