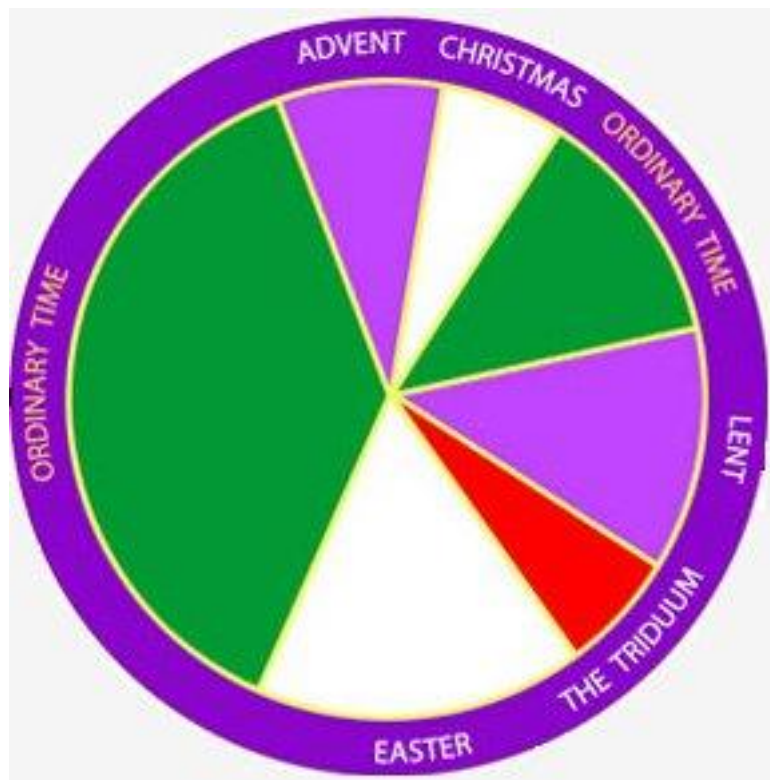


A Calendar Approach to R.E.

Teaching R.E. at both junior & senior cycle using a selection of resources linked to events and important dates from international justice, peace and environmental calendars as well as important dates from religious calendars.



Liturgical Calendar Resources

October 19th: Mission Sunday

November Remembrance Resources

November 23rd: Feast of Christ the King

Advent & New Year Resources

January The Month of the Holy Name of Jesus

January 6th: Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord

January 7th: Baptism of our Lord

January 18th-25th: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

February 18th: Ash Wednesday / Lent Resources

April 5th: Easter Resources

May 14th: Ascension Thursday

May 24th: Pentecost

Justice / Issues Resources

September 11th: 9/11 R.E. Resources

September 21st: International Day of Peace

October 2nd: Gandhi's birthday; International Day of Nonviolence

October 17th: International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

December 10th: Human Rights Day

January 26th: Holocaust Memorial Day

February 20th: World Day of Social Justice

March 1st: International Day for the Abolition of the Death Penalty

April 22nd: Earth Day – Stewardship & Creation Resources

Our Lady Resources

September 8th: The Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary

October 7th: The Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary / Rosary Resources

November 21st: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

December 8th: Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

February 11th: Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes

May the Month of Mary Resources

Inspiring People of Faith

October 2nd: Gandhi's birthday

January 20th: Martin Luther King Jr. Day

March 8th: International Women's Day

March 24th: Oscar Romero

Saints & Feast Day Resources

September 27th: Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul

September 29th: Michaelmas / Feast of the Archangels

October 1st: Feast Day of St. Thérèse of Lisieux

October 4th: Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi

October 15th: Feast Day of St. Teresa of Avila

November 14th: Feast Day of St. Laurence O'Toole

January 28th: Feast Day of St. Thomas Aquinas

January 30th: Feast Day of St. Aidan of Ferns

January 31st: Feast Day of St. Don Bosco

February 1st: Feast Day of St. Brigid

February 3rd: Feast Day of St. Blaise

February 14th: St. Valentine's Day

March 17th: St. Patrick's Day

World / International Days

September 10th: World Suicide Prevention Day

September 21st: International Day of Peace

October 16th: UN World Food Day

October 17th: International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

October 18th: EU Anti-Trafficking Day

November 17th: World Day of Remembrance for Road Crash Victims

December 1st: World Aids Day

December 10th: Human Rights Day

January 20th: Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 5th: Safer Internet Day

February 20th: World Day of Social Justice

March 1st: International Day for the Abolition of the Death Penalty

March 8th: International Women's Day

April 22nd: Earth Day

1st Year R.E. Programme

Spiritual Wellness – Me in My Community

Term 1: August-December 2014

Week 1 – August 25th, 2014

Starter Exercises (Word Doc)

Lesson 1: Students work in pairs telling each other something about their backgrounds, interests, hobbies, sport, favourite TV programmes, music, books, family, holidays etc. Then each student introduces his/her partner to the rest of the class.

