

YEAR 7 THEOLOGY LEARNING JOURNEY



7.6 To the Ends of the Earth

To the Ends of the Earth focusses on Luke's Gospel and the importance of the Holy Spirit in guiding Christians today. We look at what we understand by the word 'Church' and the importance of the sacrament of Baptism. We then encounter Hinduism and Sikhism.



In **Desert to Garden** we look at the importance of the Paschal Mystery – Jesus' death and resurrection. We then look at the seven sacraments of the Catholic Church and then focus in on the Eucharist (Mass) and its importance to Catholics. We examine different Christian beliefs about the Eucharist and Communion before thinking about how Catholics can carry Jesus into the world.

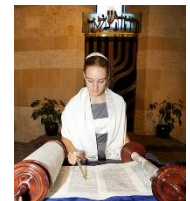
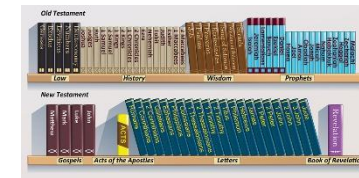
7.5 Desert to Garden

7.4 Galilee to Jerusalem

Galilee to Jerusalem examines Christian beliefs about God as the Trinity of Father, Son and Holy Spirit. This leads into exploring Catholic beliefs about Jesus as fully human and fully God. We look at how Catholics worship God and how they try to follow the example of Jesus in their lives.

In **Prophecy and Promise** we investigate the Bible, why it is important to Christians and what different Christians believe about the Bible. We will learn about the different sources of authority and belief for Christians and then understand how the bible has influenced language and culture in Britain today.

7.3 Prophecy and Promise



7.2 Creation and Covenant

Creation and Covenant examines how we can come to know God through revelation. You will look at Christian beliefs about Creation and scientific theories such as the Big Bang and evolution. You will examine how these beliefs are expressed by Pope Francis and the impact of these beliefs on Christians today – e.g. stewardship and the work of CAFOD.



7.1 Dialogue and Encounter

Dialogue and Encounter helps us to understand the history of Christianity after the time of Jesus and why there are different Christian denominations (types of Christians). We also look at ecumenism - how Christians can work more closely together.

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8.6 Dialogue and Encounter

Dialogue and Encounter explores the role of the Second Vatican Council in Church renewal and the different Catholic Churches in the world. We then encounter Islam.



8.5 To the Ends of the Earth

To the Ends of the Earth explores the Resurrection of Jesus, beliefs about life after death and the meaning and purpose of Catholic funeral rites

Desert to Garden explores issues around suffering and the meaning of suffering. We focus in the Lent term on the suffering of Jesus' suffering and ask why did God allow Jesus to suffer? We end the unit with a focus on the Easter triduum and the importance of the Sacrament of Reconciliation for Catholics.

8.4 Desert to Garden



Galilee to Jerusalem focuses on the ministry of Jesus. We look at what Jesus meant by the Kingdom of God and His concern for marginalised people, Gentiles and women. We then look at Jesus' parables and miracles and the sacrament of the sick as part of the Church's response to sickness and suffering.

8.3 Galilee to Jerusalem

Prophecy and Promise focuses on the role of the prophets, how there are prophets of hope and doom and focus on Jeremiah as a major prophet. We then look at John the Baptist as a prophet and witness to Jesus Christ and then reflect on the role of lay people as witnesses, before reflecting on the season of Advent as the Season of the Prophets.

8.2 Prophecy and Promise



8.1 Creation and Covenant

Creation and Covenant begins with the story of the Fall in Genesis 3 and how this leads to sin. We then explore questions about rules including the Ten Commandments. We then explore what conscience is and then the Sacrament of Baptism.



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In the final Pentecost term, we reflect on Faith in Action. Linking back to the Magnificat, we examine the teachings of In Friend and Stranger and how they impact the work of Catholic Social Action Network, the SVP and CAFOD.

Encounter leads us into a study of Judaism.

9. Dialogue and Encounter

9.5 Ends of the Earth

In the Pentecost term, we begin with Catholic beliefs about the Church as the Communion of Saints and consider Catholic beliefs about the holiness of the Church and the connection between the Church on Earth and the Church in Heaven. We look at the importance of saints to Catholics and how they are venerated in liturgy and prayer.

As we approach Holy Week and Easter, we make connections between the Old Testament idea of sacrifice and the role of the Temple and Jewish beliefs about the Day of Atonement. We examine Jesus' sacrifice and its necessity for redemption and ways in which Jesus is both the new covenant and replaces the Temple as the place of God's presence.

9.4 Desert to Garden

9.3 Galilee to Jerusalem

During Lent, we examine St Mark's teaching about discipleship and the rewards and difficulties of discipleship. Having considered the role of women in the Advent terms, we focus on women as disciples and their faithfulness. This leads to reflection on vocation and particularly religious vocations to religious life and priesthood.

In our second unit during Advent, we consider the role of key women of the Old Testament and their role in God's plan of salvation. We will examine the role of Mary and her importance to Catholics and then look at the Magnificat – a prayer which encourages social justice and the impact this has had on women in the modern world.

9.2 Prophecy and Promise

9.1 Creation and Covenant

In this unit we examine the idea of humans being created *imago dei* - in the image and likeness of God. We reflect on what this means and the impact this has on Catholic beliefs about the importance of human life and relationships. We will also explore Catholic beliefs about marriage, sexual relationships and family planning.