

'To know You more clearly'

KS1 – Year 1

The overarching theme is revelation; how do people know about God? Pupils would not be expected to know the term revelation, but they will explore the different ways in which revelation is experienced, beginning with revelation through Creation, then moving on to revelation in the incarnation of Jesus. Again, though pupils may not use the term incarnation, teachers can make connections between the different branches to ensure that pupils make the link that Jesus is another way people meet God. Pupils will then understand a simple account of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection before encountering the language and imagery of the revelation of God in the Holy Spirit. (RED p78)

Autumn Term

Branch 1: Creation and Covenant

Hear

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will have studied the following key texts:

• The Creation story in Genesis 1:1-4, 24-26 as an ancient, prayerful, poetic reflection on God's world.

• The opening of the Nicene Creed 'I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible'.

• An introduction to the ideas presented in Laudato Si' 13.

Believe

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches:

- That all that is comes from God.
- God is our Father.
- God's love and care for humanity is experienced through the beauty and order of Creation.

• Prayer is a way we draw closer to God.

Celebrate

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know:

- That praying is a way people draw close to God.
- That, as a community, the Church prays the Creed and the Our Father to pray to God and worship him.

Live

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches:

• God wants us to love and care for the world because the world is God's gift to us.

• Caring for the world is one of the ways we love and care for each other.

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will explore:

• How a community in another part of the world cares for Creation.

Branch 6: Dialogue and Encounter – Judaism

See below

Branch 2: Prophecy and Promise

Hear

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will have studied the following key texts:

• The Annunciation (Lk 1: 26-38, focusing on 1:26-32, 38)

- The Visitation (Lk 1:39-45)
- The Birth of Jesus (Lk 2:4-8)
- The Visit of the Shepherds (Lk 2:8-20)

Believe

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches:

- Because God loves us, he gave us his only Son, Jesus.
- God called Mary to be the mother of his Son, Jesus.
- Mary said 'Yes' to God's call.
- Angels bring God's message and are a sign that Jesus is the Son of God.
- The stories about Jesus are in a special book called the Bible.

Celebrate

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know:

• We ask Mary to pray with us and for us and to comfort us in times of need, especially using the prayer Hail Mary.

By the end of this unit of study pupils will:

- Hear and begin to join in with the words of the Hail Mary.
- Hear or sing the first phrase of the Gloria, recognising it as the angels' song of praise to God.

Live

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches:

• How Catholics around the world show honour to Mary, including diverse representations in art, sculpture, and music.

• How Christians in their local community celebrate the birth of Jesus

Spring Term

Branch 3: Galilee to Jerusalem

Hear

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will have studied the following key texts:

- The Presentation (Lk 2:22-38)
- Finding in the temple and the hidden life (Lk 2:41-52)
- Jesus announces his mission (Lk 4:16-22)
- The call of the disciples (Lk 5:1-11)
- Little children (Lk 18:15-17)
- Zacchaeus (Lk 19:1-9)

Believe

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches:

• Jesus grows up and reveals the love of the Father to us.

• Some people that encounter Jesus recognise that he is the Son of God who has come to save all.

• Jesus is the 'light to all nations'.

Celebrate

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know:

• The Feast of the Presentation of Jesus is celebrated by Christians around the world and is known as Candlemas in Britain.

Live

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches:

• All Christians are called to follow Jesus and share the Good News with others.

• Christians are called to take care of each other, especially those most in need, such as the poor.

Branch 4: Desert to garden

Hear

By the end of this unit of study pupils will have studied the following key texts:

- Jesus enters Jerusalem (Lk 19:28-38)
- Jesus teaches in the temple (Lk 19:47-48)
- The widow's mite (Lk 21:1-6)
- The last supper (Lk 22:7-23)
- The Crucifixion and death of Jesus (Lk 23:33-46)
- The angel's message (Lk 24:1-8)

For Lent:

• Jesus is tempted in the desert for 40 days (Lk 4:1-13)

Believe

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches:

• That Lent is a special time for praying, fasting, and helping others as Jesus taught us to do.

• Jesus died and rose again.

Celebrate

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know:

• Some simple words, actions, and symbols from the Ash Wednesday liturgy and the Palm Sunday liturgy.

• Lent is when Christians prepare for Easter by thinking about how they could be closer to God

by praying, giving up things that are not needed (fasting), and giving to those in need.

• Experience music or art that reflects how Christian communities in another part of the world celebrate Lent and the last week of Jesus' life.

Live

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know:

• Fasting in Lent is a way of giving things up to help others and for Catholics, CAFOD Family Fast Day is a way of responding to this call.

• Fasting, praying, and giving to others are ways of following Jesus' example.

Summer Term

Branch 5: To the ends of the Earth

Hear

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will have encountered the following key texts: • The road to Emmaus (Lk 24:13-35)

- Promise of the Spirit and the Ascension (Acts 1:1-11)
- Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4)

Believe

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches:

• When people open their hearts to the Holy Spirit they are changed, as the apostles are changed.

• The mission of the Church begins at Pentecost.

Celebrate

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know:

- That the Church celebrates the Ascension and Pentecost on special days of celebration (holydays of obligation).
- The words of the 'Glory Be' prayer.
- An age-appropriate hymn referencing the Holy Spirit.

Live

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know:

- How Pentecost is celebrated in another part of the world.
- How artists and musicians around the world celebrate the work of the Holy Spirit and the mystery of the Trinity.

Branch 6: Dialogue and Encounter*

Judaism is taught in the Autumn term.

This branch covers other world religions, world views and Catholic Social Teaching.

Dialogue

By the end of this unit of study pupils will know that the Church teaches:

- The Church is the community of all those who belong to Christ.
- The cross is a symbol of Christianity.
- The shortest summary of the Catholic faith is the sign of the cross.
- By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know about Christianity locally through:
- Learning about their local parish community.
- Learning about their local parish church.
- Experience music, art, or religious objects that reflect Christian communities in a place outside their local parish.

Encounter

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will have encountered the following:

• Aspects of modern Jewish life in Britain, including specific vocabulary about the Jewish belief in one God and the Torah as a special text which contains stories of the Jewish people's history and is a guide for Jewish life.