

# 2018



**CATHOLIC  
EDUCATION  
MELBOURNE**

## Liturgical Calendar for Schools

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# Term 1

Monday 29 January – Thursday 29 March. Students return: Tuesday 30 January. \*Easter 30 March –2 April

| Week | Sunday  | Gospel   | Liturgical Memorials and Special Dates                        |  |
|------|---|--|---|--|
| 1    | <b>28 JANUARY</b><br>4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                                      | <b>Mark 1: 21–28</b><br><i>Jesus commands an unclean spirit.</i>                                 | Tue 30 Jan<br>31 Jan<br>2 Feb<br>2 Feb<br><b>Feb (1st Wk)</b> | <b>Students return to school</b><br>Memorial of St John Bosco<br><b>Solemnity of the Presentation of the Lord</b><br>World Wetlands Day<br>World Interfaith Harmony Week                                     |
| 2    | <b>4 FEBRUARY</b><br>5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                                      | <b>Mark 1: 29–39</b><br><i>Jesus heals Simon's mother-in-law.</i>                                | 5 Feb<br>6 Feb<br>8 Feb<br><br>10 Feb                         | Memorial of St Agatha<br>Memorial of St Paul Miki and his Companions<br>International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking (Memorial of St Josephine Bakhita)<br>Memorial of St Scholastica |
| 3    | <b>11 FEBRUARY</b><br>6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br>WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE SICK<br><i>green</i> | <b>Mark 1: 40–45</b><br><i>Jesus cures a leper</i>   | 13 Feb<br><b>Wed 14 Feb</b>                                   | Anniversary of Apology to Australia's Indigenous People<br><b>Ash Wednesday</b>  |
| 4    | <b>18 FEBRUARY</b><br>1ST SUNDAY OF LENT<br>PROJECT COMPASSION<br><i>violet</i>                       | <b>Mark 1: 12–15</b><br><i>After forty days in the desert, Jesus proclaims the reign of God.</i> | 20 Feb<br><br>21 Feb<br>22 Feb<br>23 Feb                      | World Day of Social Justice (cf. 23 September: Social Justice Sunday)<br>International Mother Language Day<br>Feast of the Chair of St Peter, Apostle<br>Memorial of St Polycarp                             |
| 5    | <b>25 FEBRUARY</b><br>2ND SUNDAY OF LENT<br><i>violet</i>   | <b>Mark 9: 2–10</b><br><i>Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James and John.</i>                | 2 Mar<br>2 Mar  | World Day of Prayer<br>Schools' Clean Up Day   |
| 6    | <b>4 MARCH</b><br>3RD SUNDAY OF LENT<br><i>violet</i>   | <b>John 2: 13–25</b><br><i>Jesus drives the money-changers from the Temple.</i>                  | 8 Mar   | International Women's Day  |
| 7    | <b>11 MARCH</b><br>4TH SUNDAY OF LENT<br><i>violet or rose</i>  | <b>John 3: 14–21</b><br><i>Jesus converses with Nicodemus.</i>                                   | 11–18 Mar<br>12 Mar<br>16 Mar                                 | <b>Catholic Education Week</b><br>Labour Day Holiday   |

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|  |  |  | 17 Mar | National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence<br>Solemnity of St Patrick |
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| Week | Sunday  | Gospel  | Liturgical Memorials and Special Dates  |   |
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| 8    | 18 MARCH<br>5TH SUNDAY OF LENT<br><i>violet</i> | John 12: 20–33<br><i>Jesus foretells of his death and resurrection.</i> | 17–25 Mar<br>19 Mar<br>21 Mar<br>22 Mar | <i>Cultural Diversity Week</i><br>Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary<br>Harmony Day<br>World Water Day |
| 9    | 25 MARCH<br>PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY<br><i>red</i> | Mark 14: 1 – 15: 47<br><i>The Passion.</i>                              |   |   |

