

St Francis' Religious Education Overview

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EYFS	<p>God made our beautiful world and everything in it.</p> <p>God made me. The words and actions of the sign of the cross: 'In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen'.</p> <p>God created the world and said, 'Indeed it is very good' (Genesis 1:31).</p> <p>The whole of Creation shows God love for us (Laudato Si' 84-88).</p>	<p>Mary was going to have a baby.</p> <p>His name will be Jesus (Lk 1:26-31, 38).</p> <p>Jesus was born in Bethlehem (Lk 2:4-7).</p> <p>Shepherds hurried to see Mary and Joseph and baby Jesus (Lk 2:8-20).</p>	<p>The Wise Men visit Jesus (Matt 2:1-12).</p> <p>Jesus welcomes the little children (Mk 10: 16).</p> <p>Jesus blesses the little children (story retold).</p>	<p>Lent is a time to care for others.</p> <p>Jesus died on a cross. It is a sad time.</p> <p>Jesus was given new life by God his Father.</p> <p>Jesus rose and everyone celebrates.</p> <p>Love God and love everyone (great commandment)</p>	<p>Jesus went back to his Father.</p> <p>He sent a special friend, the Holy Spirit, to look after us.</p> <p>Story of Pentecost (Simple Telling).</p> <p>The early Christian community (Acts 2:42-47).</p>	<p>Friends of Jesus: Hear a simple life of St Peter and St Paul, friends of Jesus (linking to their feast day).</p> <p>Explore a range of pictures of Jesus from a non-European tradition.</p> <p>Learning about another faith – linked to class community.</p>
Year 1	<p>1:1-4, 24-26 as an ancient, prayerful, poetic reflection on God's world.</p> <p>The opening of the Nicene Creed 'I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible'.</p> <p>An introduction to the ideas presented in Laudato Si' 13.</p> <p>Key vocabulary: God, Father, Creation, Pope Francis, Laudato Si', Our Father, Creed.</p>	<p>The Annunciation (Lk 1: 26-38, focusing on 1:26-32, 38)</p> <p>The Visitation (Lk 1:39-45)</p> <p>The Birth of Jesus (Lk 2:4-8)</p> <p>The Visit of the Shepherds (Lk 2:8-20)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Jesus, Bible, Annunciation, angels, Visitation, Hail Mary, Gloria.</p>	<p>The Presentation (Lk 2:22-38)</p> <p>Finding in the temple and the hidden life (Lk 2:41-52)</p> <p>Jesus announces his mission (Lk 4:16-22)</p> <p>The call of the disciples (Lk 5:1-11)</p> <p>Little children (Lk 18:15-17)</p> <p>Zacchaeus (Lk 19:1-9)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Presentation, Temple, mission, Son of God, light, Candlemas.</p>	<p>Jesus enters Jerusalem (Lk 19:28-38)</p> <p>Jesus teaches in the temple (Lk 19:47-48)</p> <p>The widow's mite (Lk 21:1-6)</p> <p>The last supper (Lk 22:7-23)</p> <p>The Crucifixion and death of Jesus (Lk 23:33-46)</p> <p>The angel's message (Lk 24:1-8)</p> <p>For Lent: Jesus is tempted in the desert for 40 days (Lk 4:1-13)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Temptation, Last Supper, Crucifixion, Resurrection, Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, Lent, Easter, Family Fast Day.</p>	<p>The road to Emmaus (Lk 24:13-35)</p> <p>Promise of the Spirit and the Ascension (Acts 1:1-11)</p> <p>Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Emmaus Holy Spirit Ascension Pentecost Church Glory Be Gospel</p>	<p>The Church is the community of all those who belong to Christ. The cross is a symbol of Christianity. The shortest summary of the Catholic faith is the sign of the cross.</p> <p>Pupils will know about Christianity locally: Learning about their local parish community. Learning about their local parish church.</p> <p>Experience music, art, or religious objects that reflect Christian communities in a place outside their local parish.</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Christian, Church, parish, community, sign</p>

