



RE NEWSLETTER

THROUGH CHRIST WE BELIEVE, INSPIRE, ACHIEVE.

NEWSLETTER OF ENGLISH MARTYRS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUMMER TERM 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Children up to and including Year Three are now following the Religious Education Directory (RED) for Catholic Schools which is being phased in gradually. Children in years four to six are still following the Come and See RE programme.

Early Years and Years 1,2,3

Summer Term 1 - Branch 5 To the Ends of the Earth

Using the Bible as a starting point, children explore the time after Jesus' resurrection. Learning that ascension is when Jesus went back to his Father in Heaven and that God sent his Holy Spirit to be with his friends at Pentecost.



Home Activities:



Learn the 'Glory Be' prayer:
***Glory be to the Father,
and to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the
beginning is now and
ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.***

Summer Term 2 - Branch 6 Dialogue and Encounter

Although this branch is taught at different times of the school year, we use the summer term 2 to learn about what faith means to different people and that we are part of a global family.



Home Activities:



Talk about respecting the beliefs of people from different communities in our local area.



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Years 4, 5 and 6

Pentecost - Serving 22nd April - 16th May



Year 4 - New Life

How to hear and live the Easter message.

Year 5 - Transformation

Celebrating the Spirit's transforming power.

Year 6 - Witnesses

The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses.

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 19th May - 20th June



Year 4 - Building Bridges

Admitting wrong, being reconciled with God and each other.

Year 5 - Freedom and Responsibility

Commandments enable Christians to be free and responsible.

Year 6 - Healing

Sacrament of the Sick

Home Activities:



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



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Years 4, 5 and 6

Islam

23rd June - 27th June

Pupils will study aspects of Islam in RE lessons for one week.



Year 4 - Holy Books of the Qur'an

Year 5 - Beliefs and Festivals, Ramadan and Pilgrimage

Year 6 - Belonging and Values.
Guidance for Muslims.

Home

Activities:



Revisit aspects of Islam on the BBC Teach website.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/religious-studies-ks2-my-life-my-religion-islam/znmx47h>

Universal Church - World

30th June - 18th July

Year 4 - God's People

Different Saints show people what God is like.



Year 5 - Stewardship

The church is called to the stewardship of creation.

Year 6 - Common Good

Work of the worldwide Christian family.

Home

Activities:



What simple actions can we take at home or in our community to make our world a better place?

Ideas to consider:

- Re-use and recycle
- Conserve water
- Donate
- Volunteer
- Pray



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CHURCH CALENDAR - SUMMER TERM 2025

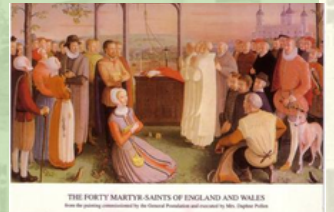
Important Dates This Term:

MAY

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THE FEAST OF THE FORTY MARTYRS OF ENGLAND AND WALES

This is a special feast for our school and children in all classes will learn a little more about some of the English Martyrs.



MAY

29

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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.



JUNE

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PENTECOST SUNDAY

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

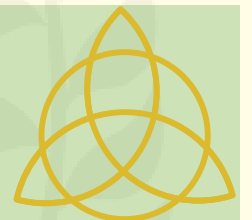


JUNE

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

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



JUNE

19

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF THE LORD

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

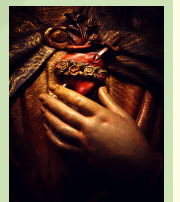


JUN

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THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

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

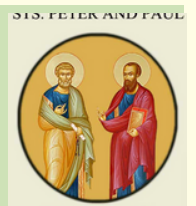


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SS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

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



English Martyrs, pray for us.