

St Joseph's Camberwell Catholic Schools' Federation

RE Newsletter 3

Be the light to those around you!

Dear Parents & Carers,

Spring Term 2019

We begin 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 must also remember that each one of us is called to be a 'light', an inspiration to those around us.



In this issue of the newsletter you will find what your child is learning about in each year group. We hope you find this newsletter of interest and as always, please 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	26 th January	Ss. Timothy & Titus
12 th January	St. Aelred of Rievaulx	28 th January	St. Thomas Aquinas
13 th January	The Baptism of Jesus	31 st January	St. John Bosco
17 th January	St. Anthony	2nd February	Presentation of Jesus
21 st January	St. Agnus	8 th February	St. Josephine Bakhita
24 th January	St. Francis de Sales	11 th February	Our Lady of Lourdes
25 th January	Conversion of St. Paul		

Year 4 – Celebrating the Mass

"In the Eucharist we participate in the Lord's sacrifice. We are joined to the eternal praise and thanksgiving he offers as Son of the Father, and to his sacrifice on the cross. We receive him as our life and food, a promise of the eternal banquet of heaven. 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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Year 4 will know why Sunday is special for Christians and will know that we come to Mass to hear the teaching of Jesus and pray to him. They will learn that in the Mass we offer thanks to God the Father for the gift of his Son and learn that during Mass the bread and wine become the body and blood of Jesus. They will learn that when we receive Holy Communion we receive Jesus and learn that Jesus is present in the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle. They will also learn some of the responses in the Mass and understand that Jesus died on the cross, and rose from the dead.

At Home

You could help your children by:

- talking to them about all the things we have to be thankful for
- talking to them about how Sunday is a special day for Christians