



**ST. MARY'S YEAR 3/4  
CURRICULUM OVERVIEW**

TERM/CYCLE	AUTUMN 1	AUTUMN 2	SPRING 1	SPRING 2	SUMMER 1	SUMMER 2
	Creation & Covenant	Prophecy & Promise	Galilee to Jerusalem	Desert to Garden	To the ends of the Earth	Dialogue & Encounter
<b>Cycle A</b>	<p>The Creation story in Genesis - the belief that humans are made in the 'image and likeness of God'</p> <p>Giving thanks for creation in psalms</p> <p>Stewardship - caring for our world</p>	<p>The Mass –how and why it is celebrated; signs and symbols used</p> <p>The Annunciation to Joseph; that Jesus' birth was foretold by prophets</p> <p>Advent –hymns, preparations for the coming of Jesus</p>	<p>The visit of the Magi. The Kingdom of God - parables that show what the kingdom is and is not</p>	<p>The Feeding of the five thousand</p> <p>The Last Supper and links to The Mass</p> <p>The Sacrament of the Eucharist</p>	<p>The Road to Emmaus</p> <p>The mystery of God as Trinity</p> <p>The early church; links to Mass today</p> <p>St Paul's letters</p>	<p>Links between the Eucharist and Exodus/The Jewish Passover</p> <p>How Passover is celebrated today</p> <p>Islam –explore some aspects of beliefs, worship and life.</p>
<b>Cycle B</b>	<p>The story of Abraham. God's covenant with Abraham.</p> <p>The virtues of faith, hope &amp; love –how these can transform our lives</p>	<p>Prophecy –meaning; John the Baptist &amp; Elijah</p> <p>Advent -The Jesse Tree; how Christians prepare the way for Jesus in advent</p>	<p>Jesus the Messiah – how Jesus showed his love and compassionate healing; how Christians follow his</p>	<p>The Prodigal Son – beliefs about God's mercy and forgiveness</p> <p>The events of Holy Week –a focus on St Peter.</p>	<p>Peter's denial of Jesus. Peter 'the rock' and the role of the Pope as Peter's successor</p> <p>May –the month of Mary. Prayer: Marian</p>	<p>The life of St Paul –the Road to Damascus</p> <p>How Christians work together for the common good (local churches together)</p>

		The Feast of Christ the King	example. Sacrament of the Sick	Works of mercy – giving alms in Lent	prayers (Hail Mary, the Angelus, the Rosary)	The five pillars of Islam
<b>Catholic Social Teaching</b>	<p>MacMillan coffee morning</p> <p>Letter to local council - recommendations for sustainability</p> <p>CAFOD visit – CST</p> <p>Family Fast - Harvest</p>	<p>How can we ‘share the light’ with others during advent?</p> <p>How can we make the world fairer?</p> <p>Christmas Jumper Day – Save the Children.</p> <p>Anti-bullying week</p>	<p>The work of a person or organisation inspired by Jesus’ work for those excluded by society (societal attitudes to illness).</p> <p>NSPCC Number Day</p>	<p>Lent – Food Bank collection</p> <p>CAFOD CST Lent fundraiser. Foodbank. Fast. Pray. Give.</p>	<p>Use the fruits of the Holy Spirit to help others – inspired by examples of Saints and holy people eg. Oscar Romero, St Teresa of Avila. How can we help slow down global warming?</p> <p>Share ideas with school.</p> <p>Plant trees/other conservation work in the local community</p>	<p>Links with local Jewish community. Be a Good Samaritan. Link with parishioners – discuss faith &amp; help others</p>
<b>Sacraments, Holy Days of Obligation and other significant Days</b>	<p>Our Lady’s birthday</p> <p>Little Way Week</p> <p>St. Francis &amp; Creation</p>	<p>All Saints Day</p> <p>Christ the King</p> <p>Reconciliation</p> <p>Advent</p>	<p>Epiphany</p>	<p>Palm Sunday</p> <p>Ash Wednesday</p> <p>Reconciliation</p>	<p>Ascension</p> <p>Pentecost</p> <p>St Peter and Paul</p> <p>May Procession</p>	<p>Corpus Christi</p> <p>First Holy Communion</p>