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Springhill Catholic Primary School RE Newsletter

Together, we will do our best for Jesus.

Our new topic is Sacraments

Catholic Sacraments are special religious ceremonies that mark important stages in a person's spiritual journey and help them grow closer to God. There are seven sacraments: Baptism, which welcomes a person into the Church; Confirmation, which strengthens their faith with the Holy Spirit; Eucharist, where they receive Holy Communion; Reconciliation, where they confess their sins and receive forgiveness; Anointing of the Sick, which offers healing and comfort; Matrimony, which blesses a marriage; and Holy Orders, which dedicates a person to serve as a priest.



Each sacrament is a way to experience God's love and grace throughout life.

Our main themes in the Sacraments topic are different for each year group. We will learn:

FS - The idea of God's presence at all times in our lives.

Y1 - The relationship of the actions of healing and forgiveness with Jesus.

Y2 - What a sacrament is. This is done through exploration of what happens during the Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony and the Eucharist.

Y3 - The Sacrament of the Eucharist. What happens during Mass and the meaning behind what happens.

Y4 - The nature of vocation and its symbolism in preparation for work on the Sacraments of Vocation in year 5. This is done through Old Testament stories, which show how God calls people in faith and the symbolism of anointing.

Y5 - The commitment expressed in the Sacraments of Holy Orders and Matrimony.

Y6 - The Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, as revelation of the Holy Spirit.



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We will be exploring the meanings behind the Sacraments through both our RE lessons, and our daily celebrations of the Word.

To help your children understand further, you may wish to read the following Gospel extracts with them at home:

- Acts 19:3-6
- John 14:16
- Mark 16:16

