

What is Catholic Social Teaching?

"Love your neighbour as yourself" (Mark 12:31)

Catholic Social Teaching (CST) is rooted in Scripture, formed by the wisdom of Church leaders. It is our moral compass, guiding us on how to live out our faith in the world.

Jesus' instruction to *"love your neighbour as yourself"* (Mark 12:31) is at the heart of how Catholics believe they should participate in their community and the wider world.

Catholic Social Teaching at Sacred Heart

At Sacred Heart, we teach our children about the principles of Catholic Social Teaching (CST). As Catholics, we believe that it is our role to help others in need and care for the world we have been given.

Each year group, from Nursery to Year 6, has been designated a value of Catholic Social Teaching which is embedded in their teaching and learning throughout the year.

Nursery: **Peace**

Reception: **Care for Creation**

Year 1: **Option for the Poor**

Year 2: **Solidarity**

Year 3: **Dignity in work**

Year 4: **Community and Participation**

Year 5: **Justice**

Year 6: **Human Dignity**

As pupils move through the school, they focus on each of the different values in more depth. These values are also shared during collective worships and these ideas are extended through reflection and action in class, in the playground and all around the school. We encourage the children to live out their faith, working with Catholic organisations such as CAFOD and The Passage, whilst also supporting charities within the local community.