

WJEC (Units 1 and 3) and CAFOD resources

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Specification	CAFOD resources
<p>Unit 1 PART A: Catholic Christianity – Core beliefs, teachings and practices Beliefs: God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creator ex nihilo (St Augustine's Confessions XII, 7) and sustainer. Omnipotence, omnibenevolence, omniscience, omnipresence • Trinity: The three aspects of one God – Father (Luke 15:11-32), Son (John 1:1-3, 14), Holy Spirit (John 14:25-26, Galatians 5:22-23). St Augustine's De Trinitate 8.10 • Jesus as Messiah (Matthew 16:13-17), Saviour, Word, the Incarnation (John 1:1-3, 14), salvation and atonement (John 3:16, 14:6) • Jesus' birth, crucifixion, resurrection and ascension (key elements of the accounts of his birth, death, resurrection and ascension) 	
<p>Beliefs: Creation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beliefs and teachings on Creation from the Genesis accounts (Genesis 1-3) • Nature of Humanity: image of God ('imago Dei'), soul, moral, free will, rational, creative, fallen, Original Sin (Genesis 1-3, esp. Genesis 1:26-28 and 2:15-17) • Teachings of Thomas Aquinas on human nature as essentially good 	<p>Human Dignity animation Human Dignity animation worksheet</p>
<p>Practices: Morality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teachings of Jesus (Matthew 7:13-14, Matthew 25:31-46) • Love/ agapé (Luke 10:25-37; John 13:34-35) • Forgiveness (Matthew 6:5-13, Matthew 18:21-22; Luke 23:34; Matthew 5:43-44), including the Sacrament of Reconciliation • Treasures on earth/ in Heaven (Matthew 6:19-21; Luke 16:19-31) • Divine command/ absolutist and situational/ relativist approaches to ethical decision-making 	<p>Starter: Who is my neighbour? Starter: Why should we love our neighbour? Rwandan animation - forgiveness after the genocide</p>
<p>Practices: Catholic Church</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Role of the local, Catholic church, diocese and parish • Main features of Catholic worship: the Mass (including the Sacrament of Eucharist) • The practice of offering Masses for the dead • Social and community functions: 'living the Mass' • Mission, evangelisation, church growth (Matthew 28:16-20; Galatians 3:28, Pope Francis' Evangelii Gaudium 15, 48-49, 197-198, 264-265) • Catholic groups working for social justice: CARJ, CAFOD and St. Vincent de Paul Society (Gaudium et Spes 78 and 29) 	<p>Eucharistic banner activity</p> <p>History and work of CAFOD ppt Emergency! – What happens at CAFOD film, flowchart and 'Flood!' game Poverty causes and effects session</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic groups working for reconciliation through inter-faith dialogue: The Interfaith Council for Wales, Christian-Muslim Forum, Council of Christians and Jews, Interreligious Advisers to the Catholic Bishops' Conference • Persecution of Christians in the modern world (Matthew 10:22) 	<p>CST cards – stories of CAFOD’s work Peace and conflict resource</p>
<p>Judaism: Core beliefs, teachings and practices...</p>	
<p>PART B THEME 1: Issues of life and death The World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The understanding of the Catholic Church on Creation and stewardship (Genesis 1-3, Matthew 6:25-34, Laudato Si’ 13) • The relationship between Catholic views, other Christian views and non-religious views of creation and the extent to which they conflict (Pope John-Paul II’s Message to the Pontifical Academy of Sciences: On Evolution, 1996, paragraphs 3 and 4) • The work of CAFOD to promote global citizenship. <p>Non-religious views on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the creation of the universe: 'Big-Bang theory' (Stephen Hawking) 'Blind' Evolution versus 'Planned' Evolution (Charles Darwin and Richard Dawkins) • stewardship, social and community responsibility, sustainability; 'Humanists for a Better World' 	<p>Canticle of the Creatures powerpoint Laudato Si’ animation and session Climate change photopack and notes Good Samaritan ppt</p> <p>Eco-stoves film</p>
<p>The origin and value of human life</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic beliefs, teachings and attitudes toward the origin and the sanctity of human life, from fertilisation to its natural end (Matthew 19:18), attitudes to abortion (Catechism of the Catholic Church 2270), and euthanasia, including issues surrounding assisted dying and palliative care, Evangelium Vitae 65 • Local 'Choose Life'/'Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child' • The work of local Catholic hospices and the significance of the Sacrament of the Sick <p>Non-religious views on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • quality of life over sanctity of life in relation to abortion and euthanasia (the views of Peter Singer) • 'Right to Choose', 'Dignity in Dying' (euthanasia) • emphasis on life before death rather than after-life • situationist/relativist approach rather than doctrinal or absolutist 	<p>Human dignity animation and worksheet</p>
<p>Beliefs about death and the afterlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic beliefs about life after death, including the soul, judgement, heaven, hell and purgatory (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1020-1023, 1030, 1033) • How Catholic funerals reflect beliefs about the after-life (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1684-1690) • Humanist funerals in Wales as reflections of beliefs about death as the end of life 	
