

Central Theme for Year 2: How can we live in relationship: with each other, creation and God?

How can I continue to build a world of love and peace?

Students investigate New Testament stories that reveal aspects of God's nature, recognise how some choices harm relationships and explain the purpose of reconciliation and the Sacrament of Penance. Students focus on the concept of saying sorry and forgiving others. They explore prayers of forgiveness including the Penitential Act and the Act of Contrition.

How do the teachings and actions of Jesus in Holy Week help us to understand God?

Students explore some teachings and actions of Jesus in New Testament texts that reveal aspects of God's nature.

How can I be a steward of God's creation?

Students explore Creation Stories and identify ways in which they should be co-creators and stewards of God's creation. They describe the Creation Story and recognise how sacred it is. Students compile a list of special jobs to take care of God's planet, to show respect for other humans through their actions and to help others to act justly and peacefully.

How can the shared stories of Jesus challenge me today?

Students explore parables and miracles from the New Testament and analyse some teachings and actions of Jesus that reveal aspects of God's nature. They pose questions about the life and times of Jesus and use sources provided to answer these questions. They also make connections between Jesus' teachings and actions and the way members of the Church community live today.

How can the story of Abraham and Sarah help us to understand covenant?

Students learn about God's loving relationship with the Jewish people as described in Old Testament texts. They explore the story of Abraham and Sarah to understand this relationship as a 'covenant' with God.

How does knowing about Advent and Christmas help us to understand the life and times of Jesus?

Students explore contextual information about the first century Mediterranean world, to better appreciate the life and times of Jesus. They will learn about Jesus' life from birth through to his mission and ministry. They will develop their understanding of prayer in the Christian tradition through an exploration of meditative prayer.