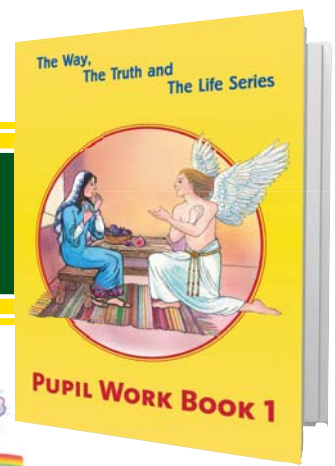




# THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE



## 1. God's Great Plan

Story of Creation  
The First People  
God's World  
Noah's Ark



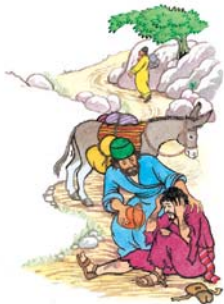
## 2. Mary, Our Mother

The Annunciation  
Mary visits Elizabeth  
Advent  
The birth of Jesus  
Visit of the Shepherds  
Mary is our Mother



## 3. Families & Celebrations

Presentation of the Jesus in the Temple  
Jesus and his Family  
Jesus in the Temple  
Our Church Family  
Sacrament of Baptism



## 4. Following Jesus

Jesus chooses Disciples  
Jesus teaches the Disciples to pray  
The Good Samaritan  
Jesus goes to Jerusalem  
Good Friday



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Jesus rose from the dead  
Jesus appears to the Disciples  
Jesus eats with the Disciples  
Jesus and Thomas  
Jesus return to Heaven



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Helping Others  
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Cure of the Blind Man  
The Wedding at Cana



# 1.1 God's Great Plan

## **Religious Education Curriculum Directory**

Creation is the first and universal revelation of God's love. As the action of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, creation is the first step towards the covenant relationship God seeks with every human being." (p. 14)

## **AT1 & AT2**

## **Learning ABOUT and learning FROM the Catholic Faith**

### **Key Learning Objectives**

**In this unit you will have the opportunity to:**

- Be aware of the beauty of God's world.
  - Explore and respond to the wonders of creation e.g. the seasons.
- Hear about the story of Creation from Genesis.
  - Talk about its meaning.
- Know that God made us because He loves us but the first people, Adam and Eve, made some wrong choices.
  - Think of how we can show our love for God.
- Be aware that we have a responsibility to look after God's world.
  - Think of ways we can care for the world.
- Hear an appropriate part of the story of Noah and the Flood.
  - Think about its promise and hope.

## 1.2

# Mary, Our Mother

### **Catechism of the Catholic Church**

'God sent forth his Son', but to prepare a body for him, he wanted the free co-operation of a creature. For this, from all eternity God chose for the mother of his Son a daughter of Israel, a young Jewish woman of Nazareth in Galilee, 'a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary'. (Para. 488)

'In a wholly singular way she co-operated by her obedience, faith, hope and burning charity in the Saviour's work of restoring supernatural life to souls. For this reason she is mother to us in the order of grace.' (Para. 968)

### **AT1 & AT2**

### **Learning ABOUT and learning FROM the Catholic Faith**

### **Key Learning Objectives**

**In this unit you will have the opportunity to:**

- Know that God sent the Angel Gabriel to ask Mary to be the mother of His son.
  - Reflect on Mary's response;
- Hear about Mary's visit to her cousin, Elizabeth.
  - Reflect on their good news;
- Prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus.
  - Think of how we can prepare for it.
- Know the story of the birth of Jesus.
  - Be aware that God sent Jesus to help us.
- Know that Mary is our mother too.
  - Think about how Mary looks after us.