## The Easter Triduum

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| School Holidays | 29 MARCH<br>THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER<br><i>white</i>      | John 13: 1–15<br><i>Jesus washes the feet of his disciples.</i>  |  |  |
|                 | 30 MARCH<br>FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD<br><i>red</i>    | John 18: 1 – 19: 42<br><i>He had always loved those who were his in the world, but now he showed how perfect his love was.</i> |  |  |
|                 | 31 MARCH<br>THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT<br><i>white</i> | Mark 16: 1–7<br><i>Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified, has risen.</i>  |  |  |
|                 | 1 APRIL<br>EASTER SUNDAY<br><i>white</i>                       | John 20: 1–9<br><i>The teaching of Scripture is that he must rise from the dead.</i>   |  |  |

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| <b>School Holidays</b> | <b>8 APRIL</b><br>2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY) |  | <b>8 April</b><br><b>9 Apr</b><br><b>11 Apr</b> | <b>Orthodox Easter</b><br><b>Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord</b><br>Memorial of St Stanislaw |
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## Term 2 Monday 16 April – Friday 29 June

| Week     | Sunday  | Gospel  | Liturgical Memorials and Special Dates  |  |
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| <b>1</b> | <b>15 APRIL</b><br>3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER<br><i>white</i>   | <b>Luke 24: 35–48</b><br><i>Jesus appears to the disciples gathered together.</i> | <b>13–22 Apr</b>  | <i>Victorian Youth Week</i>  |
| <b>2</b> | <b>22 APRIL</b><br>4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER<br>WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS<br><i>white</i>                  | <b>John 10: 11–18</b><br><i>The Good Shepherd.</i>                                | <b>25 Apr</b><br><b>26 Apr</b><br><b>28 Apr</b>   | <b>ANZAC Day</b><br>Feast of St Mark the Evangelist<br>Memorial of St Peter Chanel   |
| <b>3</b> | <b>29 APRIL</b><br>5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER<br><i>white</i>   | <b>John 15: 1–8</b><br><i>Jesus the vine, the Father, the vine-grower.</i>        | <b>2 May</b><br><b>3 May</b>  | Memorial of St Athanasius<br>Feast of Ss Philip and James, Apostles  |
| <b>4</b> | <b>6 MAY</b><br>6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER<br>WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY<br><i>white</i>                              | <b>John 15: 9–17</b><br><i>Live on in Christ.</i>                                 |   |  |
| <b>5</b> | <b>13 MAY</b><br>SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD<br>WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY<br><i>white</i> | <b>Mark 16: 15–20</b><br><i>Jesus commissions the eleven, ascends to heaven.</i>  | <b>13–20 May</b><br><b>13 May</b><br><b>14–20 May</b><br><b>14 May</b><br><b>15 May</b> | <i>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity</i><br><b>Mothers' Day</b><br><i>CatholicCare Family Week (National Families Week)</i><br>Feast of St Matthias, Apostles<br><i>International Day of Families</i> |
| <b>6</b> | <b>20 MAY</b><br>PENTECOST SUNDAY<br><i>red</i>   | <b>John 20: 46–23</b><br><i>The Spirit will guide the Apostles to all truth.</i>  | <b>22 May</b><br><b>24 May</b><br><b>26 May</b><br><b>26 May</b>                        | <i>International Day of Biological Diversity</i><br><b>Solemnity of Our Lady, Help of Christians</b><br><i>National Sorry Day</i><br>Memorial of St Philip Neri  |

