

Collective Worship

All children are expected to participate in Collective Worship. They are a valuable time for being together so we can challenge, inspire, celebrate and foster an atmosphere allowing spiritual reflection and response.

The Angelus

Everyday at 11.55am the children recite The Angelus Prayer before preparing for lunch.

Hebrews 13:15

"Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name."



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Article 14: Every child has the right to believe what they want and also practise their religion, as long as they are not stopping other people from enjoying their rights.

As a Catholic primary school collective worship plays a fundamental part of daily school life and enables us all to join together as one in prayer and worship.

Collective Worship

The school gathers together on a daily basis to share in the Good News. Each day there is a different focus for the worship.

MONDAY- Gospel Worship at 9am

TUESDAY- Key Stage Worship (KS1 at 10am & KS2 at 9am)

WEDNESDAY- Class Worship at 2:45pm

THURSDAY- Praise and Worship at 9am

FRIDAY- Celebration Worship at 9am

Gospel Worship- this is an opportunity to share and reflect upon the Gospel reading from the Sunday Mass.

Key Stage Worship- children meet as a Key Stage and follow the pattern of Statements to Live By, as directed by the Diocese.

Class Worship- Each class takes it in turn to lead a worship for the whole school. Parents/Guardians are welcome to share in this worship at 2:45pm. A schedule of this is available on the website.

Praise and Worship- the children prepare hymns and worship songs for forthcoming events throughout the school year.

Celebration Worship- this worship is focussed upon celebrating the learning that has taken place each week. One child from each class is selected and presented with a certificate for 'pupil of the week', recognising the excellence shown in their learning.

Daily Prayer and Meditation

Every afternoon each class has a short time of Christian Meditation. This involves singing, repeating a mantra and praying in silence for a period of time. This allows a stillness and calmness to be received and prepares the children for their afternoon of learning.

At least once a week there is a short prayer time/ liturgy in class. This involves sharing a reading from the Bible, listening to music or using images. The children then reflect upon what this means to them and how they can action the messages from the reading.

In Key Stage 2 some children lead this liturgy, working initially with the teacher to prepare this. In Upper key Stage 2 children are able to plan their own.

Each class has a Prayer area which allows the children opportunities to pray and spend time in quiet reflection.

Mass

In addition to Collective Worship the school also celebrates key feast days of the liturgical year through a Mass. These are planned with the Parish Priest and are celebrated in school or at the church.

Children in Key Stage 2 have the opportunity to lead and contribute with the planning of some Masses by reading, altar serving and preparing the hall and altar for worship.

Mass is a celebration where parents/guardians and our parish family are all welcome.

Prayer Services/Class Masses

Children in Key Stage 1 have the opportunity throughout the year to meet with a member of the Parish clergy to prepare and participate in a small prayer service. This takes place in the classroom and parents of children involved in this form of worship are more than welcome to join in with this celebration. Children in KS2 have the opportunity throughout the year to meet a member of the Parish Clergy and to prepare and participate in a Mass.