



*Ad Majorem Dei
Gloriam
To the Greater Glory
of God*

R.E. News At Loyola



Whitsun Term
2019

Dear Parents,

We would like to keep you informed of the topics we are covering within RE this term and also how we can support each other on our faith journey. We will be studying the three themes of Serving, Inter-Relating and Universal Church. Each class will approach the themes through different topics and we have included some ideas to help you discuss the topics and answer some of the questions your son might have.



During the Whitsun term we will be focusing on:

Class	Topic 1 - Pentecost	Topic 2 - Reconciliation	Topic 3 – Universal Church
EYFS	Good News	Friends	Our World
Pre Prep 1	Holy Days & Holidays	Being Sorry	Neighbours
Pre Prep 2	Spread the Word	Rules	Treasures
Prep	Energy	Choices	Special Places
Elements	New Life	Building Bridges	God’s People
Figures	Transformation	Freedom & Responsibility	Stewardship
Rudiments	Witnesses	Healing	Common Good

Suggestions for home activities

<p>How can you help?</p>	<p>Explore the season of Spring and Summer, how things grow by having warmth and light.</p> 	<p>Discuss what makes a good friend.</p> <p>Discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualities of a friend • What happens when a fall-out occurs? • Making up / forgiveness • Saying sorry 	<p>Discuss:</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who is my neighbour? • Who are God’s people? • How and why do we look after each other? • What are the real treasures in our lives? • Where do we feel comfortable?
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Catholic Life at Loyola



Remember to check the school calendar or weekly newsletter to see the dates and times of our class masses. Thank you to all the parents who have joined their son's class in reading a bidding prayer, this really shows that we are a community celebrating together. Everyone is always welcome at Mass and we look forward to you joining us.

Epping Food Bank are very grateful for your generous donations which we now collect at Mass each week. This may seem a very small event to some but your donations helps families in the local area have food for the week – well done boys, this is a very worthy cause.



When the boys enter into the class of Prep they are presented with their very own Bible. Please check that your son has his Bible at school so that he can use it in his lessons. Boys in the lower classes you have Bibles in your classrooms. Thank you.



May is the month of Our Lady.

Parents, pupils, staff and friends are invited to join us at the statue of Mary where we will say the rosary together. All welcome at 8.15am on each Friday in May. If you have your own rosary beads please bring them.



Important Dates in the Church Calendar for the Whitsun Term

1 st May – Joseph the Worker	23 rd June – Pentecost Sunday	30 th May – Ascension of our Lord
20 th June – Corpus Christi	29 th June – St Peter and St Paul	31 st July – St Ignatius of Loyola

At a time when there is sadness in the world from events that have happened this Easter, let us help to show peace and kindness in all that we do. Let us act together to show that God is indeed peace.



How powerful prayer is! May we never lose the courage to say: Lord, give us your peace.

— Pope Francis —