



St Margaret of Scotland Catholic Primary School



**RE Curriculum Newsletter
Lent term
4th January – 29th March 2018**



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This term we will be studying the three themes of Local Church (Community), Eucharist (Relating) and Lent/Easter (Giving). Each class will approach the themes through different topics. The children will also spend one week studying Islam.

Local Church – Community

- YrR Celebrating** – People celebrate in Church
- Yr1 Special People** – People in the parish family
- Yr2 Books** – The books used in Church
- Yr3 Journeys** – Christian family's journey with Christ
- Yr4 Community** – Life in the local Christian community and Ministries in the parish
- Yr5 Mission** – Continuing Jesus' mission in diocese (ecumenism)
- Yr6 Sources** – The Bible, the special book for the Church

At home

Explore the Diocesan website, looking at the number of churches, and finding out about our bishop.
Read Bible stories together or encourage older children to read a child's Bible.



Eucharist – Relating

- YrR Gathering** – Parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist
- Yr1 Meals** – Mass, Jesus' special meal
- Yr2 Thanksgiving** – Mass, a special time to thank God
- Yr3 Listening & Sharing** – Jesus gives himself to us
- Yr4 Giving & Receiving** – Living in communion
- Yr5 Memorial Sacrifice** – Eucharist as the living Memorial of Christ's sacrifice
- Yr6 Unity** – Eucharist enabling people to live in communion

At home

Look through the family photograph album to help the children remember important events and special people in their lives. Discuss how we come together for special celebrations.



Lent/Easter – Giving

- YrR Growing** - Looking forward to Easter
- Yr1 Change** – Lent: a time for change
- Yr2 Opportunities** – Lent: an opportunity to start anew
- Yr3 Giving All** – Lent: remembering Jesus' total giving
- Yr4 Self Discipline** – Celebrating growth to new life
- Yr5 Sacrifice** – Lent: a time of aligning with the Sacrifice made by Jesus
- Yr6 Death & New Life** – Celebrating Jesus' death and resurrection

At home

As a family talk about how you are going to practice self-control and self-giving for the rest of the season of Lent. You may decide to give up biscuits or cakes and donate the money to a charity.
If you have an older child provide him/her with an opportunity to take part in The Stations of the Cross.
Ask your child/ren how the school is focusing on Lent and self-giving.

<p>Special days this term <u><i>You are welcome to join us for your child's class assembly at 2.30pm.</i></u></p>	<p>Jan 16th Blessing of our new crucifix by Bishop Peter – for pupils Jan 18th 3 St Clare Assembly – for parents Jan 25th 3 St Francis Assembly – for parents Jan 31st Year 2 Retreat Day – for pupils Feb 1st 6 St Bernadette Assembly - for parents Feb 8th 5 St Clare Assembly – for parents Feb 19th Service of Reconciliation and individual Confession – for pupils Feb 22nd 2 St Francis Assembly – for parents March 1st 3 St Bernadette – for parents March 8th 2 St Clare Assembly – for parents March 15th 2 St Bernadette – for parents March 22nd 5 St Bernadette – for parents March 19th Tasty Treats – for Senior Citizens March 28th Stations of the Cross Performance in church– for parents IN CHURCH</p>
<p>Important dates for the Church this term:</p>	<p>Jan 1st Feast of Mary, the Holy Mother of God Jan 7th The Epiphany of the Lord Jan 8th The Baptism of the Lord Feb 2nd The Presentation of the Lord Feb 14th Ash Wednesday Feb 23rd CAFOD Fast Day March 1st Feast of St David March 17th Feast of St Patrick March 19th St Joseph, husband of Mary March 25th Palm Sunday March 29th Holy Thursday March 30th Good Friday April 1st Easter Sunday April 9th The Annunciation of the Lord (moved from March 25th)</p>
<p>Lent is a time not only for abstinence but also a time to think of others and become closer to God through prayer.</p> <div data-bbox="632 1323 927 1637" data-label="Image"> </div> <p>Try to take some time each day to pray together as a family.</p>	