# RE NEWSLETTER -Sum2 2022

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

A Virtuous Life - Year C Linking School, Parish and Home St Margaret Clitherow Summer Term 2 2022



#### **Religious Education**

#### Key Idea:

This resource completes study of the Gospel of Luke by examining one of his most favoured texts, the Good Samaritan, and by relating the actions of the Samaritan to the cardinal virtues. The resource concludes with an investigation of St John Southworth and by asking the eternal question, who is my neighbour?

#### **Attitudes and Spiritual Dispositions**

**Spiritual Outcomes:** It is hoped that pupils will develop:

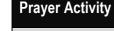
- A sense of a virtuous person
- An openness to the virtues that are presented
- A willingness to try and live these virtues

#### 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.

• The virtues of prudence, justice, courage and restraint sound as if they have come from another era! However, the notion that we should think before we act, and consider before we speak is one that has real relevance in today's world. Talk to your children about the kind of people you want them to be: and the need to practice being thoughtful about, and perhaps even containing, our behaviours.

## An idea for prayer at home





Lord Jesus, you challenged the lawyer to consider the Samaritan as someone who loved his neighbor, in a time when they were outcast and condemned. Help us to see those who we find hard to like as among those we are invited to love and care for. Help us to learn to think before we act or speak and to act with courage in living your words. We ask this in your name, Amen.

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

5<sup>th</sup> June – Pentecost

9th June - Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest

12<sup>th</sup> June – Most Holy Trinity

19th June - Holy Body and Blood of Christ

20<sup>th</sup> June – St Alban, first martyr of England.

22<sup>nd</sup> June – St John Fisher and St Thomas More

23rd June - Nativity of St John the Baptist

24th June-Sacred Heart of Jesus

25<sup>th</sup> June – Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

29th June - St Peter and St Paul

## **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

## **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 "Rights and Responsibilities"

# **CARITAS AMBASSADORS**

Our Year 5 children have been participating in the Caritas Ambassadors programme. Caritas Ambassadors is a programme for both primary and secondary schools created by Caritas Westminster. It aims to equip pupils with a strong understanding of Catholic Social Teaching and how we can put it into action in our daily lives.

The programme runs through six key themes of Catholic Social Teaching and helps the trainee Ambassadors to think about social justice issues in their local community, before taking them through responding by developing and running their own social action project. It also introduces them to the work of Caritas Westminster, offering practical examples of how we use Catholic Social Teaching to influence our work.

The Caritas Ambassadors become leaders of social action in their school, and responsible for sharing what they have learnt with those around them. They can share the work of Caritas Westminster with others, but especially share their increased understanding of the issues faced by their local community, and how they and their fellow pupils can address these to create a fairer society.

The programme focuses on the group developing their own ideas, and taking responsibility for creating and running their social action projects themselves. It guides them to use the Give, Act, Share, Pray model to design their project, looking at how they can give their time and skills to act to support those in need, and sharing this work with others through awareness raising and prayer. Year 5 have focused on a project around "Care for creation".

Here are some photos from Year 5's recent litter pick and assembly to the rest of the school. We have worked with the council and Veolia to make a difference in our local area.







# **PRAYER CYCLE**

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

A Deeper Understanding between Christians and Jews; Those Who Suffer Persecution, Oppression and Denial of Human Rights; Europe; Human Life; Seafarers.

# **COLLECTIVE WORSHIP THEMES**

Week 1 (6th June)- Pentecost

Week 2 (13th June) - Piety

Week 3 (20th June) - Knowledge

Week 4 (27th June) - Understanding

Week 5 (4th July) -Wisdom

Week 6 (11th July) - Counsel

## **LITURGIES/MASSES**

29<sup>th</sup> June – Mass for feast of St Peter and St Paul 16<sup>th</sup> June - Leavers' Mass for the trust (Children only due to capacity) 14<sup>th</sup> July – Leavers' Assembly and Mass

## **RE CREATIVE CHALLENGE**

This half term we would like children to create their own Art-work about your family to celebrate the Year of the Family (Amoris Laetitia). You can draw, paint, use collage, sculpture or any material you like! Please send your completed artwork into school by the end of the term so we can display it around the school!

# **RE GALLERY –**

Please see the Catholic life of the school page on our website for more photos!























