



St Paschal Baylon
Catholic Primary School



Following In The Footsteps Of Christ

Guidance on Focus Tables and Displays

2019 / 2020 Liturgical Calendar

Sundays: Year C – Gospel of St. Luke & St. John

Weekdays: Year I

Ist Sunday of Advent	Sunday 2 nd December 2018
Christmas	Tuesday 25 th December 2018
Epiphany of the Lord	Sunday 6 th January 2019
Ash Wednesday	Wednesday 6 th March 2019
Easter Sunday	Sunday 21 st April 2019
Ascension of the Lord	Thursday 30 th May 2019
Pentecost	Sunday 9 th June 2019
Body and Blood of the Lord	Sunday 23 rd June 2019
St Peter & St Paul	Sunday 30 th June 2019
The Assumption	Thursday 15 th August 2019
All Saints	Friday 1 st November 2019
All Souls	Saturday 2 nd November 2019

Sundays: Year A – Gospel of St. Matthew & St. John

Weekdays: Year II

Ist Sunday of Advent	Sunday 1 st December 2019
Christmas	Wednesday 25 th December 2019
Epiphany of the Lord	Sunday 5 th January 2020
Ash Wednesday	Wednesday 26 th February 2020
Easter Sunday	Sunday 12 th April 2020
Ascension of the Lord	Thursday 21 st May 2020
Pentecost	Sunday 31 st May 2020
Body and Blood of the Lord	Sunday 14 th June 2020
St Peter & St Paul	Sunday 28 th June 2020
The Assumption	Sunday 16 th August 2020
All Saints	Sunday 1 st November 2020
All Souls	Monday 2 nd November 2020

Focus Table and Display

For schools, the Liturgical Year is a cycle that unfolds the entire mystery of Christ and keeps the anniversaries of the saints. It includes the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Eastertide and Ordinary Time. Each season has its own character and gives time for the school community to reflect on and celebrate different aspects of Catholic belief in Jesus. The seasons and feasts of the Liturgical year are celebrated in schools and should be visible through displays.

The liturgical season will be reflected in the colour of the focus table fabric and indicated by the arrow on the liturgical calendar wheel. Staff may decide to display any signs or symbols relating to that season or a Saint whose feast is celebrated during that time.

Signs of our Catholic identity should be displayed in our classrooms all year round. They should be in a place of prominence. A crucifix should be visible in the classroom.

There should be a focus for daily prayer that is Christ centred, including colours, objects and scriptures relating to the liturgical season. A candle and Missal/Bible should also be included. It should be simple and uncluttered with one object that clearly communicates the theme of the display rather than a collection of various items brought in by the children.

This guidance is reviewed annually.

Signed: E. Martin

Position: RE Leader

Signed: K. Nolan

Position: Chair of Governors

Month	Liturgical Calendar	Colour	Symbols
September	Ordinary Time	Green	Bible, candle
October	Feast of Mary	Blue & white	Mary, rosary, flowers, candles
November	All Saints	White & gold	Symbols to reflect chosen Saint
December	Advent	Purple	Bible, candle, advent wreath
January	Epiphany	Red	Three kings, gifts, stars
February	Ash Wednesday	Purple	Cross draped with purple cloth
March	Lent	Purple	Take a theme from one of the Lenten Gospel readings and use symbols mentioned in the reading to describe the story.
April	Easter	White & gold	Use symbols representing the Risen Christ, Paschal Candle, Bible, flowers
May	Mary / Paschal Baylon focus from 17 th May	Blue & white / Purple	Mary, rosary, flowers, candles. Artefacts related to Paschal Baylon
June	Ordinary Time St. Peter & St. Paul (29 th June)	Green White and Gold	Bible, candle
July	Ordinary Time	Green	Bible, candle

