

## **UNIT ONE.**

### **WE ARE THE PEOPLE OF GOD.**

As our children begin this new part of their lives, they will look at what it means to become members of the Church.

*This links with the Introductory Rites of the Mass.*

**PARENTS** Tuesday 4th October. **CHILDREN** – Saturday 8th October.

**CELEBRATION** – 15/16th October.

## **UNIT TWO.**

### **WE ARE PEOPLE WHO PRAY.**

Our children will look at the variety of ways in which we pray during Mass

*This links with the idea of the Mass as Prayer.*

**PARENTS** Tuesday 1st November **CHILDREN** Saturday 5th November.

**CELEBRATION** - 12/13th November.

## **UNIT THREE.**

### **WE ARE PEOPLE WHO CELEBRATE FORGIVENESS.**

Our children will learn more about what it is to forgive and be forgiven.

*This links with the Penitential Rite of the Mass.*

**PARENTS** Tuesday 22nd November **CHILDREN** 26th Saturday November.

**CELEBRATION** – 3rd, 10th and 17th December.

*(The celebration of this unit is the Sacrament of Reconciliation)*

## **UNIT FOUR.**

### **WE ARE PEOPLE WHO CELEBRATE GOD'S WORD.**

Our children will learn how the story of God's people told in the Scriptures is their story

*This links with the Liturgy of the Word of the Mass.*

**PARENTS** Tuesday 17th January **CHILDREN** Saturday 21st January.

**CELEBRATION** – 28/29th January.

## **UNIT FIVE.**

### **WE ARE PEOPLE WHO FOLLOW JESUS.**

Our children will explore what it is to give of themselves  
as Jesus gave of himself.

*This links to the Presentation of the Gifts of the Mass.*

**PARENTS** Tuesday 7th February **CHILDREN** Saturday 11th February.

**CELEBRATION** – 4/5th March.

**UNIT SIX.**

**WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST.**

Our children will look forward to becoming full members of the Church community by receiving Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time.

*This links with the Liturgy of the Eucharist at Mass.*

**PARENTS** Tuesday 28th March **CHILDREN** Saturday 1st April  
*(there is no celebration for this unit)*

**UNIT SEVEN.**

**WE RECEIVE THE BODY OF CHRIST.**

Our children discover the mystery and meaning of the gift of Jesus' own body and blood.

*This links with the words of consecration at Mass and the reception of Holy Communion.*

**PARENTS** Tuesday 16th May

**CHILDREN** - 20th May (this will be a rehearsal)

**Celebration of First Holy Communion**

Weekends 3/4th June; 10/11th June; 17/18th June 24/25th June.



**UNIT EIGHT.**

**WE ARE PEOPLE WHO LIVE OUR FAITH.**

Our children will reflect on the part they can play in the life of the Church.

*This links with the words of dismissal at Mass.*

**PARENTS** Tuesday 27 June **CHILDREN** - Saturday 1 July **CELEBRATION** - Sunday 9 July.

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***We are hoping to organise two "retreats" for the children,***

***one early in the year***

***in preparation for First Reconciliation***

***The date is yet to be confirmed***

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