

## R.E in Y6

## The Story of the People of God:

Pupils will develop their knowledge and understanding of the structure of the Bible and the forms of literature that are found in the different books. We will read some stories of significant people in the Old Testament and discover what these tell us about their relationship with God.

**Autumn** 

#### **Followers of Christ:**

Pupils will study the call of the disciples by Jesus. We will learn about the demands that the call of Christ placed on these first disciples and will think about ways in which people answer the call of Christ today through the life of the Church.

## **Baptism & Confirmation Celebrations:**

Pupils will learn about the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation. We will explore the signs and symbols of both of these Sacraments and will hear about the gift of the Holy Spirit being given in the celebration of these Sacraments.

#### Advent:

Pupils will be given opportunities to develop their knowledge and understanding of the two parts of the Season of Advent: a time to prepare for Christ to come again, and a time to prepare to celebrate his birth at Christmas. Through some Parables of Jesus and some of the prayers and hymns of the Church, we will explore these themes.

# Spring Christmas:

In this unit the children will explore the story of the birth of Christ from the Gospel of St. Matthew and the Gospel of St. Luke. We will also learn about some of the images of Christ that are found in the prologue to the Gospel of St. John.

## **Belonging to the Church Community:**

Pupils will learn about the foundations of the life and teaching of the Catholic Church being rooted in the life and teaching of the Apostles. We will learn about the role of the Pope and local Bishop in the life of the universal and local Church. Pupil will also explore the life of the local parish community where the faith of God's people is nourished and celebrated.

#### Lent:

The children will be given opportunities to develop their knowledge of prayer, fasting and almsgiving as important Lenten activities. We will also explore the Church's teaching on the forgiveness and God through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

## Holy Week:

In this unit the children will learn about the passion of Jesus from the events that took place in the Garden of Gethsemane through to the death of Jesus on the cross. We will also find out why Christians have described the death of Jesus as a Sacrifice.

#### Easter:

We will learn about the story of Easter from the perspective of Thomas. The work required in this unit will require them to think about reasons why Thomas did not believe in the Resurrection of Christ at first and why people today believe that Jesus is risen from the dead

### Pentecost:

Summer

Two stories will be taught in this unit from the New Testament about the coming of the Holy Spirit. Through the study of the Sacrament of Confirmation, the children will learn about the Gifts and the Fruits of the Holy Spirit and how they are important in the lives of Christians.

## **Prayers in the Lives of Followers of Christ:**

We will gain a greater knowledge and understanding of the traditional prayers of the Church and some of the signs and actions associated with prayer. Also, we will study some prayers that are found in the scriptures and engage in the study of the Mass as the central prayer for Catholic Christians.

## Celebrating the lives of Mary & the Saints:

The children will explore some of the Church's beliefs about the Blessed Virgin Mary and the feasts that are celebrated in her honour. The children will explore why her role in the life of Christ was so important. They will also learn about Mary and the saints being united with Christ in heaven.