

### Parish Links

#### Sacramental Preparation

Fr David Potter will be meeting with parents/carers on Monday 28th September to introduce himself to the parents/carers of Y4 pupils who are due to take the sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion and Confirmation this year.

As you know, the Archdiocese introduced a number of changes in the summer term of 2011. For further information relating to the order of the 'Sacraments of Initiation', please visit the Archdiocesan website [www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk](http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk) and click on 'Order of the Sacraments of Initiation'.

#### Important Dates this term:

1st Nov	All Saints	We celebrate the lives of special and ordinary people who have responded to God's invitation to love.
2nd Nov	All Souls	Today and throughout the rest of November we pray for those who have died.

***Eternal rest give unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace.  
Amen***

25th Nov	Our Lord Jesus Christ—King of the Universe
29th Nov	First Sunday of Advent
8th Dec	Immaculate conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
16th Dec	JOINT Christmas Mass at St Albert's (10am)
25th Dec	CHRISTMAS DAY On this day we begin our celebration of the birth of Christ.

***I hope that you find the information in this leaflet useful.***

***With best wishes -***



**Mrs R Tyler (Headteacher)**



## 'Come & See'

### **Religious Education Programme**

AUTUMN 2015/16



*Catholic schools in the Archdiocese follow the 'Come & See' syllabus of Religious Education. Children in every year group will follow the same three themes each term but individual classes will have their own topic—these will help enhance the knowledge and understanding of their religion and allow them to celebrate it.*

## 'Come & See'

As we return from the summer break the children are experiencing lots of new things, different classes, teachers and new work.

The focus of the term's work in Religious Education will be: **Family, Belonging and Loving**. Each class will be exploring these themes through their own topics (*see opposite*). The children will also spend 1 week studying another faith during the autumn term.

The different celebrations which occur throughout the year are important to us as a Christian family and we encourage you to celebrate with us in a number of ways: Class Assemblies, Masses, Sacraments etc.

### Class Assemblies

Throughout the year, each class celebrates with a religious class assembly or service to which ALL parents and carers, grandparents and friends are invited.

**Remembrance Service for School**                      **Wed 11th Nov**                      **11.00am**



The children learn about the sacrifices that have been made in the past and present and remember those who have given their lives in order to protect us.

**Y5**                      **Advent Assembly**                      **Fri 27th Nov**                      **2.00pm**  
(School Hall)

Advent is an important time when we prepare ourselves for Christmas by understanding how to acknowledge the things we have done wrong and saying sorry.

**Y4 Sacrament of Reconciliation**    **SUNDAY 29th November**    **2pm at St Albert's Church**

### Masses & Services

We celebrate Mass as a school community at the beginning of each term and on other special occasions.

<b>Welcome back Mass</b>	<b>Fri 4th Sept</b>	<b>2pm</b>	
<b>Infant Nativity</b>	<b>Wed 9th Dec</b>	<b>2pm</b>	
<b>Infant Nativity</b>	<b>Thurs 10th Dec</b>	<b>2pm</b>	
<b>Junior Nativity</b>	<b>Mon 14th Dec</b>	<b>2pm</b>	
<b>Junior Nativity</b>	<b>Tues 15th Dec</b>	<b>2pm</b>	
<b>Joint Mass</b>	<b>Wed 16th Dec</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>St Albert's</b>



## Domestic Church—FAMILY

Rec	MYSELF	God knows and loves everyone
Y1	FAMILIES	God's love and care for every family
Y2	BEGINNINGS	God at every beginning
Y3	HOMES	God's dream for every family
Y4	PEOPLE	The family of God in Scripture
Y5	OURSELVES	Created in the image & likeness of God
Y6	LOVING	God who never stops loving



***HOME ACTIVITIES:*** Make a collage using family photos of significant family members. Write underneath it 'WE SHOW GOD'S LOVE'. Include those who have died.

## Baptism / Confirmation—BELONGING

Rec	WELCOME	Baptism—a welcome to God's family
Y1	BELONGING	Baptism—an invitation to belong to God's family
Y2	SIGNS & SYMBOLS	Signs & symbols in Baptism
Y3	PROMISES	Promises made at Baptism
Y4	CALLED	Confirmation—a call to witness
Y5	LIFE CHOICES	Marriage commitment and service
Y6	VOCATION & COMMITMENT	The vocation of priesthood and religious life

***HOME ACTIVITIES:*** Talk to someone who has been to a Baptism/ Confirmation about their memories of this celebration.



## Advent / Christmas—LOVING

Rec	BIRTHDAY	Looking forward to Jesus' birthday
Y1	WAITING	Advent—a time to look forward to Christmas
Y2	PREPARATIONS	Advent—preparing to celebrate Christmas
Y3	VISITORS	Advent—waiting for the coming of Jesus
Y4	GIFT	God's gift of love and friendship in Jesus
Y5	HOPE	Advent—waiting in joyful hope for Jesus
Y6	EXPECTATIONS	Jesus born to show God to the world

***HOME ACTIVITIES:*** Discuss how your family welcomes visitors into your home. Find out about some Christian symbols for advent e.g. Wreath, calendar, Jesse tree. Use the CAFOD or Mission websites to get a religious calendar.