

# Religious Education Newsletter



Our Lady of Compassion Primary School

Mission Statement:

Living in the Light of God's love and Compassion



Summer Term 2023

## Come and See Topics this term

<b>Early Years</b>	<b>Good News</b> – <i>Passing on the Good news of Jesus</i> <b>Friends</b> – <i>Friends of Jesus</i> <b>Our World</b> – <i>God's wonderful world</i>
<b>Year 1</b>	<b>Holidays and Holydays</b> – <i>Pentecost: The feast of the Holy Spirit</i> <b>Being Sorry</b> – <i>God helps us to choose well</i> <b>Neighbours</b> – <i>Neighbours share God's world</i>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>Spread the word</b> – <i>Pentecost: A time to spread the Good News</i> <b>Rules</b> – <i>Reasons for rules in the Christian family</i> <b>Treasures</b> – <i>God's treasure: the world</i>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>Energy</b> – <i>Gifts of the Holy Spirit</i> <b>Choices</b> – <i>Examination of conscience</i> <b>Special Places</b> – <i>Special places for Jesus and the Christian community</i>
<b>Year 4</b>	<b>New Life</b> – <i>To hear &amp; live the Easter message</i> <b>Building Bridges</b> – <i>Admitting wrong, being reconciled with God and one another.</i> <b>God's People</b> – <i>Different Saints show people what God is like.</i>
<b>Year 5</b>	<b>Transformation</b> – <i>Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power</i> <b>Freedom and Responsibility</b> – <i>Commandments enable Christians to be free &amp; responsible</i> <b>Stewardship</b> – <i>The Church is called to stewardship of Creation</i>
<b>Year 6</b>	<b>Witnesses</b> – <i>The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses</i> <b>Healing</b> – <i>Sacrament of the Sick</i> <b>Common Good</b> – <i>Work of Christians for the good of all.</i>

### Early Years – Y2 - Suggestions for home activities

*Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it.*

*Talk together about times when you have forgiven and been forgiven.*

*Discuss how we can look after our world and support our neighbours, near and far.*

### Y3-Y4 - Suggestions for home activities

*Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit.*

*Discuss the importance of saying sorry. Look for opportunities for forgiveness and reconciliation in the day to day life of the family*

### Y5-Y6 - Suggestions for home activities

*Share the story of Pentecost. 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.*

### **Collective Worship**

The children participate in Collective Worship daily in class. Each week there will be a new theme of worship. The themes for this term are:

- ❖ Forgiveness
- ❖ Unselfishness
- ❖ Responsibility
- ❖ Pentecost
- ❖ Trust
- ❖ Loyalty
- ❖ Team Work
- ❖ Respect
- ❖ Gratitude
- ❖ Achievement



### **Our Lady of Compassion** **Church News**

#### ***Mass Times***

Sunday - 9:00am and 11:00am

Monday - 9:30am

Tuesday-Saturday 12:00 noon  
(usually)

Holy Days - 12:00 noon, 8:00pm.

#### ***Morning Prayer***

Weekdays – 9:15am

#### ***Rosary and Prayer Group***

Wednesday – 2:15-3:00pm in  
Church.

#### ***Sacrament of Reconciliation***

Saturday – 11:00-11:45am

### **Important Dates for this term**

***The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady***

#### ***THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (30 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 (21<sup>st</sup> May)***

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

#### ***THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (4<sup>th</sup> June)***

*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 (8<sup>th</sup> June)***

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

#### ***THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS (16<sup>th</sup> June)***

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

#### ***SS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES (29<sup>th</sup> June)***

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