BRANCH 4

Jerusalem to the Ends of the Earth

In this branch, children explore how Jesus died and rose again, and how the Holy Spirit gave courage to the disciples to share the Good News with the world.

What will children learn?

HEAR

We listen to stories from the Bible.

We hear about the Easter story and how the disciples shared the Good News.

Scripture the children hear:

- The Last Supper – Lk 22:14-20
- The Passion and Death of Jesus – Lk 22:39-23:56
- The Resurrection – Lk 24:1-12
- The Ascension – Lk 24:50-53
- Pentecost – Acts 2:1-11
- The Great Commission – Mt 28:16-20

We will think about how these stories show us God's love.

BELIEVE

We learn what the Church teaches.

- Jesus died on the cross for our sins and rose again.
- The Resurrection shows Jesus is Lord and gives us new life.
- The Holy Spirit was sent to help the disciples and us.
- The Church is called to share the Good News with everyone.

We will think about how this helps us in our lives today.

CELEBRATE

We celebrate our faith.

- We celebrate Holy Week and Easter.
- We celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.
- We celebrate in the Sacraments, especially Eucharist and Reconciliation.
- We pray together in Church and school.

We will think about how these celebrations help us grow closer to Jesus.

LIVE

We try to live like Jesus every day.

- We share God's love through our words and actions.
- We care for others, especially those in need.
- We forgive and help to build peace.
- We are missionary disciples, sharing the Good News wherever we go.

We will think about how we can be disciples in our world today.

Through Jerusalem to the Ends of the Earth, we grow in faith, hope and love.

★ Our Learning Journey Through the School ★

As children grow, their understanding deepens.
Here is what your child will learn at each stage of their journey.

EYFS

Jesus, our friend

- We hear about Palm Sunday and Jesus entering Jerusalem.
- We learn about the Last Supper and how Jesus shared a special meal.
- We hear that Jesus died on the cross and that God loves us.
- We celebrate that Jesus rose again at Easter.

Key question
Why do Christians celebrate Easter?

Home connection
Share an Easter story and talk about God's love.

YEARS 1–2

Holy Week and Easter

- We learn about the events of Holy Week: Palm Sunday, The Last Supper, The Passion and Death of Jesus.
- We celebrate the joy of the Resurrection.
- We hear about the Ascension of Jesus into heaven.
- We learn that Jesus is alive and with us always.

Key question
What happened during Holy Week?

Home connection
Make a Holy Week calendar and recall the key events.

YEARS 3–4

The Holy Spirit and the Church

- We learn how the Holy Spirit came at Pentecost and gave courage to the disciples.
- We learn that the Church was born and grew.
- We hear about the Good News spreading to people everywhere.
- We learn that we are part of the Church and have a mission.

Key question
How did the Holy Spirit help the disciples?

Home connection
Pray for the Holy Spirit to help us be brave in sharing our faith.

YEARS 5–6

To the Ends of the Earth

- We learn about the Great Commission – Jesus sends us to make disciples.
- We explore how Christians share the Good News around the world.
- We learn about the lives of inspiring saints and missionaries.
- We reflect on how we are called to continue Jesus' mission today.

Key question
How can we share the Good News today?

Home connection
Look for ways your family can share God's love with others.

Key words children will explore

Jerusalem | Last Supper | Cross | Resurrection | Holy Spirit | Mission

Our prayer

Thank you, Jesus, for dying and rising for us. Thank you, Holy Spirit, for giving us courage. Help us to share your love with the world. Amen.