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Year 2	<p>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)</p> <p>LS 71 'Through Noah, who remained innocent and just, God decided to open a path of salvation. In this way he gave humanity the chance of a new beginning. All it takes is one good person to restore hope!'</p> <p>Psalms 139-146 in praise of God's Creation of each of us and his love for us.</p> <p>Key vocabulary: God, Noah, covenant, sin, psalm, Sacraments, baptism, Father, Bible, Old Testament, New Testament</p>	<p>The Annunciation of John the Baptist (Lk 1:5-20)</p> <p>The Annunciation of Jesus (Lk 1:26-38)</p> <p>The Visitation (Lk 1:39-50, 53)</p> <p>The birth of John the Baptist (Lk 1:57-58)</p> <p>Zechariah's voice is restored (Lk 1:59-66, 67,76)</p> <p>The Birth of Jesus (Lk 2:1-8)</p> <p>Is 7:14, 9:1-2, 5-7.</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Advent, wreath, Annunciation, Isaiah, John the Baptist, Magnificat, prophet, Zechariah</p>	<p>The preaching of John (Lk 3:2-6, 10-17)</p> <p>Jesus is baptised (Lk 3:21-22)</p> <p>The Temptation in the wilderness (Lk 4: 1-15)</p> <p>Cure of a paralytic (Lk 5:17-26)</p> <p>The choice of the twelve (Lk 6:12-16)</p> <p>The calming of the storm (Lk 8:22-25)</p> <p>Parable of the lost sheep (Lk 15:4-7)</p> <p>Matt 2:1-12: The visit of the Magi</p> <p>Key vocabulary: baptism, John the Baptist, miracle, parable, temptation, sin, sorrow, forgiveness, reconciliation</p>	<p>Jesus enters Jerusalem (Lk 19:28-38*)</p> <p>The last supper (Lk 22:7-23*, 28-34)</p> <p>The Crucifixion and death of Jesus (Lk 23:33-46*)</p> <p>The angel's message (Lk 24:1-8*)</p> <p>Peter at the tomb (Lk 24:9-12)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Easter Vigil, forgiveness, Kyrie Eleison, reconciliation, sin</p>	<p>Jesus appears to the apostles and the Ascension (Lk 24:36-53)</p> <p>Pentecost and Peter talks to the crowd (Acts 2:1-9, 12-13)</p> <p>Conversion of Saul (Acts 9:1-19)</p> <p>Fruits of the Holy Spirit (Gal 5:22-23)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Holy Spirit, Ascension, Pentecost, Saul, prayer, Fruits of the Spirit, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control</p>	<p>of the cross, Jew, Jewish/Judaism Torah</p> <p>The parable of the Good Samaritan (Lk 10:25-37)</p> <p>Christians should collaborate in service of humanity.</p> <p>Learning about their local Christian community.</p> <p>Learning about ways Christians where they live come together to support the local community.</p> <p>Recognise links and simple connections between some Jewish religious laws, beliefs, worship, and life.</p> <p>Recognise that most Jewish religious words are in Hebrew. Listen to the religious experiences of others from different communities.</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Samaritan, Sabbath, Shabbat, synagogue, neighbour, respect</p>
Year 3	<p>The Creation stories in Genesis use symbolism to explain the relationship between God, human beings, and the world.</p>	<p>Christians go to Mass on Sunday How Catholics celebrate Mass.</p> <p>The Messiah would be born of a virgin and would be called Immanuel (Is 7:14)</p>	<p>Cure of the centurion's servant (Mt 8:5-13)</p> <p>Cure of a paralytic (Mt 9:1-8)</p>	<p>The miracle of the loaves</p> <p>The last supper (The institution of the Eucharist)</p> <p>Extracts from a Eucharistic Prayer</p>	<p>Road to Emmaus (Lk24:13-35)</p> <p>The mission to the world (Matt 28:16-20)</p> <p>The group of apostles (Mary) (Acts 1:12-14)</p>	<p>Exodus (12:1-8,15- 20, 13:3) (Lk 22:14-23)</p> <p>The Eucharist is linked with the Jewish celebration of Passover.</p>

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Year 4	<p>In the first account of the Creation one day is “made holy”</p> <p>The Church teaches that “Creation is the common work of the Holy Trinity”.</p> <p>The first account of the Creation, Genesis 1:1-2:4 Psalm 8 or 19 in praise of creation</p>	<p>The Annunciation to Joseph (Matt 1:18-25) Revisit Lk 1:26-3</p>	<p>Parables-Parable of the Sower (Mt 13:1-23)</p> <p>Parable of the yeast (Mt 13:33)</p> <p>Parable of the treasure and of the pearl (Mt 13:44)</p> <p>The visit of the Magi (Mt 2:1-12)</p>		<p>Early Church (Acts 2:42-47)</p> <p>Paul’s Letter to Corinthians (1 Cor 11:23-27)</p>	<p>Some simple facts about how the Jewish festival of the Passover is celebrated by Jews in Britain today.</p> <p>Recognise links and simple connections between some Islamic religious laws, beliefs, worship, and life.</p> <p>Recognise the importance of artistic expressions of belief in Islam, for example, in Islamic art or religious music</p>
