RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
TOPIC OUTLINE
GRADE SIX
TERM 1, 2015

UNITS:

• **Prayer** - I need to know that God is always with me. Jesus is with me when I pray. I need time to pray every day.

• **Ash Wednesday / Lent** - Lent is a time to prepare for Easter through Praying, Fasting and Almsgiving.

• **St. Patrick** - St. Patrick's Cathedral is our special church in Melbourne where God's people gather. It is named after St. Patrick because of the work he did for God.

• **St. Joseph** - Joseph loved Mary and was faithful to her. Joseph loved God and was faithful to Him. Joseph was full of trust in God and others he loved.

• **Holy Week** - Jesus showed His commitment to do what His Father asked, from Palm Sunday until Good Friday. Others also had the chance to show their commitment.

ASSESSMENT: Lent

Main idea: Lent is a time to prepare for Easter through Praying, Fasting and Almsgiving.

During this unit the children will:

• Explore the traditions of Ash Wednesday and its symbolism.

• Begin to understand and view Lent as a time to prepare for Easter through Praying, Fasting and Almsgiving.

• Understand this time as a reflection of how they live and act.

Things your child will learn:

• A cross is placed on our forehead on Ash Wednesday as a reminder for us to turn back to God and make positive changes in our lives.

• Lent is a time when we are called to reflect on how we live and act.

• Prayer, fasting and almsgiving help us to become more like Jesus and move towards Him during Lent.

Things your child will do to show what they have learnt:

• Read and interpret scripture references relating to Lenten practices and make connections to their lives.

• Identify a commitment/s to undertake during the Lenten period.

• Reflect upon their personal Lenten commitment and the priority God has in their lives.