

Lenten Appeal 2020

Light Your Lenten Path

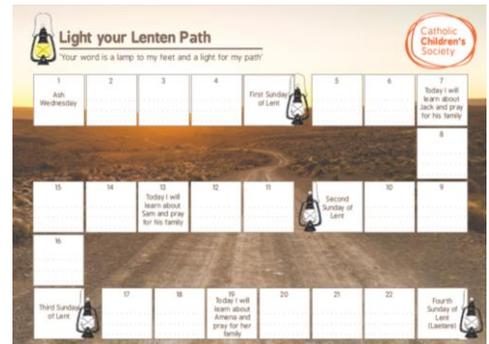
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The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has dedicated 2020 as a year of focus on the Bible and 'The God Who Speaks'. To help schools promote this initiative, the Catholic Children's Society has devised a special 2020 Lenten Appeal 'Light Your Lenten Path.' Following the three themes of **celebrating**, **living** and **sharing**, the free resources encourage pupils to explore Bible passages and reflect on how God's Word can guide their day-to-day lives.

Resources

Light Your Lenten Path activity sheet

Each pupil will be given a Light Your Lenten Path activity sheet. The white boxes form a 40 day Lent Calendar in the shape of a path. Every day during Lent pupils will complete a box, reflecting on one thing they have done that day to prepare for Easter and grow closer to God. The activity sheet is also available to [download here](#).



Online Resources

<http://www.cathchild.org.uk/resources/>

- **St Jerome Scripture and Painting Activity**

For the Year of the Word, Cardinal Vincent Nichols has reflected on Massacio's painting 'Saints Jerome and John the Baptist'. This interactive activity encourages pupils to look at intriguing features of the painting and consider their meaning. Available to [download here](#)

- **Light your Lenten Path: Celebrating; Living and Sharing**

These three activities include [lesson plans](#), a [PowerPoint](#) and [worksheets](#). Pupils explore passages in Matthew's Gospel and consider how they can follow Jesus's teachings and share their learning with others.



Weekly stories

Six of the boxes on the Lenten path are already filled in. We would love pupils to learn more about the children they have helped through supporting the Catholic Children's Society. Six stories focusing on different children are available to [download here](#)

The stories also include reflections and prayers. We hope that this will remind pupils of the wonderful difference they are making with their Lenten boxes.



Fundraising

Collecting boxes

Collecting boxes will be sent to all participating schools. We would really appreciate it if you could encourage pupils to gather as much support as possible, whether that be from home, in school or within their community

CCS Day

On **Friday 3rd April** we are asking schools to join together for CCS Day. Catholic schools across the South East will be holding a non-school uniform day or organising other fundraising events to show their support for CCS. Special online reflections and prayers will also be available online. We would be so grateful if you could get involved and help us to support even more disadvantaged children and families. A poster is available to download from our website.

If you have any questions or require any additional resources please email **kimberleyt@cathchild.org.uk** or call our main office 0208 969 5305.
Thankyou so much for supporting us this Lent!