



St Robert Southwell Catholic Primary School
Aiming For Excellence - Being The Best We Can Be

Religious Education Overview 2026-2027
The Model Curriculum
"To Know you more Clearly"

Year Group	Autumn 1	Autumn 2			Summer 1	Summer 2
Nursery	Creation and Covenant God made our beautiful world and everything in it. God made me.	Prophecy and Promise Mary was going to have a baby. His name will be Jesus. Jesus was born in Bethlehem. Shepherds hurried to see Mary, Joseph, and baby Jesus.	Galilee to Jerusalem The Wise Men visit Jesus. Jesus welcomes the little children. Jesus blesses the little children.	Desert to Garden Lent is a time to care for others. Jesus died on a cross. God, his Father, gave Jesus new life. Jesus rose and everyone celebrates. Love God and love everyone.	To the ends of the Earth Jesus went back to his Father. He sent a special friend, the Holy Spirit, to look after us.	Dialogue and encounter Friends of Jesus: Hear a simple life of St Peter and St Paul. Learn about other saints important to the school. Invite someone in from the local parish. Explore a range of pictures of Jesus from a non-European tradition.
Reception	Creation and Covenant The Sign of the Cross God created the world The whole of Creation shows God love for us.	Prophecy and Promise The Annunciation. The Nativity. The Shepherds visit the manger	Galilee to Jerusalem The visit of the Magi Jesus blesses the little children Feeding of 5000. Jesus was born for everyone.	Desert to Garden Holy Week: Good Friday and Easter Sunday. The Great Commandment. Caring for others in Lent. Jesus died on a cross. Jesus rose and we celebrate.	To the ends of the Earth Story of Pentecost The early Christian community The Holy Spirit is our friend. The Holy Spirit looks after us.	Dialogue and encounter Friends of Jesus: Hear a simple life of St Peter and St Paul. Learn about other saints important to the school. Invite someone in from the local parish. Explore a range of pictures of Jesus from a non-European tradition.
Year 1 Revelation	Creation and Covenant God as Creator – Retelling the Creation Story Awe and Wonder in Creation – God's Presence Caring for the World – Showing Love for God and Others Pope Francis and Laudato Si' Prayer and Worship – Our Father and the Creed Living our Response – Caring for Creation as Prayer	Prophecy and Promise The Bible and the Christmas Story God's Promise: Jesus is Born The Gospel Stories of Jesus' Birth Mary's "Yes" at the Annunciation Hail Mary and Angel Gabriel's Words Angels and Celebrating the Birth of Jesus	Galilee to Jerusalem Presentation in the temple Jesus is a 'light' Finding in the temple. Christians share God's love today Call of the disciples Zacchaeus. Candlemas People who met Jesus Jesus welcoming the little children	Desert to Garden Jesus' temptation in the desert Lent The widow's mite Prayer, fasting, and giving. CAFOD and Family Fast Day. Christians around the world celebrate Lent and Holy Week. Jesus' final week. Jesus suffered, died, and rose again. The angel's message at the tomb	To the ends of the Earth The story of Jesus the Road to Emmaus Apostles felt after the Resurrection. Ascension and Pentecost The Holy Spirit in art and music. Mission of Jesus and the mission of the Church. How Christians celebrate Pentecost around the world.	Dialogue and encounter Christian Community and the Church / Parish Christians in the local parish. Christians today Catholics are part of a global Christian family. Christian belief expressed through art and music. The Cross / Sign of the Cross Features of Jewish life Jewish life today.
Year 2 Baptism	Creation and Covenant The Story of Noah – God's Covenant Symbols and Meaning in the Noah Story Covenant and Stewardship – Caring for Creation Psalms of Praise – Singing to God God Knows and Loves Us – Psalm 139 Baptism	Prophecy and Promise Prophets – God's Messengers The Annunciation to Zechariah The Annunciation to Mary The Visitation & The Magnificat Preparing for Jesus – Advent Traditions Light in Darkness – Our Response	Galilee to Jerusalem Isaiah and John the Baptist Jesus' baptism. The Trinity Jesus calming the storm Healing the paralysed man Temptation /God always forgives Water in Baptism and reconciliation. Parable of the Lost Sheep. Using prayer to say sorry.	Desert to Garden Lent Sin Kyrie Eleison Sacrament of Reconciliation Holy Week Jesus on the Cross and God's forgiveness. Easter Vigil Symbols Symbols of light and water in the Easter Vigil Mass.	To the ends of the Earth Resurrection to Pentecost. Ascension and Pentecost. the Holy Spirit in art and music St Luke: Gospel and Acts. Conversion of Saul. Fruits of the Holy Spirit. 'Come Holy Spirit'	Dialogue and encounter Parable of the Good Samaritan Who is my neighbour? Good Samaritans Christians serving others locally and globally. Good neighbours. Jewish laws and how Jewish people live today (Sabbath). Hebrew Respecting people of all beliefs.