<p>THEME 2: ISSUES OF GOOD AND EVIL Crime and Punishment What makes an act 'wrong'?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Religious and ethical responses: relative and absolute morality, Natural Law and conscience, virtues, sin 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic beliefs and attitudes about the causes of crime and the aims of punishment: justice, retribution, deterrence and reformation • The treatment of criminals and the work of prison reformers and prison chaplains • Catholic responses to the Death Penalty, including interpretations of Christian teaching: Exodus 20:13, Matthew 5:38-39, 43-47 • The response of the Catholic Church to crime and punishment, including capital punishment and reformation; Pope John Paul II's Evangelium Vitae 56 	
<p>Forgiveness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peace and conflict: Just War Theory. Pacifism and Conscientious Objectors • Responses to suffering and evil, including forgiveness • Christian teachings about forgiveness, including interpretations of teachings: Matthew 18:21-22, Matthew 6: 14-15, Jn 20:21-23, • Examples of forgiveness arising from personal beliefs 	<p>Peace and conflict resource</p> <p>Rwanda animation</p>
<p>Good, evil and suffering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic perspectives on the origin of evil: Original Sin (free will) and 'soul-making' (Augustine and Irenaeus/Hick): Augustine, The Enchiridion 3:11 • Philosophical challenges posed by belief in God and the existence of evil and suffering • Catholic responses to the Problem of Evil; Pope John Paul II's Salvifici Doloris 13 and 23 	<p>Southwark Romero Cross film</p> <p>Southwark Romero Cross worksheet</p>
<p>Judaism: Content from a Jewish perspective...</p>	
<p>Unit 2 is not studied in Catholic schools</p>	
<p>Unit 3: Catholic Christianity PART A: Core beliefs, teachings and practices Beliefs: The Bible</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As Word of God, authority, sacred scripture (Deut. 4:1-2) inspiration and revelation • As a collection of writings based on context, audience, society, authors' intentions • Uses/usefulness (2 Tim 3:16-17); absolute law, guidance, use during worship and ceremonies (Christening, Marriage, Funerals) • Catholic and alternative ways of interpreting biblical writings: literal, conservative, symbolic, biblical myth • Bible in relation to other sources of authority, e.g. conscience (Romans 2:14-15), Church teaching (Magisterium), family, Natural Law (reason), society, situations, civil law, circumstances 	<p>CST in 3 minutes film</p> <p>CST in 3 minutes film script</p> <p>CST cards – scripture and Church teaching</p>
<p>Beliefs: The Afterlife</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The basis for Catholic belief in life after death (John 3:16, 11:25-26 and Gospel records of the Resurrection) • Judgement, responsibility for actions (Matthew 25:31-46) and free will • Resurrection (1 Corinthians 15: 20-22) • Heaven, Hell and Purgatory (Jn 14:1-4; Lk 16:19-31, 1 Cor 3:11-15). 	
<p>Practices: The Liturgical Year</p>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Church's year as the unfolding of the Mystery of Christ (Catechism of the Catholic Church. paragraph.1163-1165) • Advent: preparation for celebrating the Incarnation • Christmas; religious observances in Catholic communities • Epiphany; the revelation of God incarnate • Lent, including Holy Week: Lenten observances, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday (Stations of the Cross) • Easter: The promise of eternal life through resurrection; Religious observances in Catholic communities • Ascension; significance and observance • Pentecost; significance and observance • Other major solemnities that are holy days of obligation: Corpus Christi, St Peter and St Paul, The Assumption, All Saints 	<p>Advent calendar</p> <p>Epiphany liturgy</p> <p>Stations of the Cross Easter Emmaus powerpoint</p> <p>Confirmation resources</p>
<p>Practices: Special places</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significance of a place of worship (Hebrews 10:24-25; Matthew 18:20) • Key features of a Catholic church: altar, font, lectern, Lady chapel, confessionals, statues and votive candles • Purpose of pilgrimage in Wales and elsewhere; places, activities, experiences e.g. Holy Land, Lourdes, National Marian Shrine of Wales in Cardigan, Holywell in North Wales 	<p>Southwark Romero Cross film Southwark Romero Cross worksheet</p>
<p>Beliefs: The Nature of the Church</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One, holy, catholic and apostolic • The Church as 'Body of Christ' and 'people of God' (Catechism of the Catholic Church 846-848) • Traditional and current views on the teaching that 'outside the Church there is no salvation' • The Pope as Bishop of Rome and St. Peter's successor (Matthew 16:18) with the authority to speak infallibly on behalf of the Church: two infallible statements • The nature of the Catholic Magisterium (pontifical and conciliar) • The significance of the Second Vatican Council and its four key documents. 	<p>Body of Christ case studies</p> <p>CST in 3 minutes film and script</p>