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| <p><b>7</b></p> | <p><b>27 MAY</b><br/>         SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY<br/>         TRINITY<br/> <i>white</i></p> | <p><b>Matthew 28: 16–20</b><br/> <i>Jesus sends forth the Apostles<br/>         with the promise to be with them<br/>         always.</i></p> | <p><b>27 May –<br/>         3 Jun</b><br/> <b>31 May –<br/>         1 Jun</b></p> | <p><i>National Reconciliation Week</i><br/>         Week of Prayer for Christian Unity<br/>         Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary<br/>         Memorial of St Justin</p> |
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| Week               | Sunday   | Gospel  | Liturgical Memorials and Special Dates     |   |
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| 8                  | <b>3 JUNE</b><br>SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY<br>AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS<br>CHRISTI)<br><i>white</i>      | <b>Mark 14: 12–16, 22–26</b><br><i>Jesus took bread, broke it and<br/>           shared it.</i> | 5 Jun<br>5 Jun<br>8 Jun<br>9 Jun<br>11 Jun | <a href="#">World Environment Day</a><br>Memorial of St Boniface<br><b>Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus</b><br>Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary<br>Memorial of St Barnabas   |
| 9                  | <b>10 JUNE</b><br>10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>   | <b>Mark 3: 20–35</b><br><i>Those who do the will of God are<br/>           family to Jesus.</i> | 11 Jun<br>13 Jun                           | <a href="#">Queen's Birthday</a><br>Memorial of St Anthony of Padua   |
| 10                 | <b>17 JUNE</b><br>11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>   | <b>Mark 4: 26–34</b><br><i>Parable of the mustard seed.</i>                                     | 17–23 Jun<br>20 Jun<br>21 Jun<br>22 Jun    | <a href="#">Refugee Week</a> (cf. <a href="#">Migrant and Refugee Week</a> , 20–26<br>Aug)<br><a href="#">World Refugee Day</a> (cf. Sunday 26 August)<br>Memorial of St Aloysius Gonzaga<br>Memorial of Ss John Fisher & Thomas More |
| 11                 | <b>24 JUNE</b><br>THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE<br>BAPTIST<br><i>white</i>                                      | <b>Luke 1: 57–66, 80</b><br><i>Elizabeth gives birth to John.</i>                               | 28 Jun<br>29 Jun                           | Memorial of St Irenaeus<br><b>Solemnity of Ss Peter and Paul</b>  |
| School<br>Holidays | <b>1 JULY</b><br>13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br>ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT<br>ISLANDER SUNDAY<br><i>green</i> | <b>Mark 5: 21–43</b><br><i>Jesus heals Jairus' daughter.</i>                                    | 3 Jul                                      | Memorial of St Thomas, Apostle  |
| School<br>Holidays | <b>8 JULY</b><br>14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br>APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA<br><i>green</i>                          | <b>Mark 5: 21–43</b><br><i>No prophet gains honour in his<br/>           native place.</i>      | 8–15 Jul<br>11 Jul                         | <a href="#">NAIDOC Week</a><br>Memorial of St Benedict  |

# Term 3 Monday 16 July – Friday 21 September

| Week | Sunday   | Gospel   | Liturgical Memorials and Special Dates                           |  |
|------|--|--|--|--|
| 1    | <b>15 JULY</b><br>15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                 | <b>Mark 6: 7–13</b><br><i>Jesus sends the Twelve out in pairs.</i>                                       |  |  |
| 2    | <b>22 JULY</b><br>16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br>BIBLE SUNDAY<br><i>green</i> | <b>Mark 6: 30–34</b><br><i>Jesus pities the crowd, sheep without a shepherd.</i>                         | 25 Jul<br>26 Jul   | Feast of St James<br>Memorial of Ss Joachim & Anne (parents of Mary)   |
| 3    | <b>29 JULY</b><br>17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                 | <b>John 6: 1–15</b><br><i>Jesus feeds five thousand.</i>   | 30 Jul<br>31 Jul<br>1 Aug<br>3 Aug<br>4 Aug                      | <a href="#">International Day of Friendship</a><br>Memorial of St Ignatius of Loyola<br>Memorial of St Alphonsus Liguori<br>Memorial of St Dominic<br>Memorial of St John Vianney  |
| 4    | <b>5 AUGUST</b><br>18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                | <b>John 6: 24–35</b><br><i>Jesus is the bread of life.</i>   | 6–13 Aug<br>6 Aug<br>6 Aug<br>8 Aug<br>9 Aug<br>10 Aug<br>11 Aug | <i>National Vocation Awareness Week</i><br><b>Solemnity of the Transfiguration of the Lord</b><br><a href="#">Hiroshima Day</a><br><b>Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross (MacKillop)</b><br><a href="#">International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples</a><br>Feast of St Lawrence<br>Memorial of St Clare |
| 5    | <b>12 AUGUST</b><br>19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>               | <b>John 6: 41–51</b><br><i>Jesus is the living bread.</i>  | 12 Aug<br>14 Aug<br>15 Aug                                       | <a href="#">UN International Youth Day</a><br>Memorial of St Maximilian Kolbe<br><b>Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b><br><b>(Holy Day of Obligation)</b>  |
| 6    | <b>19 AUGUST</b><br>20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>               | <b>John 6: 51–58</b><br><i>Whoever eats and drinks of the body and blood of Christ has eternal life.</i> | 18–24 Aug<br>19 Aug<br>20 Aug<br>20–26 Aug<br>21 Aug<br>22 Aug   | <a href="#">Children's Book Week</a><br><a href="#">World Humanitarian Day</a><br>Memorial of St Bernard<br><i>Migrant and Refugee Week</i><br>Memorial of St Pius X<br>Memorial of Our Lady, Mother and Queen   |

