



Religious Education Directory

Year 1 overview

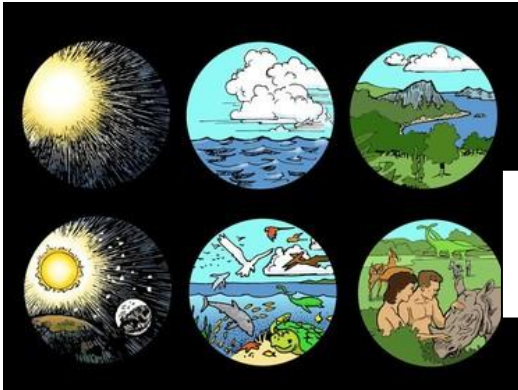
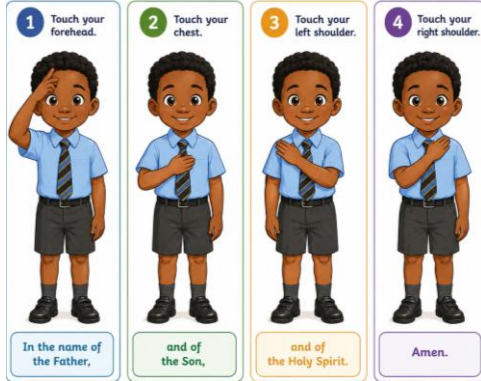
St Francis of Assisi Class

2026-2027



Hear Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



Genesis
1:31
God
created the
Universe.

Laudato Si'
Creation
shows God's
love for us.



Believe

- God is love.
- All that is, comes from God.
- God's love and care for humanity is experienced through the beauty and order of creation.
- Prayer brings us closer to God.



Celebrate

- We can talk to God through our prayers, our hymns and when we go to Mass.
- We learn The Our Father to worship God.



Live

- We learn about the beautiful planet that God has gifted to us and we learn about taking care of our world.
- We learn about our class saint St. Francis and how he looked after God's planet and God's animals.

Catholic Social Teaching Focus

We look after the world God has given us. We can help by keeping the Earth clean, saving water, protecting animals, and not wasting things. When we care for nature, we are showing love for God's beautiful creation.

"The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it."
— Genesis 2:15





Hear



The
Annunciation
(Lk 1:26-31,38)

The
Visitation
(Luke 1:39-
45)



The
Nativity
(Lk 2:4-7)

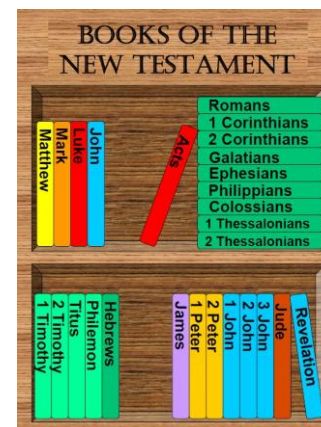


The Shepherds
(Lk 2:28-30)



Believe

- Mary was chosen by God to be the mother of his Son.
- Mary said yes to God's call.
- Angels are God's messengers.
- The stories of Jesus are in the New Testament in the Bible.



Celebrate

- We pray to Our Lady and we learn the Hail Mary prayer.
- We learn to sing the Gloria.
- We celebrate Advent and Christmas at school and perform the Nativity to our family and friends.



Live

- We learn about Advent and count down to Christmas.
- We look at the life of Our Lady and we go on a treasure hunt around the school to see how many representations of Our Lady we can find.



Catholic Social Teaching Focus

Option for the poor means we care especially for people who are struggling or don't have enough. We try to help them, share what we have, and make sure they are treated fairly. It reminds us to be kind and to notice when someone needs help.

"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done."
— Proverbs 19:17





Hear



The Presentation
(Luke 2:22 - 38)



The Finding in
the Temple (Lk
2: 41-52)



The call of
the Disciples
(Lk 5: 1-11)



Zacchaeus (Lk
19: 1-9)

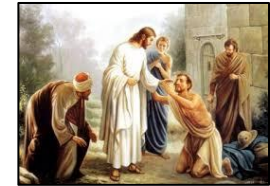
Believe

- Jesus grows up and reveals the love of the Father to us all.
- In the Bible, the people who encounter Jesus recognise him as the Son of God.
- Jesus is the light to all nations.



Live

- We live out the word of Jesus by sharing the Gospel.
- We as Christians are called to care for others, especially the poor and vulnerable just like Jesus did.



