

# IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM SPRING



## **MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

1st January

## **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

7th January

## **THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

8th January

## **THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

2nd February

## **ASH WEDNESDAY**

14<sup>th</sup> February

## **ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

19th March

## **THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**

25th March

## **PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

24th March

## **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

28th March

## **GOOD FRIDAY**

29<sup>th</sup> March

## **EASTER SUNDAY**

31<sup>st</sup> March

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

## SPRING TERM 2024

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 (3rd January 2024)

Early Years **CELEBRATING** – Branch 3/4  
Year 1/2 **BOOKS** – Special People  
Year 3/4 **COMMUNITY** – Journeys  
Year 5 **MISSION** - Mission  
Year 6 **SOURCES** – Sources

### 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 (29<sup>th</sup> January 2024)

Early Years **GATHERING** – Branch 3/4  
Year 1/2 **THANKSGIVING** - Meals  
Year 3/4 **GIVING & RECEIVING** – Listening and Sharing  
Year 5 **MEMORIAL SACRIFICE** – Memorial  
Year 6 **UNITY** - Eucharist enabling people to live in

### 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 (4<sup>th</sup> March 2024)

Early Year **GROWING** – Branch 3/4  
Year 1/2 **OPPORTUNITIES** - Lent: Change  
Year 3/4 **SELF DISCIPLINE** – Giving All  
Year 5 **SACRIFICE** - Lent: a time of aligning with the sacrifice made by Jesus  
Year 6 **DEATH & NEW LIFE** - Celebrating Jesus' death and 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.