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| Week            | Sunday   | Gospel   | Liturgical Memorials and Special Dates                   |  |
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| 7               | <b>26 AUGUST</b><br>21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br>WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES<br><i>green</i> | <b>John 6: 60–69</b><br><i>Many disciples desert Jesus.</i>  | 27 Aug<br>28 Aug<br>29 Aug<br>1 Sep                      | Memorial of St Monica<br>Memorial of St Augustine<br>Memorial of the Passion of St John the Baptist<br>World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation  |
| 8               | <b>2 SEPTEMBER</b><br>22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                                     | <b>Mark 7: 1–8, 14–15, 21–23</b><br><i>Jesus confronts the Pharisees, who pay only lip service to God.</i> | September<br>2 Sep<br>2–8 Sep<br>3 Sep<br>8 Sep<br>8 Sep | <b>Month of Prayer for the Care of Creation</b><br><b>Fathers' Day</b><br><i>National Child Protection Week</i><br>Memorial of St Gregory the Great<br>Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary<br><i>International Literacy Day</i> |
| 9               | <b>9 SEPTEMBER</b><br>23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br>CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY<br><i>green</i>          | <b>Mark 7: 31–37</b><br><i>Jesus heals the deaf man.</i>   | 13 Sep<br>14 Sep<br>15 Sep                               | Memorial of St John Chrysostom<br>Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross<br>Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows   |
| 10              | <b>16 SEPTEMBER</b><br>24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                                    | <b>Mark 8: 27–35</b><br><i>A follower of Christ must take up the cross.</i>                                | 20 Sep<br>21 Sep<br>21 Sep                               | Memorial of Ss Andrew Kim Taegön and Paul Chöng Hasang<br>Feast of St Matthew, Evangelist<br><i>UN International Day of Peace</i>  |
| School Holidays | <b>23 SEPTEMBER</b><br>25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br>SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY<br><i>green</i>           | <b>Mark 9: 30–37</b><br><i>Jesus teaches that to rank first, disciples must serve all.</i>                 | 27 Sep<br>28 Sep<br>29 Sep                               | Memorial of St Vincent de Paul<br><b>Grand Final Day Holiday</b><br>Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael   |
| School Holidays | <b>30 SEPTEMBER</b><br>26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                                    | <b>Mark 9: 38–43, 45, 47–48</b><br><i>If they are not against us, they are for us.</i>                     | October<br>1 Oct<br>2 Oct<br>4 Oct                       | <b>World Mission Month</b><br>Memorial of St Thérèse of Lisieux<br>Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels<br>Memorial of St Francis of Assisi  |

