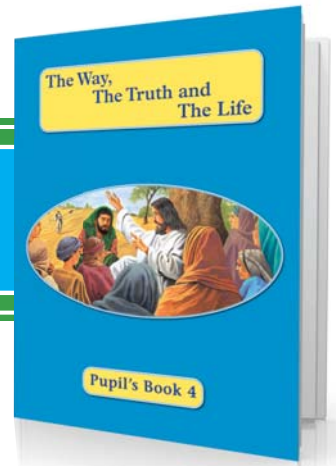




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4.1 The Bible

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“*God is the author of Sacred Scripture.* “The divinely revealed realities, which are contained and presented in the text of Sacred Scripture, have been written down under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit” (CCC 105).

Attainment Target 1: Learning *about* the Catholic faith.

Attainment Target 2: Learning *from* the Catholic faith.

Key Learning Objectives

- Know that the Bible is an account of God’s relationship with His people.
 - Reflect on how the Bible can help us.
- Know about God’s call to Abraham.
 - Think about the challenges and blessings Abraham experienced.
- Know about God’s call to Joseph.
 - Reflect on God’s plan for him.
- Know about God’s call to Moses.
 - Reflect on what we can learn from his experience.
- Know that David was chosen by God.
 - Reflect on David’s trust in God.
- Know that God speaks to us in the Bible.
 - Reflect on some things God tells us.

4.2 Trust in God

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The Christmas mystery

Jesus was born in a humble stable, into a poor family. Simple shepherds were the first witnesses to this event. In this poverty, heaven's glory was made manifest. The Church never tires of singing the glory of this night: The Virgin today brings into the world the Eternal and the earth offers a cave to the Inaccessible. The angels and shepherds praise him and the magi advance with the star, for you are born for us, little Child, God eternal! (CCC 525).

Attainment Target 1: Learning *about* the Catholic faith.

Attainment Target 2: Learning *from* the Catholic faith.

Key Learning Objectives

- Understand the importance of trusting in God.
 - Be aware that it is not always easy for us to trust.
- Know about God's promise to Zechariah.
 - Reflect on how Zechariah had to trust in God.
- Know that Mary trusted in God.
 - Reflect on what we can learn from Mary.
- Know how Joseph put his trust in God.
 - Be aware that sometimes we need help to trust in God.
- Know that God fulfilled His promise to Mary when Jesus was born.
 - Reflect on the importance of the birth of Jesus for us.
- Know why God sent Jesus to earth.
 - Reflect on who Jesus is for us.

4.3 Jesus, the Teacher

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“The *Gospels* are the heart of all the Scriptures because they are our principal source for the life and teaching of the Incarnate Word, our Saviour” (CCC 125).

“The Beatitudes respond to the natural desire for happiness. This desire is of divine origin: God has placed it in the human heart in order to draw man to the One who alone can fulfil it” (CCC 1718).

Attainment Target 1: Learning *about* the Catholic faith.

Attainment Target 2: Learning *from* the Catholic faith.

Key Learning Objectives

- Know that Mary and Joseph took Jesus to the Temple.
 - Reflect on what this means for us.
- Know that Jesus was born a Jew.
 - Reflect on how Mary and Joseph found Jesus in the Temple.
- Know about the Baptism of Jesus.
 - Reflect on what Jesus’ baptism means for us.
- Know that Jesus called people to follow him.
 - Be aware that we are called to follow Jesus.
- Understand that Jesus travelled around teaching people.
 - Think about the Good News that Jesus teaches.
- Know some of the parables Jesus used to teach people.
 - Reflect on the meaning of the parables for us.
- Know that Jesus came to show us the way to live. (The Beatitudes)
 - Think of ways in which we can be true followers of Jesus.
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4.4 Jesus, the Saviour

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Catechism of the Catholic Church

“Jesus Christ is true God and true man, in the unity of his divine person; for this reason he is the one and only mediator between God and man” (CCC 480).

“The Paschal mystery of Christ’s cross and Resurrection stands at the centre of the Good News that the apostles, and the Church following them, are to proclaim to the world. God’s saving plan was accomplished ‘once and for all’ by the redemptive death of His Son Jesus Christ” (CCC 571).

Attainment Target 1: Learning *about* the Catholic faith.

Attainment Target 2: Learning *from* the Catholic faith.

Key Learning Objectives

- Know that Jesus is truly God and, as man, truly human.
 - Reflect on what this means for us.
- Know about Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem.
 - Think about the importance of Holy Week for us.
- Understand what happened on Holy Thursday.
 - Reflect on how we can show our love for Jesus.
- Know what happened on Good Friday.
 - Reflect on the suffering of Jesus.
- Begin to understand why Jesus died on the Cross.
 - Think about what this means for us.
- Understand what happened on Easter Sunday.
 - Reflect on the importance for us of the resurrection of Jesus.

4.5

The Early Christians

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“On the day of Pentecost when the seven weeks of Easter had come to an end, Christ’s Passover is fulfilled in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, manifested, given and communicated as a divine person: of his fullness, Christ, the Lord, pours out the Spirit in abundance.”
(CCC731)

Attainment Target 1: Learning *about* the Catholic faith.

Attainment Target 2: Learning *from* the Catholic faith.

Key Learning Objectives

- Know that Jesus made Peter Head of the Church.
 - Think about what this means for all Christians.
- Know that the Church began at Pentecost.
 - Think about what the Holy Spirit is able to do.
- Know what happened to Stephen and Saul.
 - Reflect on how God brings good out of evil.
- Know about the challenges of being an apostle.
 - Reflect on how God worked through Paul and Silas.
- Know about Paul’s missionary journeys.
 - Reflect on Paul’s faith and courage.
- Know about the teaching of the Apostles.
 - Reflect on how this teaching helps us today.

4.6 Church

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Catechism of the Catholic Church

“The Church is the family of God, the People that God gathers in the whole world. The Church is the communion of Christ’s disciples, brought together in Christ its Head by the Holy Spirit. It is the Body of Christ, the Temple of the Spirit. As the People of God, the Church is drawn into Christ’s praise of the Father and Christ’s mission in the world” (CCC 751-757 abridged).

Attainment Target 1: Learning *about* the Catholic faith.

Attainment Target 2: Learning *from* Catholic faith.

Key Learning Objectives

- Understand that the Church is a family.
 - Be aware that we belong to the Church.
- Understand that the Church is ‘good news’ for people.
 - Be aware that this ‘good news’ is also for us.
- Know about the different seasons in the Church’s year.
 - Think about why these times are important for us.
- Know about the Communion of Saints and the Holy Souls.
 - Be aware of how they can help us.
- Know about God’s call to individuals.
 - Reflect on their responses.
- Deepen our understanding of Mary.
 - Reflect on how she can help all of us.