

IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM



HARVEST MASS

Thursday 16th October Harvest Mass in our school hall at 9.30am, parish invited.

ALL SAINTS

Saturday 1st November

We celebrate the lives of special and ordinary people who have responded to God's invitation to love.

THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS)

Sunday 2nd November

Monday 3rd November – Prayer and Liturgy in school for all Souls

Today and throughout the rest of November we pray for those who have died.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

REMEMBRANCE DAY – ARMISTICE DAY

Tuesday 11th November – Prayer and Liturgy in our Spiritual Garden

Commemorating the end of World War I and the sacrifices made by British and Commonwealth forces in all conflicts.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING

Sunday 23rd November

ADVENT

Begins Sunday 30th November

Advent means 'coming'. We think of the coming of Jesus when he was born but we also think of his promise that he would come again at the end of time. It is a time of waiting and preparing. It is only in the last week of Advent that we focus upon the events to be celebrated at Christmas.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Monday 8th December

This feast marks the first stage of the existence of Mary, the mother of Jesus.

She was 'full of grace' from the very beginning and

co-operated with God throughout her life.

PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS PRAYER AND LITURGY Tuesday 16th December (2-3pm)

RECEPTION AND KS1 NATIVITY Wednesday 17th December (2.15-3.15pm)

KS2 CAROL SERVICE Thursday 18th December (2-3.15pm)

CHRISTMAS DAY, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

<u>Thursday 25th December</u> On this day we begin our celebration of the birth of Christ.

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Sunday 28th December



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AUTUMN TERM 2025 TO KNOW YOU MORE CLEARLY AT HOME PRESCHOOL, RECEPTION, YEAR 1, YEAR 2, YEAR 3 & YEAR 4



Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

This term we will be studying the two branches Creation and Covenant and Prophecy and Promise. Each class will approach the themes differently. The children will also spend two weeks studying Judaism.

CREATION AND COVENANT

(2nd September – 17th October)

Preschool - God made our beautiful world and everything in it. God made me.

Reception – God made the world and thought that it was good. We are all special and part of God's family.

Year 1 - All that is comes from God. Praying is a way to get closer to God.

Year 2 - Baptism is when we become part of God's family. We must make good choices to show love to God and his world.

Year 3 – In the first account of the Creation story one day is 'made holy'. We know that the Church teaches that 'Creation is the common work of the Holy Trinity'. Year 4 – People's lives have been transformed by faith and hope in God.

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Consider how we can show care for God's world as part of our care for each other. Go on a nature walk outside and make a pledge to do one thing to take care of God's world. Talk about the importance of *Stewardship* with your child.

PROPHECY AND PROMISE

(3rd November- 19th December)

Reception - Mary had a baby called Jesus who God sent Jesus to love us all.

Reception - Mary was chosen by God to give birth to his son. People celebrate

Christmas in many different ways.

Year 1 - Because God loves us, he gave us his only son Jesus. We can pray to Mary, Jesus' mother.

Year 2 - Advent is the season when Christians prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ at Christmas.

Year 3 - How and why Catholics celebrate mass on Sundays.

Year 4 - What is a prophet? (focus on Elijah and John the Baptist)

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk to your children about the Christmas story and the importance of Jesus being sent as a special gift from God.

Talk to your child about how you celebrate Christmas. What are your traditions from your culture?

JUDAISM

(20th October – 7th November)

Pupils will study various aspects of Judaism for two weeks. Ask them what they have been learning about and about their visit from Ann Angel.





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AUTUMN TERM 2025 COME AND SEE AT HOME YEAR 5 & YEAR 6



Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

This term we will be studying the three themes of Domestic Church (Family), Baptism and Confirmation (Belonging) and Advent and Christmas (Loving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics. The children will also spend two weeks studying Judaism.

DOMESTIC CHURCH - FAMILY

(2nd September - 26th September)

Year 5 OURSELVES - Created in the image and likeness of God

Year 6 LOVING - God who never stops loving

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Make a collage using family photographs of all the significant family members—grandparents, parents, children, aunts, uncles etc. who show God's love.

Write underneath it

"We show God's love to one another."

Include those who have died.

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION - BELONGING

(29th September- 17th October)

Year 5 LIFE CHOICES - Marriage, commitment and service
Year 6 VOCATION AND COMMITMENT - The vocation of
priesthood and religious life

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk to someone who has been to a Baptism and/or Confirmation about their memories of this celebration.

JUDAISM

(20th October – 7th November)

Pupils will study various aspects of Judaism for two weeks. Ask them what they have been learning about and about their visit

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS - LOVING

(18th November-20th December)

Year 5 HOPE - Advent: waiting in the joyful hope for Jesus, the

promised one

Year 6 EXPECTATIONS - Jesus born to show God to the world

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Discuss with the children how your family welcomes visitors to your home.

Find out about some Christian symbols for Advent e.g. Advent wreath, calendar, Jesse tree. Use the CAFOD or Missio websites to get a religious Advent calendar.