

Sacraments – an Encounter with God

- EYFS



- God is all around us and comes to us in a special way when we pray.
- God is present at every stage of our life.
- The Church has special ways of celebrating that God is with us.

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• Year One



- Jesus brings us forgiveness and healing to those who are in need
- Children learn about the importance of forgiveness.
- Children learn that we all make mistakes but we can make things better.
- Healing is an important ministry in the Church and cares for the sick.

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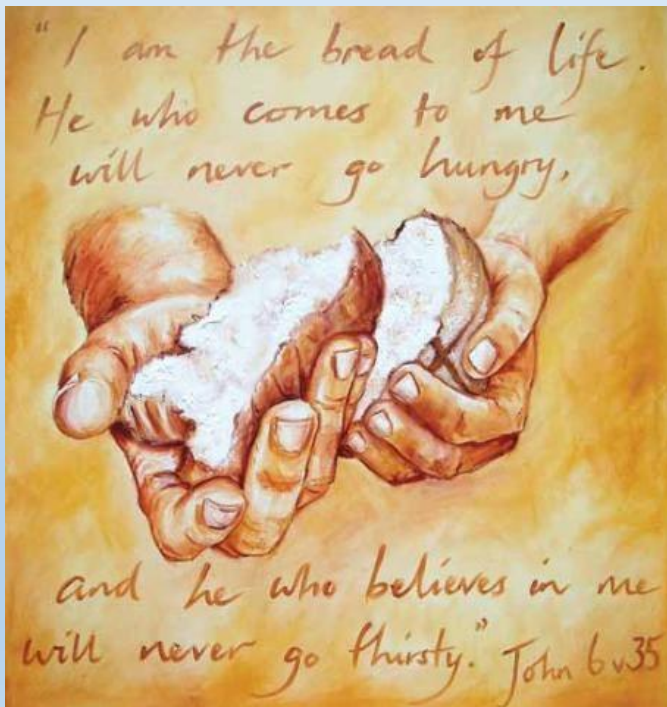
• Year Two



- Children are introduced to the Sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony.
- Children learn about signs and symbols used in the Sacraments.
- Children learn that in the celebration of the Eucharist (Mass) the Church is doing what Jesus did at the Last Supper.
- Children are helped to think about how we are welcomed by the Church.

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• Year Three



- Children are introduced to the Sacrament of the Eucharist and learn about the four different parts of the Mass.
- They will explore what it means to share in Christ's meal.
- Children will learn that we are dismissed from Mass to go and share the good news.
- Children will have the opportunity to explore the Feeding of the Five Thousand and see the connection between this Gospel and what happens we celebrate the Eucharist.

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•Year Four



“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” At once they left their nets and followed him.

- Children will be exploring the nature of vocation and how all of us have a mission.
- There is the opportunity to look at how people in the Old Testament were called to follow God and live in a particular way.
- They will focus on two Sacraments of Matrimony and Holy Orders and learn about how these build up the Church.
- They will be able to explore why people might choose to be a priest or a religious sister.

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• Year Five



- Children will build on what they explored in year 4 and consider the role of commitment in relation to Marriage and Holy Orders.
- Children will look at the symbolism of these two Sacraments.
- They will explore some of the challenges facing people who make life long commitments.

Sacrament – an encounter with God

•Year Six



- Children will explore their own role in the Church.
- They will begin to understand how the Sacraments are there to support Christians to live out their mission.
- Children will explore the Rites of Baptism and Confirmation and begin to think about how these Sacraments can inspire the people who receive them.