



## St Martin de Porres Catholic Primary School

### RE Newsletter for Parents - Advent Term 2025

This year pupils in Nursery and Years R, 1, 2, 5 and 6 will be following the new Religious Education curriculum as directed by Northampton Diocese. Pupils in Years 3 and 4 will continue to follow the Come and See program of study.

#### Come and See Program of Study - Years 3 and 4

##### **Domestic Church - Family**

In this topic pupils will explore the importance of the home and family in their lives. They will learn about the Family as the Domestic Church and recognise the loving presence of God in every home.

**Y3 - Homes** - God's vision for every family.

**Y4 - People** - The family of God in Scripture.

##### **At home**

Make a collage using family photographs of all the significant family members—grandparents, parents, children, aunts, uncles etc. who show God's love.

##### **Baptism and Confirmation - Belonging**

In this topic pupils will about the signs and symbols connected with Baptism and, in Key Stage Two, Confirmation as well.

**Y3 - Promises** - promises made at Baptism.

**Y4 - Called** - Confirmation: a call to witness.

##### **At home**

Talk to someone who has been to a Baptism and/or Confirmation about their memories of this celebration.

#### **Judaism**

Pupils in Years 3 and 4 will study various aspects of Judaism during the week beginning 10 November.

##### **Advent/Christmas - Loving**

In this topic pupils will find out about the season of Advent.

**Y3 - Visitors** - waiting for the coming of Jesus.

**Y4 - Gift** - God's gift of love and friendship in Jesus.

##### **At home**

Discuss with the children how your family welcome visitors to your home. Find out about some Christian symbols for Advent e.g. Advent wreath, calendar, Jesse Tree.

## To Know You More Clearly - The Religious Education Directory - EYFS and Yrs 1,2,5 and 6

Advent 1	Advent 2
<p><b>Creation and Covenant</b></p> <p><b>Nursery &amp; Reception</b> To know that God made each of us as a unique person and that he made a wonderful world. To know that God loves us and we are part of a family.</p> <p><b>Year One</b> To explore the Creation story in Genesis and to know that all that is comes from God. To know that God wants us to love and care for the world because the world is God's gift to us.</p> <p><b>Year Two</b> To explore the story of Noah; the story teaches us that although people turned away from living good lives, a path back to God was restored. To know that God promised Noah he would save all living things.</p> <p><b>Year Five</b> To learn about Moses and two critical events in his life; the Burning Bush and Ten Commandments. To know that a covenant is a promise between God and human beings. To explore the Ten Commandments and know that they help people to live good and happy lives.</p> <p><b>Year Six</b> To explore the second account of Creation and to understand that the world was in disarray because humans chose to do evil again and again. To know that Baptism is the first sacrament of the forgiveness of sins.</p>	<p><b>Prophecy and Promise</b></p> <p><b>Nursery and Reception</b> To know that Mary was chosen by God to give birth to his son, Jesus. To know that Advent is a time to get ready for Christmas</p> <p><b>Year One</b> To know that because God loves us, he gave us his only son, Jesus. To know that angels bring God's message and are a sign that Jesus is the Son of God.</p> <p><b>Year Two</b> To explore various scripture that tell us about the birth of Jesus. To know that Advent is a time to prepare for the coming of Jesus at Christmas.</p> <p><b>Year Five</b> To explore scripture that speaks of David's life and importance. To know about Kings chosen and anointed in the Old Testament. To know that, for Christians, Jesus fulfils the promise to David.</p> <p><b>Year Six</b> To explore the Old Testament passages that show the importance of women in salvation history To know that Mary is the fulfilment of the Old Testament promises and became the 'Mother of God' by her yes to God's plan.</p>

### Important dates for the Church this term:

Nov 1<sup>st</sup> - All Saints  
 Nov 2<sup>nd</sup> - All Souls  
 Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> - St Martin de Porres (school feast day)  
 Nov 11<sup>th</sup> - Remembrance Day  
 Nov 24<sup>th</sup> - Christ the King  
 Nov 30<sup>th</sup> - First Sunday of Advent  
 Dec 8<sup>th</sup> - Immaculate Conception  
 Dec 25<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Day  
 Dec 26<sup>th</sup> - St Stephen's day  
 Dec 29<sup>th</sup> - Feast of St Thomas of Canterbury  
 Dec 31<sup>st</sup> - Feast of the Holy Family

During the month of October, we remember Our Lady and ask her to pray with us.



Try to say a decade of the rosary together as a family.