

**Religious Education Curriculum Yearly Overview 2024-2025**

Dates to be covered	Themes and Topics	EFYS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
4 <sup>th</sup> Sept – 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Domestic church family	<b>Myself</b> God knows and loves each one	<b>Families</b> God's love and care for every family	<b>Beginnings</b> God at every beginning	<b>Homes</b> God's dream for every family	<b>People</b> The family of God in Scripture	<b>Ourselves</b> Created in the image & likeness of God	<b>Loving</b> God who never stops loving
7 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Baptism / confirmation belonging	<b>Welcome</b> Baptism; a welcome to God's family	<b>Belonging</b> Baptism an invitation to belong to God's family	<b>Signs &amp; symbols</b> Signs & symbols in Baptism	<b>Promises</b> Promises made at Baptism	<b>Called Confirmation:</b> a call to witness	<b>Life choices</b> Marriage commitment and service	<b>Vocation &amp; commitment</b> The vocation of priesthood and religious life
11 <sup>th</sup> Nov – 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Judaism	Special Days Hanukkah	Stories Abraham and Moses	Prayer Shabbat	Places of Worship The Synagogue	Holy Books The Torah	Beliefs Jews believe in one God	Belongings/Values Yom Kippur and 10 Commandments
18 <sup>th</sup> Nov – 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Islam	How they pray/worship	Place of Worship The Gurdwara	Festivals	The 5 K's	The Holy Book The Gura Granth Sahib	Guru Nanak- Founder of the Sikh religion	Life as a Sikh
25 <sup>th</sup> Nov – 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Advent / Christmas loving	<b>Birthday</b> Looking forward to Jesus' birthday	<b>Waiting</b> Advent a time to look forward to Christmas	<b>Preparations</b> Advent; preparing to celebrate Christmas	<b>Visitors</b> Advent: waiting for the coming of Jesus	<b>Gift</b> God's gift of love & friendship in Jesus	<b>Hope</b> Advent; waiting in joyful hope for Jesus; the promised one	<b>Expectations</b> Jesus born to show God to the world
6 <sup>th</sup> Jan – 31 <sup>st</sup> Jan	Local Church Community	<b>Celebrating</b> People celebrating church	<b>Special People</b> People in the Parish Family	<b>Books</b> The books used in church	<b>Journeys</b> Christian family's journey with Jesus	<b>Community</b> Life in the local Christian community: Ministries in the parish.	<b>Mission</b> Continuing Jesus' mission in the diocese (ecumenism)	<b>Sources</b> The Bible, special book for church
3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb – 7 <sup>th</sup> March	Eucharist relating	<b>Gathering</b> The parish family gathers to celebrate Eucharist	<b>Meals</b> Mass; Jesus' special meal	<b>Thanksgiving</b> Mass a special time for saying thank you to God for everything, especially Jesus	<b>Listening &amp; sharing</b> Jesus gives himself to us in a special way	<b>Giving &amp; receiving</b> Living in communion	<b>Memorial sacrifice</b> The Eucharist the living memorial of Jesus' sacrifice	<b>Unity Eucharist</b> enables people to live in communion.
10 <sup>th</sup> March – 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Lent/Easter giving	<b>Growing</b> Looking forward to Easter	<b>Change</b> Lent a time for change	<b>Opportunities</b> Lent; an opportunity to start anew in order to celebrate Jesus' new life	<b>Giving all</b> Lent a time to remember Jesus' total giving	<b>Self-discipline</b> Celebrating growth to new life	<b>Sacrifice</b> Lent a time of aligning with the sacrifice already made by Jesus	<b>Death &amp; new life</b> Celebrating Jesus' death & resurrection
22 <sup>nd</sup> April – 16 <sup>th</sup> May	Pentecost serving	<b>Good News</b> Passing on the Good news of Jesus	<b>Holidays &amp; holydays</b> Pentecost: feast of the Holy Spirit	<b>Spread the word</b> Pentecost a time to spread the Good News	<b>Energy</b> Gifts of the Holy Spirit	<b>New life</b> To hear & live the Easter message	<b>Transformation</b> Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power	<b>Witnesses</b> The Holy Spirit enables people to become witnesses
19 <sup>th</sup> May – 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Reconciliation Inter-relating	<b>Friends</b> Friends of Jesus	<b>Being sorry</b> God helps us to choose well Sacrament of Reconciliation	<b>Rules</b> Reasons for rules in the Christian family Sacrament of Reconciliation	<b>Choices</b> The importance of examination of conscience Sacrament of Reconciliation	<b>Building bridges</b> Admitting wrong, being reconciled with God and each other Sacrament of Reconciliation	<b>Freedom &amp; responsibility</b> Commandments enable Christians to be free & responsible	<b>Healing</b> Sacrament of the Sick
23 <sup>rd</sup> June – 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Universal Church world	<b>Our world</b> God's wonderful world	<b>Neighbours</b> Neighbours share God's world	<b>Treasures</b> God's treasure; the world	<b>Special places</b> Holy places for Jesus & the Christian	<b>God's people</b> Different saints show people what God is like	<b>Stewardship</b> The Church is called to the stewardship of Creation	<b>Common good</b> Work of the worldwide Christian family