



# 'COME AND SEE' RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWSLETTER SPRING 2020



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

4 WEEKS

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

## EUCCHARIST - RELATING

4 WEEKS

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

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## LENT/EASTER - GIVING

4 WEEKS

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

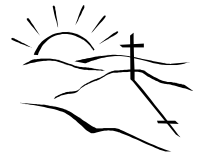
If you have an older child provide him/her with an opportunity to take part in The Stations of the Cross.

Ask your child/ren how the school is focusing on Lent and self-giving.

# IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

## *Assembly Dates and Class Masses*

Wed 29th Jan	Assembly Year 4G
Fri 31st Jan	Assembly Year 4S
Tues 4th Feb	Year 6 Class Mass
Wed 4th Mar	Assembly Year 3E
Fri 6th Mar	Assembly Year 3N
Tues 24th Mar	KS1 Mass



## *Whole School Celebrations*



St Patrick's Day Mass  
Tues 17th March– School Mass in Church

## *Important Dates*

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	January 6th
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	January 12th
THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	February 2nd
ASH WEDNESDAY	February 26th
ST.PATRICK'S DAY	March 17th
ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	March 19th
PASSION SUNDAY	April 5th
HOLY THURSDAY	April 9th
GOOD FRIDAY	April 10th
EASTER SUNDAY	April 12th

