



Religious Education Directory

Year 2 overview

St Anne's Class

2026-2027



Hear



The story of Noah, focusing on God's covenant (promise) with Noah and all living beings in the sign of the rainbow (Gen 9:7-17).

Believe

- God makes a covenant (promise) with Noah to save all living things.
- People in the story of Noah turned away from God and chose to act badly; this is behaviour called sin.
- The Sacrament of Baptism is when a person becomes part of the Christian family and promises to love God.
- The Christian Bible is split into two parts, the Old Testament, and the New Testament.

Celebrate

- Psalms are prayers to praise God.
- Sacraments are living signs of Jesus' love for all people. Baptism is the first sacrament which welcomes people into the Christian family.



Live

- We learn about the beautiful planet that God has gifted to us and we learn about taking care of our world.
- We discuss our own Baptism and think about our next Sacrament of Holy Communion and Reconciliation.



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



Branch 2 - Autumn 2 Prophecy and Promise



Hear



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



The Visitation (Luke 1:39-45)



The
Annunciation
of John the
Baptist
(Lk 1:5-20)

The birth of John the
Baptist (Lk 1:57-58)



The birth of Jesus (Lk
2:1-8)

THEREFORE THE LORD
HIMSELF SHALL GIVE YOU A
SIGN. BEHOLD A VIRGIN
SHALL CONCEIVE, AND
BEAR A SON AND HIS NAME
SHALL BE CALLED



For Advent:
Is 7:14, 9:1-2,
5-7 (Extracts
from the book
of Immanuel

Believe

- Prophets communicate God's message inspired by the Holy Spirit.
- John the Baptist is born to be a prophet.
- the person Isaiah spoke of was Jesus. In Isaiah's words, Christians recognise Jesus as a light in the darkness and Immanuel, 'God-with-us'.
- Advent is the season when Christians prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ at Christmas. That Mary is the mother of God and our mother who is trusted with all of our prayers.

Celebrate

- The Magnificat (Lk 1:46-50, 53) in which she gives thanks to God and prays for his just world to come.
- We prepare for Christmas with Advent.
- The Advent wreath is a symbol of the coming of the light.



Live

- We learn about Advent and count down to Christmas.
- We look at commitments Catholics make when living out their faith such as not eating meat on Fridays, going to church on Sundays as well as Advent and Lent.



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



Branch 3 - Spring I From Galilee to Jerusalem



Hear



The Presentation
(Luke 2:22 - 38)



The preaching of John the Baptist
(Lk 3:2-6, 10-17)



Parable of the lost sheep (Lk 15:4-7)



The calming of the storm (Lk 8:22-25)



The Temptation in the wilderness & Jesus begins to preach (Lk 4: 1-15)

Cure of a paralytic (Lk 5:17-26)



Believe

- John the Baptist is a prophet who calls people back to God by encouraging them to say sorry.
- Baptism is a sign of forgiveness.
- When people make bad choices (sin), they turn away from God.
- Jesus teaches that God loves and forgives and that being sorry helps us to change and become better people.
- Jesus' miracles are signs that show he is the promised one (Messiah). Jesus' parables are simple comparisons that invite people to know more about God. Jesus brings healing in different ways.

Live

- We learn the importance of saying sorry to God and to others.
- We learn the importance of showing you are sorry, for example, through practical Acts of Penance.



Celebrate

- Water is used as a symbol of a new start in the Sacrament of Baptism.
- Catholics say sorry to God in prayers:
- We will learn the Act of Sorrow (Contrition)
- We can ask for forgiveness in the 'Our Father'



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





Hear

Jesus enters
Jerusalem (Lk
19:28-38)



The last
supper
(Lk 22:7-
23)



The
Crucifixion
(Lk 23:33-46)



Peter at
the
tomb (Lk
24: 9-
12)

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



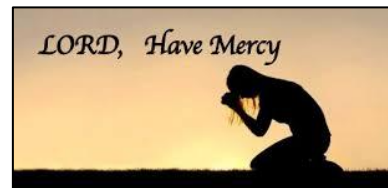
Believe

- Jesus gave us the Sacrament of Reconciliation to heal and restore our friendship with God and through this ourselves.
- Lent is a time of preparing our hearts and minds for Easter through reconciliation and forgiveness.
- The Easter Vigil Mass is the high point of the year and is rich in symbols of light and darkness



Celebrate

- Some prayers and actions that are ways in which Catholics turn back to God, in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, for example, a simple act of sorrow and in the Penitential Rite, for example, the Kyrie Eleison (Lord have Mercy)
- We celebrate God's eternal forgiveness and love for us.



Live

- We will go to Mass on Ash Wednesday.
- We will learn about forgiveness and forgiving others.
- We will perform in an assembly for our families all about Palm Sunday.



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

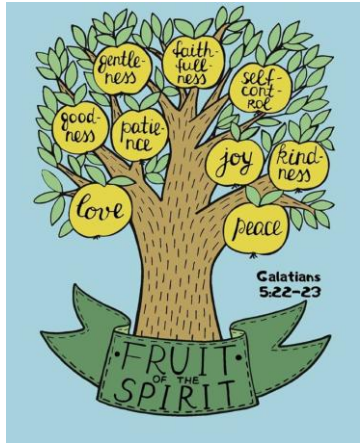




Hear



Jesus appears to the apostles and the crowd (Lk 24:36-53)



Pentecost and Peter talk to the crowd (Acts 2:1-9, 12-13)



Fruits of the Holy Spirit (Gal 5:22-23)

Conversion of Saul (Acts 9:1-19)



Believe

- God is love. Love is God's first gift poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit.
- The fruits of the Spirit are the visible signs that a person is led by the Holy Spirit.
- The fruits of the Spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.



Celebrate

- We learn that through all prayers, Christians welcome the Holy Spirit and open their hearts to God.
- Christians pray to the Holy Spirit for help ('Come Holy Spirit').



Live

- That there are different symbols of the Holy Spirit in art: wind, fire, and dove, such as Marlene Scholz's 'Blessed Trinity'.



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



The parable of
the Good
Samaritan
(Lk 10: 25-37)

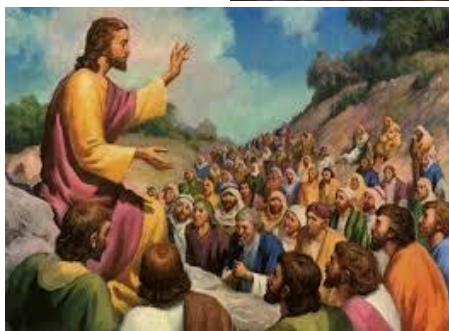


Learning about ways
Christians come together
to support the local
community. Recall Harvest
and look at the work of
The St. Vincent de Paul.



The
Parable of the
Sower
Luke 8

Jesus
taught
using
parables.



Encounter

- I will encounter Judaism.
- I understand that Jesus was Jewish.
- I will encounter aspects of Jewish life in Britain today such as worship in the Synagogue, the use of the Torah and some Jewish festivals.
- I will learn that most Jewish religious words are in Hebrew.



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

