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Diocese of Perth



Children & Youth Ministry Resource Pack

The Season after Pentecost 2018 *(Second Half)*

2 September – 1 December

WEEK BEGINNING	KEY EVENTS and HOLY DAYS
Sunday 2 September	Martyrs of New Guinea 2 nd * Gregory of Rome 3 rd Eliza Darling 3 rd * Birth of Mary, Mother of the Lord 8 th
Sunday 9 September	Mother Esther CHN 11 th * Cyprian of Carthage 13 th Holy Cross 14 th * John Oliver Freetham 15 th
Sunday 16 September	Hildegard of Bingen 17 th * John Ramsden Wollaston 18 th John Coleridge Patteson 20 th * Matthew 21 st
Sunday 23 September	Sergius of Moscow 25 th * Lancelot Andrewes 26 th Vincent de Paul 27 th * Michael and All Angels 29 th
Sunday 30 September	Francis of Assisi 4 th * William Tyndale 6 th
Sunday 7 October	Elizabeth Fry 12 th
Sunday 14 October	Teresa of Avila 15 th * Ignatius of Antioch 17 th Luke 18 th * Henry Martyn 19 th
Sunday 21 October	James of Jerusalem 23 rd * United Nations Day 24 th
Sunday 28 October	Simon and Jude 28 th * Martin Luther and Continental Reformers 31 st All Saints 1 st * All Souls 2 nd
Sunday 4 November	Leo of Rome 10 th
Sunday 11 November	Remembrance Day 11 th * Charles Simeon 12 th Margaret of Scotland 16 th * Hilda of Whitby 17 th
Sunday 18 November	Elizabeth of Hungary 19 th * Clement of Rome 23 rd
Sunday 25 November	Christ the King 25 th * Andrew 30 th

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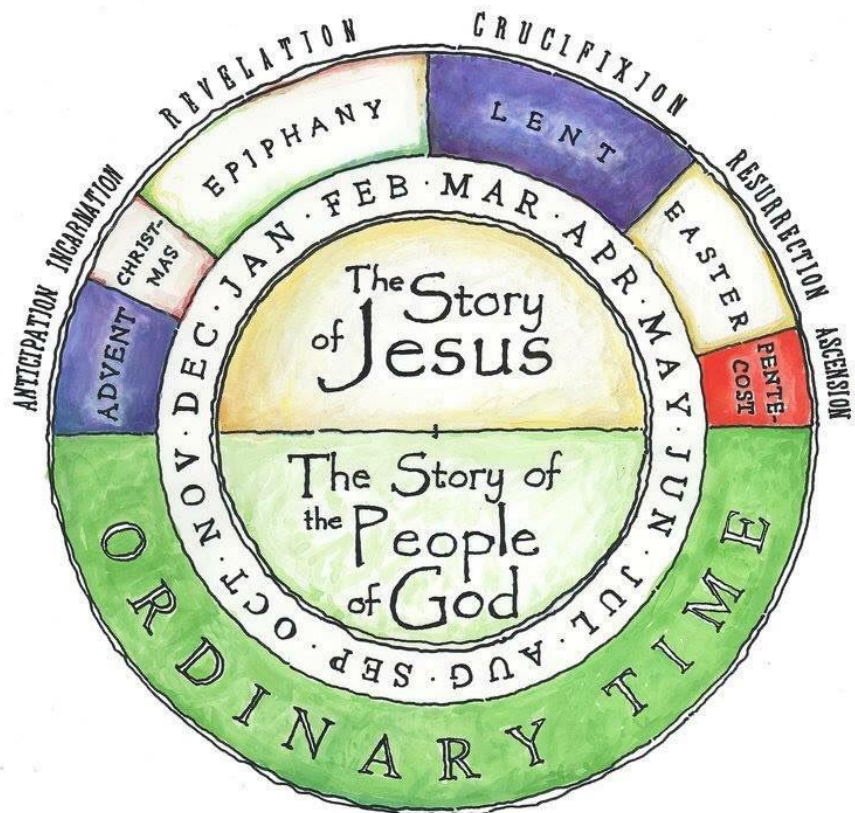
Background Information

This Season spans the best part of six months, and so for this reason we are providing resources in two parts this time. This second Pack covers 2 September – 1 December.

