# R.E. Newsletter for Year One Parents

(Spring term, second half 2024)

## This half term your child will be studying the topic of Following Jesus:

"Liturgy celebrates, reveals and communicates the one vast divine blessing which is God's work of salvation. It is the source and effective sign of the communion between God and human beings in Christ through the Holy Spirit. It is the continuation of the work of the Father in Christ and by the power of the Spirit, in, with and through the Church. The celebration of the gift of salvation takes shape in the seasons and feasts of the Church's year. Liturgy involves the conscious, active and fruitful participation of everyone." CCC 784

### **Key Learning Objectives**

In this unit the children will have the opportunity to:

- Hear how Jesus chose some of the first disciples (Luke 3. 5: 1- 11) and reflect on how we choose our friends
- Learn that Martha and Mary were friends of Jesus and think about how we can be his friends
- Know that Jesus died on Good Friday, that God raised Jesus from the dead and this is what we celebrate this at Easter

#### At Home:

You might like to discuss the events of Holy Week with your child. Think about what happened on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Help them to remember the importance of these special days.

## **Dates to Note:**

#### February:

14<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday

18th First Sunday of Lent

25th Second Sunday of Lent

#### March

17th St Patrick's Day

19th St Joseph, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

24th Palm Sunday

25th The Annunciation of the Lord

28th Holy Thursday

29th Good Friday

31<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday