The Sacramental Programme

The Sacraments are an essential element in the life of the Church. Above all, the Sacraments of the Church are an encounter with Christ. The Sacraments give us the opportunity to allow the life of Christ to take root in us, leaving an indelible mark on our souls and strengthening us for the pilgrim journey.

As with all Catholic education, the Sacramental programme is established through a partnership of home, school and parish in order to fully prepare and support the children in their sacramental journey.

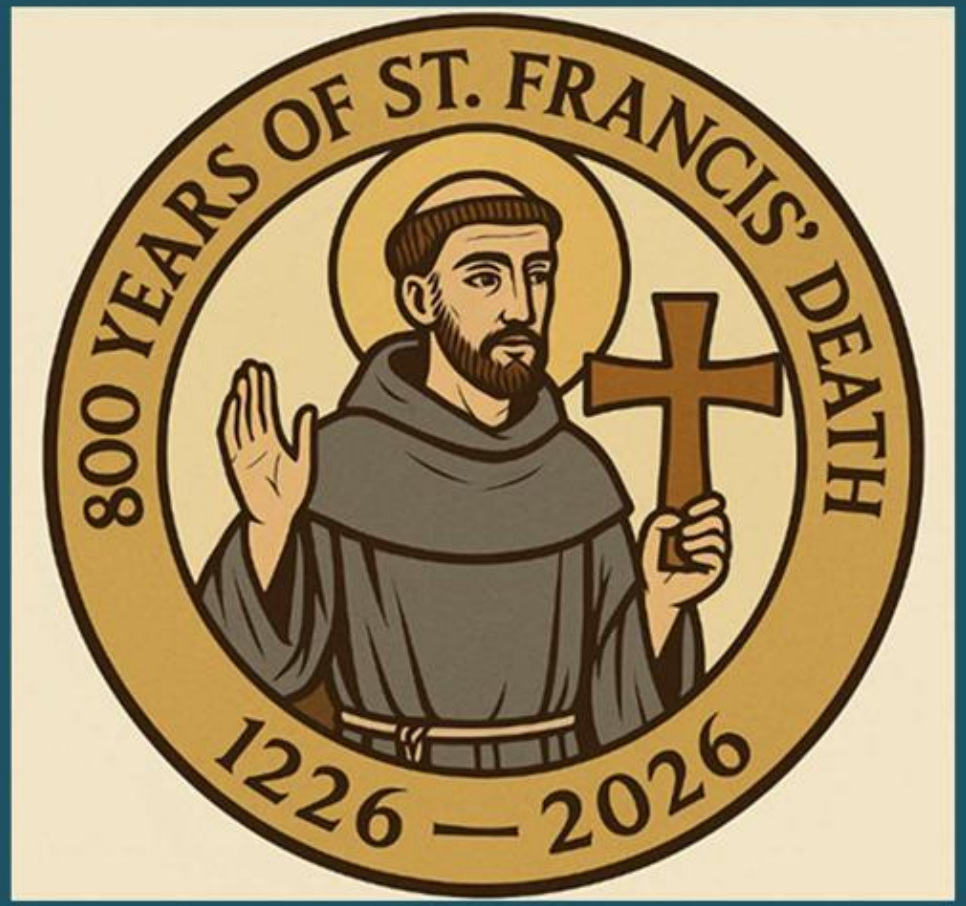


Year 3 Sacramental Meeting





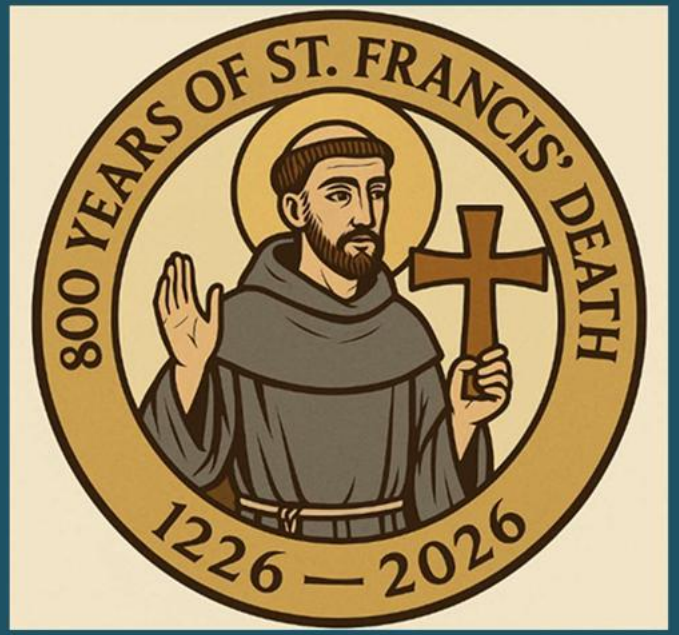
The Year of St. Francis



Prayer of St Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.
Where there is hatred, let me sow love.
Where there is doubt, faith.
Where there is injury, pardon.
Where there is despair, hope.
Where there is darkness, light
and where there is sadness, joy.
Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled, as to console;
To be understood, as to understand,
to be loved, as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned.
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Amen.



