



Religious Education Curriculum Overview

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
EYFS	<u>Creation and Covenant</u> Children will learn how God made the world and everything in it. They will learn that God made them. The children will learn the sign of the cross.	<u>Prophecy and Promise</u> Children will learn about Mary and how she learned that she was going to have a baby and that His name will be Jesus. They will learn of the story of the Nativity according to the Gospel of Luke.	<u>Galilee to Jerusalem</u> Children will learn of the Wise Men's visit to Jesus and stories of Jesus in later life, including Welcoming the Children and the Feeding of the 5000. .	<u>Desert to Garden</u> Children will learn that Lent is a special time that we use to think of how we can care for others. They will learn about Jesus' death on the cross and that He was given new life by God His Father. They will learn that Easter is a celebration.	<u>To the Ends of the Earth</u> By the end of this unit, children will learn that Jesus went back to His Father and He sent a special friend, the Holy Spirit, to look after us. They will learn the story of Pentecost (a simple telling).	<u>Dialogue and Encounter</u> Children will hear a simple life of St Peter and St Paul, friends of Jesus. We will invite someone in from the local parish to talk about their faith and why it matters to them to be a friend of Jesus.
Year 1	<u>Creation and Covenant</u> Children will learn the creation story in Genesis 1:1-4, 24-26 as an ancient, prayerful, poetic reflection on God's world. They will have an introduction to the ideas presented in Laudato Si' 13.	<u>Prophecy and Promise</u> Children will study The Annunciation; The Visitation; The Birth of Jesus and The Visits of the Shepherds through using the Gospel readings according to Luke.	<u>Galilee to Jerusalem</u> Children will study the key texts: The Presentation; Jesus announces his mission; The call of the disciples and Zacchaeus using the Gospel readings according to Luke.	<u>Desert to Garden</u> Children will learn from the key texts from the Gospel readings according to Luke: Jesus enters Jerusalem; Jesus teaches in the temple; The widow's mite; The last supper; The Crucifixion and death of Jesus and learn about Jesus' temptation in the desert for 40 days during Lent.	<u>To the Ends of the Earth</u> By the end of this unit of study, pupils will have encountered the following key texts from the Gospel readings according to Luke and from Acts: The road to Emmaus; Promise of the Spirit and the Ascension and Pentecost	<u>Dialogue and Encounter</u> Children will learn that the Church teaches that the Church is the community of all those who belong to Christ and they will learn of signs and symbols of the Catholic Faith. They will learn about their local parish church and communication.
Year 2	<u>Creation and Covenant</u> Children will hear the story of Noah, focusing on God's covenant (promise). They will know ways in which we can show care for God's world (stewardship)	<u>Prophecy and Promise</u> Children will learn Advent is the season when Christians prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ at Christmas and that Mary is the mother of God and our mother who is trusted with all our prayers.	<u>Galilee to Jerusalem</u> Children will learn about John the Baptist and how water is used as a symbol of a new start in the Sacrament of Baptism. They will learn how Catholics say sorry to God through prayers.	<u>Desert to Garden</u> Children will learn that Jesus gave us the Sacrament of Reconciliation to heal and restore our friendship with God. They will learn that Lent is a time of preparing our hearts and minds for Easter.	<u>To the Ends of the Earth</u> Children will learn God is love. Love is God's first gift poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit. They will learn that the fruits of the Spirit are the visible signs that a person is led by the Holy Spirit.	<u>Dialogue and Encounter</u> Children will recognise links and simple connections between some Jewish religious laws, beliefs, worship, and life. They will listen to the religious experiences of others from different communities in the local area.
