

IMPORTANT DATES THIS TERM

The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady.

ST JOSEPH THE WORKER

(1 May)

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

(13 May)

After his Resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples over a period of forty days.

Ascension Day is when we celebrate Jesus' return to his Father in Heaven.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

(23 May)

This is the day we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church.

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

(30 May)

Today we celebrate our belief in the Trinity, the three persons of God: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF THE LORD

(6 June)

On this feast we give thanks to God for the gift of Jesus in the form of bread and wine.

THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

(11 June)

On this day we remember how much Jesus loves us all.

SS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

(29 June)

We celebrate the lives of these important saints who helped establish the Christian Church.

Padgate Walking Day

Unfortunately, this year due to Covid-19, Padgate Walking Day, 'our walk of faith' will NOT take place.

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'The year of St. Joseph'

Pope Francis has declared 2021 to be the year of St. Joseph and has said that we can learn from him, how to be caring humble, faithful and to listen carefully to God and each other. Just as St Joseph protected the Holy Family while he was on earth, today in heaven, he continues to care for all families, including God's worldwide family the church.

**St Joseph watch over me and care for me,
Just as you cared for the child Jesus,
And by your help, may I come to know,
Your son and so grow in strength and wisdom,
And the favour of God. Amen**



May Procession

As we are in the month of May, we honour Our Lady, the Mother of Jesus.

Every year, we all go over to Church to celebrate Our Lady, in a May Procession.

Unfortunately, this will not happen in our traditional way, but the occasion will be marked complying with Covid-19 guidelines with the children in school.

Our Year 6 girls will place flowers around the statue of Our Lady. The eldest girl in the school, Lily Hughes, will have the honour of crowning Our Lady. The boys will carry and place a smaller statue of Our Lady.



Sacramental Preparation

The children in our Year 4 class, will begin working on their preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. Again, as the case was last year, arrangements will not be as we normally know them to be due to Covid-19.

We will work closely with Fr Dave and support when and where we can in these preparations and celebrations. Fr Dave will confirm details of times and dates with parents and when and where preparations and Masses will take place as soon as possible.

Please keep these children in your prayers.



ST OSWALD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

COME AND SEE

SUMMER 2021

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

As we return to school after Easter the Church is still celebrating this great event. The focus of this term's work in Religious Education is the role the Holy Spirit plays in our lives. We will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-relating) and Universal Church (World). The children will also spend one day studying Islam.

PENTECOST—SERVING

(12.4.21 – 7.5.21)

Early Years	GOOD NEWS - Passing on the Good News of Jesus
Year 1	HOLIDAYS AND HOLYDAYS - Pentecost: feast of the Holy Spirit
Year 2	SPREAD THE WORD - Pentecost: a time to spread the Good News
Year 3	ENERGY - Gifts of the Holy Spirit
Year 4	NEW LIFE - To hear and live the Easter message
Year 5	TRANSFORMATION - Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power
Year 6	WITNESSES - The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it. Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit.

RECONCILIATION—INTER-RELATING

(10.5.21 – 18.6.2021)

Early Years	FRIENDS - Friends of Jesus
Year 1	BEING SORRY - God helps us choose well
Year 2	RULES - Reasons for rules in the Christian family
Year 3	CHOICES - Importance of examination of conscience
Year 4	BUILDING BRIDGES - Admitting wrong, being reconciled with God and each other
Year 5	FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY - Commandments enable Christians to be free & responsible
Year 6	HEALING - Sacrament of the Sick

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Talk together about times when you have forgiven and been forgiven. Discuss the importance of saying sorry. Look for opportunities for forgiveness and reconciliation in the day to day life of the family.

ISLAM (5th July)

Pupils will study various aspects of Islam for one week. Ask them what they have been learning about.

UNIVERSAL CHURCH—WORLD

(21.6.21 – 21.7.21)

Early Years	OUR WORLD - God's wonderful world
Year 1	NEIGHBOURS - Neighbours share God's world
Year 2	TREASURES - God's treasure; the world
Year 3	SPECIAL PLACES - Holy places for Jesus and the Christian community
Year 4	GOD'S PEOPLE - Different saints show people what God is like
Year 5	STEWARDSHIP - The Church is called to the stewardship of Creation
Year 6	COMMON GOOD - Work of the worldwide Christian family

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Together, look through a family scrapbook or photograph album of a visit to a place that is special for your family. Look at a globe or an atlas. Find a special place and pray for the people of that country. Discuss how we can look after our world and support our neighbours, near and far.