



Overview of the Religious Education Program of St Francis Xavier

<p>Prep</p>	<p>Scripture stories tell us about a God of Love, Creator God, family stories (Joseph and David) and God’s plan for how people live happily together.</p> <p>Gospel Stories of Jesus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus’ family and friends • Jesus’ teachings – love, compassion and forgiveness • Jesus praying and teaching others to pray • Jesus’ suffering, death and resurrection <p>God created people to be able to choose between good and bad How do all these stories teach us about how God wants us to live today?</p> <p>Participating respectfully in a variety of prayer experiences – Reflective Prayer experience – <i>The Examen</i></p>
<p>Year 1</p>	<p>All people are created in God’s own image.</p> <p>Living in accordance with God’s plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For all creation. • Living safely and happily in community. • In a loving relationship with God • Using God’s gift of freedom to make choices responsibly. <p>Explore old testament stories of individuals, families and community. Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist. Different roles in the parish community Nature of Jesus’ mission and ministry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jewish life • Key events, places and characters • Mary’s role • Prayer <p>In what ways do believers pray today? Participating respectfully in a variety of prayer experiences - Reflective Prayer experience – <i>The Examen</i></p>
<p>Year 2</p>	<p>Aspects of God’s nature and God’s relationship New testament stories of teaching and action of Jesus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First century Mediterranean world • Jesus’ mission and ministry • Ways in which Jesus’ teaching and actions guide the church community today <p>The history of the parish community: Old Testament stories that describe God’s relationship with the Jewish people</p>

	<p>People are called to be co-creators and stewards of God’s creation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The responsibility to pursue peace and justice for all creation, especially human life <p>Loving relationships with God others and all of creation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The wisdom of Saints • Prayer <p>Sin as choices that harm relationships with people, God and creation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healing Relationships through reconciliation, prayer and the Sacrament of Penance • Prayer for forgiveness <p>Participating respectfully in a variety of prayer experiences – Reflective Prayer experience – <i>The Examen</i></p>
<p>Year 3</p>	<p>In Year 3 Students will develop their understanding of- God’s relationship with people as individuals and as community:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The presence and action of God in daily life experiences • Images of God in the Old Testament. • Key stories from the Torah. • The Wisdom of Prayers attributed to the Saints • The order and harmony of creation. <p>Life and Teaching of Jesus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultural contexts of the Gospels • Text types in the New Testament • Christian belief that Jesus is the Messiah <p>Scripture is basis for moral living:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respect for basic human rights • Acknowledgement of responsibilities especially to the poor and disadvantaged <p>Significant features of a parish, past and present</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The collaboration of clergy, religious ad laity • The significance of the Sacraments of Initiation • the significance of prayers of thanksgiving and prayers of praise <p>Participating respectfully in a variety of prayer experiences - Reflective Prayer experience – <i>The Examen</i></p>

<p>Year 4</p>	<p>In Year 4 Students will develop their understanding of- God's Word in scripture</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Bible's referencing system • Variety of books and text types in the OT and NT • Christian belief that God as Trinity is relational in nature – (not a distant God but actively present on our lives). • Scriptural passages express God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit <p>Significance of Community for Christians</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Living in loving relationship with God, others and all of creation • Decalogue • Writings of St Paul • Jewish Communities in 1C Palestine • Early Church Communities in Australia • Contemporary parishes and dioceses • How free choices results in actions that affect the individual and the community. • Significance of the Sacraments especially the Sacraments of healing and how these sacraments are modelled on the mission and ministry of Jesus • Significance of Prayer, especially prayers of blessing, petition and intercession <p>Participating respectfully in a variety of prayer experiences – Reflective Prayer experience – <i>The Examen</i></p>
<p>Year 5</p>	<p>In Year 5 Students will develop their understanding of- Significance of community for sharing and strengthening the faith of believers, past and present</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Church community in the Australian colonies the contribution of pioneering Catholic in Australia including Indigenous communities • Using a range of Biblical tools they begin to see how Gospel writers shaped their Gospels for particular communities • Jesus' new commandment of love (Christian charity) is an important aspect of community • Informed moral choices • The significance of personal and communal prayer and worship <p style="text-align: center;">(Eucharist, the Psalms, Sabbath rituals and prayers)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The wisdom of Saints including St Mary of the Cross MacKillop • Mary's role as Mother of Jesus and Mother of the Church • Marian Prayers <p>The action of the Holy Spirit in the lives of believers past and present</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scripture references to the Holy Spirit • The Catholic Rite of Confirmation <p>Participating respectfully in a variety of prayer experiences – Reflective Prayer experience – <i>The Examen</i></p>

Year 6	<p>In Year 6 Students will develop their understanding of-</p> <p>The many ways in which faith is lived out and celebrated in the lives of believers past and present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Faith and the term “Communion of Saints”• Contexts and key messages of some OT prophets• The action of the Holy Spirit in the lives of believers• Contribution of some key people to the shaping of the Church in Australia• The significance of Jesus new law for the way believers live their faith including the spiritual and corporal works of mercy• Jewish High Holy Days• The Church’s liturgical celebrations (including Eucharist)• Prayer in the Christian Tradition <p>Engage with a variety of Scriptural Texts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• To explore Church teaching that the Holy Spirit guided the formation of the N.T.• To use a range of biblical tools• That describe Jesus’ relationship with God the Father and humanity.• That proclaim Jesus as fulfilling all of God’s promises in the O.T. <p>Participating respectfully in a variety of prayer experiences - Reflective Prayer experience – <i>The Examen</i></p>
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