

Religious Education Knowledge Organiser

Year 2

Summer (ii)

What do we know about Jesus Christ's birth and death?

Substantive Knowledge – Christmas is the Christian festival of Jesus Christ's birth and Easter is the Christian festival of His death. Christian celebrations follow rituals which are very old.

Symbols in Christianity/Role of Church in festivals.



**Cross -
sign of
Christ.**



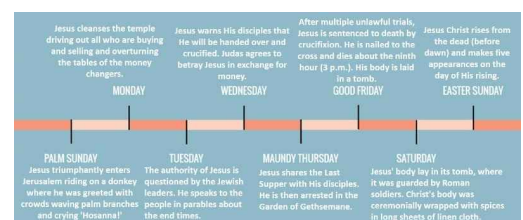
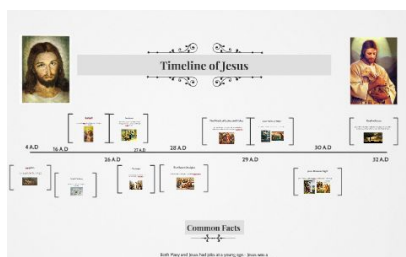
**A candle /
light -
representing
the light of
Christ**

The main function of a church is a place for people to go and worship. Religious functions and festivals also take place in churches.



The church is a place where Christians can gather and celebrate together.

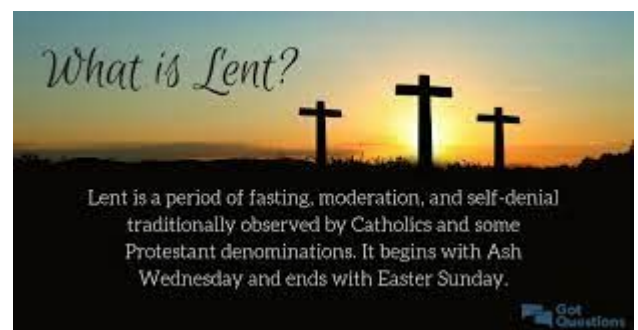
The life of Jesus Christ



Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Timeline of Jesus' life.

The rituals associated with Easter and Christmas.



Church services celebrating the birth, death and resurrection of Jesus. These services take place on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day as Christians thank God for his gift of Jesus.

Symbolism behind religious festivals.

Most Christian festivals are based on a special moment or event in the life of Jesus. These festivals help Christians remember the story of his life, but they also draw attention to their religious significance.



At Christmas, gifts are given to symbolise the tributes made to baby Jesus by the Three Wise Men after his birth during the story of the Nativity.

Eggs are exchanged at Easter as they symbolise new life and rebirth.

Baptisms and weddings.



A baptism is a rite of initiation involving immersion in or sprinkling of water.



Christians believe that marriage is a covenant before God. It shows that they are committed to each other. A covenant is an agreement or promise.

It is a sacrament marking the start of Christian life.

Portable Knowledge – What we need to remember

Christmas is the Christian festival of Jesus' birth.

Easter is the Christian festival of His Death.

Christian celebrations follow rituals that are very old.

Core Vocabulary

Symbolism - the idea that things represent other things

Rituals - a ceremony or action performed in a customary way

resurrection – where the dead come back to life.