# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION **SPRING TERM 2022** 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**

Early Years	<b>CELEBRATING -</b> People celebrate in Church
Year 1	<b>SPECIAL PEOPLE</b> - People in the parish family

**BOOKS** - The books used in Church Year 2

JOURNEYS - Christian family's journey with Christ Year 3 Year 4 **COMMUNITY** - Life in the local Christian community and

ministries in the parish

Year 5 MISSION - Continuing Jesus' mission in diocese

**SOURCES** - The Bible, the special book for the Church Year 6

#### 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** (Insert dates)

**Early Years GATHERING** - Parish family gathers to celebrate

Year 1 MEALS - Mass, Jesus' special meal

Year 2 **THANKSGIVING** - Mass, a special time to thank God Year 3 **LISTENING & SHARING -** Jesus gives himself to us Year 4 **GIVING & RECEIVING - Living in communion** 

Year 5 **MEMORIAL SACRIFICE** - Eucharist as the living memorial

of Christ's sacrifice

**UNITY** - Eucharist enabling people to live in communion Year 6

#### 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**

(Insert dates)

**Early Year GROWING** - Looking forward to Easter **CHANGE** - Lent: a time for change Year 1

Year 2 **OPPORTUNITIES -** Lent: an opportunity to start anew Year 3 **GIVING ALL** - Lent: remembering Jesus' total giving **SELF DISCIPLINE** - Celebrating growth to new life Year 4 **SACRIFICE** - Lent: a time of aligning with the sacrifice Year 5

made by Jesus

**DEATH & NEW LIFE - Celebrating Jesus' death and** Year 6

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

9 January

## THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

2 February

## **ASH WEDNESDAY**

2 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

10 April

## **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

14 April

## **GOOD FRIDAY**

15 April

## **EASTER SUNDAY**

17 April