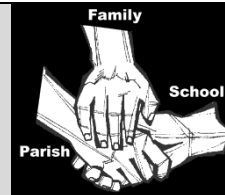


# People of Prayer

## Linking School, Parish and Home



### Religious Education

#### Key Idea: People of Prayer

This unit is intended as the first for the Spring Term in the academic year 2019/2020. Prayer is integral to the life of both Christians and people of other faiths. This framework includes celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany before moving to teach the Beatitudes and the Lord's Prayer.

#### Unit Content

This framework explores the **Epiphany of the Lord** (the visit of the wise men, Mt 2:1-12) and the Escape to Egypt before moving to teaching about the Beatitudes and the Lord's Prayer. Scripture passages are all taken from the Gospel of Matthew.

#### Attitudes and Spiritual Dispositions

*It is hoped that pupils will develop:*

- A willingness to pray
- An openness to people of other faith traditions
- An appreciation of the role of prayer in deepening a relationship with God
- A sense of wonder about different styles of prayer

#### Activities to try at home

You are the first educator of your child in faith. Your child's learning in religious education will be much higher if you and the school are engaged in talking about the same ideas and beliefs. Help your child by trying one or more of these activities while this unit is being taught:

- The Feast of the Epiphany occurs during your child's Christmas holidays. Talk about people in your family and friendship groups who 'look for God' today.
- Ask your children about what they have learned about the Beatitudes and Lord's Prayer. If you know someone overseas who says the Lord's Prayer as part of their prayer life email them and ask them why it is an important prayer for them.

#### An idea for prayer at home



##### Prayer Activity

Pray the Lord's Prayer with your family. Print a copy of the prayer and put it on your fridge.  
<http://www.family-prayer.org/images/the-lords-prayer.jpg>

Alternatively, use the Diocesan publication *Teach us to Pray*, see <http://rcdow.org.uk/faith/small-groups/resources/teach-us-to-pray/>

in particular the prayer for young children, page 11 forward.