

St Joseph's Camberwell Catholic Schools' Federation

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to the new academic year. Below you will find information about what your children will be learning in their Religious Education this half term.

Prayer

Prayer is an important part of our school life, so it is important as parents that you teach your child/children how to first of all **bless themselves** (making the sign of the cross). Also, it is important they learn how to say the **"Hail Mary and Our Father"** prayers. We encourage you to include this in your daily prayers as a family.

Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with you.
Blessed are you among women,
and blessed is the fruit of your
womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

Our Father

Our Father, Who art in heaven
Hallowed be Thy Name;
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Dates from the Church's calendar:

4 th September	St. Cuthbert	4 th October	St. Francis of Assisi
8 th September	Our Lady's Birthday	9 th October	Blessed John Henry Newman
14 th September	Exaltation of the Cross	10 th October	St. Paulinus of York
21 st September	St. Matthew, Apostle	11 th October	St. John XXIII, Pope
24 th September	Our Lady of Walsingham	12 th October	St. Wilfrid
27 th September	St. Vincent de Paul	13 th October	St. Edward the Confessor
29 th September	Ss. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael	15 th October	St. Teresa of Avila
1 st October	St. Theresa of Lisieux	17 th October	St. Ignatius of Antioch
2 nd October	Guardian Angels	18 th October	St. Luke, Evangelist

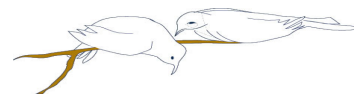
Year 6 - The Kingdom of God

"The Kingdom belongs to the poor and lowly, which means those who have accepted it with a humble heart"

Catechism of the Catholic Church

The children will learn about the beginning of Jesus' public life and that he was tempted by the devil. They will know about the conditions for following Jesus and know that Jesus performs mighty works, wonders and signs. They will learn that through his parables Jesus invites people into the Kingdom of God. They will develop an understanding that deeds, and not just words, are required by Jesus, through the example of the Parable of the two sons. They will learn why Jesus chose to eat with sinners, learn that we must make use of our talents to gain the Kingdom and develop an understanding that God has boundless love and mercy.

Jesus said, "What is the Kingdom of God like? To what can I compare it? It is like a mustard seed that a man took and planted in the garden. When it was fully grown, it became a large bush and the birds of the sky dwelt in its branches." [Mk 10:46-47](#)



The children will have the chance to:

- reflect on our invitation to the Kingdom of God
- be aware that we have to do good to enter the Kingdom
- deepen our awareness of how we use the talents God has given to us
- be aware that through the Sacrament of Reconciliation we can make a fresh start to follow Jesus.

At home:

You could help your children by:

- visiting www.tere.org/interactive_site/KS2link.htm
- talking to them about their talents and how they can use them to help others.