**IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM**

The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady

**The ascension of the lord**

(9th 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**

(19th may)

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

**The most holy trinity**

(26th 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**

(2nd June)

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

**Ss Peter and paul, apostles**

(30th June)

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

**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.

**Universal church—world**

***(June 17th -July 19th)***

**St Martha- Dialogue and Encounter- The friends of Jesus.**

**St Cecilia- NEIGHBOURS - Neighbours share God’s world**

**St Veronica &**

**St Bernadette- TREASURES - God’s treasure; the world**

**St Joseph,**

**St Edmund &**

**St Anthony- SPECIAL PLACES – Holy places for Jesus and Christians**

**St Augustine,**

**St Gregory &**

**St Ignatius - STEWARDSHIP – The Church is called to the stewardship of Creation**

**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.

**Reconciliation—inter-relating**

***(May 13th - June 14th)***

**St Martha – TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH- The parish family**

**St Cecilia - BEING SORRY - God helps us choose well**

**St Veronica &**

**St Bernadette- RULES - Reasons for rules in the Christian family**

**St Joseph,**

**St Edmund &**

**St Anthony –BUILDING BRIDGES -Being reconciled with God and each other: Sacrament of Reconciliation.**

**St Augustine,**

**St Gregory &**

**St Ignatius - HEALING – Sacrament of the sick.**

**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.

**Pentecost—serving**

***(April 15th-May 10th)***

**St Martha - To the Ends of the Earth- Learning about Pentecost.**

**St Cecilia - Holidays and Holydays - Pentecost: feast of the Holy Spirit**

**St Veronica &**

**St Bernadette- spread the word - Pentecost: a time to spread the Good News**

**St Joseph,**

**St Edmund &**

**St Anthony - New Life – To hear and live the Easter message.**

**St Augustine,**

**St Gregory &**

**St Ignatius - Witnesses – The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses.**

**Religious Education**

**Summer Term 2024**

**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).**