

Southwark Romero Cross

Teacher's notes

Activity

Give each pupil a copy of the sheet showing the two sides of the Southwark Romero Cross.

Watch the film 'Southwark Romero Cross for GCSE RE' on CAFOD's Youtube channel.

As pupils watch the film, they can make notes about the different symbols painted on it by the renowned artist from El Salvador, Fernando Llort.

Discussion questions

Which scripture passages are represented on the cross?

What aspects of Catholic belief are expressed in the symbols and images chosen to decorate this cross?

How are Catholic beliefs about God's goodness and the meaning of human suffering expressed here?

What different Christian beliefs about life after death are expressed in this cross, which commemorates Saint Oscar Romero?

Which of the symbols painted on the Southwark Romero Cross have you seen in other Christian works of art?

Identify any new symbols and ways in which familiar Christian symbols are depicted differently on this cross.

What reasons can you give for these differences?

In what ways might this cross be used in prayer and worship?



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