

IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER

(1 May)

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

(13 May)

After his Resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples over a period of forty days. Ascension Day is when we celebrate Jesus' return to his Father in Heaven.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

(23 May)

This is the day we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

(30 May)

Today we celebrate our belief in the Trinity, the three persons of God: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF THE LORD

(6 June)

On this feast we give thanks to God for the gift of Jesus in the form of bread and wine.

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

(11 June)

On this day we remember how much Jesus loves us all.

SS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

(29 June)

We celebrate the lives of these important saints who helped establish the Christian Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PENTECOST TERM 2021 COME AND SEE AT HOME

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

As we return to school after Easter the Church is still celebrating this great event. The focus of this term's work in Religious Education is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World). The children will also spend one week studying Islam.

PENTECOST—SERVING (20TH APRIL -14TH MAY)

Lambs/Sheep Class	HOLIDAYS AND HOLYDAYS - Pentecost: feast of the Holy Spirit
Camels Class	SPREAD THE WORD - Pentecost: a time to spread the Good News.
Lions Class	ENERGY - Gifts of the Holy Spirit
Doves Class	TRANSFORMATION - Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power
Eagles Class	WITNESSES - The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it. Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit.

RECONCILIATION—INTER-RELATING (24th May -25th June)

Lambs/Sheep	BEING SORRY - God helps us choose well
Camels Class	RULES - Reasons for rules in the Christian family
Lions Class	CHOICES - Importance of examination of conscience
Doves Class	FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY - Commandments enable Christians to be free & responsible
Eagles Class	HEALING - Sacrament of the Sick

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk together about times when you have forgiven and been forgiven. Discuss the importance of saying sorry. Look for opportunities for forgiveness and reconciliation in the day to day life of the family.

ISLAM (17th May -21st May)

Pupils will study various aspects of Islam for one week. Ask them what they have been learning about.

UNIVERSAL CHURCH—WORLD (28TH JUNE – 20TH JULY)

Lambs/Sheep	NEIGHBOURS - Neighbours share God's world
Camels Class	TREASURES - God's treasure; the world
Lions Class	SPECIAL PLACES - Holy places for Jesus and the Christian community
Doves Class	STEWARDSHIP - The Church is called to the stewardship of Creation
Eagles Class	COMMON GOOD - Work of the worldwide Christian family

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Together, look through a family scrapbook or photograph album of a visit to a place that is special for your family. Look at a globe or an atlas. Find a special place and pray for the people of that country. Discuss how we can look after our world and support our neighbours, near and far.