



Holy Spirit Catholic Academy Religious Education Medium Term Curriculum Overview

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	Domestic Church Family	Baptism Confirmation Belonging	Advent Christmas Loving	Local Church Community	Eucharist Relating	Lent Easter Giving	Pentecost Serving	Reconciliation Inter-Relating	Universal Church World
Nursery & Reception	<p>Myself God knows and loves each one of us</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The importance of my name – Explore • God knows and loves me and each one by name – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary myself, name, Christian, first name, family</p>	<p>Welcome Baptism; a welcome to God's family</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What it is to welcome and be welcomed – Explore • Baptism: a welcome to God's family – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary welcome, welcomed, belong, school, class, Baptism,</p>	<p>Birthday Looking forward to Jesus' birthday</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what a birthday is; waiting for a birthday – Explore • Advent: looking forward to Christmas, the birthday of Jesus – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary</p>	<p>Celebrating People celebrate in church</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what a celebration is – Explore • how the parish family celebrate – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Church, priest, celebrate, celebrating, Parish family, family,</p>	<p>Gathering The parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how and why people gather together – Explore • the joy of gathering together to celebrate at Mass – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary welcome,</p>	<p>Growing Looking forward to Easter</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring is a time when things begin to grow – Explore • Lent – a time to grow in love to be more like Jesus and to look forward to Easter – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Grow, spring,</p>	<p>Good News Passing on the good news of Jesus</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That everyone has Good News to share – Explore • Pentecost: the celebration of the Good News of Jesus – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary good news, share, Good News, Pentecost,</p>	<p>Friends Friends of Jesus</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We can make friends – Explore • Jesus had good friends; what Jesus tells us about friendship – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary friend, happy, sad, love, make up, kind, gentle, loving, sorry, Jesus, forgive, change Reception: rule, understanding, new</p>	<p>Our World God's wonderful world</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what we love and wonder about our world – Explore • God gave us this wonderful world – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary</p>

	name, class name, precious, parent, God, love, loving parent, prayer	baptise, water, candle, In the name of ... Reception: family, priest, white garment, godparents, font	birthday, waiting, wreath, celebrate Christmas, Advent, Jesus, Mary, Joseph, swaddling clothes, manger, crib Reception: shepherds, wise men	community, celebration, party, memory, Father, altar Reception: Temple, parish,	blessing, listen, pray, Mass, sing, gather, together, alone Reception: Lectern, “The Lord be with you.” “And with your spirit.”	different, Lent, Good Friday, cross, Easter Sunday	promise, Holy Spirit, Easter, alleluia	start, friendship, forgive, change	world, wonder, wonderful, care, love, share, work/play together
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Year 1	<p>Families God is present in every beginning</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The love and care shown in the family – Explore • God's love and care for every family – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Family, belong, God, love, care, different, God's children, psalm, family of God, response</p>	<p>Belonging Baptism is an invitation to belong to God's family</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • About belonging to different groups – Explore • That Baptism is an invitation to belong to God's family – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Sign of the Cross, belong, belonging friends, sacrament, invitation, welcome,</p>	<p>Waiting Advent a time to look forward to Christmas</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • About the times that it is necessary to wait and the use of that time – Explore • That Advent is a time of waiting to celebrate Jesus' coming at Christmas – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary waiting, preparing, messenger,</p>	<p>Special People People in the parish family</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That there are special people in our lives who are there to help us – Explore • That on Sunday, in church, we meet people who do special jobs as we gather to celebrate the Good News of Jesus – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Special people, greeters,</p>	<p>Meals Mass; Jesus' special meal</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Families and groups share special meals – Explore • Mass as Jesus' special meal – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary family, meal, Mass, share, blessing, bread, host, wine, altar, Last Supper, Holy Communion, Preparation of the Gifts, litany, chalice</p>	<p>Change Lent a time for change</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That we change and grow – Explore • Lent; a time to change in preparation for the celebration of Easter – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary change, seasons, spring, growth, Lent, Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Alleluia, Cross, Resurrection</p>	<p>Holidays and Holydays Pentecost: a holy day, the feast of the Holy Spirit</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holidays as days to be happy – Explore • Pentecost; a holy day – the feast of the Holy Spirit – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary holiday, holyday, Apostles, help, Pentecost, promise, Holy Spirit, guide, Resurrection, alleluia</p>	<p>Being Sorry God helps us to choose well</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have choice – sometimes we choose well, and sometimes wrongly – Explore • God helps us to choose well and to be sorry. God forgives us – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary choice, happy, sad, disappointed, sorry, forgive rules, wrong, right, feeling, love, Sign of Peace, Peace be with you</p>	<p>Neighbours Everyone is our neighbour and is loved by God</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neighbours all around – Explore • Everyone is our neighbour and is loved by God – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary neighbour, love, world, Fairtrade, global, family, psalm, share</p>

