Religion Knowledge Organiser - Year 3



Unit 3.2 Mary, Our Mother

Visitation

When Mary (who was expecting Jesus) visited her cousin Elizabeth who was expecting John (the Baptist)

Annunciation

The announcement of the Angel Gabriel to Mary when she was asked to be the mother of Jesus.

<u>Elizabeth</u>

The cousin of Mary, the wife of Zechariah and the mother of John the Baptist.

Zechariah

The husband of Elizabeth and Father of John the Baptist Hail Mary

A praising prayer rejoicing in Mary's acceptance of becoming the mother of God and is prayed for other and their needs for the world.

Incarnation

Jesus Christ-the Son of God

Mystery

A mystery of Faith which can only be revealed by God.

Advent

A time to wait and prepare for the coming of Jesus.

Celebrated 4 weeks prior to Christmas.

<u>Wreath</u>

A wreath of evergreen leaves with 4 candles on representing the 4 weeks leading up to Christmas.

Christmas

Annual Christian service celebrating the birth of Jesus.

Mary

The mother of Jesus, betrothed to Joseph. She is mentioned 12 times in St Luke's Gospel, 5 times in the Gospel of St Matthew, once in the Gospel of St Mark and once in the Acts of the Apostles.

Key Questions

- How is Mary's "good news", good news for us all?
- Give examples of how Mary trusted in God, how Elizabeth trusted in God and how you trust in God.
- Why do you think God chose shepherds to be the first to receive the "Good news?"

Key Scripture

The Annunciation (Lk 1:26-38)

The Visitation (*Lk 1: 39-45*)

The Nativity of Jesus (Lk 2:1-20)

The Visit of the Magi (Mt 2: 1-12)



Unit overview and useful links

In this unit the children will reflect on the role of Mary, through the stories of the annunciation and Visitation. They will come to know Mary's importance in our own lives. They will reflect on the words of Angel Gabriel and how this forms part of the prayer the Hail Mary. The children will develop their understanding of Advent as a time of preparation for the birth of Jesus and are encouraged to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. They will develop their understanding of mysteries from Year 2 through their exploration of the mystery of the incarnation.