



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Prayers for Children

'With Love we Grow'

	Reception	Years 1 and 2	Years 3 and 4	Years 5 and 6
Traditional Prayers	Sign of the Cross* Morning prayer* Home time prayer* Grace before meals* Grace after meals*	Reception traditional prayers plus: Our Father* Hail Mary*	All of Reception and KS1 plus: Act of contrition/sorrow* Glory be* Eternal rest*	All of Reception and KS1 plus: Act of contrition/sorrow* Glory be* Eternal rest*
Prayers and responses during Mass	Simple responses during liturgies and Masses	As Reception plus: Simple responses during liturgies and Masses - 'and with your spirit' Lord have mercy' 'Thanks be to God' greeting the gospel acclamation, bidding prayer responses, genuflecting	As Reception and KS1 plus: I confess/penitential rite; offertory prayers; Eucharistic prayers for Masses with children; Holy Holy; Lamb of God; Rite of dismissal; Gestures relating to Mass - greeting the gospel; sign of peace; genuflecting;	As Reception, KS1 and LKS2 plus: I confess/penitential rite; offertory prayers; Eucharistic prayers for Masses with children; Holy Holy; Lamb of God; Rite of dismissal; Gestures relating to Mass - greeting the gospel; sign of peace; genuflecting;
Prayer experiences	Blessing and lighting the Advent wreath Litanies of thanks and praise Spontaneous prayer in response to events Singing hymns Listening to reflective music and religious songs Prayer and worship outside and inside	As Reception plus: Review of the day, prayers of the heart and stillness to listen to God of the heart, spontaneous prayers, Prayers using signing; prayers using actions and dance	As Reception and KS1 plus: The Mysteries of the Rosary The Stations of the Cross Blessing and receiving of Ashes Examination of Conscience Saints' Prayers - St Francis; St Teresa Reflection and meditation on scripture	As Reception, KS1 and LKS2 plus: The Mysteries of the Rosary The Stations of the Cross Blessing and receiving of Ashes Examination of Conscience Saints' Prayers - St Francis; St Teresa Reflection and meditation on scripture; simple phrases from psalms

Our RE programme - *Come and See* - lists traditional prayers that are introduced to the children at different ages and stages. We expect that children will be able to say some of these from memory, as indicated by the *. The grid shows the expectations for each age group. Prayers that 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 to offer spontaneous prayers in response to an event, a personal situation or in thanksgiving.



Sign of the cross

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

Amen

Morning Prayer

Oh my God

I give to you

All that I think and say and do,

All my happy work and play

I will give to you today

Amen



Evening Prayer

At the end of the day

Hear us Lord we pray

Thank you, God, for our work and play

I have tried to be good

For I know that I should

That's my prayer at the end of the day

Amen

Grace Before Meals

Bless us oh God as we sit together

Bless the food we eat today

Bless the hands that made the food

Bless us oh God

Amen



Grace After Meals

Thank you, God, for the world so sweet

Thank you, God, for the food we eat

Thank you, God, for the birds that sing

Thank you, God, for everything

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



Hail Mary

Hail, Mary, full of grace
the Lord is with thee
Blessed art thou amongst 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.



Act of Contrition

Oh my God because you are so good
I am very sorry that I have sinned against you
and by the help of your grace
I will not sin again
Amen

Glory Be

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



Eternal Rest

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord
and let perpetual light shine upon them
May they rest in peace
Amen.

