Grow In Love

Down and Connor Catholic Schools' Support Service

Grow in Love April Planner

Primary 5 Theme 7: Easter; Theme 8: The Church is a Community of Believers

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| **Prayer Space** | White cloth for Easter season; Bible open at Mt 28; Jn 20; Candle; Cross or Crucifix; Red cloth for Pentecost; Bible open at AA 1 and 2  Add to this space each week throughout the month | | | | | |
|  | **Week 1**  **Easter** | |  | **Week 2**  **Pentecost** | | **Week 4**  **Life in a Parish** |
| **Learning Objectives** | * Discuss the symbolism of the Easter Garden * Explain the meaning of the Resurrection * Recognise Jesus offers me the gift of peace at Easter time * Retell the story of Jesus’ appearance to Mary Magdalene from Mt’s Gospel * Retell the story of Jesus’ appearance to Thomas * Develop my prayer life and show how I can witness to my faith | |  | * Identify Pentecost as the beginning of the Church * Understand and explain the coming of the Holy Spirit to the apostles and what it means for me today * Recognise the symbols of the Holy Spirit * Pray to the Holy Spirit * Pray the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary | | * Recognise the school as part of the parish community * Differentiate between different parishes * Recognise the church building as a place I can worship and pray * Understand the different roles of people/teams in parish life |
| **Learning and Teaching Activities** | Chat about how things grow and change  Poem: The Butterfly  Song: This is the Day  Chat about the meaning of Easter  Scripture: The women at the tomb Mt 28  Art: An Easter Garden  Scripture: Jesus’ appearance to Thomas Jn 20  Online: Events from the life of Jesus  Art: Easter card/mobile  Art: Decorate an Easter stone  *PB p61-62 Easter*  *TM pp243-252* | |  | Chat about the symbols of the Holy Spirit  Art: Fire and Wind poster  Song: The Spirit of God is Upon Us  Scripture: The coming of the Holy Spirit AA 1  Art: Tongues of fire headband  Poem: Help us Holy Spirit  Art: Holy Spirit collage  Activity: Be a witness!  *PB p64-65 Pentecost*  *TM pp263-269* | | Chat about our parish  Art: School parish model  Song: Parish Anthem  Chat about parish life  Reflect on the parish bulletin  Art: Design a parish bulletin  Activity: Design a parish directory  Discuss how they might help in parish life  *PB: p67-68 Life in a Parish*  *TM pp270-276* |
| **Praying Together** | Prayer of thanks for creation  Reflective prayer  Prayer Service: Holy Week and Easter | |  | Pray the prayer to the Holy Spirit  Reflective prayer  Pray third Glorious Mystery  Prayer Service: Holy Spirit | | Reflective prayer  Prayer Service: Playing my part |
| **At Home** | *PB p63 Easter*  *Talk about peace* | |  | *PB p66 Pentecost*  *Prayer to Holy Spirit* | | *PB p69 Parish Life*  *Pray the Apostles’ Creed* |
| **Cross**  **Curricular**  **Links** | **LLT:** Visiting Churches: <https://ccea.org.uk/learning-resources/living-learning-together-visiting-churches>  **WAU:** A visit to the Church or invite the School Chaplain to speak to the children; explore some objects/items from the Church  **PDMU:** Theme 9: Learning to live as members of community <https://ccea.org.uk/downloads/docs/ccea-asset/Resource/PDMU%20Progression%20Grid%20for%20Key%20Stage%202.pdf> | | | | | |
| **Other Suggestions for April** | *Depending on the date for Easter some of this work may be covered during March. The planners may be adjusted to suit the Liturgical year, both months and school holidays.* | | | | | |
| **Differentiation** |  |  | | |  |  |
| **What went well?** |  |  | | |  |  |
| **What would I change?** |  |  | | |  |  |
| **Suggested Additional Resources** | <http://www.kandle.ie/>  <http://www.derrydiocese.org/>  [www.education](http://www.education)dublindiocese.ie  [www.prayingincolour.com](http://www.prayingincolour.com)  [www.drawing-god.com](http://www.drawing-god.com) | | | | | |