



SPRING TERM RE NEWSLETTER 2022



Dear Parents and Carers,

“During his public life Jesus not only forgave sins, but also made plain the effect of this forgiveness: he reintegrated forgiven sinners into the community ... from which sin had alienated or even excluded them. A remarkable sign of this is the fact that Jesus receives sinners at his table.”

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 9th January. On the 2nd 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. As we move into Lent on Ash Wednesday we reflect on our hope in the risen Jesus and we prepare ourselves to be worthy of his sacrifice. 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: 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

EYFS CELEBRATING - People celebrate in Church
KS1 THE CHOSEN PEOPLE – OLD TESTAMENT
LKS2 JESUS THE TEACHER Jesus used parables to teach people
UKS2 EXPLORING THE MASS. The Sacrament of the Eucharist

EYFS GATHERING - Parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist
KS1 GOOD NEWS - NEW TESTAMENT. Jesus brought the Good News of God’s love and that this changed people’s lives.

EYFS GROWING - Looking forward to Easter
KS1 GIVING OPPORTUNITIES - LENT
LKS2 JESUS THE SAVIOUR Jesus is truly God and, as man truly human
UKS2 JESUS THE MESSIAH – EVENTS OF HOLY WEEK. Jesus’ life, death and resurrection are the central event of all human history and at the heart of faith.

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Read Bible stories together or encourage older children to read a child’s Bible.

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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. The children will have the chance take part in The Stations of the Cross in school. Ask your child/ren how they feel about this.