

**The Spring Term's Theme in Religious Education under 'Come and See'** is about understanding who we are in the light of Incarnation, explored through the topics Community, Relating and Giving. Each class will approach each theme through different topics.

**LOCAL CHURCH - COMMUNITY**  
(8<sup>th</sup> January – 2<sup>nd</sup> February)



In the first topic, the children will focus on the people of God, gathered together in a faith journey, caring for one another, in sharing their story and in celebration.

**Suggestions for home activities**

Explore the Diocesan website, ([www.dioceseofbrentwood.net](http://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net)) looking at the number of churches, and find out about our archbishop.  
Read Bible stories together or encourage children to read a child's Bible.

**EUCCHARIST - RELATING**  
(5<sup>th</sup> February – 8<sup>th</sup> March)

In the next topic, we will focus on the invitation to know Jesus, to live in communion with him and with one another.



**Suggestions for home activities**

Look through the family photograph album to help the children remember important events and special people in their lives. Discuss how your family come together for special celebrations.

**LENT/EASTER - GIVING**  
(11<sup>th</sup> March – 19<sup>th</sup> April)



The final topic of the term now focuses on Jesus' loving sacrifice on the cross, God's love that raised him to new life and the challenge to us as Christians to follow Jesus' example of self-giving.

**Suggestions for home activities**

As a family talk about how you are going to practice self-control and self-giving for the rest of the season of Lent. You may decide to give up biscuits or cakes and donate the money to a charity. Ask your child/ren what they are doing in school to focus on Lent and self-giving.



## Special Feast Days and Celebrations

**MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**  
1<sup>st</sup> January  
**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**  
6<sup>th</sup> January

**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**  
8th January  
**THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**  
2nd February

**SHROVE TUESDAY**  
13th February  
**ASH WEDNESDAY**  
14<sup>th</sup> February

**ST DAVID'S DAY**  
1<sup>st</sup> March  
**ST PATRICK DAY**  
17<sup>th</sup> March

**MOTHERING SUNDAY**  
19th March  
**PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**  
24<sup>th</sup> March

**THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**  
25th March  
**MAUNDY THURSDAY**  
28<sup>th</sup> March  
**GOOD FRIDAY**  
29<sup>th</sup> March

**EASTER SUNDAY**  
31 March



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