

Key Questions

Why do you think we celebrate at Easter? What do you think resurrection means?

How would you feel if a good friend was leaving school and not coming back? Why would you feel like this?

Why do you think Jesus had to go back to heaven?

What do you think God said to Jesus when he went back? How did his friends feel?

What promise did Jesus make to the apostles before he went back to heaven? What do you think the apostles were expecting?

What happened when the people heard about Jesus? What did they become? What is the good news for us?

Key Vocabulary

Emmaus

Holy Spirit

Ascension

Pentecost

Church

Glory Be

Gospel

Big Ideas

In this branch, pupils will hear the story of the Road to Emmaus, the Ascension, and the story of Pentecost. They will complete an age-appropriate narrative cycle of the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ and encounter the inspiration of the Holy Spirit in the lives of the Apostles and then the early Church.

In this branch, learning should focus on artistic expressions of the Holy Spirit and experiential understanding of the picture language such as shadow, fire, or wind.

Sources:

The Religious Education Directory

Vine and Branches

Summer 1 Branch 5: To the ends of the Earth

Knowledge Lens Content

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.

Knowledge Lens Content

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