		Baptism, godparents, font, sign	visit, celebrate, Advent, Jesus, Mary, Elizabeth, Joseph, shepherds, angels, Christmas, Bethlehem, manger, worship, wreath	Sunday, holy, Jesus, Presentation, church, community, temple, altar servers, Extraordinary ministers, readers, choir, cleaners, priest, collectors, musicians					
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Year 2	Beginnings God is present in every beginning Know and understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The many beginnings each day offers – Explore God is present in every beginning – Reveal 	Signs and Symbols Signs and symbols used in Baptism Know and understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experience of signs and symbols – Explore Signs and symbols used in Baptism – Reveal 	Preparations Advent: preparing to celebrate Christmas Know and understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparing for special times – Explore Advent four weeks of preparation for the celebration of Jesus at Christmas – Reveal 	Books The books used in Church Know and understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> About the different books used at home and in school – Explore The books used in Church on Sunday by the parish family – Reveal 	Thanksgiving Mass a special time for saying thank you to God for everything, especially Jesus Know and understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Different ways to say thank you – Explore The Eucharist: the parish family thanks God for Jesus – Reveal 	Opportunities Lent an opportunity to start a new in order to celebrate Jesus' new life Know and understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each day offers opportunities for good – Explore Lent, the opportunity to turn towards what is good in preparation for Easter – Reveal 	Spread the Word PENTECOST: A time to spread the Good News Know and understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Passing on messages – Explore Pentecost, spreading the Gospel message through the gift of the Holy Spirit – Reveal 	Rules Reasons for rules in the Christian family Know and understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How rules can help at home and in school – Explore The reasons for rules in the Christian family – Reveal 	Treasures God's treasure: the world Know and understand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What we treasure – Explore The world is God's treasure given to us – Reveal
	Key Vocabulary beginning, new start, family, friend, creation, psalm, litany	Key Vocabulary garment, Easter candle, font, chrism, Good News sign, symbols	Key Vocabulary preparing, Advent, Christmas, Nativity, waiting,	Key Vocabulary books, library, text book, reverence, respect, Scripture,	Key Vocabulary thank you, thanksgiving, thoughtful, Eucharist,	Key Vocabulary opportunities, Ash Wednesday,	Key Vocabulary message, risen, Resurrection, Holy Spirit, Ascension, witnesses, blessing, Pentecost,	Key Vocabulary rules, care, safe, sorry, forgive, right, wrong make up, choices, sin, consequences, examination of conscience	Key Vocabulary treasure, gift, care, love, protect, respect, preserve creation, precious

			Annunciation, Visitation	lectern, Gospel, Bible, New Testament, Old Testament, genre, missal	Eucharistic Prayer, liturgy	Lent, prayer, sharing, giving, Cross, crucifix, Easter candle, Easter, New Life, Sabbath	promise, Good News, Holy Spirit		
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Year 3	<p>Homes God's vision for every family</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The joys and sorrows of being a family at home – Explore God's vision for every family – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary home, love, family, difference, respect, joys, sorrows, community, family</p>	<p>Promises The meaning of the commitment and promises made at Baptism</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Belonging to a group involves promises and rules – Explore The meaning of the promises made at Baptism – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Promises, rules, actions, symbols, rite,</p>	<p>Visitors Advent: waiting for the coming of Jesus</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The demands and joys of visitors – Explore Advent: waiting for the coming of Jesus – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Joys, demands, visitors, Isaiah, Messiah, Advent, Annunciation, The Visitation, Magnificat, Joyful</p>	<p>Journeys Christian family's journey with Jesus</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a journey through a year – Explore the Christian family's journey with Jesus through the Church's year – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary calendar, seasons, journey, liturgical, ordinary time,</p>	<p>Listening and Sharing Listening to the Word of God and sharing Holy Communion</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Listening and sharing with one another – Explore Listening to the Word of God and sharing in Holy Communion – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary listening, sharing, Eucharist, Mass,</p>	<p>Giving All Lent a time to remember Jesus' total giving</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How people give themselves – Explore Lent, a time to remember Jesus' total giving – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary self-giving, courage, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week, prayer, fasting, alms giving, Easter – New Life, Resurrection,</p>	<p>Energy Gifts of the Holy Spirit</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The energy of fire and wind – Explore The wonder and power of the Holy Spirit – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary fire, warmth, wind, energy, power, gifts, Holy Spirit, Rosary, Glorious Mysteries, Pentecost</p>	<p>Choices The importance of conscience in making choices</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choices have consequences – Explore The importance of conscience in making choices – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Reconciliation, Confession, conscience, sorrow, penance, sin, choice, consequences, repentance, penitent, absolution, grace</p>	<p>Special Places Special places for Jesus and the Christian community</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Everyone has a special place – Explore Special places for Jesus and the Christian community – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary special, holy, place, world, pilgrim, pilgrimage, universal,</p>

