



# DESERT TO GARDEN

**EYFS**

**Spring Term Branch 4**

**Keywords**

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**Lent**

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**Palm Sunday**

This is the Sunday before Easter and is the day that Jesus enters Jerusalem at the start of Holy Week.

**Good Friday**

The day Jesus died on the cross

**Resurrection**

Jesus died and got a new life from God. After he died on the cross, his body was taken to a tomb. On the third day, he came back to life. This is Easter day.

**Easter**

The third day when Jesus was resurrected.

**Hear** - What scripture will I hear?

- A simplified version of key events of Holy Week especially Good Friday and Easter Sunday.
- The Great Commandment (Lk 10: 25-28)

**Believe** - What do Catholics believe?

- Jesus died on Good Friday and rose again on Easter Sunday.
- Easter is a celebration that Jesus is with us still.
- Easter celebrates new life.

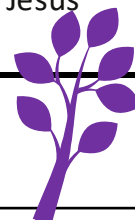
**Celebrate** - How we act as Catholics

The church uses purple and ashes as signs of Lent and being sorry.




Representations of Holy Week and Easter: palms, the cross, Easter gardens, and symbols of new life.

**Live** - Catholic Social Teachings

- Various cultures celebrate Lent and Easter in different ways, for example: pancakes, hot cross buns, Easter eggs.
- Trying to help others by what we do in Lent. e.g. Raasa parade (Kerela) and other Lent customs around the world.
- CST – every single person on Earth needs these things: food, water, work, clothes, a home, a school, and a doctor. Some people have what they need, but many people don't. Jesus wants the people who already have what they need to help those who don't. Jesus wants us to take care of this. **Rights and responsibilities.**



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Year 1	Spring Term Branch 4
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<p><b><u>Temptation</u></b> If you want to do something that is forbidden, this is a temptation. To resist a temptation, this is a great accomplishment and makes heaven rejoice.</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>“Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, left the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil.” (Luke 4: 1-2)</p> </div> <div style="float: right; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>
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<p><b><u>Last Supper</u></b> The final meal that Jesus shared with his disciples in Jerusalem before his crucifixion.</p>	
<p><b><u>Crucifixion</u></b> The death of Jesus on the cross</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>“He said, “I tell you the truth. This poor widow gave only two small coins. But she really gave more than all those rich people. <sup>4</sup>The rich have plenty; they gave only what they did not need. This woman is very poor, but she gave all she had. And she needed that money to live on.” (Luke 21: 1-6)</p> </div> <div style="float: right; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>
<p><b><u>Family Fast Day</u></b> CAFOD run an annual fast day to raise money for people around the world that do not have food.</p> <div style="text-align: right;">  </div>	

**During this unit I will explore ...**

- Jesus’ time in the desert
- Lent is a special time for praying fasting, and helping others as Jesus taught us to do.
- the events of the last week of Jesus’ life.
- the church teaches that Jesus suffered, died, and rose again.
- how I might give up something and choose to help others.
- how angels brought God’s message to share that Jesus, the Son of God was truly alive.



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**Easter Vigil**

On the Saturday night, before Easter Sunday, Christians visit church after the sun has set and it is dark. An Easter fire is lit and the fire is used to light a new Paschal candle that will be used all year. The candle is a sign that Jesus lives and has conquered the darkness of sin and death. It is joyful time.

**Forgiveness**

It frees you from the sins you or others have done.

**Kyrie Elision**

Lord have Mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord Have Mercy

**Reconciliation**

When we go to confession, we tell God that we are sorry for the sins we have committed. God forgives us and we can have a new beginning with God.

**Sin**

Sin is something bad you do even though you know you shouldn't do it. Sin is also if you do not do something good although you know that you should do it.

“The women left the tomb and told all these things to the 11 apostles and the other followers. These women were Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and some other women. The women told the apostles everything that had happened at the tomb. But they did not believe the women. It sounded like nonsense. <sup>1</sup>But Peter got up and ran to the tomb. He looked in, but he saw only the cloth that Jesus' body had been wrapped in. Peter went away to be alone, wondering about what had happened.

(Luke 24: 9–12).



THE KYRIE ELEISON  
 Then, joining his hands, he says alternate  
 the server :  
 P. Lord, have mercy.  
 S. Lord, have mercy.  
 P. Lord, have mercy.  
 S. Christ, have mercy.  
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**During this unit I will explore ...**

- what Jesus said on the cross about forgiveness and make simple connections with the belief that God always forgives us.
- Lent is a time for reconciliation and forgiveness.
- how Jesus teaches people to forgive
- Kyrie Eleison and what the words mean.
- symbols of light and water in the Easter Vigil Mass.



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**Mass**

This is the central part of Christian worship. The word comes from a Latin word which means “send out”. During Mass, the sacrament of the Eucharist happens.

‘Jesus said, “Bring the bread and the fish to me.” Then he told the people to sit down on the grass. He took the five loaves of bread and the two fish. Then he looked to heaven and thanked God for the food. Jesus divided the loaves of bread. He gave them to his followers, and they gave the bread to the people. [Matthew 14: 13-21](#)

**Sacraments** – The sacraments are seven meeting points, where God himself is present, waits for you, blesses you and leads you deeper into the community of the church. Baptism, Penance, Eucharist, Confirmation, Matrimony, Holy Orders, Anointing of the sick.



