

## 2023

Liturgical calendar for schools

The Year of Matthew Liturgical Year A Weekday Readings – Cycle 1

## The theme for Catholic Education Week 2023 is Forming lives of faith, hope and love in the light of Christ.

## Other useful calendars

Liturgy Brisbane: 2023 Liturgical Calendar

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference: Calendar

Caritas Australia: <u>Social justice calendars</u>
Australian Catholics: <u>Catholic Teacher Calendar</u>

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference and Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace: <u>Liturgy and Church calendar</u>

Our Community: Calendar of nationally significant events

Department of Home Affairs: Calendar of cultural and religious dates

Faith Communities Council of Victoria: Multifaith Calendar

## How to read

Liturgical memorials and Catholic events

Feast days SOLEMNITIES

School dates and public holidays

Multicultural, interfaith and secular dates

<sup>\*</sup>Note: To access the teacher resources included in this calendar, please ensure you are logged into the CEVN website <a href="https://cevn.cecv.catholic.edu.au">https://cevn.cecv.catholic.edu.au</a>.

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Tern	n 1				
The second secon	anuary – Thursday Iuum 7 April – 9 Ap				
1	22 JANUARY 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 4: 12–23  Jesus begins his public ministry, calling the apostles.	24 Jan  25 Jan  26 Jan  27 Jan  28 Jan	Saint Francis De Sales International Day of Education The Conversion of Paul the Apostle Australia Day Saints Timothy and Titus Saint Angela Merici Saint Thomas Aquinas	RESource Prayer Hub Liturgy Help Celebrating the sacramental life from birth to death resources Prayer for the beginning of the school year
2	29 JANUARY 4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 5: 1–12 The beatitudes.	30 Jan 31 Jan 1–7 Feb 2 Feb 3 Feb 4 Feb	Students return to school Saint John Bosco World Interfaith Harmony Week The Presentation of the Lord World Wetlands Day Saint Ansgar Saint Blaise International Day of Human Fraternity	Ordinary Time
3	5 FEBRUARY 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 5: 13–16 Salt of the earth, light of the world.	6 Feb 8 Feb 8 Feb 10 Feb 11 Feb 11 Feb	Saints Paul Miki and Companions Saint Jerome Emiliani Saint Josephine Bakhita International Day of Prayer and Awareness Against Human Trafficking Saint Scholastica Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of the Sick	Feast Day of St Josephine Bakhita  Messages World Day of the Sick
4	12 FEBRUARY 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 5: 17–37  Jesus comes to fulfil the law.	13 Feb 14 Feb	Anniversary of the apology to Australia's Indigenous peoples Saints Cyril and Methodius	

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5	19 FEBRUARY 7TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 5: 38–48 Turn the other cheek.	20 Feb 21 Feb 21 Feb 22 Feb 23 Feb	World Day of Social Justice Saint Peter Damian International Mother Language Day Shrove Tuesday Ash Wednesday Saint Polycarp	World Day of Social Justice
6	26 FEBRUARY 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT RITE OF ELECTION Purple	Matthew 4: 1–11 Jesus is tempted by the devil in the desert.	27 Feb 1 Mar 3 Mar 3 Mar 4 Mar	Saint Gregory of Narek Zero Discrimination Day World Wildlife Day World Day of Prayer Saint Casimir	The Season of Lent Project Compassion World Day of Prayer Australia
7	5 MARCH 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT Purple	Matthew 17: 1–9 Jesus is transfigured before Peter, James and John.	7 Mar 8 Mar 9 Mar	Saints Perpetua and Felicity Saint John of God International Women's Day Saint Frances of Rome	The Sacrament of Penance
8	12 MARCH 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT Purple	John 4: 5–32 Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at the well.	13 Mar 13–17 March 17 Mar 18 Mar	Labour Day Catholic Education Week SAINT PATRICK (Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral) Saint Cyril of Jerusalem	Catholic Education Week 2023 Forming lives of faith, hope and love in the light of Christ St Patrick's Cathedral
9	19 MARCH 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT Purple	John 9: 1–41 On the Sabbath, Jesus cures a man who was blind from birth.	20 Mar 21 Mar 22 Mar 23 Mar 25 Mar	SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY National Harmony Day World Water Day Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD	The Annunciation of the Lord
10	26 MARCH 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT Purple	John 11: 1–45 Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead.	2 Apr	World Autism Awareness Day	

