RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LENT TERM 2025 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 (6th January – 31st January)

Early Years	CELEBRATING - People celebrate in Church
Class 3	BOOKS - The books used in Church
Class 4	COMMUNITY - Life in the local Christian community and
	ministries in the parish
Class 5	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.

EUCHARIST - RELATING (3rd February – 7th March)

Early Years	GATHERING - Parish family gathers to celebrate
	Eucharist
Class 3	THANKSGIVING - Mass, a special time to thank God
Class 4	GIVING & RECEIVING - Living in communion
Class 5	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 (10th March – 4th April)

Early Year	GROWING - Looking forward to Easter
Year 1	CHANGE - Lent: a time for change
Class 3	OPPORTUNITIES - Lent: an opportunity to start anew
Year 3	GIVING ALL - Lent: remembering Jesus' total giving
Class 4	SELF DISCIPLINE - Celebrating growth to new life
Year 5	SACRIFICE - Lent: a time of aligning with the sacrifice made by Jesus
Class 5	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 12 January

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

2 February

ASH WEDNESDAY 5 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 13 April

MAUNDY THURSDAY

17 April

GOOD FRIDAY

18 April

EASTER SUNDAY 20 April