**Eucharist** – The Holy Eucharist is the sacrament in which Jesus Christ gives himself to us. We receive his body and blood. We become the Body of Christ, the church (the group of people who are joined together following Christianity) It means “Thanks giving”

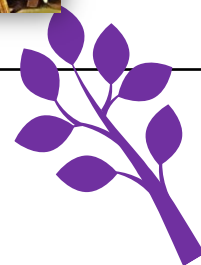
While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body.”  
 Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. [Matthew 26: 26-29](#)

**Communion**– In Mass, we take part in Communion which means to communicate. We communicate and are joined with our brothers and sisters through the sharing of Jesus’ body and blood and we welcome Jesus.



**During this unit I will explore ...**

- the feeding of the five thousand.
- the words and actions of Jesus at the Last Supper.
- how Jesus showed his love at the Last Supper and how he shares this love when people celebrate their first Eucharist.
- the Catholic belief that Jesus gives himself in Holy Communion.



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**Mercy**

**Corporal Acts:** to feed the hungry, to give drink to the thirsty, to clothe the naked, to give shelter to travellers, to visit the sick, to visit the imprisoned, and to bury the dead.

**Spiritual Acts:** convert sinners, instruct the ignorant, counsel the doubtful, bear wrongs patiently, forgive injuries, and pray for the living and the dead

**Parable**

A story that Jesus used to teach people a moral or spiritual lesson.

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**Lent**

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But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate.

Luke 15:11-32



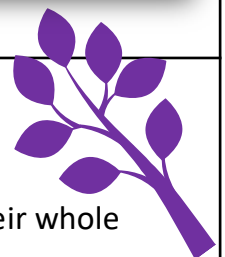
The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

Matthew 21: 1-11



**During this unit I will explore...**

- the prodigal and the dutiful son (Lk 15:11-32).
- the events of Holy Week from the gospel of Matthew.
- how Lent is a time for Christians to make a new start by loving God with their whole heart and expressing love through good works.
- the corporal and spiritual acts of mercy
- how the life and work of a person or organisation lives out the words of mercy and/or the love for those oppressed by poverty.



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**Four Last Things**

These are the last four stages of the soul before the afterlife.

**Death** – when the body dies

**Judgement** – when we are judged for how we lived our lives

**Heaven** – where we can live with God. (Purgatory is a place where people may go before Heaven to help purify their souls)

**Hell** – where people are sent who are excluded from Heaven

Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.

Matthew 6: 1-6



**Deadly Sin**

All sin is damaging but some are so deadly that they break our friendship with God.

**Sin**

Catholics make links with the Ten Commandments and Jesus' great commandment – to love God with to love your neighbour to live a good life. Sin separates people from love and from good. Sin is something bad you do even though you know you shouldn't do it. Sin is also if you do not do something good although you know that you should do it.

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in turn: Christ, the first fruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. **1 Corinthians 15:20-25**

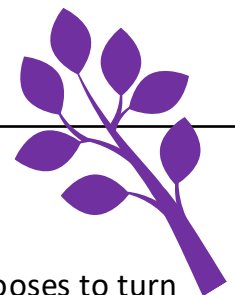
**Fasting**

Fasting often means having just one simple meal during the day and there should be no meat in the meal. All Fridays, Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting or abstinence. Many Christians also fast during Lent and remove a food group like sugar for the whole of Lent. It helps to teach us to resist temptation and focus more on prayer.



**During this unit I will explore ...**

- a selection of Ash Wednesday readings
- the resurrection of the Dead Paul
- how a sin is a word, deed, or intention by which a person deliberately chooses to turn away from God.
- how conscience is an 'inner voice; that guides the choices people make. God speak to people through their conscience.
- what Christians express by prayer postures e.g. joined hands, kneeling





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**Bethany**

A village in Judea, two miles east of Jerusalem. Lazurus was was Bethany with his sisters Martha and Mary (who anointed Jesus' feet).

Jesus answered, "Those who have had a bath need only to wash their feet; their whole body is clean. And you are clean, though not every one of you." For he knew who was going to betray him, and that was why he said not everyone was clean. (John 12:1-11)

**Pilate**

Pontius Pilate was the 5th Governor of the Roman governed Judaea. He served from about 26 AD to 37AD. He was the official at the trail of Jesus and ordered his crucifixion. He did not want to execute Jesus but listened to the crowds. "...he took water and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of the just person..."



**Discourse**

This is a type of speech (sometimes oral and sometimes written) It can be a conversation, talk, lecture, letter or poem. There are 5 discourses of Matthew (Jesus' discourses written in the Gospel of Matthew) Sermon on the Mount, Mission Discourse, Parabolic Discourse, the Discourse on the Church, Discourse on End Times.

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, "Woman, here is your son," and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home. (John 19:25-27)

**Crucifixion**

A punishment that puts to death a person who is condemned. The Romans used it as a punishment. The person is nailed, through his hands and feet, to a large wooden cross and left to die



**Stations of the Cross**

A series of 14 images that tell the events of the Passion of Christ from his Condemnation to his placing in the tomb.

**During this unit I will explore ...**

- the Last Supper and how Jesus showed his love by washing his disciples' feet.
- how Jesus took on the guilt and pain of the whole world to bring the world back home God's perfect love.
- that mass on Holy Thursday recalls Jesus' actions at the Last Supper, including the washing of the feet.
- that the Stations of the Cross are a prayerful reflection on Christ's journey to the cross.
- some artistic representations of the Holy Week as depicted in the gospel of John.