The Day of Pentecost marks the end of the Easter season. Now we move into the *Season after Pentecost*, which is sometimes known as *Ordinary Time*. It is anything but ordinary – in fact, it is a time for growth and renewal. For this reason, the liturgical colour changes to green with the occasional splash of red and white.



This Ministry Resource Pack takes the same approach as the previous one (Pentecost Pt. 1) in that it does not focus on the Sunday readings but again aims to highlight the key festivals and feast days that occur over the coming months. If you learned about some of the saints in the first sequence, you may wish to carry that on now. You may also like to plan a special event where many of these saints are celebrated, such as giving **parishioners a tour through the 'Hall of Fame'** (if you made one). Other key festivals and commemorations that you may consider exploring with your children and youth include Holy Cross, All Saints, All Souls, Christ the King, United Nations Day and Remembrance Day. Resources for each of these events is also included in this pack.



Ordinary Time – Extraordinary People

With your children and adolescents, use this time to learn about some of the characters that appear in our lectionary cycle over the coming months. Should one of the people listed be the patron saint of your parish church, make sure to give a particular focus to them.

Some ideas to consider:

- **Create a ‘Hall of Fame’ in the church or parish centre.** After learning about each individual, create artworks to display and accompany these with key information. Invite the children to share what they have learnt with the congregation. Over time, watch this ‘Hall of Fame’ grow. Periodically revisit some of the characters to see what the group can recall about them. Once a reasonable number of characters have been added to the ‘Hall of Fame’ ask the group to reorganise them in different ways: lectionary order, chronological order, alphabetical order, men and women, identity (ie, monastic, apostle, martyr, saint...)
- **Create a worldwide saints map.** Discover where these individuals lived and worked, and plot them on a world map. Learn about the different places, and find out if the names of the towns and countries have changed over time.
- **Create social profiles.** Similar to the ‘Hall of Fame’ outlined above, but rather than creating simple posters invite teens who are familiar with social media to create posters that look like online profiles (ie Facebook or Instagram pages). Templates are readily available to print from many teaching resource websites (such as <https://www.tes.com/teaching-resource/best-blank-facebook-template-6137426>) but teens may be able to draw their own quite well. After researching the different individuals, create the profiles adding details such as full name, picture, family members, hometown, birthdate, friends, interests, event invitations etc... Imagine what they might have posted online, perhaps including famous quotes.

Martyrs of New Guinea (2nd September)

Gregory of Rome (3rd September)

Eliza Darling (3rd September)

Birth of Mary: Mother of the Lord (8th September)

Mother Esther CHN (11th September)

Cyprian of Carthage (13th September)

John Oliver Freetham (15th September)

Hildegard of Bingen (17th September)

John Ramsden Wollaston (18th September)

John Coleridge Patteson (20th September)

Matthew (21st September)

Sergius of Moscow (25th September)

Lancelot Andrewes (26th September)

Vincent de Paul (27th September)

Michael and All Angels (29th September)

Francis of Assisi (4th October)

William Tyndale (6th October)

Elizabeth Fry (12th October)

Teresa of Avila (15th October)

Ignatius of Antioch (17th October)

Luke (18th October)

Henry Martyn (19th October)

James of Jerusalem (23rd October)

Simon and Jude (28th October)

Martin Luther & Continental Reformers (31st October)

Leo of Rome (10th November)

Charles Simeon (12th November)

Margaret of Scotland (16th November)

Hilda of Whitby (17th November)

Elizabeth of Hungary (19th November)

Clement of Rome (23rd November)

Andrew (30th November)

Ordinary Time – Extraordinary Events

Where possible, actively engage children and adolescent in the big events and celebrations that occur over the coming months. These are opportunities to grow in understanding about key theological concepts in the Christian faith, and about how faith is put into action through prayer, service and justice. The following gives some information about each of these events in the liturgical calendar, and also some links to further information and resources that are available online.

