Sunday 31 December 2023 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph **Luke 2:22-40** 

## In the GOSPEL TODAY

A HOLY FAMILY!

## Spot the difference

Can you spot five differences in this family photograph?

Draw your own family's portrait on the back of this sheet.





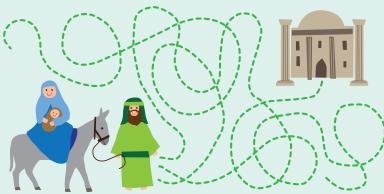
Loving Father, help me to always see and understand how important Jesus is in my life. Help me to shine with Jesus' love so that other people can recognise him too. Amen.

A PRAYER

Mary and Joseph take Jesus to be presented to God, just like every other Jewish baby boy. In the Temple the Holy Family meet Simeon and Anna, two wise and holy people. They both praise God when they see Jesus as they know he is no ordinary baby. This baby is the light of the world!

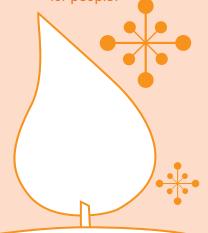
Mary and Joseph took baby Jesus to the Temple.





## Light of the world

Jesus is the light of the world. How can you be a light for people?



Write, or draw, inside the candle some of the ways you can help someone today.

## A special baby

Simeon knew that baby
Jesus would grow up to be
very special. Circle the words
which say what Simeon knew
about Jesus.



Answers: Spot the difference: dad's glasses, top colour, child's hair clip, grandma's walking stick and grandpa's jumper