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HOLY WEEK					
11	2 APRIL PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Red	Matthew 26: 14–27: 66 The Passion and death of Jesus.	2 Apr	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	
The Easter Triduum	6 APRIL HOLY THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER White	John 13: 1–15 Jesus washes the feet of his disciples.	6 Apr	Thursday of Holy Week – Mass of Solemnity The Lord's Supper	Triduum
School Holidays	7 APRIL FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY) Red	John 18: 1–19: 42 The Passion narrative.	7 Apr 5–13 Apr	Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday) Jewish Passover	Stations of the Cross – <u>Stations of</u> <u>the Forests</u>
	8 APRIL THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT White	Matthew 28: 1–10  The women meet an angel at the empty tomb.	8 Apr	The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night Easter Saturday	
	9 APRIL EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD White	John 20: 1–9 Mary Magdalene finds the tomb empty; Peter sees and believes. or Matthew 28: 1–10 The women meet an angel at the empty tomb. or Luke 24: 13–35 Jesus greets disciples on the road to Emmaus.	•	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord Easter Monday Easter Tuesday Easter Wednesday Easter Thursday Easter Friday Easter Saturday Orthodox Easter	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord The Season of Easter

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Monday 2	4 April – Friday 2	3 June			
1	23 APRIL 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER White	Luke 24: 13–-35 Jesus greets disciples on the road to Emmaus.	25 Apr 26 Apr 28 Apr 29 Apr	Anzac DAY Saint Mark, Evangelist Saint Louis Grignion de Montfort Saint Peter Chanel Saint Catherine of Siena	The Season of Easter Anzac Day Commemoration Service
2	<b>30 APRIL</b> 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER White	John 10: 1–10 Jesus the sheepgate.	30 Apr 1 May 2 May 3 May	World Day of Prayer for Vocations Saint Joseph the Worker International Workers Day Saint Athanasius Saints Philip and James	St Joseph the Worker Feast and International Workers Day
3	<b>7 MAY</b> 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER White	John 14: 1–12  Jesus the way, truth and life.	10 May 12 May 13 May	Saint John De Avila Saints Nereus and Achilleus Saint Pancras Our Lady of Fatima	
4	14 MAY 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER White	John 14: 15–21 Jesus promises disciples the paraclete. Or John 17: 1–11 Jesus prays to the Father.	14 May 15–21 May 15 May 18 May 20 May	Mother's Day CatholicCare Family Week (National Families Week) International Day of Families Saint John I Saint Bernadine of Siena	Family Week
5	21 MAY SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD White	Matthew 28: 16–20  Jesus sends forth the apostles with the promise to be with them always.	21 May 22 May 24 May 25 May	World Communications Day Saint Rita of Cascia OUR LADY, HELP OF CHRISTIANS Day of Prayer for the Church in China Saint Gregory VII Saint Mary Magdalene de Pazzi Saint Bede Saint Philip Neri	
			27 May	National Sorry Day Saint Augustine of Canterbury	

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6	28 MAY PENTECOST SUNDAY Red	John 20: 19–23 Jesus breathes the Holy Spirit into the apostles.	27 May – 3 June 29 May 31 May 1 Jun 2 Jun 3 Jun	National Reconciliation Week Mary, Mother of the Church The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Saint Justin Saints Marcellinus and Peter Saint Charles Lwanga and companions	A Reconciliation Week <u>Prayer</u> The Sacrament of Confirmation Sacraments of Initiation
7	4 JUNE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY White	John 3: 16–18  Jesus tells Nicodemus of the Father's love.	5 Jun 5 Jun 6 Jun 9 Jun	World Environment Day Saint Boniface Saint Norbert Saint Marcellin Champagnet Saint Ephrem	The Most Holy Trinity
8	11 JUNE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI) White	,	12 Jun 12 Jun 13 Jun 16 Jun 17 Jun	World Day Against Child Labour King's Birthday Saint Anthony of Padua THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS The Immaculate Heart of Mary	The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)  Eucharist The Last Supper and the Mass Participation in the Celebration of Eucharist The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
9	18 JUNE 11TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 9: 36–10: 8 The twelve are sent on a mission.	18–24 Jun 19 Jun 20 Jun 21 Jun 22 Jun 23 Jun 24 Jun	Refugee Week Saint Romuald World Refugee Day Saint Aloysius Gonzaga Saints John Fisher and Thomas More Saint Paulinius of Nola THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST	
School Holidays	25 JUNE 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 10: 26–33 Those who acknowledge Christ will be known to the Father.	27 Jun 28 Jun <i>29 Jun</i> 30 Jun	Saint Cyril of Alexandra Saint Irenaeus SAINTS PETER AND PAUL The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church	
School Holidays	2 JULY 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 10: 37–42 Take up your cross.	2–7 Jul 3 Jul 4 Jul 5 Jul 6 Jul 7 Jul	NAIDOC Week Saint Thomas, Apostle Saint Elizabeth of Portugal Saint Anthony Zaccaria Saint Maria Goretti Blessed Peter To Rot	NAIDOC Week Educational resources Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Victoria