Discussion: What do we have in common as a class?

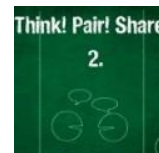
Lesson 2: - Worksheet – Special landmarks
- Me on my journey
- People Bingo
- If I...

Lesson 3: - Worksheet – The changing patterns of choice
- “Totem it up”
- The vision of the world
- Emotions worksheet

Week 2 – September 1st, 2014

Lesson 1: Sharing Life With Others - Story from **The Little Prince** about *Establishing Ties*.

Lesson 2: Section A: Communities of Faith: Part 1: Community
– Write “Community?” on whiteboard and brainstorm the students for answers to the question:
– What words come to mind when you hear/think of the word community?



Note responses on the screen/whiteboard.

- School Community worksheet
- Worksheets 2 & 3 from Community of faith teacher text
- What is Community? worksheet

Lesson 3: JC Sample Lesson Plan Section A Part 1
- Wild boy of Aveyron worksheet OR Forms and types of community worksheet
- Characteristics of Communities – Scripture Assignment

Numeracy: Students will learn how to locate Biblical references (sequencing)

Week 3: September 8th, 2014

Lesson 1: Our Lady's Birthday: <http://education.dublindiocese.ie/september-8th-our-ladys-birthday/>

Lesson 2: JC Sample Lesson Plan Section A Part 1
- “The body” & Communication & Community Breakdown

Lesson 3: Do the Rights Thing
-Role Play exercise exploring the tension between individual and community responsibility

Week 4: September 15th, 2014

Prepare for School Mass: <http://education.dublindioocese.ie/opening-of-the-school-year-mass-resources/>

Week 5: September 22nd, 2014

Lesson 1: Introduction to Meditation/ Mercy Day in Mercy Schools

Lesson 2: Community

Lesson 3: Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul: <http://education.dublindioocese.ie/september-27th-st-vincent-de-paul/>

Week 6: September 29th, 2014

Lesson 1: October 1st: Feast Day of St. Thérèse of Lisieux:

<http://education.dublindioocese.ie/october-1st-feast-day-of-st-therese-of-lisieux/>

Lesson 2: [October 2nd: Gandhi's birthday; International Day of Nonviolence](#)

Lesson 3: October 4th: St. Francis of Assisi: <http://education.dublindioocese.ie/october-4th-st-francis-of-assisi/>

Week 7: October 6th, 2014

Lesson 1: October Month of the Rosary: <http://education.dublindioocese.ie/rosary-resources/>

Lessons 2 & 3: [Introduction to World Religions](#)

Week 8: October 13th, 2014

Lessons 1-3: Introduction to Islam – <http://education.dublindioocese.ie/islam/>

Muslim Festival of Eid-ul-Adha (October 3rd/4th): <http://education.dublindioocese.ie/eid-ul-adha/>

Week 9: October 20th, 2014

Lesson 1 & 2 - Month of Mission: [Mission Sunday Resources](#)

Lesson 3: [FAITH JOURNAL](#)

Week 10: November 3rd, 2014

Lesson 1: Meditation

Lesson 1 & 2: November Remembrance: <http://education.dublindioocese.ie/2012/06/24/november/>

Week 11: November 10th, 2014

Lesson 1 & 2: Introduction to Christianity – Section B, Part 1 of the R.E. Syllabus:

http://www.ress.ie/pdf/lesson_plan_section_b_part_1.pdf

Lesson 3: Feast Day of St. Laurence O'Toole:

<http://education.dublindioocese.ie/st-laurence-otoole/>

Week 12: November 17th, 2014

Lesson 1: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary & Nano Nagle

Lesson 2 & 3: Introduction to Hinduism & the Hindu Festival of Diwali:

<http://education.dublindioocese.ie/diwali/>

Week 13: November 24th, 2014

Lesson 1: Liturgical Calendar & Advent Resources:

<http://education.dublindiocese.ie/2012/06/01/advent-resources-2/>

Lesson 2 & 3: Make Advent Calendars

Week 14: December 1st, 2014

Lesson 1: Advent Meditation

Lesson 2 & 3: Liturgical Calendar & Advent Resources:

<http://education.dublindiocese.ie/2012/06/01/advent-resources-2/>

Week 15: December 8th, 2014

Lesson 1: Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary: <http://education.dublindiocese.ie/feast-of-the-immaculate-conception-of-mary/>

Lesson 2: Human Rights Day: <http://education.dublindiocese.ie/human-rights/>

Lesson 3: Communities at Work 'Serving Others - Charities at Christmas:

http://www.ress.ie/pdf/lesson_plan_section_a_part_2.pdf & <http://education.dublindiocese.ie/2012/02/21/list-of-guest-speakers/>

Week 16: December 15th, 2014

Lesson 1: Introduction to Judaism & Festival of Hanukkah:

