

# WE NEED A NEW BISHOP

AND YOU CAN HELP!

YOUR NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

AGE: \_\_\_\_\_

## WHAT DOES A BISHOP DO?

Watch the video clips to discover who a bishop might be and what they might do.



What did you notice about what the bishop said?

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What do you think is important to them?

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What is important to you in what they said?

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You could pray about these things if it would help you.

### PECTORAL CROSS

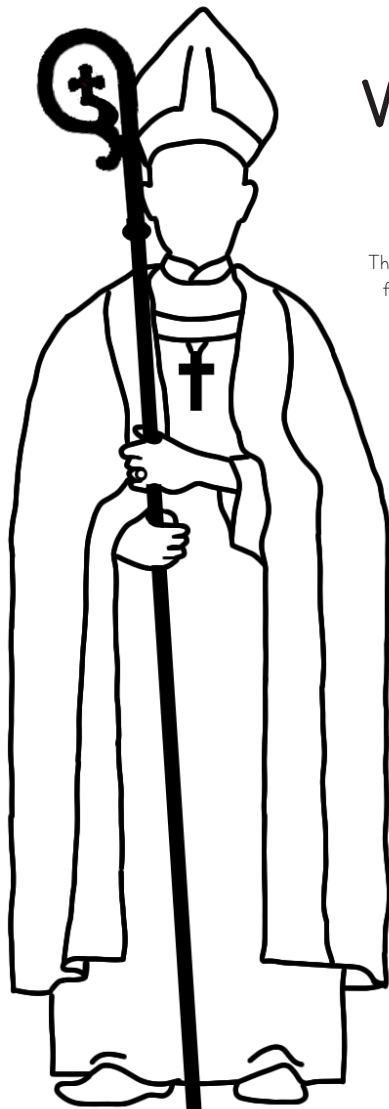
To remind the Bishop of Jesus every day.

### EPISCOPAL RING

With a purple stone. The Bishop has promised themselves to the church and their "flock".

### CROZIER

Symbol of the Good Shepherd.



## WHAT DOES A BISHOP WEAR?

### MITRE

The shape represents the fire of the Holy Spirit.

### COPE

a warm coat for special occasions

### SHIRT

Purple to show a Bishop's authority

A bishop wears special clothes and other items sometimes, especially when leading a church service. Look at this image of a bishop. Read the list of items and what they represent for them.

- ① Can you label the bishop picture with the special bishop clothes and items?
- ② What do you think these items tell you about being a bishop?

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# WE WOULD LOVE YOU TO HAVE A THINK ABOUT SOME OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

A bishop has an important job to do in the church and the community. They care for the people in the area where they are bishop...and that includes you, your family, your school and church.

Choosing a new bishop is an important decision and we would love to know what you think. Take some time to **talk about these questions** with your family or in your school and think about what you want to say.

(You can write or draw your answers).

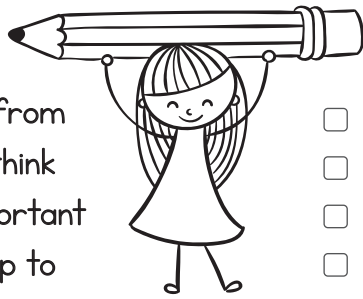
If you are part of a church or have a church in your community, who would you want the bishop to meet in your church?



If you could show the new bishop some of the difficult things where you live, where would you take them?

Bishops care very much about lots of people and places in our country and the world. What one thing would like the new bishop to really care about?





Tick the 5 things from the list that you think are the most important for the new bishop to be able to do?

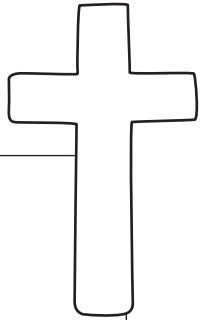
- pray
- speak well
- care for people
- listen to people
- make decisions
- tell others what to do
- help poor and weak people
- tell people about Jesus
- be an organiser
- know the bible
- sing
- tell stories
- tell jokes
- be still
- have fun

And the top 3 things they should be.

Here are some ideas: Kind, wise, funny, prayerful, clever, humble, strong, creative, positive, organised, powerful, helpful.

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- ② \_\_\_\_\_
- ③ \_\_\_\_\_

How could the new bishop help you to know more about Jesus?



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What are some of the ways the new bishop could communicate with children?



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Is there anything else you would like to say or ask someone who is thinking about becoming a bishop?



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There are lots of people involved in choosing a new bishop, including vicars and members of churches. Your ideas will be included in the discussions about the new bishop. And we would encourage you to pray for this important decision as you discuss your answers. Thank you for your ideas.