



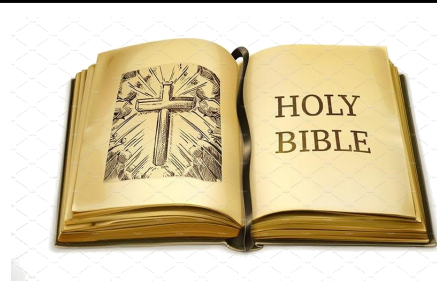
# Y4 RE AUTUMN TERM OVERVIEW 2020

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—The Bible

The children will learn that the Bible is a story of God's love and concern for us. They will learn that the Bible is a living book through which God speaks to us and tells us about Himself. They will learn that the Bible is one story told through many different books and they will learn about Moses, David and Jonah

as well as learning how to find a Bible reference.

The children will have the chance to:

- explore how the Bible helps us to pray and experience how God speaks to us in the Bible
- participate in a liturgy and experience a guided meditation on a text from the Bible.

### At home you can help your child by:

- reading stories from the Bible together.



## Topic Two—Trust in God

The children will learn about Jesus' teaching and the importance of trusting in him. They will learn that it is not always easy to trust in God (e.g. Zechariah). They will learn about the promise God made to Mary through the angel Gabriel and learn how Joseph put his trust in God when the angel appeared to him. The children will have a chance to deepen their awareness of God's love for us and know that he asks us to trust in him. They will reflect on the times it is difficult to trust and on the importance of keeping promises. The children will reflect on how Mary and Joseph placed all their trust in God and experience a celebration of the Nativity.

### At home you can help your child by:

- discussing how you and your family trust in God.
- Sharing your religious preparations for Christmas

### Special days

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| 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.stvincentsrcchurch.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                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| <b>1 Sept</b>  | Matt 16: 21 - 27 | <b>Called to Follow</b><br>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.                                           |
| <b>7 Sept</b>  | Matt 18: 15 - 20 | <b>Falling Out</b><br>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.                      |
| <b>14 Sept</b> | Matt 18: 21 - 35 | <b>Forgive and Forget</b><br>based on the parable of the Unforgiving Servant, this assembly encourages children to forgive one another and to ask for God's forgiveness too.                                                         |
| <b>21 Sept</b> | Matt 20: 1 - 16  | <b>A Generous Kind of Love</b><br>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.                    |
| <b>28 Sept</b> | Matt 21: 28 - 32 | <b>A Tale of Two Brothers</b><br>Through the story of two brothers, children will learn that actions speak louder than words.                                                                                                        |
| <b>5 Oct</b>   | Matt 21: 33 - 43 | <b>The Peach Tree</b><br>This assembly highlights that – no matter how hidden – we all have gifts to offer that can be nurtured and helped to grow.                                                                                  |
| <b>12 Oct</b>  | Matt 22: 1 - 10  | <b>God's Invitation</b><br>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. |
| <b>19 Oct</b>  | Matt 22: 15 - 21 | <b>A New Commandment</b><br>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.                                      |

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| <b>2 Nov</b>  | Matt 5: 1 - 12         | <b>Beautiful Attitudes</b><br>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. |
| <b>9 Nov</b>  | Matt 25: 1 - 13        | <b>Stay Awake!</b><br>This assembly uses a modern version of the Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids to discuss themes of being prepared for Jesus.                                                         |
| <b>16 Nov</b> | Matt 25: 14 - 30       | <b>Gifts and Talents</b><br>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.           |
| <b>23 Nov</b> | Matt 25: 31 - 46       | <b>God Guides Us</b><br>This assembly looks at how God always guides us through people, the Church, scripture and the voice of our hearts.                                                             |
| <b>30 Nov</b> | Mark 13: 33 - 27       | <b>Be Alert!</b><br>The Gospel tells us that we don't know when Jesus will return, but that we should be ready for it.                                                                                 |
| <b>7 Dec</b>  | Mark 1: 1 - 8          | <b>Be Prepared!</b><br>This assembly encourages children to think about how they can prepare their hearts for Jesus' return.                                                                           |
| <b>14 Dec</b> | John 1: 6 - 8, 19 - 28 | <b>Be Joyful!</b><br>The gentle reflection will help children and staff to reflect on the coming of Jesus at Christmas.                                                                                |