

RE Curriculum Newsletter

Branch 2 – Prophecy and Promise

Year 5



Hear

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will hear the following key texts:



Scripture passages that speak of David's life and importance:
- 1 Samuel 16:1-13: anointing of David (a great king)
- 1 Samuel 17:1-11, 32-54: David and Goliath
- 2 Samuel 5:1-5: David becomes king
- 2 Samuel 7: 8-15 God's covenant with David
- 1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12: David's death
- Psalm 21:1-7, Psalm 23

Scripture passages that speak of Jesus' as the fulfilment of the promise to David (e.g., Matt 1:1-17; Lk 1:32-33).

Believe

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know that the Church teaches that:

- There were great kings anointed and chosen in the Old Testament.
- God chooses in unexpected ways and especially values those the world overlooks. David, the shepherd was called by God to become a servant king.
- David became a great king and united his people who loved him (see Psalm 21:1-7).
- For Christians, Jesus fulfils the promises made to David.
- Psalms are part of the Church's treasury of prayers. In praying psalms David is a model of prayer.

Celebrate

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know:



- Some words of Psalm 23 to speak or sing.
- The links between the O antiphons and the Evening Prayer of the Church (Vespers) for 17-23 December.
- The verses of the hymn 'O Come, O Come Emmanuel' as expressions of beliefs about who Jesus is.
- The joyful mysteries of the Rosary: the Annunciation, the Visitation, the Nativity of our Lord, the Presentation of the Child Jesus in the Temple, and the Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple.

Live

By the end of this unit of study, pupils will know:

- Psalms are an ancient way of prayer that are still prayed every day.
- How the O Antiphons are expressed in art from around the world (e.g., illuminated manuscripts, sung versions of the O Antiphons).
- How the O Antiphons are used by Christians to reflect on the significance of Jesus and his coming at Christmas (e.g., The O Antiphons, by Ansgar Holmberg C.S.J.).