St. Francis' Catholic Primary School Religious Education Newsletter

29th May 2020



Value of the month – Thoughtfulness

Dear Parents and Pupils,

I hope you have had a peaceful half-term, and that you and your loved ones are all keeping well.



PENTECOST (John 20 : 19-23)

"Come, Spirit of God, come breathe on us"

This Sunday, 31st May 2020, is Pentecost Sunday, the day we celebrate the birth of the church. The following link has a lovely assembly you can enjoy as a family. The metaphor used of chocolate powder mixing with the milk

to explain the effect the Holy Spirit has within us, is very effective. The Holy Spirit encourages us to be loving, forgiving, helpful and kind, and these qualities go hand-in-hand with our Value of the Month, Thoughtfulness.

https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/primary-subscription/assemblies/assembly-2020-06-01/2020 06 01 assembly for home/

PRAYER OF THE MONTH

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth
peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you.
We glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.



Amen.

LECTIO DIVINA



Our last *Lectio* made us think about how we should behave towards those who are mean or thoughtless towards us. It's an interesting lesson that Jesus taught. This week, I'd like to invite you to light a candle and read Matthew 6:25-29. We worry so much...perhaps we need to be reminded to hand our worries over to God.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY LITURGY

Parishioners of Oxted & Warlingham Churches are doing a liturgy on Sunday mornings at 10am for children. They MUST be accompanied by an adult.

If you are interested, please email for a Zoom invitation as there is, of course a need for security and to protect all children. The email is: children.ow@gmail.com



CAFOD



As you all know, CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) is the Catholic aid agency working to alleviate poverty and suffering in developing countries.

They are asking families to recreate at home the events we will miss this summer and have fun transforming them into a sign of hope through raising money for CAFOD's Coronavirus appeal.

- School sports day cancelled? Hold one in your back garden!
- Summer fayre postponed? Play 'guess the sweets in the jar' or 'treasure hunt' online!
- Missing out on a summer BBQ? Get together on Zoom and share your cooking tips!

However you celebrate the Summer, make it hopeful and give what you can to help them to provide care and sanitation to the vulnerable across the world who need it the most. Head to <u>CAFOD's Summer of hope webpage</u> for more information.

New! <u>CAFOD National Assembly on Hope in the time of Coronavirus</u>. Broadcast at 10am on Thursday 18 June on CAFOD's YouTube channel. Join us for prayer, reflection and signs of hope.

FAIRTRADE

Moyna Bridge from the Oxted Parish is the person who supplies the dried fruit and fruit juices sold at school to the Juniors during First Break. She also comes in throughout the year with Fairtrade and Tradecraft goods children are able to purchase for Christmas, Mothers' Day and Fathers' Day.

She is happy for people to order from her and she'll deliver. This includes household items and food, so it is worth considering and supporting Fairtrade suppliers at the same time!

Have a look on the Traidcraft website www.traidcraftshop.co.uk and then you can email her to see if she has what you need at moynabridge@yahoo.co.uk



Please remember that we are always available should you want to speak to any of us. Take care,

Nanda Fawcett