

Religious Education

Autumn Term 2026

The Way - at home

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

This term we will be studying two themes: Creation and Covenant and Prophecy and Promise. Each class will approach the themes through different topics. This new curriculum allows for children to have a deeper understanding of the Catholic faith, while recognising the links and appreciating the differences that other faiths have.

Creation and Covenant

07.09.26 – 16.10.26

Nursery - Recognise the wonderful world, created by God.

Reception - Hear a tiny part of the Creation story from Genesis, that what God makes is 'very good' and how we look after our beautiful world.

Year 1 – Explore further the four-part story of Creation from Genesis making links to the Nicene Creed.

Year 2 – Explore the call and story of Noah from Genesis, the restoration of hope and the link with Baptism.

Year 3 – Explore in full the six days of Creation in Genesis, an appreciation of Psalms and their inspiration to Christian prayer.

Year 4 -The call of Abraham and Sarah, their eternal covenant with God and, their relationship to prayer.

Year 5 - Explore Moses and the Sinai Covenant, Jesus's summary of the Law and the Christian ideals of 'practical wisdom'.

Year 6 - Comparing the two Creation Stories in the Book of Genesis, with the prologue to John's Gospel; appreciating that there is no conflict between faith and science.

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Make a collage showing your appreciation for the world we live in and all of God's creations.

Write under it:
'God saw that it was very good'

Research a way that you can be a steward of creation and help to protect the world that we live in.

Prophecy and Promise

19.10.26-04.12.26

Nursery – Hear the story about how Mary had a baby; how Christians celebrate Advent.

Reception – Advent; a time to work together in preparation for the coming of Jesus.

Year 1 – The annunciation from an angel to Mary; her importance in the lives of Christians.

Year 2 – Isaiah's prophecy of the coming of John the Baptist and Jesus.

Year 3 – Joseph's response to God; the importance of Sundays and Mass for Christians.

Year 4 - Explore the story of the prophet Elijah and how he pre-figured the life and preaching of John the Baptist; revisit the prophecies of Isaiah.

Year 5 – The story of David: a model of prayer for Jews and Christians in his composition of Psalms, personal and community practices of prayer

Year 6 – Encounter the women of salvation and how Christian women respond to God's call in their lives

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES

Discuss with the children how you prepare for the coming of Jesus.

Find out about some Christian symbols for Advent
e.g. Advent wreath, calendar, Jesse tree.

Create your own Advent calendar to use at home with the help of the Missio and CAFOD websites.

Important RE dates this term

The Feast Of St Teresa (St Therese Of Lisieux)

(1 October)

The feast of our School Saint: Known as 'The Little Flower', St Thérèse taught us that small acts of kindness, love and service can make a big difference in the world. Throughout the day, pupils will take part in prayer, reflection and activities linked to her inspiring message of doing ordinary things with extraordinary love.

All Saints

(1 November)

We celebrate the lives of special and ordinary people who have responded to God's invitation to love.

All Souls

(2 November)

Today and throughout the rest of November we pray for those who have died.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

Christ the King

(22 November)

Advent

(Begins 29 November)

Advent means 'coming'. We think of the coming of Jesus when he was born but we also think of his promise that he would come again at the end of time. It is a time of waiting and preparing. It is only in the last week of Advent that we focus upon the events to be celebrated at Christmas.

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

(8 December)

This feast marks the first stage of the existence of Mary, the mother of Jesus.

She was 'full of grace' from the very beginning and
co-operated with God throughout her life.

When December 8 falls on a Sunday, the Immaculate Conception is transferred to Monday

Christmas Day

(25 December)

On this day we begin our celebration of the birth of Christ.