

Year 1 Overview of RE Teaching and Learning

Year 1: Topic	Topic Title	Content
1	<i>Families</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God loves and cares for everyone • We can trust God • Jesus was part of a loving family • The importance of prayer: night prayers • The psalms help us pray and think about God • God cares for us as a loving parent
2	<i>Belonging</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baptism is an invitation from God to belong to the Church family • The Church family welcomes the one who is to be Baptised • A sacrament is God's way of being present at special moments in our lives • The words of Baptism: 'I baptise you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit' • Some of the Rite of the Sacrament of Baptism • The role of parents and godparents • The Our Father • Some of the symbols used in Baptism, particularly the candle given at Baptism
3	<i>Waiting</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some aspects of the liturgical season of Advent: a time of waiting to celebrate Jesus' coming at Christmas • Advent wreath and its symbolism • The Annunciation • The Visitation • The Nativity • The beginning of an understanding of the Incarnation
4	<i>Special People</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Church is where the parish family gathers to celebrate the Good News of Jesus • The priest leads the parish family as they gather to celebrate Mass at church on Sunday • Lay ministries exercised by the parish family • The Presentation of Jesus • Listening to God's Word at Mass • Special reverence for the reading of the Gospel • The Finding of Jesus in the Temple
5	<i>Meals</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholics go to Mass as members of God's family • At Mass the action and the words of the Last Supper are repeated • The Preparation of the Gifts • The words and meaning of the Consecration • The Our Father • Presence of Jesus in Holy Communion • Acknowledgement that all good things come from God • The importance of prayer: grace before meals
6	<i>Change</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liturgical season of Lent, the use of purple • Ash Wednesday begins the 40 days of Lent • Lent: a time to change and to grow spirituality in preparation for the celebration of Easter, through prayer and good deeds • Palm Sunday of the Passion • Jesus died on Good Friday • The Stations of the Cross • The Resurrection
7	<i>Holidays & Holydays</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ascension Day, before Jesus ascended to Heaven he promised to send his Holy Spirit • Pentecost; a holy day – the feast of the Holy Spirit • Pentecost – the beginning of the Church

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Holy Spirit is a helper and guide • Some symbols of the Holy Spirit • The Holy Spirit enables Christians to pass on the message of the Good News of Jesus
8	<i>Being Sorry</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We can have choice in our actions • God helps us to choose well and express sorrow for wrong choices • God forgives us • Examples of forgiveness and sorrow in the Gospel: Levi and Zacchaeus • Use and understanding of religious vocabulary: sorrow and forgiveness • Christians say sorry and forgive each other because they follow Jesus • Foundation for understanding the Sacrament of Reconciliation • Familiarity with a prayer of sorrow
9	<i>Neighbours</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everyone is a neighbour and loved by God • The story of Good Samaritan • God gives dignity to each human person • A Christian's faith impels them to act fairly towards others • Understanding and application in daily life of Fairtrade • The implications of being global neighbours
Judaism		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The story of the family of Abraham • Moses
Islam		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special stories • Muhammad