## WELCOME BACK MASS

On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September the children celebrated Mass to start the new Academic year. Staff made commitment promises during the Mass and Fr Des related the Gospel of the Calming of the Storm to "Keep calm and love St Joe's!"



After Mass, the children said:

"There were different people reading – the new Year 6's"

"I liked it at the start when we had a moment of reflection and after communion."

"It was reflective when people were singing the songs."

"He (Fr Des) spoke about how we can keep calm and love St Joe's."

"Fr Des read the Gospel and told us to go in peace so we can help others."

## Parents and Parishioners also commented:

"I enjoyed Mass as always – singing was brilliant."

"Enjoyable as always and great community feeling."

"Very peaceful. Thank you!"

"A very cheerful and lively Mass! Thank you."

"A beautiful joyful Mass. I especially loved the new hymn at Communion."

"Beautiful Mass this morning, lovely way to start the new school year."

"Today's Mass was joyful and uplifting!"

"Beautiful first Mass of the year. Lovely commitment promises and great singing."