Year 3	<u>Creation and Covenant</u> Children will learn that in the first account of the Creation one day is 'made holy' (Gen 2:3) and that the Church teaches that 'Creation is the common work of the Holy Trinity'.	<u>Prophecy and Promise</u> Children will learn how Catholics use some signs, actions, prayers, and symbols to celebrate Mass. Children will hear some of the responses Catholics say at Mass, focusing on the Liturgy of the Word.	<u>Galilee to Jerusalem</u> Children will learn that the Adoration of the Magi shows that all people are seeking Jesus and he comes for the whole world. They will also learn the kingdom of God begins in all those who open their hearts to God's love.	<u>Desert to Garden</u> Children will learn that a sacrament is a meeting point where people are blessed by God and become closer to the community of the Church and that The Eucharist is a sacrament in which Jesus offers his life.	<u>To the Ends of the Earth</u> Children will learn that the disciples recognised Jesus when he breaks the bread. At Mass, what we eat looks like bread, but it is Jesus who comes, the living God. The bread is the Body of Christ.	<u>Dialogue and Encounter</u> Children will learn that for Christians, the Eucharist is linked with the Jewish celebration of Passover and some simple facts about how the Jewish festival of the Passover is celebrated by Jews in Britain today.
Year 4	<u>Creation and Covenant</u> Children will learn that the Church teaches us faith is believing in God, trusting what God reveals, and following God's loving purpose to live a good life.	<u>Prophecy and Promise</u> Children will learn some facts about The importance of understanding historical context to appreciate the literal sense of biblical stories and what is meant by 'prophecy'.	<u>Galilee to Jerusalem</u> Children will learn that the Church teaches us that Jesus is the Messiah/Christ but in a way that subverted the expectations of those of his own day: Jesus comes as a suffering servant, not a triumphant king.	<u>Desert to Garden</u> Children will learn that God loves everyone. He can and wants to forgive people's sins. When people love God, they want to help others as the virtues of faith, hope, and love have their foundations in God who is love.	<u>To the Ends of the Earth</u> Children will learn that the work of the Church is to continue the ministry of Jesus and build the Kingdom of God. Catholics believe that Mary is the Mother of the Church and Queen of Heaven and that May is the month of Mary.	<u>Dialogue and Encounter</u> By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know some ways in which Christians work together for the common good.
Year 5	<u>Creation and Covenant</u> Children will know about the story of Creation in the Bible and about the story of the Fall. They will reflect on how it helps us understand suffering in the world.	<u>God's Covenants</u> Children will understand the term 'covenant' and relate these to Noah and Abraham. They will also be aware that God sends prophets to remind His people of His covenant.	<u>Inspirational People</u> Children will understand that Jesus comes for everyone and what it means to be a follower of Him. They will come to know the Beatitudes.	<u>Reconciliation</u> Children will understand that actions have consequences and that Mary untangles knots of sin. They will learn of God's forgiveness and know what happens in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.	<u>Life in the Risen Jesus</u> Children will know that Jesus is risen from the dead and reflect on what the Resurrection of Jesus means for us. They will know that the Spirit of Jesus works in many ways.	<u>Other Faiths</u> Children will know about some Jewish celebrations and some of the beliefs we share with Jews and the differences between us.
Year 6	<u>Creation and Covenant</u> Children will understand that everyone is invited into the Kingdom of God and consider ways to share this good news. Children will learn about people who helped to spread the Kingdom of God.	<u>Justice</u> Children will understand the meaning of justice and know about some people who have been persecuted for speaking out about injustice, reflecting on the cost of commitment.	<u>Exploring the Mass</u> Children will know that Jesus is the bread of life and reflect on what this means for us. They will understand the Penitential Act and the Liturgy of the Word. Children will know what happens at the Consecration.	<u>Jesus the Messiah</u> Children will understand that Jesus is the Messiah and be aware of what this means for us. They will learn in depth about the final journey that Jesus made to Jerusalem.	<u>The Transforming Spirit</u> Children will know about the Ascension and reflect on what it was like for the disciples. They will understand what happened at Pentecost and deepen their understanding of Peter, the Apostle.	<u>Called to Serve</u> Children will understand that we are all called to be disciples and reflect on our response to this invitation. They will learn about the Sacraments of Confirmation, Marriage and Holy Orders.