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Term Monday 10 Ju	<b>3</b> uly – Friday 15	September			
1	9 JULY 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA Green	Matthew 11: 25–30 Christ will refresh the weary.	9 Jul 10 Jul 11 Jul 13 Jul 14 Jul 15 Jul	Apostleship of the Sea Students return to school Saint Benedict Saint Henry Saint Camillus de Lellis Saint Bonaventure	
2	16 JULY 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 13: 1–23 The parable of the sower.	20 Jul 21 Jul <b>22 Jul</b>	Saint Apollinaris Saint Laurence of Brindisi Saint Mary Magdalene	
3	23 JULY 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 13: 24–43 Parables of the weeds in the field and the mustard seed.	23 Jul 24 Jul 25 Jul 26 Jul 29 Jul 30 Jul	World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly Saint Sharbel Mahkluf Saint James, Apostle Saints Joachim and Anne Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus International Day of Friendship World Day Against Trafficking in Persons	Prayer for World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly  Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans
4	30 JULY 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time Green	Matthew 13: 44–52 Jesus describes the kingdom through images.	31 Jul 1-6 Aug 1 Aug 2 Aug 3 Aug 4 Aug 5 Aug	Saint Ignatius of Loyola World Youth Day Saint Alphonsus Liguori Saint Eusebius of Vercelli Saint Peter Julian Eymard Saint Dominic Saint John Vianney The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major	Melbourne's pilgrimage to World Youth Day Mary arose and went with haste (Lk 1: 39)

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5	6 AUGUST THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD Green	Matthew 17: 1–9 The transfiguration.	6–13 Aug 6 Aug 7 Aug 8 Aug 9 Aug 10 Aug 11 Aug 12 Aug	National Vocation Awareness Week Hiroshima Day Saints Sixtus II and companions Saint Mary of the Cross (MacKillop) International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross Saint Lawrence Saint Clare Saint Jane Frances de Chantal International Youth Day	Praying with St Mary of the Cross
6	13 AUGUST 19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 14: 22–33 Jesus walks on the water.	14 Aug 15 Aug 16 Aug 19 Aug	Saint Maximilian Kolbe THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Saint Stephen of Hungary Saint John Eudes World Humanitarian Day	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7	20 AUGUST 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 15: 21–28 A Canaanite woman asks Jesus to heal her daughter.	21 Aug 22 Aug 23 Aug <b>24 Aug</b> 25 Aug	Saint Pius X The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary Saint Rose of Lima Saint Bartholomew Saint Louis Saint Joseph of Calasanz	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8	27 AUGUST 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Green		27 Aug 28 Aug 29 Aug September 1 Sep	Social Justice Sunday Saint Augustine The Passion of Saint John the Baptist Season of Creation World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation	Social Justice Sunday  Season of Creation

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9	3 SEPTEMBER 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 16: 21–27 Jesus reveals his future death, rebukes Peter.	3 Sep 8 Sep 8 Sep 9 Sep	Father's Day The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary International Literacy Day Saint Peter Claver	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
10	23rd Sunday in	Matthew 18: 15–20 Find ways to win others over; prayer shall be answered.	10 Sep 12 Sep 13 Sep 14 Sep 15 Sep 16 Sep 15–17 Sep	Safeguarding Sunday The Most Holy Name of Mary Saint John Chrysostom The Exaltation of the Holy Cross Our Lady of Sorrows Saints Cornelius and Cyprian Rosh Hashanah – the Jewish New Year	
School Holidays		Matthew 18: 21–35 Parable of the official who, receiving mercy, does not show it to others.	19 Sep 20 Sep <b>21 Sep</b> 23 Sep	Saint Januarius Saints Andrew Kim Taegon and Paul Chong Hassan and companions Saint Matthew International Day of Peace Saint Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)	
School Holidays		Matthew 20: 1–16 Parable of the workers in the vineyard.	24 Sep 24–25 Sep 26 Sep 27 Sep 28 Sep 29 Sep 30 Sep	Migrant and Refugee Sunday Yom Kippur (Jewish) Saints Cosmas and Damian Saint Vincent de Paul Saint Wenceslaus Saint Lawrence Ruiz and companions Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael Saint Jerome	Migrant and Refugee Sunday

