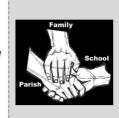
# RE NEWSLETTER –ST1 2022

## **RE CURRICULUM TOPIC THIS HALF TERM** -

# Being a Sacramental People - Year

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Linking School, Parish and Home

**Religious Education** 

#### Key Idea:

Having learned something of the nature of God we now ask where God is - and find out that God is with us in our world, bidden or not! Being sacramental means that we can know God in our everyday lives – the highs and lows, the joys and fears. There is nowhere that God is not! In this resource we look for God in the world and come to understand that knowing God in our everyday helps us to see how the Sacraments celebrate and express this. In this resource our need for healing, physical and social, in the Sacraments of Healing, is studied.

Attitudes and Spiritual Dispositions

Spiritual Outcomes: It is hoped that pupils will develop:

- a. An appreciation of God's presence in the world
- b. A respect for relationships which bring God's presence to us
- c. An attitude of openness to the Sacraments: words, actions and symbols
- d. A willingness to seek God in their own lives
- e. A recognition of the need for healing in the world.

#### Activities to try at home

You are the first educator of your child in faith. Your child's learning in religious education will be much greater if you and the school are engaged in talking about the same ideas and beliefs.

- Healing is for body, mind and soul. It settles our fears, it takes away the sadness or our wrong-doing and it clears the way
  of obstacles which bind us.
- The best way to teach your children about healing is to be open and generous in your healing: your gift of it and your
  reception of it from those who love you.

#### An idea for prayer at home

#### Prayer Activity

Loving God,

At every moment of our lives you are present to us, God, in gentle compassion, in strengthening guidance and in and loving forgiveness. Help us to recognize you around us, especially in our actions and words so that our being in the world helps heal it of fear and hurt and doubt. We ask this through Jesus who taught us to love. Amen.

#### **IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM**

6<sup>th</sup> January – Epiphany 9<sup>th</sup> January – Baptism of the Lord 16<sup>th</sup> January – Peace Day 25<sup>th</sup> January – Conversion of St Paul 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Presentation of the Lord 3<sup>rd</sup> February – St Blaise (Martyr) 5<sup>th</sup> February – St Agatha (Martyr) 8<sup>th</sup> February – St Josephine Bakhita – Day for the victims of trafficking 11<sup>th</sup> February – World Day for the Sick 13<sup>th</sup> February - Racial Justice Day

### **CLASS SAINTS**

Reception – St Francis of Assisi Year 1 – St Patrick Year 2- St David Year 3 – St Andrew Year 4 – St George Year 5 – St Vincent De Paul Year 6 – St Martin de Porres OTHER FAITHS

# This term all classes will be learning about Judaism.

### **CARITAS IN ACTION**

This year we have begun a special new programme of Catholic Social Teaching. Catholic Social Teaching is based on the belief that God has a plan for creation, a plan to build his kingdom of peace, love and justice.

It holds that God has a special plan for every single one of us, whoever we are. Our part in this plan isn't just limited to things 'spiritual', or times when we do "religious things." It involves every aspect of our lives, from the things we pray about, to how we live as a responsible global citizen.

Our part in this story is a kind-of vocation for the common good, a call to treat everyone as our brothers and sisters. It is something that we all share.

Our theme for this term is "Solidarity and the Common Good"

#### PRAYER CYCLE

During Ordinary Time (Winter), i.e. up to Lent, we are asked to pray for these intentions:

Peace on Earth; Openness to the Word of God; Christian Unity; The Sick and Those Who Care for Them; Victims of Trafficking and Those who Work to Combat it; The Unemployed.

#### **COLLECTIVE WORSHIP THEMES**

This half term we will be focusing our collective worship on the following themes -

- Week 1 (3<sup>rd</sup> Jan)- Epiphany
- Week 2 (10<sup>th</sup> Jan)- Discipleship
- Week 3 (17th Jan) Inspire
- Week 4 (24th Jan) Challenge
- Week 5 (31<sup>st</sup> Jan) Care
- Week 6 (7th Feb) Healing

#### **CREATIVE CHALLENGE**

Well done to those children who took part in our creative challenge last term. The work sent in will be displayed around the school including on our special Catholic Life board below.



This term's creative challenge is to draw a design for our new Prayer Garden. Details from the chaplains will follow.

Please do take a look at our board in the church to see more of the children's fantastic work from last term.

