



The children will explore this term's theme '**Desert to Garden**' through their different class topics.

"Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day"
 1 Cor 15:3

In this branch, the children will study the season of Lent and its culmination in the events of Holy Week. They will learn about the Paschal Triduum at the heart of the Catholic Church's Liturgy and life. The title of this branch points both to the liturgical journey from the desert of Lent to the garden of Resurrection, but also to the Paschal journey from darkness to light, barrenness to fruitfulness, death to life.

Holy Week 2026



TERM 4 THEME: Desert to Garden

Hear

By the end of this unit, our children will know more about the epiphany of our Lord, when the wise men visited, as well as the following miracles of Jesus and the parables He shared with us:

- The miracle of the loaves (Matt 14: 13-21).
- The last supper (The institution of the Eucharist) (Matt 26: 26-29).
- Extracts from a Eucharistic Prayer

Believe

By the end of this unit, pupils will understand that the Church teaches Jesus showed his love at the Last Supper by giving himself through bread and wine. They will know that Jesus instituted the Eucharist and made the apostles priests when he commanded them to "Do this in remembrance of me." Pupils will also learn that in Mass Catholics listen to Scripture in the Liturgy of the Word and meet Jesus in Holy Communion during the Liturgy of the Eucharist. They will recognise that sacraments are special meeting points where God blesses people, strengthens faith, and draws them closer to the Church community. Finally, they will understand that the Eucharist is Jesus offering his life for the salvation of the world, and that receiving Holy Communion is a way of giving oneself to Jesus in faith.

Celebrate

By the end of this unit of study, children will know some prayers and responses Catholics say during Mass and specifically during the Eucharistic Prayer. They will also think about some of the ways people celebrate their first Eucharist, also known as the First holy Communion.

Live

By the end of this unit of study, our children will know the ways in which Catholics are called to live Eucharist by following the example of Jesus. And some different cultural practices associated with Holy Week (e.g., Maundy money in the UK, Green Thursday in Germany).

SCHOOL CHARITIES



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FEAST DAYS IN TERM 3

- **ASH WEDNESDAY** (18th February)
- **FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT** (22nd February)
- **SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT** (1st March)
- **FEAST OF ST DAVID, PATRON OF WALES** (1st March)
- **THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT** (8th March)
- **FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT** (15th March)
- **FEAST OF ST PATRICK, PATRON OF IRELAND** (17th March)
- **FEAST OF ST JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** (19th March)
- **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT** (22nd March)
- **THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD** (25th March)
- **PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD** (29th March)
- **MAUNDY THURSDAY** (2nd April)
- **GOOD FRIDAY** (3rd April)
- **HOLY SATURDAY** (4th April)
- **EASTER SUNDAY** (5th April)

OUR FOCUS PRAYERS OF THE MONTH/SEASON

- **APOSTLES' CREED** (February)
- **THE CONFITEOR** (Lent)

SJF VIRTUES TO LIVE BY

- **CHARITY** (w/c 24-02-26)
- **SIMPLICITY** (w/c 09-03-26)

SJF ACTS OF FAITH

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Statement of Belief & Citizenship Assemblies	Hymn Practise Virtues Assemblies	'Picture News' & Themed Assemblies
Thursday	Friday	
Liturgy of The Word	Celebration Assembly Chaplains' Celebrations	

LENTEN CLASS REFLECTIONS

Lenten class reflections begin on **Tuesday 24th February 2026** and continue until **Thursday 26th March 2026**. There are no reflections on Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th March 2026. Please book via the school office.



Monday

Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6

Tuesday

FS2 Y3 Y4 Y5 Y6

Wednesday

FS2 Y1 Y2 Y5 Y6

Thursday

FS2 Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4

Friday

No visitors



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In 2026, Pope Leo has asked the Church to think a lot about peace, kindness, and working together.

For **World Day of Peace** (1st January 2026) the message is, "Peace be with you all." It reminds us to choose peace and help make the world calmer and kinder.

For **World Mission Day** (19th October 2026) the theme is, "One in Christ, united in mission." This means we work together as one big family to share God's love.

For **World Day of the Sick** (11th January 2026) the theme is about the Good Samaritan, showing compassion and caring for people who are hurting and in pain.

All these themes remind us to be peaceful, loving, and ready to help others.