<http://education.dublindiocese.ie/hanukkah/>

Lesson 2 & 3: Advent Activities – Christmas Week

Term 2: January-April 2015

Week 17: January 5th, 2015

Lesson 1: [New Year Reflections PowerPoint & January 6th: Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord](#)

Lesson 2: [January 7th: Baptism of our Lord](#)

Lesson 3: [January The Month of the Holy Name of Jesus](#)

Week 18: January 12th, 2015

Lesson 1-3: [Finding Nemo 1st Year Resource](#)

Week 19: January 19th, 2015

Lessons 1-2: [Finding Nemo 1st Year Resource](#)

Lesson 3: [FAITH JOURNAL](#)

Week 20: January 26th, 2015

Lessons 1-3: [January 26th- February 1st: Catholic Schools Week 2015 & Feast Day of St. Brigid](#)

Week 21: February 2nd, 2015

Lesson 1: [February 3rd: Feast Day of St. Blaise](#)

Lesson 2: [February 5th: Safer Internet Day](#)

Lesson 3: [Meditation](#)

Week 22: February 9th, 2015

Lesson 1: [Luke 15: 11-32 – The Parable of the Lost Son](#)

Lesson 2: [February 11th: Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes](#)

Lesson 3: [February 14th: St. Valentine's Day](#)

Week 23: February 23rd, 2015

Lessons 1-3: [February 18th: Ash Wednesday / Lent Resources](#)

Week 24: March 2nd, 2015

Lessons 1-3: SECTION B: FOUNDATIONS OF RELIGION – [CHRISTIANITY PART 2: EVIDENCE ABOUT JESUS](#)

Week 25: March 9th, 2015

Lesson 1-3: Section B: Foundation of Religion – Christianity [Part 3 – The Person and Preaching of Jesus](#)

Week 26: March 16th, 2015

Lesson 1: [March 17th St. Patrick's Day](#)

Lessons 2-3: Section B: Foundation of Religion – Christianity [Part 4 – The Death and Resurrection of Jesus](#)

Week 27: March 23rd, 2015

Lessons 1-3: Section B: Foundation of Religion – Christianity [Part 4 – The Death and Resurrection of Jesus](#) & [Easter Sunday Resources](#)

Term 3: April-May 2015

Week 28: April 13th, 2015

Lessons 1-3: [Road To Emmaus Resources](#)

Week 29: April 20th, 2015

Lesson 1: [April 22nd: Earth Day](#)

Lessons 2 & 3: St. Vincent de Paul: [April 23rd: Blessed Frederic Ozanam's birthday](#)

Week 30: April 27th, 2015

Lessons 1-3: Section A – Communities of Faith: [Relationships between communities of faith](#)

Week 31: May 4th, 2014

Lessons 1 & 2: [Month of Mary Resources](#)

Lesson 3: [Meditation](#)

Week 32: May 11th, 2015

Lessons 1: [Ascension Thursday](#) & [Pentecost](#)

Week 33: May 18th, 2015

Lessons 1-2: Introduction to Buddhism & [May 14th: Buddhist Festival Wesak](#)

Lesson 3: End of year meditation

Senior Cycle Calendar Resources

Term 1

September:

- [September 10th: World Suicide Prevention Day](#)
 - [September 11th: 9/11 R.E. Resources](#)
 - [September 21st: International Day of Peace - Peace Resources](#)
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October:

- [October 2nd: Gandhi's birthday; International Day of Nonviolence](#)
 - [October 4th: Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi / Pope Francis & Stewardship](#)
 - [October 16th: UN World Food Day](#)
 - [October 17th: International Day for the Eradication of Poverty - Poverty Resources](#)
 - [October 18th: EU Anti-Trafficking Day](#)
 - [October 19th: Mission Sunday](#)
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November:

- [November Remembrance Resources](#)
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December:

- [December 1st: World Aids Day](#)
 - [Advent Resources](#)
 - [December 10th: Human Rights Day](#)
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Term 2 & 3

January:

- [January 20th: Martin Luther King Jr. Day](#)
 - [January 26th: Holocaust Memorial Day](#)
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February:

- [February 18th: Ash Wednesday / Lent Resources](#)
 - [February 20th: World Day of Social Justice](#)
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March:

- [March 1st: International Day for the Abolition of the Death Penalty](#)
 - [March 8th: International Women's Day](#)
 - [March 24th: Oscar Romero](#)
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April:

- [April 5th: Easter Sunday Resources & Road To Emmaus Resources](#)
 - [April 22nd: Earth Day](#)
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Other Senior Cycle Resources

- [Bible Reflections & Resources](#)
- [What is Religion?](#)
- [Meditation Resources](#)
- [Sport, Olympics & R.E.](#)
- [World Religions](#)
- [Spirituality](#)
- [Our Lady Resources](#)
- [Saints & Feast Days](#)

Senior Cycle R.E.