	<p>The story of Abraham:</p> <p>The call of Abram (Gen 12 :1-5)</p> <p>The Abrahamic covenant (Gen 15:1-6)</p> <p>Abraham and Sarah (Gen 18:1-15)</p> <p>Abraham and Isaac (Gen 22:1-18)</p> <p>The story of Joseph: (Gen: 37:2-35, 41:1-42, 44:1-17, 33-34, 45:1-5, 16-20)</p>	<p>The miracle of the flour and the oil Elijah’s encounter with God:</p> <p>The journey: (1 Kings 19:4-8)</p> <p>The meeting:(1 Kings 19:9-15)</p> <p>The preaching of John the Baptist (Mt 3:1-12) and (Mk 1:1-8), (Is 40:3)</p> <p>The ancestry of Jesus (Mt 1:1-17).</p> <p>What is meant by ‘prophecy’?</p>	<p>Peter’s mother-in-law and casting out devils (Mt 8:14-17)</p> <p>Cure of the woman with a haemorrhage.</p> <p>The official’s daughter raised to life. (Mt 9:18-26)</p> <p>Cure of two blind men and cure of a demoniac (Mt 9:27-34)</p> <p>The Baptist’s question (Mt 11: 1-15)</p> <p>Jesus walks on the water and, with him Peter (Mt 14:22-33)</p> <p>Peter’s profession of faith (Mt 16:13-26)</p>	<p>The lost prodigal son (Lk 15:11-32)</p> <p>Sheep and goats (Mt 25: 31-46)</p> <p>The events of Holy Week from the gospel of Matthew:</p> <p>Entry into Jerusalem (Mt 21:1-11)</p> <p>Judas’ betrayal (Mt 26:14)</p> <p>The Passover and Peter’s denial foretold (Mt 26:17-35)</p> <p>Jesus prays (Mt 26:36- 46)</p> <p>The betrayal and arrest of Jesus (Mt 26: 47-56)</p> <p>Peter’s denials (Mt 26:69-75)</p> <p>Pilate questions Jesus (Mt 27:11-14)</p>	<p>The empty tomb (John 20:1-10)</p> <p>The appearance on the shore of Tiberius (John 21:1-19)</p> <p>The Apostles’ Creed</p>	<p>The road to Damascus (Acts 9:3-9, 17-19)</p> <p>First letter to the Corinthians (1 Cor 13:1-7,13)</p> <p>Additional texts about the mission of St Paul:</p> <p>Paul’s speech before the Council of the Areopagus (Acts17:22-26, 28-29), (Gal 1:11-24), (2 Cor 11:22-23), (Gal 3:27-28)</p> <p>Different traditions in the liturgy of the Church-some prayers or artistic traditions, reflecting a community in their local area where possible.</p> <p>Ways in which Christians work together for the common good.</p>

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				<p>The Crucifixion (Mt 27:32- 44)</p> <p>The death of Jesus (Mt 27:45-56)</p> <p>The Burial of Jesus (Mt 27:57-61)</p>		<p>Know some facts about the five pillars of Islam.</p> <p>Understand some ways Muslims in Britain today live out their beliefs.</p>
Year 5	<p>The Burning Bush (Ex 3:1-15)</p> <p>The Sinai covenant and the Ten Commandments (Ex 19:3-8, 20:1-17)</p> <p>Jesus' summary of the law (Mt 22:36-40)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: covenant, Moses, Exodus, Sinai, Commandments, virtues, grace</p>	<p>1 Samuel 16:1-13: anointing of David (a great king)</p> <p>1 Samuel 17:1-11, 32-54: David and Goliath</p> <p>2 Samuel 5:1-5: David becomes king.</p> <p>2 Samuel 7: 8-15 God's covenant with David</p> <p>1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12: David's death</p> <p>Psalm 21:1-7, Psalm 23</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Samuel, David, anointing, antiphon, psalm, Advent</p>	<p>The Beatitudes from the Sermon on the Mount (Mt 5:1-12)</p> <p>Jesus summarises the law (the great commandment) (Mt 22:36-40, Lk 10:27)</p> <p>A parable about living out Jesus' law (e.g., The Good Samaritan (Lk 10:25-37))</p> <p>The Transfiguration (Mt 17:1-13)</p> <p>Our Father prayer (Mt 6:7-13)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Beatitude, sermon, petition, Transfiguration, Our Father, virtue</p>	<p>A selection of Ash Wednesday readings e.g., (Joel 2:12-18), Psalm 50:3-6, 12-14, 17, (2 Cor 5:20-6), Mt 6:1-6, 16-18</p> <p>Temptation