		Sacrament, commitment, faith, welcome, Church, ceremonies, Chrism, anointing, Trinity	Mysteries, Nativity	feast day, Our Lady	gathering, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist, Holy Communion, Good News, ambo	Sorrowful Mysteries			temple, Nazareth
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Year 4	<p>People The family of God in Scripture</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our family trees – Explore • The family of God in Scripture – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Chosen people, siblings, relations, ancestors, generations, Old Testament, roots, family tree, genealogy, nomad, nomadic</p>	<p>Called Confirmation: a call to witness</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The response to being chosen – Explore • Confirmation: a call to witness – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary chosen, response, Sacrament of Confirmation, oil of Chrism, mitre, crozier, sponsor, catechist, bishop, Holy</p>	<p>Gift God's gift of love & friendship in Jesus</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The gift of love and friendship – Explore • Advent and Christmas: The Church's seasons of preparing to receive God's gift of love and friendship in Jesus – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary gift, friendship, loyalty,</p>	<p>Community Life in the local Christian community: ministries in the parish</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Belonging to a community – Explore • The life of the local Christian community – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary community, commitment, responsibility, parish, laity, ministries, Extraordinary</p>	<p>Giving and Receiving Living in communion</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Giving and receiving every day – Explore • The Eucharist challenges and enables living and growing in communion – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Communion, community, giving, receiving, Liturgy of the Word, Penitential Act,</p>	<p>Self-Discipline The family of God in Scripture</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-discipline is important – Explore • Celebrating growth to new life through self-discipline – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary self-discipline, effort, potential, penance, contrition, Lent, Easter, Resurrection, fasting, alms giving</p>	<p>New Life To hear & live the Easter message</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How good news brings life– Explore • The new life of the Easter message is spread through the power of the Holy Spirit – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary life, good news, Resurrection, Pentecost, Holy Spirit, fellowship</p>	<p>Building Bridges Admitting wrong, being reconciled with God and one another</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building bridges of friendship – Explore • The importance of admitting wrong and being reconciled with God and one another – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary bridges, friendship, contrition, Absolution, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Examination of Conscience, sin, penance, confession</p>	<p>God's People Different saints show people what God is like</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ordinary people who do extraordinary things – Explore • Different saints show people what God is like – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary ordinary, extraordinary, admire, saint, martyr</p>

