






Diocese of Northampton
St Martin de Porres Catholic
Primary School



RE Newsletter for Parents - Pentecost Term 2024

This term pupils in Key Stages One and Two will be studying the three themes of Pentecost (Serving), Reconciliation (Inter-Relating) and Universal Church (World). Each year group will approach the themes through different topics.

<p style="text-align: center;">PENTECOST—SERVING Week beg 15th April - Week end 10th May</p> <p>Year 1 - Holidays and Holy Days - Pentecost: the feast of the Holy Spirit Year 2 - Spread the Word - Pentecost: a time to spread the Good News Year 3 - Energy - The gifts of the Holy Spirit Year 4 - New Life - To hear and live the Easter message Year 5 - Transformation - A celebration of the Spirit's transforming power Year 6 - Witnesses - The Holy Spirit in all of us</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">At home</p> <p>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.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>
<p style="text-align: center;">RECONCILIATION—INTER-RELATING Week beg 13th May - Week end 14th June</p> <p>Year 1 - Being Sorry - Knowing that God helps us choose well Year 2 - Rules - Understanding reasons for rules in the Christian family Year 3 - Choices - The importance of examination of conscience Year 4 - Building Bridges - Admitting wrong; being reconciled with God and each other. Year 5 - Freedom and Responsibility - Understanding that commandments enable Christians to be free & responsible Year 6 - Healing - Exploring the Anointing of the Sick</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">At home</p> <p>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.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>
<p>ISLAM WEEK BEGINNING 17TH JUNE - 1 WEEK ALL PUPILS WILL SPEND TIME FINDING OUT ABOUT HOW MUSLIMS LIVE AND WORSHIP</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">UNIVERSAL CHURCH—WORLD Week beg: 24th June - Week end 19th July</p> <p>Year 1 - Neighbours - Exploring how as neighbours we share God's world Year 2 - Treasures - Recognising God's treasure; the world Year 3 - Special Places - Exploring holy places for Jesus and the Christian community Year 4 - God's People - Understanding how different saints show people what God is like Year 5 - Stewardship - Understanding that the Church is called to the stewardship of Creation Year 6 - Common Good - Understanding the work of the worldwide Christian family</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">At home</p> <p>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.</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>

As directed by Northampton Diocese, pupils in Nursery and Reception will continue to follow the new Religious Education curriculum. Each topic lasts for half a term.

Pentecost Term 1	Pentecost Term 2
<p>TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH Pupils will learn that Jesus went back to his Father and sent his friend, the Holy Spirit. They will come to the know the Holy Spirit as their friend. Pupils will also find out about their Parish; a family and special community.</p>	<p>DIALOGUE AND ENCOUNTER Pupils will find out about friends of Jesus; Saint Peter and Saint Paul. They will explore the idea that we are all called to be friends of Jesus. They will learn that people all over the world are friends of Jesus.</p>

<p>Important dates for the Church this term:</p>	<p>MAY - MONTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD (9TH MAY) PENTECOST SUNDAY (19TH MAY) CORPUS CHRISTI (30TH MAY) THE FEAST OF ST PETER AND ST PAUL (29TH JUNE)</p>
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MAY - MONTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

During the month of May, children in Key Stage 2 will be saying 'The Angelus' just before they go to lunch. This is a traditional prayer of the church that is becoming less well known. The Angelus is usually recited at three particular times during the day; 6 am, 12 noon, and 6 pm. Perhaps you could encourage your family to pray this prayer together or to say a decade of the rosary together.



The Angelus

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

R. And she conceived by the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death.

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done unto me according to thy word.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death.

V. And the Word was made Flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of our death.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection.

Through the same Christ Our Lord.

R. Amen.

