

Shared Worship in St Anthony's EYFS

Each day the children take part in a shared worship session. This can be in the hall as part of an assembly, in the chapel or in their classroom.

Format:

The children often sit in a circle during shared worship. They will listen to scripture from the Bible and reflect on what the message of the scripture is and how it can relate to our lives. Music plays a big part in our worship. A hymn booklet is sent home in September with all the songs we will learn and incorporate into our worship. The teachers use TenTen scheme of prayer and also the Mark 10 mission scheme to guide these sessions

Child participation:

During Shared worship the children are encouraged to take a leading role. In Nursery and Reception the children set up our shared worship space by laying a cloth, setting out candles and choosing which object(s) they would like to place in the centre of our circle. The children decide how we would like to open our prayer - often with a song, or the sign of peace or some meditation. Often the children are able to participate with their own prayers to God by passing about a special object like a cross.

Prayers:

Morning Prayer	Nursery's end of day prayer	Reception's end of day prayer	Reception Lunch Time prayer	Hail Mary (Reception summer term)	Our Father (Reception summer term)
Dear Jesus, Today is a new day and I am one day older. I can do lots for you today! Help me to be kind and helpful. Help me to wait my turn and tidy up my things. Help me to have fun and enjoy your wonderful world! Amen	God our father, I give you today, all that I think, do and say. Amen.	God Our Father, I come to say, thank you for your love today, thank you for my family, and all the friends you give to me. Guard me in the dark of night and in the morning send your light. Amen.	Thank you for the world so sweet. Thank you for the food we eat. Thank you for the birds that sing. Thank you, God, for everything. Amen.	Hail Mary, Full of Grace, The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among 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 death. Glory Be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.	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.