		Spirit, witness, anointing, Holy Trinity, enkindle, called	commitment, rejoice, peace, God's plan	Ministers, service, funeral rites, pastoral area, deanery	Lamb of God, Concluding Rite, Sign of Peace. Introductory Rite, Eucharist, Communion Rite				Communion of Saints, peace, justice
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Year 5	<p>Ourselves Created in the image and likeness of God</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A deepening awareness of 'Who I am' – Explore • Ourselves as made in the image and likeness of God – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary qualities, talents, unique, gifts, challenge, joys, happiness, responsibility, dignity, image, peacemaker</p>	<p>Life Choices Marriage, commitment and service</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Showing care and commitment – Explore • The call to life and love within the community; marriage – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Vocation, marriage, service, responsibility, fidelity, commitment</p>	<p>Hope Advent; waiting in joyful hope for Jesus; the promised one</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waiting hopefully – Explore • Advent is the Church's season of waiting in joyful hope for the coming of Jesus, the promised One, at Christmas and at the end of time – Reveal 	<p>Mission Continuing Jesus' mission in diocese (ecumenism)</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The mission of inspirational leaders – Explore • Dioceses continue the work and mission of Jesus including ecumenism – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Mission, bishop, ecumenism, cathedral, diocese,</p>	<p>Memorial Sacrifice The Eucharist; the living memorial of Jesus</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How memories are kept alive – Explore • The Eucharist keeps the memory of Jesus' sacrifice alive and present in a special way – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Memories, significant, memorial sacrifice,</p>	<p>Sacrifice Lent, a time of giving in order to celebrate the sacrifice of Jesus</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Giving or refusing to give; appreciating the cost of giving – Explore • Lent, a time of giving in preparation for the celebration of the sacrifice of Jesus – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary giving, carer, cost,</p>	<p>Transformation Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transforming energy – Explore • Pentecost, the celebration of the Spirit's transforming power – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Transformation, transform, energy, wind, fire Holy Spirit, change, gift,, Fruits of the Spirit</p>	<p>Freedom and Responsibility Commandments enable Christians to be free and responsible</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freedom involves responsibility – Explore • God's rules for living freely and responsibly – the Commandments – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary freedom, responsibility, Beatitudes, Commandments</p>	<p>Stewardship The Church is called to stewardship of Creation</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caring for the earth – Explore • The Church is called to stewardship of Creation – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary care, world, Earth, sustainable, stewards, stewardship, sustainable, creation, creator, created,</p>

			Key Vocabulary Waiting, hopeful, Promised One, Messiah, prophet	inspirational, Baptism, Christian Unity, Gentile, inspired	Passover, Pesach, host, chalice, liturgy of the Eucharist, Eucharistic Prayer, consecration. adoration, genuflect, acclamation	temptation, betrayal, self-sacrifice, Holy Week, Maundy Thursday, Gethsemane, Altar of Repose, love, crucifixion, Easter vigil, Resurrection			stewards stewardship, climate, preserve, ecology, integrity harmony
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Year 6	<p>Loving God who never stops loving</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The love and care of people – Explore God's love is unconditional and never ending – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary unconditional, forgiveness, mercy, prodigal, parable, reconciliation</p>	<p>Vocation and Commitment The vocation of priesthood and religious life</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commitment in life – Explore The vocation to the priesthood and religious life – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Commitment, dedicated, vocation, Ordination, anointing, religious life, service, celibacy, vows</p>	<p>Expectations Jesus, born to show God to the world</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meaning of expectation – Explore Advent, a time of joyful expectation of Christmas, the Word becoming a human person, Jesus – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Expectation, certainty, Advent, Christmas</p>	<p>Sources The Bible, the special book for the Church</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A wide variety of books and the purpose for which they were written – Explore The Bible as the story of God's love, told by the People of God – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Poetry, prose, history, information, stories, Bible,</p>	<p>Unity Eucharist enables people to live in communion</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What nourishes and what spoils friendship and unity – Explore The Eucharist challenges and enables the Christian family to live and grow in communion every day – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary</p>	<p>Death and New Life Celebrating Jesus' death and resurrection</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loss and death bring about change for people – Explore The Church's seasons of Lent, Holy Week and Easter; the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus led to new life – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Loss, death, change, growth,</p>	<p>Witnesses The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The courage to be a witness – Explore Pentecost: The Holy Spirit enables people to witness to the Easter message – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary witness, Holy Spirit, Witnesses, martyrs, courage, truth inspiration, Good News</p>	<p>Healing Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> When people become sick and need care – Explore The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary Care, sickness, hospice, compassion, Sacrament, anointing, sin, forgiveness, parable, Lourdes, responsibility</p>	<p>Common Good Work of Christians for the good of all</p> <p>Know and understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Justice for the good of all – Explore The work which Christians do for the common good of all – Reveal <p>Key Vocabulary justice, injustice, respect, solidarity, difference, Social Justice,</p>

			Emmanuel, Annunciation, Angelus, Incarnation	Old Testament, New Testament, genre	Eucharist, communion, community, unity, friendship, nourish	Ash Wednesday Lent, Holy Week, the Triduum, Easter Vigil, Resurrection, Paschal			common good, dignity, Catholic Social Teaching.
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