

# Collective Worship

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# **Collective Worship at Christ the King Catholic High School**

# **Mission Statement**

"Love one another as I have loved" (John, 15)

We believe that Jesus Christ and his Gospel Call – to love God and all people – are at the heart of what we do.

He inspires us, as children of God, to uphold the dignity of each individual.

We strive to develop a community in Christ which fully supports all in achieving their potential – spiritually, academically and personally.

## Rationale

Collective Worship at Christ the King Catholic High School aims to provide opportunities for students and staff to come together to worship God as a community.

Collective Worship reflects the traditions of the Catholic Church, taking into account the spiritual and educational needs of all who share in it.

Worship is more than just a legal requirement at Christ the King Catholic High School, it is an integral part of school life. Everyone in our community is able to contribute to it and gain from it.

## **Legal Requirements**

In accordance with the 1988 Education Act and the DfE Circular 1/94, Collective Worship at Christ the King Catholic High School provides opportunities for students and staff to come together as a community through daily worship in the classroom, participation in assemblies, liturgical celebrations and the celebration of Mass.

At Christ the King Catholic High School, as with any Voluntary Aided School, responsibility for arranging Collective Worship rests with the Governing Body after consultation with the Headteacher.

# **Aims of Collective Worship**

Students should be given the opportunity to encounter Christ on a daily basis through their collective prayer and worship alongside other religious aims such as Religious Education. To this end the school offers experiences for students to realise the aims of the mission statement and to live out THE CTK WAY in their words and actions.

# **Daily Collective Worship Routine**

Day	Theme	Purpose
Monday	Quiet Mind	Students experience a period of calm and quiet to contemplate the week. This practice reminds students of THE CTK WAY and requires students to place themselves in the presence of God in a moment of quiet meditation.
Tuesday	Scripture focus	Students listen to the Word of the Gospel or other Bible reading and House Tutors encourage reflection through questioning.
Wednesday	Scripture focus – THE CTK WAY	Students reflect on the Gospel or other Bible reading. Students pray together following instructions on Firefly.
Thursday	Catholic Prayer focus	Students pray the Hail Mary, Our Father or other Catholic prayer in light of the theme of the week, usually relating to THE CTK WAY.
Friday	School Prayer	Students pray the school prayer together, a virtual candle is lit for students to offer their intentions to God.

## Opportunities for Collective Worship throughout the School Year

Welcome Mass, House Assemblies, Year Assemblies, Cluster Advent Service, Cluster Lenten Service, Whole School Mass for the Feast of Christ the King, Whole School Assemblies for Easter and Christmas.

## THE CTK WAY

Rooted in Ignatian values, Collective Worship at Christ the King Catholic High School is underpinned by THE CTK WAY. This is the way that the mission focus of the school is realised. The virtues that support students in living out the mission of the school are detailed below. Students are rewarded for fulfilling this mission.

#### **TEAM PLAYERS**

Grateful for their own gifts, for the gift of other people, and for the blessings of each day; and generous with their gifts, becoming men and women for others.

- Sharing talents
- Excellent group work
- Club participation
- Primary Event
- Reading Buddies
- Other

#### **HOUSE PROUD**

Curious about everything; and active in their engagement with the world, changing what they can for the better.

- Took part in House activity
- Supported Tutor Group
- Stood for Student Council Election
- Applied to be a Prefect
- Other

#### **ENGAGED**

Attentive to their experience and to their vocation; and discerning about the choices they make and the effects of those choices.

- Made the right choice
- Full weeks attendance and punctuality
- Planner signed
- Equipment

#### **C**ONSCIOUS

Intentional in the way they live and use the resources of the earth, guided by conscience; and prophetic in the example they set to others.

- Helped a younger student
- Recycling/Reusing
- Picked up litter
- Being a good steward
- Other

#### **T**RUTHFUL

Eloquent and truthful in what they say of themselves, the relations between people, and the world.

- Expressed opinion in a controlled manner
- Share voice through speech, art, dance, drama
- WE Charity event
- Being a good citizen
- Other

#### **KIND**

Compassionate towards others, near and far, especially the less fortunate; and loving by their just actions and forgiving words.

- Carried out charity work
- Made someone feel welcome
- Sharing
- Thoughtful
- Other

#### **W**ORSHIP

Faith-filled in their beliefs and hopeful for the future.

- Active participation in Mass
- Led Prayer and Worship for Tutor Group
- Faith in Action
- Other

#### **A**CADEMIC

Learned, finding God in all things; and wise in the ways they use their learning for the common good.

- Attainment in classwork
- Attainment in homework
- Other

# YOUNG LEADERS

Inspiring others to be the best version of themselves

- Using initiative
- Prefect
- Student Councillor
- Sports Captain