

Liturgy Policy

STATEMENT OF NEED:

The Catholic Faith Tradition regards as basic the relationship of love and respect between God and humanity. From this relationship flows the love and respect that human persons have to show for one another and for the whole of God's creation. It is this relationship that is nurtured and celebrated in prayer and worship. Thus, prayer and celebration is intimately linked to the daily lives of individuals as they strive to make this relationship a reality in their own living and in their efforts to create a Christian community.

Therefore we need to establish a school environment where prayer and celebration are valued.

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPLES AND VALUES:

The whole school community as part of the Catholic Church is responsible for promoting and encouraging liturgical experiences that develop a sense of our celebration of faith.

"For where two or three come together in my name, I am there with them".

Mt 18:20

We strive to educate our students within a community centred on the gospel of Jesus. Our faith is nurtured and expressed through our curriculum, prayer and liturgy, and our relationships.

STATEMENT OF DIRECTION:

The principles of prayer and celebration will be promoted and implemented.

STATEMENT OF EXPECTED OUTCOMES:

All members of the school community: parents, students, teachers will be responsible for continually seeking ways of promoting and providing opportunities for prayer and celebration.

ALL STAFF WILL:

- be responsible for providing opportunities for students to experience prayer and liturgy
- be responsible for modelling prayerful behaviour
- be responsible for becoming conversant with the principles of liturgy
- be responsible for educating students in appropriate behaviour for the traditional practices of liturgy

STUDENTS WILL:

- be responsible for participating respectfully in liturgy

PARENTS WILL:

- be responsible for supporting the policy and actions to promote prayer and liturgy within the school