

## **SPRING TERM RE NEWSLETTER 2021**



Dear Parents and Carers,

"Jesus is sent to preach good news to the poor. Jesus identifies himself with the poor of every kind and makes active love toward them the condition for entering his kingdom."

Catechism of the Catholic Church

We begin this term full of the joy of the Christmas season which ends for us at the celebration of the Baptism of Jesus on 10<sup>th</sup> January. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> February we celebrate the feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas) when Jesus is recognised as 'The Light of the World'. We must also remember that each one of us is called to be a 'light', an inspiration to those around us. We tend to celebrate Christmas as if it's the most important time in the Church's year, but the Resurrection of Jesus is the most important event for Christians. When Christians say that their hope is in the risen Jesus, they mean it is their greatest hope. When Jesus rose on the first Easter morning, it was a brand new kind of life. He promises this same life to all who hope in him. No wonder that Easter is the greatest feast!

Dates from the Church's calendar: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD 6 January

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD 10 January
THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD 2 February
ASH WEDNESDAY 17 February
ST DAVID'S DAY 1 March
ST PATRICK'S DAY 17 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 28 March
MAUNDY THURSDAY 9 April
GOOD FRIDAY 2 April
EASTER SUNDAY 4 April

**EYFS CELEBRATING** - People celebrate in Church

**KS1 FAMILIES AND CELEBRATIONS** - What it means to

belong to the Church family.

**LKS2 BEING A CHRISTIAN** – Recognising what we promise at baptism

**UKS2 GOD'S COVENANT.** 

## SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Explore the Diocesan website, looking at the number of churches, and finding out about our bishop.

**EYFS GATHERING** - Parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist

KS1 FOLLOWING JESUS - Discipleship

**EYFS GROWING** - Looking forward to Easter

KS1 CHANGE - LENT: A time for change

LKS2 CALL TO CHANGE - LENT

**UKS2 RECONCILIATION** – Returning to God

## 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.