



YR RE AUTUMN TERM OVERVIEW 2020

During this term your children will be studying two topics from 'The Way the Truth and the Life' Programme, as well as celebrating the feasts of the Church's liturgical seasons. They will also spend time learning about Judaism.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary and the children will be learning about this beautiful prayer and have the opportunity to pray the Rosary in class and liturgies.

November is dedicated to the Holy souls in Purgatory. In school, we will be praying for all those we know who have died.

December marks the season of Advent—a time of preparation for the coming of Jesus; we will prepare for this through special liturgies in school. At the present time, we are unable to confirm the arrangements for Christmas Concerts due to the Coronavirus Pandemic.



Topic One—God's World

This half term, the children will be learning about God's world. Throughout this topic, the children will begin to appreciate the beauty of the world and know that God made it. They will learn that God loves and cares for each one of us and reflect on this. They will hear about and respond to the things God created for us. They will know that God has asked us to care for the world and think of ways in which we can help to do it.

At home you can help your child by:

- looking at pictures of animals and plants and talking about how special creation is
- encouraging them to notice different parts of God's wonderful creation and think of ways to care for the world.



Topic Two – God's Family

This half term, the children will be learning about God's Family. Throughout the topic, the children will be given opportunities to become aware that God made all the people in the world to be part of his family and that we are part of it too. They will learn that God made us to know and love him, as well as to show our love for him by helping one another. They will find out that God has given us gifts so that we can show his love to others. As Christmas approaches, they will learn that God's greatest gift to us was to send his only son Jesus and learn how to respond to that gift.

At home you can help your child by:

- reminding them that Christmas is about the gift of Jesus to us and not just about receiving presents

Special days

8.9.20	Our Lady's Birthday
24.9.20	Our Lady of Walsingham
27.9.20	St Vincent de Paul
1.10.20	St Therese of Lisieux
1.11.20	All Saints
2.11.20	All Souls
29.9.20	The first Sunday of Advent
8.12.20	The Immaculate Conception
25.12.19	Christmas Day

Church Opening Times

St Vincent's Church is open for the celebration of Holy Mass at the following times:

Saturday evening: 6.30pm

Sunday morning: 8.00am, 10.00am, 12.00pm

Sunday evening: 5.00pm

There are strict guidelines in place to keep everyone safe. This includes: all members of the congregation wearing face masks, the use of hand sanitisers, socially distanced seating and numbers limited to 60 for each service. Communion will be given under one kind and must be received in the hands. Further information is available on the Parish website. <https://www.stvincentsrccchurch.org>

Remember that you can watch a live stream of Mass every Sunday at 10am via the parish website or their Facebook page.

Weekday masses are at 9am with private prayer until 10am.

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP OVERVIEW AUTUMN 2020

DATE w/c	SCRIPTURE	ASSEMBLY THEME	DATE w/c	SCRIPTURE	ASSEMBLY THEME
1 Sept	Matt 16: 21 - 27	Called to Follow As schools reopen more fully and welcome pupils back after a long absence, this assembly welcomes children to come to Jesus as they are and be welcomed by Him.	2 Nov	Matt 5: 1 - 12	Beautiful Attitudes Through a film looking at the life of St Martin de Porres and the Gospel passage of the Beatitudes, this assembly inspires children to live humbly and put others first.
7 Sept	Matt 18: 15 - 20	Falling Out Jesus understands that disagreements of all kinds happen in life. 'Falling Out' is the first part of a two-part assembly, with the second part, 'Forgive and Forget' to follow next week.	9 Nov	Matt 25: 1 - 13	Stay Awake! This assembly uses a modern version of the Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids to discuss themes of being prepared for Jesus.
14 Sept	Matt 18: 21 - 35	Forgive and Forget based on the parable of the Unforgiving Servant, this assembly encourages children to forgive one another and to ask for God's forgiveness too.	16 Nov	Matt 25: 14 - 30	Gifts and Talents Through the Parable of the Talents, children will consider how they can be faithful to God in the small things to prepare themselves for greater responsibility.
21 Sept	Matt 20: 1 - 16	A Generous Kind of Love This assembly explores how God's justice might not match with our understanding of fairness, but as we see, God is fair: His love is given to us freely and without constraint.	23 Nov	Matt 25: 31 - 46	God Guides Us This assembly looks at how God always guides us through people, the Church, scripture and the voice of our hearts.
28 Sept	Matt 21: 28 - 32	A Tale of Two Brothers Through the story of two brothers, children will learn that actions speak louder than words.	30 Nov	Mark 13: 33 - 27	Be Alert! The Gospel tells us that we don't know when Jesus will return, but that we should be ready for it.
5 Oct	Matt 21: 33 - 43	The Peach Tree This assembly highlights that – no matter how hidden – we all have gifts to offer that can be nurtured and helped to grow.	7 Dec	Mark 1: 1 - 8	Be Prepared! This assembly encourages children to think about how they can prepare their hearts for Jesus' return.
12 Oct	Matt 22: 1 - 10	God's Invitation In this week's Gospel, Jesus describes heaven using a parable about invited guests. In this assembly, children are invited to respond to God's invitation by finding ordinary ways to live a loving life.	14 Dec	John 1: 6 - 8, 19 - 28	Be Joyful! The gentle reflection will help children and staff to reflect on the coming of Jesus at Christmas.
19 Oct	Matt 22: 15 - 21	A New Commandment This assembly discusses Jesus' teaching on the greatest commandment, helping children recognise love through actions and think of ways that they too can be loving.			