

# St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

## R.E. Newsletter for Year 3 Parents

(Autumn term, first half 2024)

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 Christian Family*

**"The Church is the family of God, the people that God gathers in the whole world."**

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#### **Key Learning Objectives:**

- Know that we all belong to a family.
- o Think about how we can help our family.
- Know what it means to belong to the family of the Church.
- o Reflect on how the family of the Church helps us.
- Know that we join the Church when we receive the Sacrament of Baptism.
- o Think about what this Sacrament does for us.
- Understand what happens when we receive the Sacrament of Baptism.
- o Reflect on the meaning of the Sacrament of Baptism.
- Know about some of the signs and symbols used in the Sacrament of Baptism.
- o Reflect on why they are used.
- Know about the promises made at Baptism by parents and godparents.
- o Think about the importance of keeping promises.

#### At home

You could help your children by:

- sharing your experiences about their Baptism. Look at any gifts or photographs that they received on their special day.
- discuss what it means to be part of God's family

Dates from the Church's calendar:

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