in the Wilderness (Matt 4:1-11)</p> <p>The Resurrection of the Dead Paul (1 Cor 15:1-8, 20-25, 54-57)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Ash Wednesday, Lent, sin, deadly sin, fasting, prayer, conscience, death, judgement, heaven, hell</p>	<p>Scriptural echoes of the Sacrament of Confirmation (Is 11:2, 61:1, Lk 4:16, Mt 3:13-17)</p> <p>Pentecost (Acts 2:1-8, 14-18)</p> <p>The gifts of the Spirit Paul (1 Cor 12:4-11)</p> <p>Baptism in the Spirit (Acts 8:14-16)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: confirmation, discipleship, Holy Spirit, anoint, chrism, Bishop, baptismal grace</p>	<p>The many different writers of the Bible were inspired by the Holy Spirit.</p> <p>What Christians call the Old Testament originates in Hebrew scriptures.</p> <p>The Old Testament is important for Christians because it speaks of God's covenant.</p> <p>The Bible was originally written in Hebrew, Aramaic, and Greek.</p> <p>God's covenant with Abraham is the foundation of the faith.</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Old Testament, New Testament, Bible, Tanakh, Shema, Mezuzah</p>
Year 6	<p>The second account of Creation (Genesis 2:5-10, 15-23, 3:1-7,9-13, 17-19)</p> <p>Jn 1:1-5, 16-18</p> <p>The Nicene Creed</p> <p>Laudato Si' 66-67</p> <p>The literary forms employed in the Genesis account.</p>	<p>Old Testament passages that show the importance of women in salvation</p> <p>Exodus 1:8-22; 2:1-10; Judges 4:4-11; 5:7-15; 1 Samuel 1:5, 9-11, 26-28; Esther 2:4, 15-17; 3:1-6, 12-13; 4:1-4, 8a-17; 5:1-8; 7:1-6, 9-10; 8:3-12 (Purim): Esther</p>	<p>The Wedding at Cana (Jn 2:1-12)</p> <p>Healing the official's son (Jn 4:46-54)</p> <p>Healing the man at Bethesda (Jn 5:1-47)</p> <p>Feeding the 5000 (Jn 6:1-4)</p> <p>Walking on water (Jn 6:15-21)</p>	<p>The anointing at Bethany (Jn 12:1-11)</p> <p>Jesus washes his disciples' feet (Jn 13:1-17)</p> <p>First farewell (Jn 13:33-38)</p> <p>The arrest of Jesus (Jn 18:1-11)</p>	<p>The empty tomb and the appearance to Mary Magdala (Jn 20:1-18)</p> <p>Appearances to the disciples (Jn 20:19-31)</p> <p>Conclusion (Jn 20: 30-31)</p> <p>Christians believe in the Resurrection (1 Cor 15:14)</p>	<p>That Catholics should work to promote 'unity and love' among all people.</p> <p>That the Church is called to 'enter dialogue with the world in which it lives. It has something to say, a message to give'.</p> <p>That Christians are responsible for promoting the common good.</p>

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	<p>The Genesis account of Creation and Fall is not a literal scientific description, but expresses beliefs about God, the world, and human beings (see CCC 159).</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Creation, Fall, Eden, evolution, baptism, salvation.</p>	<p>Lk 1: 26-56: Mary as the fulfilment of Old Testament promises.</p> <p>The difference between the Lucan and Matthean narratives</p> <p>Key vocabulary: salvation history, fulfilment, Old Testament, Lucan, Matthean, protagonists; Mary, Mother of God; Magnificat, religious order</p>	<p>Healing the Blind Man (Jn 9:1-41)</p> <p>Raising of Lazarus (Jn 11:1-57)</p> <p>'I am the bread of life' (Jn 6:35) or 'I am the Resurrection and the life' (Jn 11:25)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Cana, Bethesda, Lazarus, sacraments</p>	<p>Jesus before Pilate (Jn 18:28-40, 19:4-6)</p> <p>The Crucifixion (Jn 19:17-22)</p> <p>Jesus and his mother (Jn 19:25-27)</p> <p>The death of Jesus (Jn 19:28-37)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Bethany, anoint, discourse, Pilate, Crucifixion, Holy Week, Stations of the Cross</p>	<p>Jesus as the last Adam (1 Cor 15:45-49)</p> <p>The story of Stephen (Acts 6:8-15, 7:51-60)</p> <p>Key vocabulary: Adam, Mary Magdala, Resurrection, martyr, witness, saint, charity</p>	<p>Some practical ways in which people can work together towards common goals.</p> <p>The term 'worldview' and its meaning.</p> <p>Key vocabulary: dialogue, worldview, Catholic Social Teaching</p>