Key Christian Celebrations

Holy Cross (14th September)

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, celebrated every year on September 14, recalls three historical events: the finding of the True Cross by Saint Helena, the mother of the emperor Constantine; the dedication of churches built by Constantine on the site of the Holy Sepulchre and Mount Calvary; and the restoration of the True Cross to Jerusalem by the emperor Heraclius II. But in a deeper sense, the feast also celebrates the Holy Cross as the instrument of our salvation. (*Information from ThoughtCo.*)

<https://www.thoughtco.com/feast-exaltation-of-the-holy-cross-542472>)

On this day, you might like to consider activities centred on the cross, and what this symbol means to us. It could also be a good opportunity to revisit the Easter story and explore the concept of salvation.

<http://www.catholicicing.com/cross-crafts-for-kids/>

All Saints (1st November), &

All Souls (2nd November)

These two feast days are great opportunities to focus on (a) the saints celebrated by the Church, and (b) our loved ones who have died. If you have decided to create a 'Hall of Fame' with the various saints explored over this season, All Saints Day could be a good chance for the children and youth to share this with the wider parish. All Souls Day could be an opportunity for young people and adults alike to give thanks for their departed loved ones and remember them – perhaps create a photo board, or a digital display of photographs. Children also engage well with the tradition of lighting candles as an act of remembrance. With the increasing interest in Halloween in Australia, this could also be a great opportunity to help the children and youth in your parish to better understand the origins of Halloween and where some of these traditions come from.

<http://www.catholicicing.com/all-saints-day-party-ideas-for-kids/>

<http://cecmway.org/resources/AllSaints.pdf>

<http://worshipingwithchildren.blogspot.com/2014/10/year-all-saints-day-saturday-november-1.html>

<https://www.buildfaith.org/building-faith-does-all-saints-day-7-helpful-posts/>

<https://www.buildfaith.org/a-holy-halloween/>

Christ the King (25th November)

Feast of Christ the King, also called Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, festival celebrated in the Roman Catholic Church in honour of Jesus Christ as lord over all creation. Essentially a magnification of the Feast of the Ascension, it was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925. Originally, it was celebrated on the last Sunday in October, but in the revised liturgical calendar promulgated by Pope Paul VI in 1969 it was moved to the last Sunday of Ordinary Time (immediately preceding Advent), where its theme of Christ's dominion made it a fitting end to the liturgical year. The festival is also observed in Lutheran, Anglican, and other Protestant churches. (*Information from Britannica*)

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Feast-of-Christ-the-King>

You may consider marking this end of the church year in some way, and the new year to come at Advent.

<https://www.kwl.com.au/blog/church-history/the-meaning-of-the-solemnity-of-christ-the-king/>

<http://cecmway.org/resources/ChristTheKing.pdf>

<http://www.catholicicing.com/christ-king-craft/>

Other Events

United Nations Day (24th October)

UN Day marks the anniversary of the entry into force in 1945 of the UN Charter. With the ratification of this founding document by the majority of its signatories, including the five permanent members of the Security Council, the United Nations officially came into being. 24 October has been celebrated as United Nations Day since 1948. You may like to use this occasion to help the young people in your parish to understand the work of the United Nations, especially the Sustainable Development Goals. You may also like to explore the work of mission agencies such as ABM, and see how their work is shaped by a focus of the Sustainable Development Goals.

<http://www.un.org/en/events/unday/resources.shtml>

<https://www.abmission.org/pages/sustainable-development-goals-sdgs-.html>

Remembrance Day (11th November)

The *'Defence Anglicans'* website contains a number of helpful resources for planning Remembrance Day liturgies and commemorations. These include multimedia resources. You may also consider exploring the role of defence force chaplains with your children and youth, and if possible invite a defence chaplain to come along to a service or event in your parish.

<https://www.defenceanglicans.org.au/resources/>