

Task Eleven: The Persecuted Church

Research situations around the world where people are persecuted for their beliefs.

Print off or write out the situations and choose one person or a group of people from the scenario that you have researched.

Write an encouraging letter to this person/ group letting them know that God is with them and you will be praying for them. Try to give them hope in what must be a very difficult time.

You should aim to write at least half a page.

Task Twelve: Holy Week diaries

Choose one of the following days of Holy Week. Read about them in the Bible or on this website www.biblegateway.com and imagine that you were there. You can be anyone in the story. Please write a detailed diary entry (at least a page) explaining what happened and your feelings and emotions.

Palm Sunday (Luke 19:28-38),

Monday (Luke 19: 45-46), Holy Tuesday (Luke 21: 1-4), Wednesday (Luke 22: 1-6), Maundy Thursday (Luke 22: 39-45), Good Friday (Luke 23: 26-58),
Easter Sunday (Luke 24: 1-12)

Extension: Choose another one of the above Holy Week days and find out what is happening at a local Catholic church on this day. Create a poster to advertise it and invite people to it.

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stick your
leaflet into
your
book.

Year 8 Spring Term Home Learning

Spring Term:

All home learning must be completed in your home learning/independent learning book. Your teacher will stamp or initial your work each week to indicate that they know you have completed the task. Your home learning will then be formally assessed and will receive an Assessment Level at appropriate times in the year. Some of the topics you will have studied already and some will form preparation work for the next unit of work.

Task One: Creator God

"God created the world in six days and rested on the seventh."

I) Do you agree with this statement? Give three reasons. II) Why might someone disagree? Give three reasons.

Task Two: Father God

Write a letter to our Father God, thanking Him for being our Heavenly Father. Try to identify some of the qualities that God has that are like a perfect human father.



Task Three: Science and Religion

Scientists believe that life as we know it has evolved over time from something else. What animal do you think that you are most like and why? Design an animal that is in its evolving process. It should be $\frac{1}{2}$ an animal and $\frac{1}{2}$ you. Imagine that you changed from that animal into the human you are now. Draw the animal millions of years ago, $\frac{1}{2}$ way through this process and explain your choice of animal.



Task Four: Stewardship

Saint Francis of Assisi is the patron saint of animals and the environment.

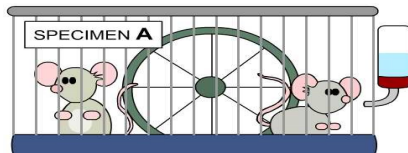


He believed that we should treat nature like our family.

Design a poster based on St. Francis' ideas that will encourage people to treat nature as part of our 'family'

Task Five: Animal Rights

Please find out what 5 other people think about animal testing, whether they agree with it or not and why. Record your findings in a table, chart or graph.



Task Six: Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Which of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit do you think is most important? Explain which one you believe is with at least two reasons for your choice.

Task Seven: The Fruits of the Spirit

Read Galatians 5:22-23 in the Bible. Write a page about someone you know that has some of the fruits of the Spirit. It could be someone you personally know or somebody famous. You should explain which fruits of the spirit you think they have and give examples.

Task Eight: Confirmation

"Confirmation is no better than infant baptism. The child is too young, doesn't understand and is often forced into it by their parents."

I) Do you agree? Give 3 reasons.

II) Why might someone disagree? Give 3 reasons.

Task Nine: Lenten Promise

In class you may have been looking at Lent and making promises.

Think of one thing you are willing to do during Lent that will somehow help others and/or make yourself a better person. Make a **promise poster** with your promise on it and get three close friends or family members to sign the poster to agree to encourage your efforts. You should then do your best to keep this promise during Lent.

Task Ten: Cross Project

If you haven't started this in class yet, please complete week five instead.

You have one week to design and make your own cross at home. Your cross should somehow reflect who you are as a person. This is to be brought in and displayed in class.

Suitable materials you could use include:

Card, wood, plastic, plasticine, wool, and metal.

