## P3.6 – Care in action

# CfE Experiences and Outcomes & TIOF Core Learning

#### RERC 1-24a – Reign of God

I have considered ways in which the Catholic Christian community works together to show care for the world and for the needs of all people. I have reflected on the implications of this for my life and that of others.

## Success Criteria from Core Learning

- I know that my school is a Catholic school which, with God's help works together with my family, my parish and the whole church to show care for the world and for the needs of all people.
- I have responded to opportunities to participate in practical action that demonstrates care of my school environment and all of those within it.
- I can identify practical ways to show how I can also care for the wider community, particularly during Lent and advent.

#### **Key Vocabulary**

Catholic school, Church, needs of all people.

### Teaching and Learning

Link to learning in previous sessions, about being Catholic and called as Saints through caring for the needs of others.

Discuss who needs care – in our families and homes, in our school, our parish, the local community and wider community. It may be helpful to make a list or flashcards which could be used for future activities. For each suggestion, prompt children to think about how they could help to care for these people.

Establish if children are familiar with the concept of charities. Spend some time discussing charities they may have heard of and what charities do. Explain that people who are volunteers with charities help by doing work without being paid. Volunteering is a good way of caring for others. Do they know anyone who volunteers? If possible invite some volunteers from local organisations in to talk about their work. (You may also wish to use video clip AR3-6a on volunteering from resource pack).

Remind children that as Catholics we are called to live saintly lives lead by the Holy Spirit by being selfless, generous, a good role model, loving and serving God. However, during Lent and Advent we are asked to make an extra special effort to support others. During this special time we can say yes to God by:

- giving up our time to do something extra to help others being a volunteer for something we don't usually do
- giving up something we enjoy buying, eating or drinking and giving the money we would spend to charity

From the discussions and information collated decide as a class, groups or individuals on something specific they could make the effort to do either as a mini-challenge for that particular week or as a longer term project over Lent or Advent to show care for others.

#### Prayer and Reflection

Focus on Simon of Cyrene and Veronica as good examples of people who, by helping Jesus, helped someone who needed them, perhaps comparing different pictures of them in the Stations of the Cross which they pray during Lent, and praying the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Stations of the Cross.

Missionary Children's World Day of Prayer, Stations of the Cross, Pray a Little Give a Little prayer services at <a href="http://missionmattersscotland.org/index.php?id=11">http://missionmattersscotland.org/index.php?id=11</a> (formerly Missio Scotland). These could bring in other pieces of core learning eg.

- RERC 1-14a I have participated in different approaches to, and experiences of, prayer.

- RERC 1-17a I have been given opportunities to celebrate liturgy as part of my class, my school and my parish

#### Resources

AR3-6a - Video clips on volunteering

#### Research Challenge

Speak to friends and family members who are involved in volunteering and find out what they do to help others.

Find out more information about a charity and how it helps others.