DECEMBER 2023

Holy Father's General Intention: For persons with disabilities –

We pray that people living with disabilities may be the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation.

01	Friday Green	34th week in Ordinary Time (Psalter II) Ms of Weekday Dn 7:2–14 Dn 3:75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81 Lk 21:29–33
02	Saturday <i>G/W</i>	34th week in Ordinary Time (Psalter II) <i>Ms of Choice</i> Dn 7:15–27 Dn 3:82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87 Lk 21:34–36 1 Vesp Adv Sun 1 Cpl after 1 Vesp Sun (Psalter I)

THE LITURGICAL YEAR 2023-2024 CYCLE B - WEEKDAYS II

- 03 SUNDAY 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT COMMUNIO SUNDAY
 - Violet Pr Ms, Cr, Pf of Adv I Is 63:16b–17; 64:1, 3b–8 Ps 80:2ac & 3b, 15–16, 18–19 1 Cor 1:3–9 Mk 13:33–37 2 Vesp Sun Cpl after 2 Vesp Sun
- 04 Monday *White White S. Francis Xavier, Pt - Feast* Pr Ms, Gl, Pf of Pastors Jer 1:4-9 Ps 71:1-2, 5-6, 8-9, 14-15ab Lk 10:1-16
- *Note*: In places where S. Francis Xavier is the Principal Patron, the celebration is observed as a Solemnity

White S. FRANCIS XAVIER, Pt -Solemnity

> Pr Ms, Gl, Cr, Pf of Pastors Jer 1:4-9 Ps 71:1-2, 5-6, 8-9, 14-15ab (R,15) 2 Cor 4:7-15 *or* Eph 3:2-12 Lk 10:1-16

05	Tuesday <i>Violet</i>	1st week of Advent (Psalter I) Ms of weekday, Pf of Adv I Is 11:1-10 <i>Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17</i> Lk 10:21-24
06	Wednesday <i>Viole</i> t	1st week of Advent (Psalter I) Ms of weekday, Pf of Adv I Is 25:6–10a Ps 23:1–3a, 3b–4, 5, 6 Mt 15:29–37
07	Thursday <i>Violet</i>	1st week of Advent (Psalter I) Ms of weekday, Pf of Adv I Is 26: 1-6 Ps 118: 1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a Mt 7: 21, 24-27 1 Vesp Sol Cpl after 1 Vesp Sol
08	Friday White	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY- Solemnity Pr Ms, Gl, Cr, Pr Pf Gn 3:9–15, 20 <i>Ps 98:1, 2–3ab, 3cd–4</i> Eph 1:3–6, 11–12 Lk 1:26–38 2 Vesp Sol Cpl after 2 Vesp Sol

09	Saturday <i>Violet</i>	1st week of Advent (Psalter I) or <i>S. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin, opt</i> <i>mem</i> Ms of weekday, Pf Adv I Is 30:19–21, 23–26 Ps 147:1–2, 3–4, 5–6 Mt 9:35–10:1, 5a, 6–8 1 Vesp Sun Cpl after 1 Vesp Sun (Psalter II)
10 +	Sunday <i>Violet</i>	2ND SUNDAY IN ADVENT Pr Ms, Cr, Pf of Adv I Is 40:1–5, 9–11 Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11–12, 13–14 2 Pt 3:8–14 Mk 1:1–8 2 Vesp Sun Cpl after 2 Vesp Sun
11	Monday <i>Violet</i>	2nd week of Advent (Psalter II) or <i>S. Damasus I, Pp, opt mem</i> Ms of weekday, Pf Adv I Is 35:1-10 <i>Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14</i> Lk5:17-26
12	Tuesday <i>Violet</i>	2nd week of Advent (Psalter II) The Blessed Virgin Mary of Gaudalupe, opt mem Ms of weekday, Pf of Adv I Is 40:1–11 Ps 96:1–2, 3 & 10ac, 11–12a, 12b–13 Mt 18:12–14

13	Wednesday <i>Red</i>	S. Lucy, Vgn & Mtr, mem (Psalter II) Ms of mem, Pf of Adv I Is 40:25–31 Ps 103:1–2, 3–4, 8 & 10 Mt 11:28–30
14	Thursday <i>White</i>	S. John of the Cross, Pr & Dr, mem (Psalter II) Ms of mem, Pf of Adv I Is 41:13–20 Ps 145:1 & 9, 10–11, 12–13ab Mt 11:11–15
15	Friday <i>Violet</i>	2nd Week of Advent (Psalter II) Ms of weekday, Pf of Adv I Is 48:17–19 Ps 1:1–2, 3, 4 & 6 Mt 11:16–19
16	Saturday <i>Violet</i>	2nd Week of Advent (Psalter II) Ms of weekday, Pf of Adv I Sir 48:1–4, 9–11b Ps 80:2ac & 3b, 15–16a, 18–19 Mt 17:10–13 1 Vesp Sun Cpl after 1 Vesp Sun (Psalter III)

