

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

## SPRING TERM 2020

### COME AND SEE AT HOME

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

This term we will be studying the three themes of Local Church (Community), Eucharist (Relating) and Lent/Easter (Giving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics.

#### LOCAL CHURCH - COMMUNITY

*(6<sup>th</sup> January – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020)*

Early Years	<b>CELEBRATING</b> - People celebrate in Church
Year 1	<b>SPECIAL PEOPLE</b> - People in the parish family
Year 2	<b>BOOKS</b> - The books used in Church
Year 3	<b>JOURNEYS</b> - Christian family's journey with Christ
Year 4	<b>COMMUNITY</b> - Life in the local Christian community and ministries in the parish
Year 5	<b>MISSION</b> - Continuing Jesus' mission in diocese (ecumenism)
Year 6	<b>SOURCES</b> - The Bible, the special book for the Church

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Explore the Diocesan website, looking at the number of churches, and finding out about our bishop.  
Read Bible stories together or encourage older children to read a child's Bible.

#### EUCHARIST - RELATING

*(3<sup>rd</sup> February – 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020)*

Early Years	<b>GATHERING</b> - Parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist
Year 1	<b>MEALS</b> - Mass, Jesus' special meal
Year 2	<b>THANKSGIVING</b> - Mass, a special time to thank God
Year 3	<b>LISTENING &amp; SHARING</b> - Jesus gives himself to us
Year 4	<b>GIVING &amp; RECEIVING</b> - Living in communion
Year 5	<b>MEMORIAL SACRIFICE</b> - Eucharist as the living memorial of Christ's sacrifice
Year 6	<b>UNITY</b> - Eucharist enabling people to live in communion

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Look through the family photograph album to help the children remember important events and special people in their lives.  
Discuss how we come together for special celebrations.

#### LENT/EASTER - GIVING

*(9<sup>th</sup> March – 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2020)*

Early Year	<b>GROWING</b> - Looking forward to Easter
Year 1	<b>CHANGE</b> - Lent: a time for change
Year 2	<b>OPPORTUNITIES</b> - Lent: an opportunity to start anew
Year 3	<b>GIVING ALL</b> - Lent: remembering Jesus' total giving
Year 4	<b>SELF DISCIPLINE</b> - Celebrating growth to new life
Year 5	<b>SACRIFICE</b> - Lent: a time of aligning with the sacrifice made by Jesus
Year 6	<b>DEATH &amp; NEW LIFE</b> - Celebrating Jesus' death and resurrection

#### SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

As a family talk about how you are going to practice self-control and self-giving for the rest of the season of Lent. You may decide to give up biscuits or cakes and donate the money to a charity.  
If you have an older child provide him/her with an opportunity to take part in The Stations of the Cross. Ask your child/ren how the school is focusing on Lent and self-giving.

# IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM IN SCHOOL

## Come and See Assemblies - Parents/Carers are welcome to join us

Friday 31st January - Y5 Local Church - 2:30 pm

Friday 6th March - Y1 Eucharist - 2:30 pm

Fri 20th March - Reception - Mother's Day Liturgy in class - 2.30 pm

## Class Masses and Holy Day Masses - for pupils only

Ash Wednesday Assembly with Father John -  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February - 2.15pm for KS2 only

Father John will celebrate class masses with all of KS2 during Lent.

Tuesday 3rd March Y3 - 11.15am  
Tuesday 10th March Y4 - 11.15am  
Tuesday 17th March Y5 - 11.15am  
Tuesday 24th March Y6 - 11.15am

## Holy Week Assemblies - Parents/Carers are welcome to join us

Palm Sunday Assembly - Tuesday 31st March - Y2 and Y4 - 2.30pm

Maundy Thursday Assembly - Wednesday 1st April - Y3 and Y5 - 2.30pm

Good Friday Assembly - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April - Y6 - 2.30pm

Easter Sunday Assembly - Friday 3rd April - Reception and Y1 - 9.00am

## Fundraising Activities - further information to follow

### 'Good Shepherd Fridays' for Nugent Care

Friday 13th March - Y2 and Y5 - 2.30 pm  
Friday 20th March - Y1 and Y6 - 2.30 pm  
Friday 27th March - Y3 and Y4 - 2.30 pm