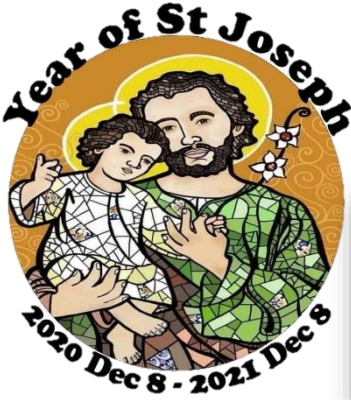


RE Holiday Homework

The Year of St Joseph



For younger children, you may need to share the adult input – use this as a chance to talk about the content.

Children should choose one or more of the tasks, appropriate to their age and interest.

FS/KS1

Who do you love?

Joseph loved his family very much and showed this by working hard and looking after them.

Who do you love? How do you show that you love them?

Draw a love heart and write/draw all of the people who you love (maybe start with your family) and, if you can, write how you show your love for them.

KS2

St Joseph – Inspire Us

Research St Joseph online. Write about his life and also how he can inspire us in our lives today.

ADULT INPUT: Pope Francis declared the period between 8th December 2020 and 8th December to be the Year of St Joseph. It has been a time to remember and learn more about Jesus' 'foster dad'.

Joseph knew the wonder and the struggles of family life. He was a working man who worked hard as a carpenter, to support his family. He was a faithful husband and guardian to Mary, Jesus' mother and a fatherly example (foster father) to Jesus, teaching God's laws and the scriptures: helping his family to know and love God.

FS/KS1/KS2

St Joseph Artwork

Have a look at the paintings of St Joseph on the back of this sheet. What do you notice? They show Joseph as a carpenter, hard worker, parent.

Make your own piece of art showing one of the characteristics of St Joseph. It doesn't have to be a painting. You could use coloured crayons, felt tips, paint, a pencil. Or why not try making it a 3D sculpture?

FS/KS1/KS2

Write a Prayer

When we mention saints in prayers, we do not pray **to** them (in the same way we pray to God) but ask them to pray **with** us and **for** us.

Bring your RE Holiday Homework in to school during the first week back after the holidays. Have fun!

For example, we know that Joseph was a hard working man – what does that inspire us to do in our lives?

Write a prayer asking St Joseph to pray for us in our school. You could write this prayer as simple sentences or even a poem.

