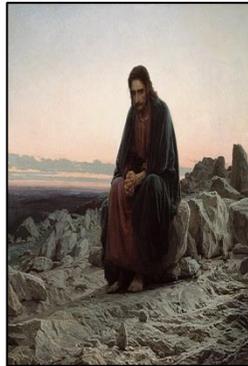




Lesson One & Two

LI: I can discuss what Ash Wednesday is and why it is important to Christians.

This lesson introduces Ash Wednesday as the beginning of Lent, explains its significance in the Catholic Church, and links the forty days of Lent to Jesus' time in the desert. Pupils will explore the origins and meaning of Lent, study the Temptation in the Wilderness (Matt 4:1-11), and its importance as a time of preparation for Easter.



Lent, Ash Wednesday, Desert, Temptation, Preparation

LI: I can explain what Lent is and how it connects to Jesus' time in the desert.

Pupils will know that Ash Wednesday marks the start of Lent, a forty-day period reflecting Jesus' time in the desert. They will understand why Lent is significant for Catholics, be able to describe its connection to Jesus' life, and recount the Temptation in the Wilderness (Matt 4:1-11).

Children can create a symbolic piece of art (e.g., drawing or collage) representing Ash Wednesday, the journey of Lent, and the Temptation in the Wilderness, using imagery such as ashes, desert, crosses, and scenes from Matt 4:1-11.

Lesson Three and Four

LI: I can say what sin means in the Catholic Church.

Building on the previous lesson, this lesson explores the concept of sin in Catholic teaching. Pupils will learn the definition of sin, its forms (word, deed, intention), and discuss how sin separates people from love and good. The lesson examines the consequences of sin for individuals and communities.



Sin, Forgiveness, Choice, Separation, Community

LI: I can discuss how making good choices helps us stay close to God and others.

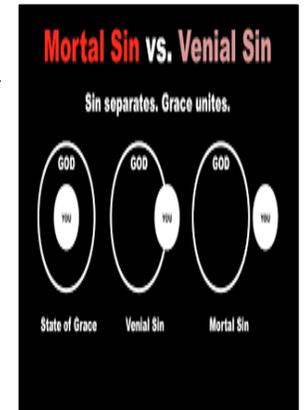
Pupils will know that sin is a word, deed, or intention by which a person deliberately chooses to turn away from God. They will understand that sin damages relationships with God and others and be able to describe the impact of sin on individuals and communities.

Children to write a story about a character who makes a difficult choice, exploring the consequences of their actions and how they seek forgiveness. How can we ask for forgiveness and making amends? Pupils role play scenarios where they practise apologising and repairing relationships.

Lesson Five and Six

LI: I can discuss how some sins are more serious than others.

This lesson develops understanding of the nature of sin by introducing the concept of mortal and venial sins. Pupils will learn that all sins are damaging, but some are so serious they break friendship with God. The lesson will clarify the difference between these types and their consequences.



Mortal, Venial, Friendship, Consequences, Mistake

LI: I can explain how different sins affect our relationship with God

Pupils will know that some sins (mortal) are so serious they break friendship with God, while others (venial) damage but do not break this relationship. They will understand the Catholic distinction between types of sin and their effects on spiritual life.

Children to discuss how to make moral decisions and reflect on past actions. Pupils role play making choices and discussing their reasoning. To then write a reflective paragraph comparing two situations: one where a small mistake is made and another where a serious error occurs, focusing on feelings and consequences.



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Lesson Seven and Eight

LI: I can explain what a conscience is and why it is important.

This lesson introduces the concept of conscience, its role in moral decision-making, and how Catholics believe God speaks through conscience. Pupils will discuss how conscience helps guide choices and the importance of forming and following a good conscience.



Lesson Nine

LI: I can explain what Catholic Christians believe about death, judgement, heaven and purgatory.

This lesson explores Catholic beliefs about what happens after death, including judgement, heaven, purgatory, and hell. Pupils will learn the meaning of each term and discuss their significance in Catholic teaching about the afterlife and moral responsibility. The lesson includes study of the Resurrection of the Dead Paul (1 Corinthians 15:1-8, 20-25, 54-57) and the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary: The Agony in the Garden, The Scourging at the Pillar, The Crowning with Thorns, The Carrying of the Cross, The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus.

Lesson Ten

LI: I can say what pray is and why it is important for Catholics.

The final lesson focuses on prayer, defining it as turning the heart towards God. Pupils will explore different forms and purposes of prayer in Catholic life, including the Rosary and the Sorrowful Mysteries, and discuss how prayer supports spiritual growth and relationship with God.



Conscience, Guidance, Voice, Decision, Moral

Death, Judgement, Heaven, Purgatory, Resurrection

Prayer, Rosary, Heart, Gratitude, Mystery

LI: I can explain how Catholic Christians believe God speaks through our conscience.

Pupils will know that conscience is an 'inner voice' guiding choices, and that Catholics believe God speaks through conscience. They will understand the importance of conscience in making moral decisions and the need to form it well.

Children can create artwork depicting the idea of conscience as an 'inner voice', using imagery such as light, hearts, or paths. How can we listen to our conscience in everyday situations? Pupils role play scenarios where they practise listening to their conscience and making good choices.

LI: I can talk about the story of the resurrection of the Dead.

Pupils will know the Catholic meanings of death, judgement, heaven, purgatory, and hell. They will understand how these beliefs influence Catholic views on life, death, and moral responsibility, and be able to recount the Resurrection of the Dead (1 Corinthians 15:1-8, 20-25, 54-57) and the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary. Children to write a poem or short story imagining a journey through the Last Things, reflecting on hope, judgement, and the choices made in life, including reference to the Resurrection of the Dead and the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary.

LI: I can discuss the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary and how they are used in prayer.

Pupils will know that prayer is turning the heart towards God. They will understand the importance of prayer in Catholic life, be able to describe how prayer helps believers grow closer to God and live out their faith, and recount the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary.

