

RELIGIOUS LIFE OF THE SCHOOL

RE POLICY

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RE INSPECTION REPORT

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Worship is an integral part of St. Anne's school and is central to our Catholic tradition.

SCHOOL MASSES

Every Thursday all pupils from Year 1 to Year 6 attend Mass in St. Anne's Church. Each class takes responsibility for planning the Masses on a rota basis. Parents, carers and members of St. Anne's parish are always welcome to attend the school Masses. Please download the timetable for this term.

ASSEMBLIES

Monday – Faith assembly for the whole school led by J.Greene

Friday – Class or Awards assembly. Parents, carers and families are welcome to attend. Please download the timetable for this term.

CLASS WORSHIP

Each class takes part in their own Collective Worship every Tuesday. Pupils in Years 5 and 6 plan their own Collective Worship.

Also, there are four set points for prayer during the day ie. Morning, before and after lunch and at home time.

JUST YOUTH

Just Youth, a Catholic charity established to help young people become full members of society and develop their faith in God, has been working with the children from Nursery to Year 6 since October 2012.

A group of three or four people, usually led by Father David Pember, visit school each Tuesday and work with the teachers to deliver Religious Education lessons. Their sessions are always practical and the topics range from curriculum RE, celebrations in the liturgical year to current issues. They also lead class Masses and services depending on the age of the pupils and support the Year 3 pupils as they go through the Sacramental Programme. Members of the school GIFT team work with Just Youth in school on a rota basis. Once a year they run a three day mission in school on a specific theme. Pupils from Year 4 to Year 6 attend a Just Youth retreat at the Just Youth centre in Salford.

G.I.F.T. Chaplaincy team

The Growing In Faith Together (GIFT) team have been in existence at St. Anne's for a few years. Their role is to help spread the teachings and message of Jesus Christ in school. The group is made up of a couple of experienced Year 6 pupils with a larger group of Year 5 pupils. They were commissioned at a Mass in September and during the year they support teachers, pupils and the Just Youth team. They plan and deliver assemblies, take the lead at Masses and coordinate any charitable activities.

The current team is:

Y6 – Frank and Tilly

Y5 – Samara, Jazmeene, Shadae, Favour, Divine, Eunice, Chelsea, Morgan, Macey, Tamira, Shadae, Shanaya, Lacey, Marley.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME

This is an important time in a child's faith journey as they become full members of the Catholic Church. Attendance at the meetings and regular attendance at Mass on Sunday are important. The children work through units to prepare them for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. This preparation is done in school with the Catechists – some of it during the school day and some of it after school when parents are expected to attend as well to support their children. The 2017/18 programme is as follows:

Unit: We are the people of God

Preparation in school on Wednesday 1st November 2017 (3.15 – 4pm)

PRESENTATION MASS – SUNDAY 5TH NOVEMBER 2017 (12 NOON)

Unit: We are people who celebrate forgiveness

2018

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION – THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2017 (10AM)

Unit: We are people who follow Jesus

Preparation in school on Wednesday 7th March 2018 (3.15 – 4pm)

CELEBRATION MASS – SUNDAY 11TH MARCH 2018 (12 NOON)

Unit: We are the Body of Christ

Preparation in school on Wednesday 13th June 2018 (3.15 – 4pm)

SACRAMNET OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – THURSDAY 21ST JUNE 2018 (6PM)

THE 5 Ws

The 5Ws is a model of a Christian community initiated by the Diocese of Salford. It provides a framework for understanding, evaluating and celebrating the distinctive and authentic living tradition of Catholic Education. The 5Ws are rooted in the Early Church and they are:

WELCOME – To welcome one another as the Lord welcomes us.

As God's children we are all welcome in God's name. We celebrate diversity and welcome everyone within our community by promoting mutual respect and understanding.

WORD – RE is at the core of a curriculum for life.

The Word of God inspires all that we do. Our pupils engage with the 'Big Questions' of life and develop a love of scripture and how it can guide them in their daily lives.

WITNESS – All that happens in this school to show the face of Christ.

Through our words and actions and our relationships with others we live out our faith according to Gospel Values.

WORSHIP – The worship of God in celebration, prayer and action is at the heart of the school.

We have many and varied opportunities for worship. Using the Word of God we nurture and develop our pupils' spirituality.

WELFARE – To reach out near and far to our brothers and sisters.

We recognise the dignity of each person and by living out our mission statement we show care and compassion for people in our immediate and wider community.

OTHER

Each year pupils from Y3 to Y6 visit the Marist centre on retreat.

We welcome visitors such as representatives from CAFOD, Cornerstone

PARISH

St. Anne's RC Church

Carruthers Street,

Ancoats

Manchester

M4 7EQ

Tel: 0161 273 2813

St. Anne's Church is in the Parish of the Holy Spirit which also covers the churches of St. Brigid's, Bradford and St. Willibrord's, Clayton.

Our Parish Administrator is Father Alphonsus Anaele CSSp

St. Anne's Parish celebrates Mass each Sunday at 12 noon, 1.30pm (Messe en Francais) and 6.30pm.

[Link to Salford Diocesan website](#)

CURRICLUM

In a Catholic school Religious Education is not confined to the lessons specifically dedicated to RE. Instead the messages and values of the Gospel are evident in all aspects of school life. As a Catholic school community Religious Education is at the core of our curriculum to help to develop the pupils' understanding of the Gospels and their spirituality.

As part of the children's RE lessons they follow the 'Come and See' programme which is endorsed by Salford Diocese. It is a Catholic Primary Religious Education programme for pupils from Nursery to Year 6. It is based on the theological foundations of the Second Vatican Council, the Catholic Catechism and the revised RE Curriculum Directory and includes Catholic attainment levels.

The aim of the 'Come and See' programme is to explore the religious dimension of questions about life, dignity and purpose within the Catholic tradition. Links are made with the pupils' own experiences and with universal experiences. Each topic is taught using the same pattern of Explore, Reveal and Respond.

Throughout the year we also study other religions.

We also use Caritas in Action materials which support Catholic social teaching of the Church.

[Link to long term overview.](#)