# Term 4 Monday 8 October – Friday 21 December

| Week | Sunday  | Gospel  | Liturgical Memorials and Special Dates            |  |
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| 1    | <b>7 OCTOBER</b><br>27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                            | <b>Mark 10: 2–16</b><br><i>'Let the children come to me.'</i>                                 | 10 Oct  | World Mental Health Day  |
| 2    | <b>14 OCTOBER</b><br>28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                           | <b>Mark 10: 17–30</b><br><i>A man asks Jesus what he has to do to enter the kingdom.</i>      | 14–20 Oct<br>15 Oct<br>17 Oct<br>17 Oct<br>18 Oct | <i>Anti-Poverty Week</i><br>Memorial of St Teresa of Avila<br>International Day for the Eradication of Poverty<br>Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch<br>Feast of St Luke, Evangelist |
| 3    | <b>21 OCTOBER</b><br>29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br>WORLD MISSION DAY<br><i>green</i>      | <b>Mark 10: 35–45</b><br><i>Whoever aspires to greatness must serve the rest.</i>             | 24 Oct<br>26 Oct<br>26 Oct                        | Universal Children's Day<br>World Teachers Day (in Australia)<br>Day for Daniel  |
| 4    | <b>28 OCTOBER</b><br>30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                           | <b>Mark 10: 46–52</b><br><i>Jesus gives sight to Bartimaeus.</i>                              | 1 Nov<br>2 Nov                                    | <b>Solemnity of All Saints</b><br>Memorial of All Souls: Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed  |
| 5    | <b>4 NOVEMBER</b><br>31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br><i>green</i>                           | <b>Mark 12: 28–34</b><br><i>The wise scribe asks Jesus which is the greatest commandment.</i> | 6 Nov<br>9 Nov<br>10 Nov                          | <b>Melbourne Cup Day</b><br>Memorial of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica<br>Memorial of St Leo the Great   |
| 6    | <b>11 NOVEMBER</b><br>32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br>REMEMBRANCE DAY<br><i>green</i>       | <b>Mark 12: 38–44</b><br><i>The widow's mite.</i>   | 12 Nov<br>17 Nov                                  | Memorial of St Josaphat<br>Memorial of St Elizabeth of Hungary   |
| 7    | <b>18 NOVEMBER</b><br>33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME<br>WORLD DAY OF THE POOR<br><i>green</i> | <b>Mark 13: 24–32</b><br><i>Watch for the signs of the coming of the kingdom.</i>             | 21 Nov<br>22 Nov<br>24 Nov                        | Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary<br>Memorial of St Cecilia<br>Memorial of Saint Andrew Dũng-Lac and Companions  |



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| Week            | Sunday  | Gospel   | Liturgical Memorials and Special Dates                   |   |
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| 8               | <b>25 NOVEMBER</b><br>SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,<br>KING OF THE UNIVERSE<br><i>white</i> | <b>John 18: 33–37</b><br><i>Pilate questions Jesus about his identity.</i>       | 25 Nov<br>30 Nov   | Year of Youth ends<br>Feast of St Andrew, Apostle   |
| 9               | <b>2 DECEMBER</b><br>(LITURGICAL YEAR B BEGINS)<br>1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT<br><i>violet</i>          | <b>Luke 21: 25–28, 34–36</b><br><i>Be ready for the second coming.</i>           | 3 Dec<br>3 Dec<br>7 Dec<br>8 Dec                         | <a href="#">International Day of People with Disability</a><br>Memorial of St Francis Xavier<br>Memorial of St Ambrose<br><b>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>  |
| 10              | <b>9 DECEMBER</b><br>2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT<br><i>violet</i>  | <b>Luke 3: 1–6</b><br><i>John the Baptist proclaims a baptism of repentance.</i> | 10 Dec<br>13 Dec<br>14 Dec                               | <a href="#">UN International Human Rights Day</a><br>Memorial of St Lucy<br>Memorial of St John of the Cross  |
| 11              | <b>16 DECEMBER</b><br>3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT<br><i>violet or rose</i>                               | <b>Luke 3: 10–18</b><br><i>John announces the coming of the Messiah.</i>         | 18 Dec   | <a href="#">International Migrants Day</a> (cf. WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES)   |
| School Holidays | <b>23 DECEMBER</b><br>4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT<br><i>violet</i>                                       | <b>Luke 1: 39–45</b><br><i>Mary visits Elizabeth.</i>                            | 24 Dec<br>25 Dec<br>26 Dec<br>26 Dec<br>27 Dec<br>28 Dec | Christmas Eve<br><b>The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day)</b><br>Feast of St Stephen<br><a href="#">Boxing Day</a><br>Feast of St John, Apostle and Evangelist<br>Memorial of the Holy Innocents |
| School Holidays | <b>30 DECEMBER</b><br>FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS,<br>MARY AND JOSEPH<br><i>white</i>       | <b>Luke 2: 41–52</b><br><i>Jesus is found in the Temple.</i>                     |  |   |