

Liturgy of the Word with Children

Summary Liturgical Ordo for Sundays 2025 – 26 Year A

Date	Rota	Sunday	Scripture reference	Theme of scripture passage	Other Notes or links	Colour
30-Nov		1st Sunday of Advent	Mt 24: 42-44	Stay awake	Migrants Day Weds 3rd Dec	P
07-Dec		2nd Sunday of Advent	Mt 3: 1-12 var	Repent, the kingdom is close		P
14-Dec		3rd Sunday of Advent (Gaudete)	Mt 11: 2-6	"Are you the one who is to come..."		Rose
21-Dec		4th Sunday of Advent	Mt 1: 18-24	They will call him Emmanuel	Expectant Mothers / Start School Hols 22nd	P
25-Dec		Christmas Day	Luke 2: 15-20 (dawn mass)	Christmas		W
28-Dec		Feast of the Holy Family	Mt 2: 13-15	Flight to Egypt		W
04-Jan		2nd Sunday of Christmas	Jn 1: 1-5, 9-14	In the beginning ... The true light is coming		W
11-Jan		The Baptism of the Lord	Mt 3: 13-17	Jesus is baptised	Schools back 5th	W
18-Jan		2nd Sunday in Ordinary	Jn 1: 29-34	John the Baptist saw Jesus... there is the Lamb	Peace Day, Octave for Christian Unity 18th- 25th	G
25-Jan		3rd Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 4: 12-23	Come Follow me	Sunday of the Word of God	G
01-Feb		4th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 5: 1-12	Beatitudes	Racial Justice Day	G
08-Feb		5th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 5: 13-16	You are the salt of the earth	Victims of Trafficking; Half Term 16-20	G
15-Feb		6th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 5: 17-37 - var	I came to show you what the Law meant	Day for Unemployed	G
22-Feb		1st Sunday of Lent	Mt 4: 1-11	Temptation in the desert	(Rite of Election 21st) & Lent Fast Day- 27th Feb	P
01-Mar		2nd Sunday of Lent	Mt 17: 1-9	Transfiguration		P
08-Mar		3rd Sunday of Lent	Jn 4: 5-26 var	Woman at the well	1 st Scrutiny	P
15-Mar		4th Sunday of Lent (Rose / Laetare)	Jn 9: 1, 6-38 var	Blind man can see..	Mother's Day (Annunciation 25th March)	P
22-Mar		5th Sunday of Lent	Jn 11: 1-45	Lazarus comes out of the tomb		Rose
29-Mar		Palm Sunday	Mt 27: 11-54	The Passion	Summer Time Begins / Start School Hols 30th	R
05-Apr		Easter Day	Mt 28: 1-10	Easter		W
12-Apr		2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)	Jn 20: 19-29	Jesus meets the disciples in an upper room	Schools back on 13th	W
19-Apr		3rd Sunday of Easter	Luke 24: 13-35	Road to Emmaus		W
26-Apr		4th Sunday of Easter	Jn 10: 1-10 var	Sheep hear the shepherd's voice	Vocations & Clergy Training fund	W
03-May		5th Sunday of Easter	Jn 14: 1-12	Many rooms in my Father's house	BH 4th	W
10-May		6th Sunday of Easter	Jn 14: 15-21	If you love me you will keep my commandments	St George 23rd April	W
17-May		7th Sunday of Easter	Jn 17:1-11	Jesus's prayer;	World Communications Day	W
24-May		Pentecost	Jn 20: 19-23	Jesus came and stood among them	Half Term 25th-29th	R
31-May		Holy Trinity Sunday	Mt 28: 16-20	I am sending you		W
07-Jun		Most Holy Body and Blood	Jn 6: 35,51-56	I am the living bread		W
14-Jun		11th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 9: 36 - 10:8	Like sheep without a shepherd, twelve sent out		G
21-Jun		12th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 10: 26-33	More valuable than 2 sparrows	Day for Life / Fathers' Day	G
28-Jun		SS Peter and Paul	Mt 16:13-19	Who do people think I am?		R
05-Jul		14th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 11: 25-30	Come to me all of you who are worried		G

12-Jul		15th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 13: 1-9	Some seed fell in good soil	Sea Sunday	G
19-Jul		16th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 13: 24-43	Heaven is like a mustard seed	School Hols start 23rd	G
26-Jul		17th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 13: 44-46	The reign of God is like a treasure buried	Grandparents' Day	G
02-Aug		18th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 14: 13-21	Feeding 5,000		G
09-Aug		19th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 14: 22-33	Jesus walking on the water	Interfaith Dialogue	G
16-Aug		Assumption	Luke 1: 39-56	Visitation		W
23-Aug		21st Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 16: 13-19	Who do you think I am?		G
30-Aug		22nd Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 16: 21-27	You must accept your cross and follow me		G
06-Sep		23rd Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 18: 15-20	Whenever 2 or 3 pray, God will do it.	Care of Creation (Tues 1st) / School Term Starts 1st	G
13-Sep		24th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 18: 21-35	How many times must I forgive?	Education Sunday	G
20-Sep		25th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 20: 1-16	Workers in the vineyard	Evangelii Gaudium day	G
27-Sep		26th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 21: 28-32	Sons in the vineyard	Thanks Giving for Harvest (Fast Fri 2nd)	G
04-Oct		27th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 21: 33-43	Trouble in the vineyard!		G
11-Oct		28th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 22: 1-10	Invitation to the wedding feast	Day of Prayer for Prisoners	G
18-Oct		29th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 22: 15-21	Should we pay taxes to Caesar?	World Mission	G
25-Oct		30th Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 22: 34-39	What is the greatest commandment?	Summer Time Ends / Start half-term 26th	G
01-Nov		All Saints	Mt 5: 1-12	Beatitudes	Bamenda Sunday	W
08-Nov		32nd Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 25: 1-13	10 bridesmaids	Remembrance Sunday	G (P)
15-Nov		33rd Sunday in Ordinary	Mt 25: 14-30	Servants use their talents	World Day of the Poor	G
22-Nov		Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe	Mt 25: 31-40	Come and receive your share of the kingdom	Youth Sunday	W
29-Nov		1st Sunday of Advent				

School Holiday dates referenced are for Hampshire Schools

These pages can be used as a rota by applying names in the second column

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Children's Liturgy Resources

Diocese of Westminster www.tinyurl.com/RCDOW-CLOW

Cafod www.cafod.org.uk/education/children-s-liturgy

Directory of Masses with Children – Vatican 1973 <http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/SOS/DCM.pdf>

Guidelines for Children's Liturgy of the Word - Guidelines from the Bishops Conference of England and Wales 1996 <http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/SOS/LOWC.pdf>

Other resources are linked on www.lotwwc.org.uk including this document

And, I've successfully used ChatGTP for approaches and reinforcement activity ideas.