Celebrate

- We learn that the feast of the Presentation is known as Candlemas and is celebrated in different places around the world.
- We celebrate the epiphany by attending mass together as a school community.



Catholic Social Teaching Focus

Every job is important and every worker should be treated with respect and fairness. Whether someone is building, teaching, cleaning, or helping others, their work matters. Everyone deserves to be valued and treated kindly for what they do.

"The worker deserves his wages."
— Luke 10:7



Branch 4 - Spring 2 From Desert to Garden



Hear

Jesus enters
Jerusalem (Lk
19:28-38)



Jesus teaches in the
temple (Lk 19:47-48)



The last supper
(Lk 22:7-23)



The Crucifixion and
death of Jesus
(Lk 23:33-46)



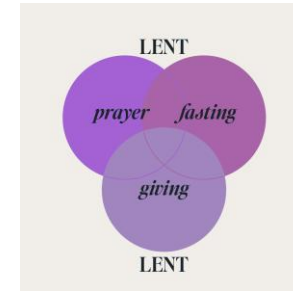
The angel's message
(Lk 24:1-8)

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



Believe

- Lent is a special time for Christians when we pray, fast and give to the poor.
- I believe that Jesus rose again and waked among his friends before ascending into Heaven.
- I believe that Jesus spent 40 days in the desert being tempted which informs the way we live out Lent today.



Live

- We will go to Mass on Ash Wednesday.
- We will take part in Lent and learn about its meaning.
- We will perform in an assembly for our families all about Palm Sunday.



Celebrate

- We learn about the symbols of Palm Sunday and Ash Wednesday.
- We know that the palm leaves that we wave on Palm Sunday are burned and used as the Ash for Ash Wednesday the following year.



Catholic Social Teaching Focus

Every person is special and important because they are made by, and in the image of, God. No matter who they are, everyone deserves to be loved, respected, and treated kindly. We should always stand up for others and make sure no one is left out or treated badly.

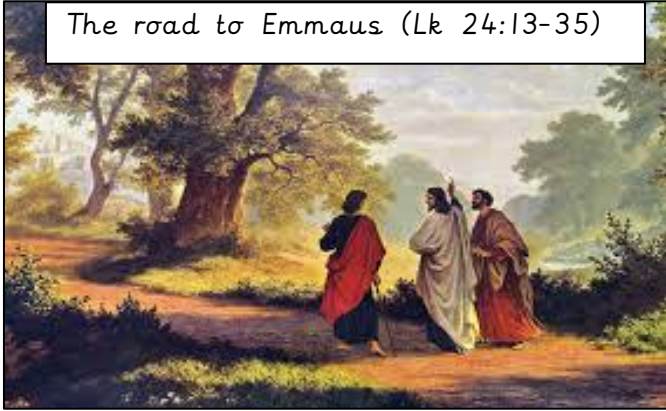
"So God created mankind in his own image."
— Genesis 1:27





Hear

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

- I believe that when people open their hearts to the Holy Spirit, they are changed just as the Apostles changed.
- The mission of the church began during Pentecost.



Live

- We will look at how the Holy Spirit is depicted in art work around the world.
- We will learn about the Holy Trinity and how it is represented in art.



Celebrate

- We celebrate Pentecost by learning hymns about The Holy Spirit.
- Christians celebrate every Sunday when they go to mass. They also celebrate of holy days and feast days - I can name some of these special occasions such as Pentecost and The Feast of the Ascension.



Catholic Social Teaching Focus

Everyone at St. Mary's belongs and has something special to share. We are all invited to join in, help others, and work together to make things better. When we include others and listen to their ideas, we build a happy and caring community.

"Where two or three
gather in my name,
there am I with them."
— Matthew 18:20





Dialogue



We will learn about
our house saints
and our class saint
- St Francis of
Assisi



I will learn about
Jesus and his
friends the
apostles.



I will hear the story of
Moses who is a very
important figure in the
Jewish religion.



Encounter

- I understand that Christians believe in God but not everyone has the same beliefs as I do and that is ok.
- I will encounter Judaism.
- I understand that Jesus was Jewish.
- I will encounter aspects of Jewish life in Britain today such as Shabbat, The Torah, Hanukkah and the story of Moses.



Catholic Social Teaching Focus

We remember that everyone in the world is part of one big family. We try to solve problems without fighting, by listening, sharing, and being kind. When we stand together and treat others with love and respect, we help make the world a more peaceful place just like Jesus asked us to.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

— Matthew
5:9

