

UNIT F – YEAR 3

LENT

ABOUT THE UNIT

The unit is designed to help the children appreciate that during Lent Christians resolve to change and try to become more like Christ. The children will be introduced to new Gospel stories about Jesus bringing change into the lives of people he encountered.

WHERE THE UNIT FITS IN

The unit builds on prior learning from Year 2 when we considered Lent as a special time to seek God's forgiveness and offer it to others.

PRIOR LEARNING

It would be helpful if the children have:

- some experience of the customs of Lent
- some knowledge of the miracles of Jesus.

SKILLS

Discussion skills, thinking skills, letter writing, Bible research, prayer writing, interpreting symbols, research skills.

VOCABULARY

Lent, change, miracle, Widow of Nain, paralysed man, Ash Wednesday, sorrow, forgiveness.

ASSESSMENT

At the end of this unit:

Most children will know and understand that the Season of Lent is a time when Christians try to change to be more like Christ. They will know some stories about Christ bringing change to the lives of people who were sick and in need.

Less able children will know that Lent is an important Season in the Church year. Know some stories about Jesus helping people in need.

More able children will know the effects of the change Jesus brought to the lives of people who were sick. They will be able to recognise ways in which people who follow Christ might want to change during Lent.

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PROGRAMME OF STUDY	TEACHING STRATEGIES	LEARNING OUTCOMES	FURTHER DEVELOPMENT
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lent is a period of time when Christians work to bring change into the world for those most in need. • Explore some of the work of the Fr. Hudson's Society and CAFOD. • What sort of change are they trying to bring about? • How can we help during the Season of Lent? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create some litany style prayers expressing a desire to change and also to help those in great need. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the meaning associated with receiving the ashes on Ash Wednesday. • Be able to explore some of the traditional customs and practices of the Season of Lent. 	<p>Recall previous work on the prodigal son. Invite somebody from Fr. Hudson's Society, SVP or parish justice and peace group to talk to the class.</p>

RELATED SCRIPTURE

Mk. 2: 1-12 – The Cure of the Paralytic

Lk. 7: 11-17 – The Widow of Nain

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

- Use the Act of Contrition as part of class prayers.
- Create a book of class prayers to be used during Lent.
- Use a Psalm as part of class prayer during Lent.
- Learn a sung version of the Penitential Rite.

OTHER LINKS

Some excellent opportunities for drama work and 'Circle time'.

Geography: Find out about countries of poverty where change is needed to help people to live.

EVALUATION

What went well?

Which areas of planning need to be developed/adapted next time?

What needs to be revisited/developed in a later unit?