

St Anne's Catholic Primary School Prayers for Children



The New Prayer and Liturgy Directory, 'To love you more dearly', lists traditional prayers that are introduced to children at different ages. Early Years, Year 1, 2, 5 and Year 6 follow the new Religious Education Directory 'To know You more clearly' whilst Years 3 and Year 4 continue to follow, 'Come and See' until the Diocese move us forward.

The grid shows the expectations for each age group. Prayers the children have already learnt in reception and KS1 will be continued throughout KS2.

In addition to traditional prayers, we encourage children to write their own prayers and offer spontaneous prayers.

	Reception	Year 1 and Year 2	Year 3 and Year 4	Year 5 and Year 6
Traditional prayers	Sign of the Cross Morning prayer Home time prayer Grace before meals Grace after meals	The sign of the Cross The Lord's Prayer Hail Mary Glory Be Grace before meals Grace after meals	The Apostles' Creed An Act of Contrition Angel of God Come, Holy Spirit The Prayer of St Richard of Chichester	<i>(All of the traditional prayers from the previous year groups)</i> Morning Offering The Rosary The Magnificat Act of Faith Act of Hope Act of Love
Prayers and responses during Mass	Simple responses during liturgies and Masses	Simple responses during liturgies and Masses 'And with your spirit' 'Lord Have Mercy' 'Thanks be to God' Greeting the Gospel: acclamation Prayers of Intercession	Penitential Rite Offertory Prayers Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with children Holy, Holy, Holy Lamb of God Rite of Dismissal Gestures relating to Mass: sign of the cross before the Gospel, sign of peace, genuflecting	Penitential Rite Offertory Prayers Eucharistic Prayers for Masses with children Holy, Holy, Holy Lamb of God Rite of Dismissal Gestures relating to Mass: sign of the cross before the Gospel, sign of peace, genuflecting

Prayer Experiences	Blessing the Advent wreath Lighting the Advent candles Simple litanies of thanks and praise Spontaneous prayer Singing hymns and listening to quiet, reflective music	Prayers used at Baptism Review of the day Prayer of the heart: stillness to listen to God of the heart 'Be still and know that I am God' Spontaneous prayer	The Mysteries of the Rosary The Stations of the Cross Litany of Saints Prayers used for sacramental rites Saints' prayers covered through curriculum Simple phrases from the psalms Blessing and giving of the ashes Simple examination of conscience Reflection and meditation on scripture Spontaneous prayer Prayers using the body: hands, prayer sculpture, dance	The Mysteries of the Rosary The Stations of the Cross Litany of Saints Prayers used for sacramental rites Saints' prayers for example: St John Henry Newman, St Francis of Assisi Simple phrases from the psalms Blessing and giving of the ashes Examination of conscience Spontaneous prayer Prayers using the body: hands, prayer sculpture, dance
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