<p>Beliefs: The Veneration of Mary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mother of God (Theotokos) and model of the Church • Immaculate Conception – sinless – no Original Sin • Virgin Birth stories; (Matthew 1:18-25, Luke 1:26-35) • Intercessory prayer: Mary intercedes with Jesus on behalf of people who pray to her • Visions of Mary: Lourdes, Knock, the Marian shrines of Wales (Cardigan and Penrhys) 	
<p>Practices: Religious Life</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different monastic orders: Benedictine, Cistercian, Trappist; Mendicant orders such as Franciscan, Dominican, Carmelites • The evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience, the challenges and benefits of vows (including silence) • The work of religious orders; contemplative or apostolic • The work of Catholic retreats and monastic communities 	
<p>Practices: Catholic forms of religious expression: meanings and significance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Icthus, Alpha and Omega, Chi-Rho, Crucifix 	<p>Southwark Romero Cross film</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic beliefs depicted through art e.g. The Creation of Adam (Sistine Chapel), Statuary; the meaning and significance of sculpture and statuary to Catholic tradition and worship e.g. Michelangelo's Pieta • Rosary Beads; as reflection on the Incarnation, Trinity and veneration of Mary 	<p>Southwark Romero Cross worksheet Hunger cloth film Hunger cloth worksheet Feeding of 5000 icon ppt</p>
<p>PART B THEME 1: RELATIONSHIPS Relationships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic beliefs, attitudes and teachings about the nature and purpose of relationships in the twenty first century: families, roles of women and men, marriage outside the religious tradition and cohabitation • Jesus' teaching on marriage (Mark 10:1-12) • The nature and purpose of marriage as expressed through the Catholic marriage ceremony and teachings. (Catechism of the Catholic Church) 2360-2363), including the Rite of Marriage in Catholic churches • The Catholic Church's attitude to adultery, divorce, annulment and remarriage, including interpretations of Mtt 5:32 and Mk 10:11-12 • The work of Marriage Care in Wales 	
<p>Sexual relationships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Catholic understanding of the nature of human love and the importance of sexual complementarity; the purpose of marriage and the unitive and procreative meanings of sexual expressions of love • Catholic teachings about responsible parenthood and the use of cycles of fertility to regulate births; Catholic teaching on the use of artificial contraception including varied interpretations of Thomas Aquinas' Second Precept (Catechism of the Catholic Church paragraphs.2362-2363) • The Catholic Church's attitude to same sex relationships; other Christian attitudes towards same sex relationships, including varied interpretations of: Leviticus 18:22, 20:3 and 1 Tim 1: 8-10 	
<p>Issues of equality: gender prejudice and discrimination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic teachings on the equality of women and men with reference to CCC369-373 and the wrongness of gender discrimination with reference to CCC1935 • Catholic teaching on the roles of women and men in the Church in comparison with other Christian views • Catholic and other Christian interpretations of teachings: 1 Timothy 2:11-12, Galatians 3:27-29 	<p>Body of Christ case studies</p>
<p>THEME 2: ISSUES OF HUMAN RIGHTS Human rights and social justice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The beliefs, teaching and attitude of the Catholic Church on respect for the human person and the dignity of human life (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1929-1933) • Catholic practices to promote human rights including equality • An example of conflict between personal religious conviction and the laws of a country • The tension between freedom of religious expression and respect for others, tolerance, censorship and religious 	<p>Human dignity animation and worksheet</p> <p>CST in 3 minutes animation and script CST cards – stories of CST in action</p>

<p>extremism (Catechism of the Catholic Church 2493-2499)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mass as communion and unity • The understanding of the Catholic Church on the Common Good (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1905-1912) 	<p>CST principles videowall - The common good</p>
<p>Prejudice and discrimination</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic beliefs, teachings and attitudes towards prejudice and discrimination: Galatians 3:27-29 • Catholic beliefs, teachings and attitudes towards racial prejudice and discrimination, including the teaching of the Catechism of the Catholic Church paragraphs. 1934-1938 • Equality (Mark 12:31; Acts 10:34-35)), with particular reference to race, gender, religious belief and disability 	<p>Walking Together film Refugees in Lebanon film</p>
<p>Issues of wealth and poverty</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ethical considerations about acquisition and use of wealth: Luke 16:19-30, Mark 10:21-31; Mark 12:41-44 • The actions and attitudes of a Catholic charity in twenty first century Britain whose aim is to alleviate poverty: CAFOD 	<p>Option for the poor movie Poverty causes and effects case studies session Poverty factsheet CST cards – stories of our work Fullness of life animation – CAFOD attitudes CAFOD in El Salvador film</p>