## 1.3 Families & Celebrations

### **Religious Education Curriculum Directory**

“Foundations for love of neighbour, together with Christian values which promote respect for authority and citizenship, are laid in family life. The values of family life are a vital element in the social doctrine of the Church.” p. 35

“The Church is the family of God, the People that God gathers in the whole world.” p. 19

“In Baptism we are reborn as children of God in Christ and enlightened by the Holy Spirit.” p. 24

### **AT1 & AT2**

### **Learning ABOUT and learning FROM the Catholic Faith**

### **Key Learning Objectives**

**In this unit you will have the opportunity to:**

- Know that we all belong to a family.
  - Think about how we can love and help each other.
- Know that Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the Temple as a baby.
  - Think about why this was a very special occasion.
- Know that Jesus belonged to a family.
  - Think of things he may have done with his family.
- Know about the loss and finding of Jesus.
  - Reflect on the feelings of Mary and Joseph when Jesus was lost and then found.
- Begin to understand what it means to belong to our Church family.
  - Reflect on what we do together.
- Know that we become a member of the Church by receiving the Sacrament of Baptism.
  - Talk about what happens when a baby is baptised.

## 1.4 Following Jesus

### **Catechism of the Catholic Church**

“From the beginning, Jesus associated his disciples with his own life, revealed the mystery of the Kingdom to them and gave them a share in his mission, joy and sufferings.” CCC 787

### **AT1 & AT2**

### **Learning ABOUT and learning FROM the Catholic Faith**

### **Key Learning Objectives**

#### **In this unit you will have the opportunity to:**

- Hear how Jesus chose some of the first disciples (Lk. 3, 5:1-11).
  - Reflect on how we choose our friends.
- Know how Jesus taught his disciples to pray (Mt. 6).
  - Reflect on how we pray.
- Hear the story of the Good Samaritan.
  - Reflect on the message it has for us as followers of Jesus.
- Hear the story of Jesus and his followers going into Jerusalem.
  - Think of how we can show that we ‘welcome’ Jesus.
- Know that Jesus died on Good Friday but that this is not the end of the story.
  - Reflect on the time of waiting before Easter Sunday.

## 1.5

# THE RESURRECTION

### **Catechism of the Catholic Church**

“Jesus Christ’s Resurrection – and the risen Christ himself – is the principle and source of *our future resurrection*: ‘Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep... For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.’” CCC 655

### **AT1 & AT2**

### **Learning ABOUT and learning FROM the Catholic Faith**

### **Key Learning Objectives**

**In this unit you will have the opportunity to:**

- Know that we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus at Easter.
  - Reflect on who we do this.
- Know that Jesus rose from the dead on the first Easter Sunday.
  - Reflect on what this means for us.
- Know that Jesus appeared to the disciples in the Upper Room.
  - Think about the times when we have experienced big surprises.
- Know that Jesus helped the disciples to understand that he was truly alive.
  - Think about how happy everybody was to see him.
- Know that Thomas did not believe that Jesus was alive.
  - Reflect on times when we don’t understand what is happening.
- Know that Jesus returned to heaven after forty days.
  - Reflect on the promises he made.

## 1.6

## MIRACLES

### **Catechism of the Catholic Church**

“The signs worked by Jesus attest that the Father has sent him. They invite belief in him. To those who turn to him in faith, he grants what they ask. So miracles strengthen faith in the One who does his Father’s works; they bear witness that he is the Son of God.” CCC 548

### **AT1 & AT2**

### **Learning ABOUT and learning FROM the Catholic Faith**

### **Key Learning Objectives**

### **In this unit you will have the opportunity to:**

- Know that Jesus showed his great power when he calmed the wind and the waves.
  - Reflect on the fact that we can ask Jesus to help us when we are afraid;
- Know that compassion motivates many people to act for the good of others.
  - Think about how we can help each other.
- Know that Jesus showed his love for sick people when he cured a man who was paralysed.
  - Reflect on the great love Jesus has for all people who are sick.
- Know that Jesus responded to the faith of the blind man with compassion.
  - Reflect on the fact that Jesus will help us when we pray to him.
- Hear how Jesus performed his first miracle at the request of his Mother.
  - Think about Jesus helping the guests at the wedding at Cana.