

SHARING OUR LEARNING ABOUT CHRISTMAS

WITH FAMILY WHĀNAU



1. **Find out the time** of the Christmas masses in your parish and pastoral area and talk to your family about what time would suit for everyone to attend. Make a memo for your family.
2. **Use the Liturgical Year Calendar** to illustrate what you have learned about the Liturgical Year and what you know about the seasons of Advent and Christmas.
3. **Make a poster** about Making Room for Christ in Christmas. Explain what it means and include some ideas for people to do this. Share it in classes around your school and with your teachers. Display the posters around your school and in your church.
4. **Debate the idea** that 'Celebrating the Christ Mass makes Christmas celebrations complete.'
5. **Make up a parody** on a well-known Christmas carol with words that tell how families make room for Jesus to be present in their lives at Christmas and throughout the year. Refer to Lesson 1 slides 6,7,8 & 9 for ideas. Make copies of the words so your class can learn the carol and share it with your school and parish. (A parody is when you make up words to fit a familiar tune.)
6. **Design a sticker** with the words – How are you making room for Christ at Christmas? Copy the sticker and distribute them around your school, family and friends. Be prepared to explain what it means to make room for Christ at Christmas and have some suggestions ready if people need them. Refer to Lesson 1 slides 5&6.
7. **Make a power point** to explain what a holy day of obligation means and what the followers of Jesus are expected to do on these special days. Explain about Sunday as the chief holy day of obligation and make a slide for each of the other 2 days to draw attention to the feasts they celebrate. Share this with your family and other classes. Refer to Lesson 2 slides 3 & 4 for information if you need to. Do some of your own research about this to include as well.
8. **Make up your own way** of showing and sharing what you have learned and decide with whom you would like to share it.

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Date: _____

