

Year 9 Focus Areas

Focus 1: Who Do You Say I Am?

Students learning about the divergent understanding of God and the monotheistic religions (Islam, Christianity, Judaism). They develop their understanding of three foundational beliefs of Christianity (the Incarnation, Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus) and consider their significance for believers.

Strands:

BEWR10

CHCH8 (1750 common era -1850)

CLMF13

CLPS23 – Creed/Communal Prayer

Mandated texts: (Old Testament)

The Incarnation

(New Testament)

Jesus foretold by the prophets- Romans 1:1-7

Raised from death - 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Promise of Spirit, Ascension of Jesus - Acts 1-12

Jesus heals many at Simon's house - Mark 1:29-41

Supplementary texts: Road to Emmaus - Luke 24:13-35

Resurrection of Jesus - Luke 1:1-12

Ascension of Jesus - Luke 24:50-53

Focus 2: The Line in the Sand

Students develop their understanding of the experience of sin throughout human history and some ways in which the Church responded to the presence of good and evil in the past (c.1750 CE - 1918 CE). They consider sources of inspiration, strength and guidance for believers today, including Catholic social teaching.

Strands:

BEWR10

STOT14

BEHE9

CHCH8

CLMJ10

Mandated texts: (Old Testament)

Creation - Genesis 1:1-2:4

The flood - Genesis 6:10-22; 7:11-16a, 18-21, 24,, 8:1-5, 7, 13a, 14-19

Call of Abraham - Genesis 15:1-21

Passover - Exodus 12:1-30

Exodus from Egypt - Exodus 13:17-14:31

(New Testament)

Supplementary texts:

Focus 3: Living Justly – Why Should I Care?

The students learn about the priestly, prophetic and kingly work of Jesus Christ and ways in which believers live their Christian vocation by participation in this work. They explore the understanding of prayer in the Christian tradition through an exploration of the writings of Christian spiritual fathers and mothers, prayers for forgiveness and healing, Christian Meditation and meditative prayer practices, including praying with labyrinths.

Strands:

STCW10

CHPG10

CLMJ10

CLMF13

CLPS23

CHLS14

Mandated texts: (Old Testament)

(New Testament) Jesus foretold by the prophets - Romans 1:1-7

Jesus heals many at Simon's house - Mark 1:29-41

Jesus cleanses a leper- Mark 1:40-45

Luke 5:12-16

Supplementary texts:

Focus 4: What Is In It For Me Today?

The students are introduced to two forms of Biblical criticism, namely form criticism and narrative criticism, and develop the ability to apply these to help their understanding, interpretation and use of a range of Biblical texts. They continue to develop their understanding of prayer in the Christian tradition through an exploration of the writings of Christian spiritual fathers and mothers.

Strands:

STNT19

BETR12

SCTW10

CLPS22 (top only)

Mandated texts: (Old Testament)

(New Testament)

Cure of the paralysed man - Mark 2:1-12 (Teacher Background cont in unit)

The weeds among the wheat - Matthew 13:24-30;36-43

Jesus cleanses a leper - Mark 1:40-45 & Luke 5:12-16

Sheep and Goats - Matthew 25:31-36

Man born blind - John 9:1-39

Supplementary texts: The Lost Sheep - Matthew 18:10-13

The Lost Coin - Luke 15:8-10

Wedding at Cana - John 2:1-11

Multiplication of the Loaves - John 6:1-15