



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
SPRING TERM 2019
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. As always you are most welcome to join us for collective worship every Monday at 2.45pm and First Friday Mass, which is celebrated the first Friday of every month in the school hall at 9.10am (unless it is a school holiday).

**LOCAL CHURCH – COMMUNITY
(7/1/19 – 1/2/19)**

Early Years	CELEBRATING - People celebrate in Church
Year 1	SPECIAL PEOPLE - People in the parish family
2G & 3/2M	BOOKS - The books used in Church
4/3KJ & 5/4C	SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
6/5T & 6M	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
(4/2/19 – 8/3/19)**

Early Years	GATHERING - Parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist
Year 1	MEALS - Mass, Jesus' special meal
2G & 3/2M	THANKSGIVING - Mass, a special time to thank God
4/3KJ & 5/4C	SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
6/5T & 6M	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.

**LENT/EASTER - GIVING
(11/3/19 – 5/4/19)**

Early Years	GROWING - Looking forward to Easter
Year 1	CHANGE - Lent: a time for change
Year 2 & 3/2M	OPPORTUNITIES - Lent: an opportunity to start anew
4/3KJ & 5/4C	SELF DISCIPLINE - Celebrating growth to new life
6/5T & 6M	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

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

1 January

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

6 January

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

13 January

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

2 February

ASH WEDNESDAY

6 March

ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

19 March

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD

25 March

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

14 April

MAUNDY THURSDAY

18 April

GOOD FRIDAY

19 April

EASTER SUNDAY

21 April