From 17 to 24 December

- Weekdays are privileged
- Readings are according to the day of the month
- At Vespers, the Antiphon at the Magnificat is an 'O' Antiphon

17 +	Sunday <i>Rose</i>	3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT Pr Ms, Cr, Pf of Adv II Is 61:1–2a, 10–11 Lk 1:46–48, 49–50, 53–54 1 Thes 5:16–24 Jn 1:6–8, 19–28
18	Monday <i>Violet</i>	3rd week of Advent (Psalter III) Pr Ms, Pf of Adv II Jer 23:5–8 Ps 72:1–2, 12–13, 18–19 Mt 1:18–24
19	Tuesday <i>Violet</i>	3rd week of Advent (Psalter III) Pr Ms, Pf of Adv II Jgs 13:2–7, 24–25a Ps 71:3–4a, 5–6ab, 16–17 Lk 1:5–25
20	Wednesday <i>Violet</i>	3rd week of Advent (Psalter III) Pr Ms, Pf of Adv II Is 7:10–14 Ps 24:1–2, 3–4ab, 5–6 Lk 1:26–38

21	Thursday <i>Violet</i>	3rd week of Advent (Psalter III) Pr Ms, Pf of Adv II Sg of 2:8–14 or Zep 3:14–18a Ps 33:2–3, 11–12, 20–21 Lk 1:39–45
22	Friday <i>Violet</i>	3rd week of Advent (Psalter III) Pr Ms, Pf of Adv II 1 Sam 1:24–28 1 Sam 2:1, 4–5, 6–7, 8abcd Lk 1:46–56
23	Saturday <i>Violet</i>	3rd week of Advent (Psalter III) Pr Ms, Pf of Adv II Mal 3:1–4; 4:5–6 Ps 25:4–5ab, 8–9, 10 & 14 Lk 1:57–66 1Vesp Sun Cpl after 1 Vesp Sun (Psalter IV)
24 +	Sunday <i>Violet</i>	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT Pr Ms, Cr, Pf Adv II 2 Sam 7:1–5, 8b–12, 14a, 16 Ps 89:2–3, 4–5, 27 & 29 Rom 16:25–27 Lk 1:26–38 1 Vesp Sol Cpl after 1 Vesp Sol

CHRISTMAS TIME

"The Church considers the Christmas Season, which celebrates the Birth of the Lord and His early manifestations, as second only to the annual celebration of the Easter mystery."

24 Sunday + White VIGIL OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD - Solemnity Evening: Pr Ms Vigil, Gl, Cr, Pf of Nat Is 62:1-5 Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27 and 29 Acts 13:16-17, 22-25 Mt 1:1-25

In the Profession of Faith, all bow/genuflect at the words *and was made man*.

25 Monday THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD -+ White Solemnity

> Pr Ms, GI, Cr, Pf of Nat, Pr insert for Euch Prayer I

- Night: Is 9:2-7; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 11-12a, 12b-13; Tit 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
- **Dawn:** Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1 and 6, 11-12; Tit 3:4-7; Lk2:15-20
- **Day:** Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18

In the Profession of Faith, all bow/ genuflect at the words *and was made man*, In Eucharistic Prayer I, Proper insert: "Celebrating ..."

Priests may celebrate or concelebrate three Masses at the appropriate time only. Those who celebrate only one Mass must take the one that corresponds to the hour of the day

> 2 Vesp Sol Cpl after 2 Vesp Sol (Psalter Week I)

26	Tuesday	S. Stephen, Protomartyr - Feast
	Red	Pr Ms, GI, Pf of Nat, Pr insert for
		Euch Prayer I
		Ac 6:8-10; 7:54-59
		Ps 31 :3bc-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17
		Mt 10:17-22
		Vesp Nat (as on 25 and 26 Dec)
		Cpl Sun

27 Wednesday **S. John, Apostle and Evangelist -***White* **Feast** Pr Ms, GI, Pf of Nat

1 Jn 1:1-4 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 Jn 20:2-8

28	Thursday	The Holy Innocents, Mtrs - Feast
	Red	Pr Ms, GI, Pf of Nat, Pr insert for
		Euch Prayer I
		1 Jn 1:5-2:2
		Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8
		Mt 2:13-18
20	Friday	Eth day within the Octave of

29 Friday 5th day within the Octave of *White* Christmas or S. *Thomas Beckett, Bp & Mtr*

Pr Ms, Pf of Nat 1 Jn 2:3–11 Ps 96:1–2a, 2b–3, 5b–6 Lk 2:22–35

- 30 Saturday 6th day within the Octave of White Christmas Pr Ms, Pf of Nat 1 Jn 2:12–17 Ps 96:7–8a, 8b–9, 10 Lk 2:36–40 1 Vesp Sun Cpl after 1 Vesp Sun
- 30 Sunday *White* **The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph - Feast** Pr Ms Gl, Cr, Pf of Nat, Pr insert for Euch Prayer I Sir 3:2–6, 12–14 Ps 128:1–2, 3, 4–5 Col 3:12-21 Lk 2:22-40 2 Vesp Sun Cpl after 2 Vesp Sun