

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - SPRING TERM 2021

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 4TH – 29TH JANUARY

St Martha- **CELEBRATING** - People celebrate in Church
St Cecilia- **SPECIAL PEOPLE** - People in the parish family
St Veronica &
St Bernadette - **BOOKS** - The books used in Church
St Joseph,
St Edmund &
St Anthony - **JOURNEYS**- Life in the local Christian community and ministries in the parish

St Augustine,
St Gregory &
St Ignatius - **MISSION** – Continuing Jesus' mission in diocese (ecumenism)

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 1ST FEBRUARY – 5TH MARCH

St Martha - **GATHERING** - Parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist
St Cecilia - **MEALS** - Mass, Jesus' special meal
St Veronica &
St Bernadette - **THANKSGIVING** - Mass, a special time to thank God
St Joseph,
St Edmund &
St Anthony - **LISTENING & SHARING** - Living in communion
St Augustine,
St Gregory &
St Ignatius - **MEMORIAL SACRIFICE** - Eucharist as the living memorial of Christ's sacrifice

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 8TH MARCH – 1ST APRIL

St Martha - **GROWING** - Looking forward to Easter
St Cecilia - **CHANGE** - Lent: a time for change
St Veronica &
St Bernadette - **OPPORTUNITIES** - Lent: an opportunity to start anew
St Joseph,
St Edmund &
St Anthony - **GIVING ALL** - Celebrating growth to new life
St Augustine,
St Gregory &
St Ignatius - **SACRIFICE** - Lent: a time of aligning with the sacrifice made by Jesus

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

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

February 2nd

ASH WEDNESDAY

February 17th

PASSION SUNDAY

March 28th

HOLY THURSDAY

April 1st

GOOD FRIDAY

April 2nd

EASTER SUNDAY

April 4th