Religious Education

Year: 4      Teacher: Mrs Smith Week Beginning: 01.03.2021

**Statement to live by**

**I try to appreciate the beauty and wonder in the world around me.**

As you go to and from school and other places this week, have a look around and think about all the amazing things you can see everyday - the trees, the flowers, animals, people. How different would our world be without them?

This week, we look at the Gathering Rite. When you go to the cinema, what happens first so you know the film is about to start? Watch the video explain the gathering <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l7fix1hIJB0>

Read the information below and **discuss** the questions.

Questions to **discuss**:

* Why do you think it is necessary to have an introduction at the beginning of the Eucharist?
* What is carried in procession at the start of the Eucharist and why do you think these symbols are used?
* Why does the priest kiss the altar?
* Who does the priest represent?
* What does the Sign of the Cross signify at the start of the Eucharist?

Your task is to imagine you are writing an explanation for other children about the Gathering and Introductory Rite. Make sure you tell them all about the symbols and reasons behind them.

