

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

R.E. Newsletter for Year 6 Parents

(Autumn term, first half 2023)

Dear Parents,

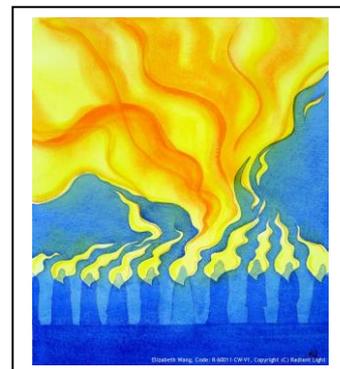
Welcome back to the new academic year. Below you will find information about what your children will be learning in their Religious Education this half term.

This half term your child will be studying the topic of *The Kingdom of God*

"The Kingdom belongs to the poor and lowly, which means those who have accepted it with humble hearts. Jesus is sent to 'preach good news to the poor'; he declares them blessed for 'theirs is the Kingdom of heaven'. To them – the 'little ones' – the Father is pleased to reveal what remains hidden from the wise and the learned. Jesus shares the life of the poor, from the cradle to the cross; he experiences hunger, thirst and privation. Jesus identifies himself with the poor of every kind and makes active love toward them the condition for entering his Kingdom" (CCC 544).

Key Learning Objectives

- Know about the Kingdom of God.
 - o Reflect on what it means for us.
- Understand that everyone is invited into the Kingdom of God.
 - o Consider ways to share this good news.
- Understand the words and deeds necessary to show our commitment to the Kingdom.
 - o Reflect on how we live up to this commitment.
- Understand the variety of responses to the Kingdom and reflect on our response.
- Know that Jesus has compassion on all who suffer.
 - o Think of ways we can show compassion.
- Know about people who helped to spread the Kingdom of God and reflect on what we can learn from them.



At Home

You could help your children by:

- asking them to explain the meaning of the Kingdom of God
- discuss the parables and their meaning
- read a miracle story and discuss what it tells us about God

Dates from the Church's calendar:

8 th September	Our Lady's Birthday	1 st October	St. Theresa of Lisieux
14 th September	Exaltation of the Cross	4 th October	St. Francis of Assisi
21 st September	St. Matthew, Apostle	7 th October	Our Lady of the Rosary
24 th September	Our Lady of Walsingham	10 th October	St Paulinus
27 th September	St. Vincent de Paul	13 th October	St Edward the Confessor
29 th September	Ss Michael, Gabriel & Raphael Archangels	15 th October	St. Teresa of Avila
30 th September	St. Jerome	17 th October	St Ignacio of Antioch
		18 th October	St. Luke, Evangelist