Year Group 5

Outline of Come and See topics.

Topic One - Ourselves	We will begin the year by exploring our talents and qualities. We will focus on how these are different and how they can link together as well as celebrating our own talents and qualities and thinking more deeply about who we are. As the topic develops, we will look at how we are made in the image and likeness of God, the qualities God gives us and wants us to develop as well as how we sometimes must be courageous to be like God who is our loving parent. Our Big Question is: What makes me unique?
Topic Two – Life Choices	In this topic, we will firstly think about how we show care and commitment and how our friendships thrive based on commitment, responsibility and fidelity. We then think about the mission of both ourselves and historical people and how these are lived out in different ways. We then look at out how these link to the Sacrament of Marriage and the symbols of this. Following this, we think about how we are all called to live in love and service and how this can be done. Our Big Question is: What is important for friendship to thrive?
Topic Three - Hope	As the season of Advent approaches, children will explore how our feelings can change when waiting for different scenarios and ways that we wait hopefully for some things. We then discuss how Advent is a time of waiting for the Promised One and how we do this in hope for the Lord. We then think about how Jesus is the light that brings us this hope, his birth and how we wait for Christ to come again. Our Big Question is: What is the difference between hope and expect?
Topic Four – Mission	During this topic, we begin by exploring the mission of inspirational leaders as well as inspirational communities such as charities like CAFOD. We then think about the beginning of Jesus' mission to spread Good News to the poor before thinking more about the Church with regards to a diocese and what its mission is. We then think about

Topic Five – Memorial Sacrifice	all who have been inspired to follow Christ being together as one. Our Big Question is: What unites Christian communities? In Memorial Sacrifice, we will explore how memories are kept alive in a number of different ways, the different kinds of memories and why these are important. We then think back to the stories of the Passover and The Last Supper and how this links to the Eucharist as both a memorial and a sacrifice. We then think about how we remember Jesus' sacrifice through the Eucharistic prayer and link this to how we make sacrifices in daily life and what these are. Our Big Question is: How is it possible to keep important
Topic Six – Sacrifice	Following on from our Memorial Sacrifice topic, we begin by thinking about how some people give or refuse to give and look deeper into this by exploring how there is a cost to giving. We also think about how our feelings and beliefs can influence these decisions. We then discuss the current time of Lent and how this provides an opportunity to turn away from evil. We hear the story of Jesus' betrayal by Judas Iscariot, Jesus' arrest as a result of this and the sacrifice that Jesus made for us. We then discuss how Good Friday is a memorial of Jesus' crucifixion and sacrifice and how we remember and thank Jesus for this. We then think about how Easter Sunday is a time of celebration of the risen Christ by exploring the actions, prayers and symbols of the Easter Vigil liturgy.
	Our Big Question is: What does sacrifice mean in daily life?
Topic Seven - Transformation	During the Pentecost season, we think about energy transformation and how our beliefs and values inform our decisions on the usage of these and how we can better look after the planet which God gave to us. We then focus on Pentecost being a celebration of the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. We look at how Jesus helped his disciples to understand this following his resurrection and how the Holy Spirit is a gift for everyone. We also look at how Saul was transformed by this and through his baptism, as well as his teachings after his transformation to Paul to Christians in Rome at the time. We then make links to this story and our own lives by thinking about how

the Fruits of the Spirit are shown in daily life and how we pray for the transformation the Holy Spirit gives us so that we may bring the Fruits of the Spirit.

Our Big Question is: How does the power of the Holy Spirit help us today?

Topic Eight – Freedom & Responsibility

To begin the topic, we explore how the freedoms that we gain are provided to us based on how we use these freedoms responsibly. We relate this to how God gave us rules for living free and responsibly through the Ten Commandments and how Jesus sited two of these as being the most important and why before looking at Isaiah's teachings of what God wants from us. We then make links to these and the Beatitudes and how God is loving and merciful when we sometimes use the freedoms we are given irresponsibly through Reconciliation.

Our Big Question is: How can rules bring freedom?

Topic Nine - Stewardship

During the exploration of our Universal Church topic, we revisit the importance of caring for the earth given to us by God. We think more deeply about this by looking at the wonders of God's creation, the task that we have been given to care for it and ways in which we can do this. We also think about how we are called to Stewardship because of it being a holy gift from God and looking after it is also a sign of looking after our fellow people. We make links to our own stewardship with the stewardship shown by charities such as CAFOD and how it lives up to this responsibility.

Our Big Question is: How can I be a steward of creation?

Other Faiths

Judaism

In our Judaism topic, we talk about the story of the Exodus and how Passover is a special time of remembrance and celebration for people of Jewish faith. We continue our learning by thinking about the symbolism of the Passover meal and how each food presented on the Seder plate is a symbol and remembrance of a specific part of the Passover story. Finally, we read the Shema prayer and think carefully about how this helps Jewish people today.

Islam

In our Islam topic, we think about how, when and why people of Islamic faith fast during Ramadan and how this is a special time for Muslims. We then learn about the ending of the month of Ramadan 'Eid-ul-Fitr' meaning the festival of fast-breaking. Another special time for Muslims, this day is one of celebration for the end of fasting and giving their thanks to Allah for the help and strength given throughout Ramadan. We then look at Makkah; how this is a holy place of worship for Muslims and the reasons behind the pilgrimage that many take to there.