Religious Education
~Topic Outline~
Grade Prep
Term 3, 2016

UNITS:

• The Mass/ Our Church: Celebration- Together at Mass we celebrate with Jesus- who is our Good Shepherd.
• Mary MacKillop: A friend of Jesus- Mary MacKillop was a special friend of Jesus.
• Our Lady- Mary Jesus’ Mother: Mother- Mary is Jesus’ Mother- Mary is our mother.
• Jesus and Jesus’ Family: Early Days- Jesus was born in Bethlehem. He grew up in Nazareth.

Assessment: The Mass/ Our Church

Main Idea: Celebration: Together at Mass we celebrate with Jesus- who is our Good Shepherd.

During this unit the children will:
• Be encouraged to wonder about the ways Jesus is present at Mass.
• Learn about the Mass and how to participate with the community in Mass.
• Become familiar with the Church building as a place where God’s family gather to pray.

Things your child will learn:
• The Mass is a celebration.
• The Mass is about Jesus our hero.
• The Mass is celebrated at Church.
• We need to go to Mass on Saturday night or Sunday at Sacred Heart or Emmaus Church.
• We go to Mass because Jesus said, “Do this in memory of Me”.
• We make the Sign of the Cross with holy water.
• We talk to Jesus at Mass.
• We begin our celebration when Father O’Reilly says ‘The Lord be with you’ and we respond ‘And with your spirit.’
• After a prayer we say Amen.
• The first reading is when we listen to the word of God.
• The Gospel is when Father O’Reilly reads a story about God.
• When Father O’Reilly talks to us we listen.
• Father O’Reilly blesses the bread and the wine.
• At Communion we receive a blessing to help us be like Jesus.
• We receive a final blessing to go and live like Jesus everyday in everyday.
• We show respect by waiting for Father O’Reilly to leave before us.

Things your child will do to show what they have learnt:
• Identify how they participate at Mass.
• Begin to respond with ‘The Lord be with you and with your spirit’ and ‘Amen’ during the Mass.
• Make connections between their own personal experiences of Mass.
• Identify the two churches of our Parish Sacred Heart- Emmaus.