Catholic Social Teaching

- Dignity of the human person
- Family and Community
- Solidarity and The Common Good
- Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers
- Rights and Responsibilities
- Option for the Poor and Vulnerable
- Stewardship of God's creation

Diocesan Mission Statement

Forming Christ-centred pilgrims of hope with kind hearts, questioning minds, a thirst for knowledge and a hunger for justice.

Virtues



Year 3 Vocational Statement

God called me by my name to belong to His family.

The Sacramental Programme

The celebration of sacraments in Year 3 will include :

- The Sacrament of Reconciliation

- The Sacrament of Holy Communion



The Sacrament of Reconciliation

In the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the children will experience God's everlasting love and forgiveness.

They will understand that when we have done something wrong, we need to say sorry to God and ask for His forgiveness.

Reconciliation helps us to restore our peace and friendship with God and leads us back to following his path.



The Sacramental of Reconciliation

To support children in preparing for this sacrament, we want them to understand :

*The difference between right and wrong choices

*That accidents and mistakes are not sins.

*Sins are when we deliberately turn away from God.

*God is loving and merciful and will always forgive us if we ask.

*We must forgive others as God forgives us.

*Jesus granted us the Sacrament of Reconciliation through dying on the cross for us.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Preparation in School

Session 1 – God's mercy

Session 2 – Our choices

Session 3 – Telling the truth

Session 4 – God welcomes us home

Session 5 – What happens in the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Session 6 – A new beginning with Jesus

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

There are six key parts of the celebration of the Sacrament.

1)The Examination of Conscience – we think about what we have done wrong.

2)Contrition – we are sorry for what we have done wrong.

3)Confession – we share our sins with the priest.

4)Penance – we accept what we need to do to be forgiven.

5)Absolution – we are forgiven by God through his grace and mercy.

6)Act of penance – we pray or do something as asked by the priest to show we are sorry.

Sacramental Prayers and Stories

- The Our Father

- The Act of Contrition

- The Parable of the Lost Sheep (Lk15:1-7)
- Zacchaeus (LK19:1-10)
- The Pharisee and the Tax Collector (Lk18:9-14)
- The Parable of the Prodigal Son (Lk15-11-24)
- Commissioning of the Disciples (Jn20:19-23)
- Jesus and Peter (Jn21:15-19)



Sacrament of the Eucharist Preparation in School

Session 1 – Jesus Feeds Us

Session 2 – The Last Supper

Session 3 – Jesus is truly present

Session 4 – Preparing our Hearts

Session 5 – Receiving the Eucharist

Session 6 – Living as people of the Eucharist

Sacramental Stories and Prayers

- Feeding of the Five Thousand (Jn6:1-14)
- The Last Supper (Lk 22:14-20)
- Road to Emmaus (Lk24:13-35)
- The Our Father (Mt6:7-15)
- The Centurion's Servant (Mt8:5-8)
- The Judgement of the Nations (Mt25:35-40)

- Prayers of offering the gifts of bread and wine
- Eucharistic Prayer
- Holy Holy
- Lamb of God



Sacramental Preparation at Home

- Encourage your child to say sorry and ask for forgiveness when they have done something wrong.
- Praise and encourage your child when they show forgiveness to others.
- Pray the Act of Contrition at home together.
- Attend Mass and discuss what is happening.
- Talk about God's love and why God loves your child.
- Enjoy sharing Bible stories together.



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Key Dates

Sacrament of Reconciliation

- Enrolment Mass – Sunday 18th October at 9am (shirt & tie)
- Reconciliation Workshop – Friday 20th November 9.15am-10.30am (one family member)
- Sacrament of Reconciliation – Thursday 3rd December 5:30pm at Church (family)

Sacrament of the Eucharist

- First Holy Communion Workshop – Friday 30th April 9.15am (one family member)
- First Holy Communion – Saturday 8th May 9.30am
- First Holy Communion Celebration/Party – Friday 28th May (non-uniform)
- Going Forth Mass & Corpus Christi Procession – Sunday 13th June 11am (First Holy Communion outfits)

Parish parental meeting - 26th November 7.30pm
Spring term parish parental meeting - date TBC

Fr Dominic



