



**St Mary Help of Christians
Catholic Church
Old Coulsdon**

The Catholic Education of Children

Parents are reminded of their duty to promote the Catholic Education of their children. This does not end with sending them to a Catholic School but involves leading their children by instruction and example towards Christian maturity. Where there is no suitable Catholic School, parents should seek help from the Clergy and Catechists of the Parish. We are fortunate at St Mary's in having St Aidan's and St Francis' Schools, and 2 Catechism classes, and the children's liturgy at the 10:45 Mass in term time.

CATECHISM CLASSES

For children not at Catholic School from September 2005 They meet in the Church – Years 1 - 2 Led by Gill Gillespie on Tuesdays 3:30 – 4:15; currently suspended as no children have applied. Years 3 - 6 Led by Gill Gillespie on Tuesdays 3:30 – 4:15

CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

Protecting children and vulnerable adults from any kind of abuse is paramount. In our parish we are learning and striving to achieve this. Parish Coordinators Peter Martin.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

At 10:45 Mass, (except School Holidays and 4th Sundays) two groups of children aged 3 – 5 and 5 – 8 are led in understanding God's Word. We are always looking for more leaders/helpers. Co-ordinator: Julie Moore. Current rota can be seen on noticeboard in porch.

YOUTH CLUB

Meets every 2nd Sunday of the month in our Hall; there are 2 groups: Years 3 – 6 and Secondary; See Newsletter for times. Helpers for either group are very welcome and new members too! Coordinators: Jill Gillespie