

	<u>Learning Objectives</u>	<u>Teaching and Learning Activities</u>
Special People Local Church 09.01.17		
Week 1	Explore. There are special people in our lives who are there to help.	Use photographs to talk about special people in our lives and the role they play. Children can bring in photos of special people in their lives to talk about (copy and display). Paint/draw pictures of people who help us and write captions about how they help. Create a display. Generate words which express the special things people offer e.g. time, love, friendship, etc. Role play people who help us.
Week 1	Reveal. Gathering at church on Sunday.	Use ppt to talk about church - who they can see, what they do, etc. Generate questions to ask someone who helps in church. Make models of churches. Draw pictures of the interior of a church including the people and their role.
Week 2	People who help at Mass on Sunday	Mrs Swainston to be invited into Year 1. Children to ask her questions about her role in church and the roles of others.
Week 2	The parish family gathers to celebrate Mass with the priest on Sunday.	Use a picture of a priest in church and discuss what is happening, who it is, what he's wearing, etc. Talk about what happens at mass. Children to draw a picture of Father and write the words they would use to welcome people. Children to complete sentences about what happens at mass. Children to independently decorate a cross.
Week 3	Jesus is the special person for the parish family.	Talk about how the parish family listen to God's Word through the priest reading the Gospel. Read the story 'A visit to the temple' (Feast of the Presentation of Jesus 2 <sup>nd</sup> February) and discuss. Children to work in groups of 4 to re-enact the story. Make candles.
Week 3	Jesus is the special person for the parish family.	Read the story 'The boy Jesus in the temple' and discuss. Draw and write a story board. Act out the story in small groups or using stick puppets.
Week 4	The parish family spend time together after Mass.	Explain that at the end of Mass the priest gives everyone a blessing and tells them to go in love and to serve the Lord, we all say 'thanks be to God'. Talk about

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		how the parish family often gather together after mass (use picture and discuss). Children to draw and write about how they are loving and serving Jesus. Use pictures from Church's Story 2 and add speech bubbles. Children to prepare things to serve one another.
Week 4	Respond	Reflect upon the topic - special people, what makes them special, etc. Remember the special jobs people have at Mass, the story of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple and the Finding of Jesus in the Temple. Reflect upon what they might do to show their appreciation to the special people they know. Children to draw and write or make a card to reflect this.
Eucharist 6.2.17		
Week 5	Explore the experience of sharing special meals.	Children to share their experience of having a special meal. Create a class list of special meals - when, where, who came, what people ate. Create a class collage - children and foods and create a display of children all sitting around a table. Add feelings words to the display. Writing area - make invitations, role play - sharing a special meal, use camera/tuff-cams to record events taking place in the classroom to explore feelings.
Week 5	Reveal Catholics go to Mass as members of God's family	Recap on how the parish family go to Mass. Read <i>Come and See</i> story. Sequence/storyboard events of Mass.
Week 6	Preparing for the special meal for the parish family.	Tell the story about taking part in the Preparation of the Gifts of bread and wine. Write a thank you prayer to God for all the good things in life.
Week 6	The story of The Last Supper: the special meal of Mass celebrates the Last Supper	Read and talk about the story of The Last Supper. Talk about how the special meal is celebrated at Mass. Children to make a last supper table in construction area. Children to imagine they were at the Last Supper - what was it like and how did you feel?

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Week 7	The Our Father, the family prayer of the parish.	Display and read the Our Father prayer - children to join in. Discuss the prayer. Children to decorate a copy of the Our Father prayer.
Week 7	At Communion time.	Read the story about Communion and discuss. Prepare questions to ask older children who are preparing for or have taken their First Holy Communion.
Week 8	The parish family gathers for a celebration after Mass.	Use pictures to discuss how the parish family come together. Discuss how all good things come from God so we need to say thank you, especially saying grace before meals. Children to create their own grace before meals on plate template and illustrate. Complete a sentence about how they can love and serve Jesus.
Week 8	Respond	Reflect upon special meals and those who share them. Remember the story of the Last Supper, aspects of Mass, the offertory and Holy Communion. Remember and say the Our Father prayer.
<b>Lent/Easter - Giving</b>		
Week 9	Explore - We change and grow	Talk about the different seasons and how there are changes in order for things to grow. Discuss how we change and grow. Read How to grow a beanstalk (Science link). Prior to lesson a letter is to be sent out asking for photos of the children when they were younger. Children to discuss these as a whole class - how have they changed?
	Reveal - Ash Wednesday, Lent begins (lesson will be taught prior to 1 <sup>st</sup> March)	Explain that the first day of Lent is Ash Wednesday and explain what happens at Mass on this day (tell children that Year 1 will be going to Mass on this day) and why. Set up prayer area in Purple. Retell what happens at Mass.
Week 10	Lent is an opportunity for change	Discuss Lent and the ways in which we can change in a special way. Children to make Lenten promises and create a Lenten tree.
	A new start	Recap on Lent being a special time when we think about Jesus making a new start. Listen to story 'Come turn to me' and explain that this is God speaking to us. Children to act out scenarios of changing their behaviour and saying sorry - take photos and chn to write captions/sentences. Draw speech bubbles linked to changing behaviours.

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Week 11	The story of Palm Sunday	Tell the story of Palm Sunday Mark 11:1-11. Talk about how Palm Sunday is celebrated and how it is the start of Holy Week. Act out the story of Palm Sunday - record. Create banners, writing a greeting for Jesus as he arrives in Jerusalem.
	The story of the Last Supper	Tell the story of the Last Supper. Split the class and act out the story in the hall. Take photos/record. Make a Last Supper table.
	Jesus died on Good Friday	Tell the story of Good Friday. Explain how people go to church to remember Jesus, to listen to the story of his death and pray for one another. Create an Easter wreath retelling the story. Make a Good Friday garden. Look at the last few stations of the cross (in church) and explain what they are.
Week 12	Easter Sunday Jesus is alive	Tell the story of the resurrection from Mark 16: 1-6. Explain how we sing and say the word Alleluia because we are so happy that Jesus has risen. Adapt the Easter Garden. <b>Extended writing - story of the resurrection.</b>
	Respond - link liturgy before holidays to this.	Remember how seasons change and how we change and make a new start in Lent. Remember what happens on Ash Wednesday, Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Sunday. In what ways will I try to change? - children to complete the sentence during the Easter holidays I will...(photocopy sentences so a copy can be sent home).