

Our Lady of Victories Catholic Primary School

Year 5 RE Newsletter Autumn 2021

Dear Parents,

Below you will find information about what your children will be learning about in their Religious Education this half term. In addition they will also be studying Judaism as part of their learning about Other Faiths.

Dates from the Church's calendar:

8 th September	Our Lady's Birthday
14 th September	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
15 th September	Our Lady of Sorrows
21 st September	St Matthew (Apostle)
27 th September	St Vincent de Paul
29 th September	Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael
30 th September	St Jerome
1 st October	St Therese of Lisieux
4 th October	St Francis of Assisi
7th October	Our Lady of the Rosary (Our Lady of Victories)
15 th October	St Teresa of Avila
18 th October	St Luke (Evangelist)
1 st November	All Saints feastday
2 nd November	All Souls feastday
21 st November	Christ the King
28 th November	Advent begins
8 th December	Feast of The Immaculate Conception

Topic 1 – Gifts from God

The children will learn the story of Creation and the Fall in the Book of Genesis. They will learn that we are all created in the image and likeness of God and know that God calls us to care for others and all creation with love and respect. They will learn that there are times when we fail to be good stewards of creation. They will also learn that there are people who show great respect for creation and for the weakest members of society. The children will have the chance to appreciate how we can show respect for ourselves, for others and for God, to reflect on times we have failed to show respect and reflect on the gifts and talents God has given each of us and on the use and misuse we can make of these gifts.

At home, you could help your children by:

Talking to the children about how they could care for creation and the environment. Encourage them to use the gifts and talents which they have been given by God to the best of their ability- and to help others.

Topic 2 – God's Covenants

The children will learn about the covenant which God made with Moses (the 10 Commandments) and the prophets who he sent to remind his people of the covenant. They will also learn about the New Covenant which God made with us, through his Son Jesus, and will reflect on how they can fulfil their part of the covenant in their daily lives.

At home, you could help your children by:

Discuss the children's experiences of promises made by them and to them- perhaps they were broken or they may have been promises that were fulfilled. In the lead up to the celebration of Christmas help the children to reflect on the real meaning of Christ's birth and the new covenant (promise) it created between God and each of us- and how they can choose to keep their part of the covenant in their daily lives.