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Dear Parents,

Thank you for attending the Do This in Memory Enrolment Masses to date. It meant so much to Fr McCaughey and the whole team. The children were just amazing, we were so proud!

Our little children are off to a great start in their preparation for their sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion and they have a very exciting and special year ahead!

We have taken Fr McCaughey's suggestion onboard for a reduction in homework to facilitate our Communion preparation and with this in mind we have adjusted our Term Two homework.

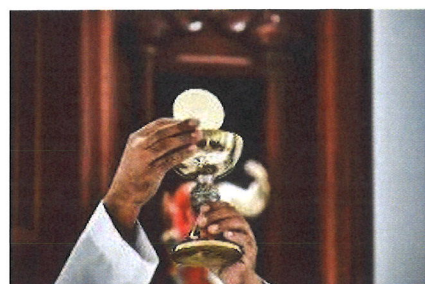
From St Patrick's Day (17th March 2024) until our First Holy Communion Day (9th May 2024) we are going to swap Monday night's written homework and replace it with the learning of mass responses and prayers in preparation for our big day.

We have attached a copy of some of the responses we will be learning this year in preparation for these sacraments.

We will provide child-friendly copies of these prayers in place of a written homework and direct the children to the prayer or response they will revise at home each week.

Many thanks for your support as always,

Year 4 Team 😊



Mass Responses

Introductory Rite

Priest: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

People: Amen

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit.

Penitential Rite

Confiteor

I confess to almighty God
and to you, my brothers and sister,
that I have greatly sinned
in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done,
and in what I have failed to do;
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin,
all the Angels and Saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God. Amen

Kyrie

Priest: Lord, have mercy

People: Lord, have mercy

Priest: Christ, have mercy

People: Christ, have mercy

Priest: Lord, have mercy

People: Lord, have mercy

Gloria

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 sin 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.

Liturgy of the Word

Priest: The word of the Lord
People: Thanks be to God

Gospel Response

Priest: The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit

Priest: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to _____.
People: Glory to you, O Lord

Priest: This is the Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten son of God,
born of the father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Christ said, "Do this in memory of me"; and so we come to receive in communion his Body and Blood.

Blessed be God for ever.

Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

**May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name, for our good, and the good of all his holy Church.**

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

Priest: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them up to the Lord

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

People: It is right and just

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again

or

When we eat this Bread and drink this cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

or

Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free

Priest: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

People: Amen

Communion Rite

Priest: At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

People: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Priest: Deliver us Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may always be free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

People: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Priest: The peace of the Lord be with you always

People: And with your spirit.

Agnus Dei

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:
Grant us peace.**

Priest: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

People: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Priest: The Body of Christ

People: Amen

Priest: Go forth, the Mass is ended.

People: Thanks be to God

Prayers for Year Four/Second Class

THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit,
AMEN

MORNING PRAYER

Father in heaven you love me
You're with me night and day
I want to love you always
In all I do and say
I'll try to please you, Father
Bless me through the day.
AMEN

NIGHT PRAYER

God Our Father, I come to say,
Thank you for your love today.
Thank you for my family,
And all the friends you give to me.
Guard me in the dark of night,
And in the morning send your light.
AMEN

GRACE BEFORE MEALS

Bless us, O God, as we sit together,
Bless the food we eat today
Bless the hands that made the food.
Bless us, O God
AMEN

GRACE AFTER MEALS

Thank you, God for the food we have eaten
Thank you, God, for all our friends
Thank you, God, for everything.
Thank you, God.
AMEN

HAIL MARY

Hail Mary, full of grace,
The Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among women,
And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
Pray for us sinners,
Now, and at the hour of our death,
AMEN

ANGEL OF GOD

Angel of God, my guardian dear,
To whom God's love commits me here.
Ever this day be at my side,
To light and guard, to rule and guide,
AMEN

OUR FATHER

Our Father, who art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done,
On earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day, our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive those who trespass
against us
And lead us not into temptation.
But deliver us from evil,
AMEN

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER

Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit
As it was in the beginning
Is now and ever shall be,
World without end,
AMEN

JOURNEY PRAYER

Arise with me in the morning.
Travel with me through each day.
Welcome me on my arrival.
God, be with me all the way.
AMEN

ACT OF SORROW

O, my God,
I thank you for loving me.
I am sorry for all my sins
For not loving others and for not loving you,
Help me to live like Jesus
And not sin again,
AMEN

PRAYERS TO MARY

Mary, mother of Jesus,
I want to live and love like you
I want to love the Father
I want to love like Jesus.

Mother of Jesus, blessed are you.
Mother of Jesus, my mother too.
Help me to live like Jesus
And help me to live like you.
AMEN

PRAYER TO JESUS

Christ be with me.
Christ be beside me.
Christ be before me.
Christ be behind me.
Christ be at my right hand.
Christ be at my left hand.
Christ be with me everywhere I go,
Christ be my friend for ever and ever,
AMEN

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Holy Spirit, I want to do what is right.
Help me.
Holy Spirit, I want to live like Jesus
Guide me.
Holy Spirit, I want to pray like Jesus
Teach me.

Spirit of God in the heavens.
Spirit of God in the seas.
Spirit of God in the mountain tops.
Spirit of God in me.
Spirit of God in the sunlight.
Spirit of God in the air.
Spirit of God all around me.
Spirit of God everywhere.
Holy Spirit, Spirit of God, help me.
AMEN

PRAYER TO THE TRINITY

Praise to the Father.
Praise to the Son.
Praise to the Spirit.
The Three in One
AMEN

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

O my God,
Help me to remember times
When I didn't live as Jesus asked me to.
Help me to be sorry and try again.
AMEN

PRAYER AFTER FORGIVENESS

O my God,
Thank you for forgiving me.
Help me to love others.
Help me to live as you asked me to.
Help me to be sorry and try again.
AMEN

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

Lord Jesus, come to me.
Lord Jesus, give me your love.
Lord Jesus, come to me and give me yourself.
Lord Jesus, friend of children, come to me
Lord Jesus, you are my Lord and my God.
Praise too you Lord Jesus Christ.
AMEN

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus, I love and adore you.
You're a special friend to me.
Welcome, Lord Jesus, O welcome
Thank you for coming to me.

Thank you, Lord Jesus, O thank you,
For giving yourself to me.
Make me strong to show your love
Wherever I may be.

Be near me Lord Jesus I ask you to stay,
Close by me forever and love me I pray
Bless all of us children in your loving care,
And bring us to heaven to live with you there.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

I'm ready now, Lord Jesus
To show how much I care.
I'm ready now to give your love
At home and everywhere.
AMEN