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Term	4				
Monday 2 O	ctober – Wedn	esday 20 December			
1	1 OCTOBER 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 21: 28–32 The man with two sons.	October 1 Oct 2 Oct 2 Oct 4 Oct 5 Oct 6 Oct 7 Oct	World Mission Month International Day for Older Persons Students return to school The Holy Guardian Angels Saint Francis of Assisi World Teachers Day Saint Faustina Kowalska Saint Bruno Our Lady of the Rosary	<u>Prayer</u> before exams
2	8 OCTOBER 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 21: 33–43 Parable of the tenants.	9 Oct 10 Oct 11 Oct 14 Oct	Saints Denis and companions Saint John Leonardi World Mental Health Day Saint John XXIII Saint Callistus I	
3	15 OCTOBER 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 22: 1–10 Parable of the wedding banquet.	16 Oct 17 Oct 18 Oct 19 Oct	World Food Day Saint Hedwig Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque International Day for the Eradication of Poverty Saint Ignatius of Antioch Saint Luke Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues Saint Paul of the Cross	Anti-Poverty Week
4	22 OCTOBER 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 22: 15–21 Render to Caesar what is Caesar's.	22 Oct 24 Oct 23 Oct 24 Oct 28 Oct	World Mission Day United Nations Day Saint John of Capistrano Saint Anthony Mary Claret Saints Simon and Jude	Catholic Mission
5	29 OCTOBER 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 22: 34–40  Jesus is asked to name the greatest commandment of the Law.	1 Nov 2 Nov 3 Nov 4 Nov	ALL SAINTS THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS DAY) Saint Martin de Porres Saint Charles Borromeo	The Solemnity of All Saints Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

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6		Matthew 23: 1–12 Those who humble themselves shall be exalted.	7 Nov 9 Nov 10 Nov 11 Nov	Melbourne Cup Day The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica Saint Leo the Great Remembrance Day Saint Martin of Tours	Remembrance Day
7	12 NOVEMBER 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Green	Matthew 25: 1–13 Parable of the ten bridesmaids.	12 Nov 15 Nov 16 Nov 17 Nov 18 Nov	Diwali (Hinduism) Saint Albert the Great Saint Margaret of Scotland Saint Gertrude Saint Elizabeth of Hungary Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul World Day of the Poor	Messages World Day of the Poor
8		Matthew 25: 14–30 The rich man, his servants and the talents.	20 Nov 21 Nov 22 Nov 23 Nov 24 Nov	Universal Children's Day, World Youth Day Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Saint Cecilia Saint Clement I Saint Columban Saint Andrew Dũng-Lạc and companions Saint Catherine of Alexandra International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	
9	26 NOVEMBER SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE White	Matthew 25: 31–46 Whenever you serve the least of people, you serve Christ.	30 Nov	Saint Andrew	Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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Advent Begi	ns		Liturgical Year	Liturgical Year B – The Year of Mark				
10	3 DECEMBER (LITURGICAL YEAR B BEGINS) 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Purple	Mark 13: 33–37 We know not the hour the Lord will come.	3 Dec 4 Dec 6 Dec 7 Dec 7—15 Dec 8 Dec	International Day of People with Disability Saint John Damascene Saint Nicholas Saint Ambrose Hanukkah (Judaism) THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Saint Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin	The Season of Advent  The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary			
11	10 DECEMBER 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT Purple		10 Dec 11 Dec 12 Dec 13 Dec 14 Dec	International Human Rights Day Saint Damasus I Our Lady of Guadalupe Saint Lucy Saint John of the Cross				
12	17 DECEMBER 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Purple or Rose Pink	John 1:6–8, 19–28 The priests and Levites question John's identity.	18 Dec 21 Dec 23 Dec	International Migrants Day Saint Peter Canisius Saint John of Kanty				
End of School	ol Year							
School Holidays	24 DECEMBER 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Purple	Luke 1: 26–38 The angel Gabriel visits Mary, who responds willingly to God.						
	25 DECEMBER THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD White	John 1: 1–18 The beginning of John's Gospel.	24 Dec 25 Dec 26 Dec 26 Dec 27 Dec 28 Dec 29 Dec 31 Dec	Christmas Vigil The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day) Saint Stephen Boxing Day Saint John The Holy Innocents Saint Thomas Becket THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH	The Season of Christmas			