

## THE FINDING OF THE BOY IN THE TEMPLE

Luke 2: 41-46

Every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travellers, they went a day's journey. They then started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening and asking questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers.



## THE RETURN TO THE VILLAGE OF NAZARETH

Luke 2: 49 – 52

And his mother said to him, "Child why have you treated us like this? Look your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour.



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**"THE ONE HUNDREDTH FOUNTAIN"**

*the newest fountain in the  
VATICAN GARDENS*

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*The two strong walls which hold the six bronze panels towards the back of the fountain, signify the marriage between Joseph and Mary. This idea is picked up again in the two round pools of water which spill over into each other and form the running water in the one hundredth fountain in the Vatican Gardens. The engraving on the side of the fountain indicates it is "in honour of the husband of the virgin Mary, Mother of God, guardian of the Holy Family, Protector of the Universal church and Patron of Workers."*

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## JOSEPH'S DREAM

**Matt 1: 18 – 21, 24**

When his mother Mary had been engaged to Joseph, but before they lived together, she was found to be with child from the Holy Spirit. Her husband Joseph, being a righteous man and unwilling to expose her to public disgrace, planned to dismiss her quietly. But just when he had resolved to do this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary

as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him JESUS, for he will save the people from their sins.”.... When Joseph awoke from sleep he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him.

## THE MARRIAGE OF JOSEPH AND MARY

**Matt 1: 16**

Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called the Messiah.

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When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him, he took her as his wife, but had no marital relations with her until she had borne a son and he named him JESUS.



## THE BIRTH OF JESUS

**Luke 2: 1-7**

All went to their towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David, called Bethlehem because he descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her first born son and wrapped him in bands of cloth and laid him in a manger because there was no place for them in the inn.



## THE ESCAPE INTO EGYPT

**Matt 2: 13-15**

Now after they had left, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, “Get up, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him”. Then Joseph got up and took the child and his mother by night and went to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfil what had been spoken by the Lord through the prophet, “Out of Egypt I have called my son.”

