

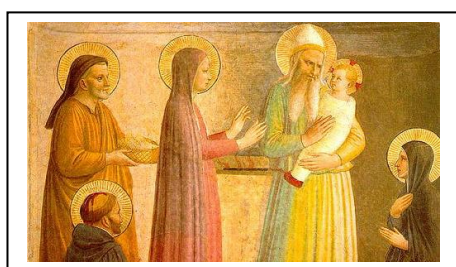
Our Lady of Victories Catholic Primary School RE Newsletter

Be the light to those around you!

Dear Parents,

Spring Term 2023

We began this term full of the joy of the Christmas season, which ends for us at the celebration of the Baptism of Jesus on 13th 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 also remember that each one of us is called to 'be a light', an inspiration to those around us.



This issue of the newsletter gives you information about what your child is learning in Religious Education this term. We hope you find this newsletter of interest and if you choose to do so you can contribute to their learning using some of the ideas suggested. We ask that you keep us in your prayers as we continue to support your children in their Religious Education.

Dates from the Church's calendar:

6 th January	The Epiphany of the Lord
13 th January	The Baptism of the Lord
24 th January	Our Lady Queen of Peace
24 th January	St. Francis de Sales
25 th January	Conversion of St. Paul
2 nd February	The Presentation of the Lord
8 th February	St. Josephine Bakhita
11 th February	Our Lady of Lourdes
22 nd February	Feast of St. Peter, Apostle
2 nd March	Ash Wednesday and beginning of Lent
17 th March	St Patrick, patron saint of Ireland
19 th March	Feast of St Joseph, husband of Mary
25 th March	Feast of Annunciation of the Lord
10 th April	Palm Sunday
11 th April- 16 th April	HOLY WEEK
15 th April	Good Friday
17 th April	Easter Sunday

Year 6

Topic 1 – Jesus, the bread of life

“At the heart of the Eucharistic celebration are the bread and wine that become in reality Christ’s Body and Blood. Catholic faith adores this enduring presence of Christ not only within the celebration of the Mass but also outside it.”

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The children will learn that the Sacrament of the Eucharist is a thanksgiving for the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. They will begin to understand that in the Mass we participate in Jesus’ sacrifice to God the Father and learn what happened at the Last Supper.

They will learn the different parts of the Mass and become familiar with most of the responses. The children will learn that the bread and wine are consecrated during Mass and become the body and blood of Jesus.

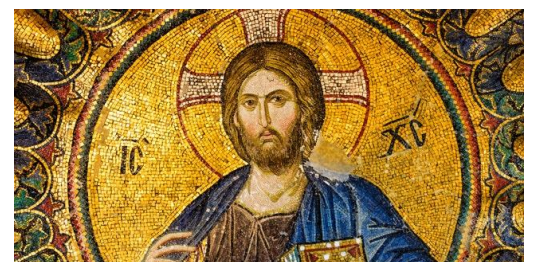
The children will have a chance to reflect on the sacrifice of Jesus and reflect on the sacrifices they can make during Lent.

At home you could help your children by:

- bringing their attention to the Eucharistic prayer during Mass
- ask them during the week to explain what they have been learning during their RE lessons

Topic 2 Jesus, Son of God

In this topic the children will learn that the miracles Jesus performed led many to believe that Jesus was God’s Son. They will reflect on the reactions of people to the miracles and come to know that opposition to Jesus’ actions led to his arrest. They will learn about the events of Holy Week and consider their importance for us.



At home you could help your children by:

- *Asking them about the miracle stories which they know and talk about why Jesus performed miracles (to help his followers to understand that he was God)
- *taking part in the Holy Week liturgies in Church, reflecting on why the events of Holy Week are important and what we believe about them