



IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM



HARVEST MASS

Thursday 20th October Harvest Mass at St. Jude's church.

ALL SAINTS

Sunday 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)

Monday 2nd November Mass at St. Jude's church.

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

Wednesday 11th November – Celebration of the Word 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 22nd November

ADVENT

Begins Sunday 29th 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

Tuesday 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 CELEBRATION OF THE WORD Monday 14th December (2-3pm)

RECEPTION AND KS1 NATIVITY Tuesday 15th December (2.15-3.15pm)

KS2 CAROL SERVICE Wednesday 16th December (2-3.15pm at church)

CHRISTMAS DAY, THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Friday 25th December

On this day we begin our celebration of the birth of Christ.

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

Sunday 27th December



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AUTUMN TERM 2026 TO KNOW YOU MORE CLEARLY AT HOME

PRESCHOOL, RECEPTION, YEAR 1, YEAR 2, YEAR 3, YEAR 4 & YEAR 5

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 – 23rd 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.

Year 5 – Based on the teachings of the Bible, how can we grow to be better

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

(2nd November - 18th December)

Preschool – 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)

Year 5 – David is a model of prayer for all Christians.

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?





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AUTUMN TERM 2026 COME AND SEE AT HOME 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).

DOMESTIC CHURCH - FAMILY

(2nd September - 25th September)

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

(28th September- 23rd October)

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.

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS - LOVING

(2nd November-18th December)

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.