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Year 3 Celebrating the Eucharist	Creation and Covenant God as Creator – Poetry and Pattern in Genesis Dignity and the Image of God Living in Relationship – Pope Francis & Laudato Si' Stewardship – Caring for God's Creation Praising the Creator through Prayer Sabbath and Thanksgiving – Responding with Praise	Prophecy and Promise Sunday as a Holy Day & What happens at Mass Signs and Actions at Mass / Experiencing Liturgy of the Word Advent Prophecies & Joseph's Dream Angels as Messengers & Matthew's Nativity Advent Hymns & Creative Response Advent Symbols & Reflection on Mass/Advent	Galilee to Jerusalem Visit of the Magi The Kingdom of God Parable of the Sower Jesus works Miracles The Our Father Saint Study	Desert to Garden Miracle of the Loaves The Last Supper Celebrating the Mass The Eucharistic Prayer Sacraments	To the ends of the Earth Jesus on the Road to Emmaus Mission to the World Pentecost The Early Church Saint Paul The Mystery of God	Dialogue and encounter The Hebrews in Egypt Exodus Preparations Jewish Celebration of the Passover The Last Supper Islam
Year 4 Transformation through faith and hope in God	Creation and Covenant Introducing Abraham and His World – Historical, cultural, and religious context. God's Covenant with Abraham Abraham's Trust and God's Faithfulness Faith, Hope and Love in Action – living the virtues. Abraham as a model of prayer. Joseph	Prophecy and Promise Elijah the Prophet – Call to return to God Elijah – Encounter with God and Generosity John the Baptist – Preparing the Way The Jesse Tree – Jesus' ancestry Christ the King – A different kind of King Art & Music Responses – Christ the King & Advent	Galilee to Jerusalem Jesus Works Miracles Jesus and John the Baptist Jesus and Peter The Sacrament of Reconciliation The Sacrament of the Sick Person study who has been inspired by Jesus to work with the marginalised	Desert to Garden God's Mercy and Forgiveness The Judgement of Nations The Works of Mercy The Journey to Jerusalem The Last Supper The Passion and Death of Jesus	To the ends of the Earth Jesus is Alive The Church is Apostolic The Church in the World The Communion of Saints Mary, Mother of the Church	Dialogue and encounter The Conversion of Saul Paul's Mission Paul's Letters The Catholic Church The Five Pillars of Islam How Muslims live out their beliefs
Year 5 The Old Testament	Creation and Covenant Moses and the Burning Bush God made covenants The Sinai covenant and the role of the Ten Commandments Jesus' summary of the law Sins and Relationships Virtues Christian responsibility and social justice	Prophecy and Promise Samuel and the people ask for a king David's anointing and calling David and Goliath – servant leadership David as king and covenant with God David as a model of prayer – Psalms Advent focus – Antiphons and Rosary	Galilee to Jerusalem The Sermon on the Mount (Beatitudes) The Great Commandment The Prodigal Son The Transfiguration The Our Father	Desert to Garden Temptations in the Desert Ash Wednesday (Mass Pt 1) The Mass (Pt. 2) The Four Last Things The Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary Easter Sunday	To the ends of the Earth The Transforming Spirit The Gifts of the Holy Spirit The Sacrament of Confirmation Mary, the First Disciple The Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary Saint Study	Dialogue and encounter The Bible God's Covenants Journey through the Bible The Hebrew Bible Jewish Life
Year 6 St John's Gospel	Creation and Covenant Literary form and symbolism in the second Creation story The Fall and the concept of original sin The Fall and human suffering Dignity and equality Sacrament of Baptism Jesus as restorer of the relationship with God The Nicene Creed Catholic scientists	Prophecy and Promise Sarah & Hannah – Promise, Prayer and Fulfilment Miriam, Deborah & Esther – Courage, Leadership and Providence Luke's and Matthew's Infancy Narratives Mary as Fulfilment & Mother of God The Magnificat – Text, Theology & Justice	Galilee to Jerusalem St John's Gospel Jesus' Power of Healing Jesus' Power over Creation The Raising of Lazarus The 'I AM' Statements Jesus' New Presence	Desert to Garden The Anointing in Bethany The Washing of the Feet Jesus' Farewell Jesus before Pilate The Crucifixion Holy Week in Church	To the ends of the Earth Jesus appears to Mary of Magdala Jesus appears to the Disciples Mission to the World St Stephen, the first Martyr Saint Study Charity Study	Dialogue and encounter The Common Good Worldviews Promoting Unity and Love Dialogue of Life, Action, Religious Experience Hinduism

Following Jesus' footsteps and inspired by St Robert Southwell we work hard, aim high and treat everyone with honesty and gentleness.