

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The children had a great day celebrating the birthday of our Blessed Mother, Mary. They took part in various activities including creating miraculous medals, Mary prayer gardens and visiting the prayer garden in school.



Commitment Masses

Please pray for our children in years three and six who will be receiving the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation later in the academic year. Year three were recently joined by members of the parish and our school families for their enrolment.



Other Faiths

The children have continued to learn about a range of other faiths this term. This has included Hinduism, Sikhism, Islam and the Jewish faith.

Christmas

We wish all of our families a happy and holy Christmas. Enjoy spending time with your loved ones over the festive period. The mass times at St. George & St. Martin's this Christmas are as follows:

Christmas Eve - 5pm & 9:30pm

Christmas Day - 9:30am

St. Stephen's (Boxing) Day - 10am

'For unto you is born this day a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord.'



St. George & St. Martin's Catholic Life Newsletter



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It has been another busy term at St. George & St. Martin's and the children have continued to play an active role in growing the Catholic life of our school.

Mission Teams

Our Mission Teams have continued to work hard over the last few months. The Catholic Life leaders have carried out many initiatives and our Rosary and Bible clubs have been well attended.

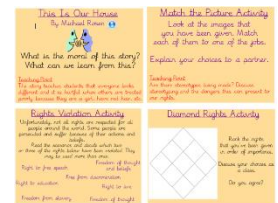


'Young people, take courage and persevere in your journey as pilgrims of hope and love.'



Catholic Life Pledges

Each class has completed their first Catholic Life pledge of the year. The children have chosen one pledge that they will commit to each term to live out the Catholic Social Teaching principles. Some of the ideas this term were Operation Christmas Child, litter awareness, singing at Northwood Daycare, Human Rights Day and donating toys and coats. Thank you for your support.



Catholic Social Teaching



Aspire
not to
have more
but to be
more

Our children have continued to live out their faith and the principles of Catholic Social Teaching this term. All of our children have been active in their support of local and national charities in an effort to make a positive difference to society.

'For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in.'



Some of our actions this term have included supporting the local Daycare centre, Food Bank collection, Harvest Festival, Supporting the Lou Macari Centre for the homeless, Reverse Advent calendar and One Million Children Pray the Rosary. We thank you for your support with each of these initiatives and in particular for your kind donations to our charity work and Harvest Festival food collection.



Feast of St. Martin

We celebrated mass on the feast day of our patron - St. Martin. On the same day, we remembered all those who have given their lives in service of our country.



Christmas Nativities & Carol Concert

We thoroughly enjoyed welcoming families to our Christmas performances. Well done to all of the staff and children for their hard work in putting them together.

Red Wednesday

On 20th November, the children wore red as part of Red Wednesday. This day raises awareness of the persecution of people simply for living out their faith.



Inspire Mornings

Thank you to all the parents who have attended our various Inspire mornings. Our themes so far have been All souls, Mary our Mother, Creation and Advent.



Thank you also to parents who have attended our Stay & Pray sessions in classes.



Advent Prayer & Liturgy

Each of our classes led a whole school Advent Liturgy. These took us on a journey from the Annunciation to Jesus' birth in Bethlehem. Our children also all took part in CAFOD's Advent assembly where they committed to Advent pledges.



Special Masses

Thank you to those children who represented the school at various masses this term. These included the Combined Schools' Mass, celebrating 20 years of Sister Bridie and Sister Betty at Coolock and the Newman vocations mass.

