



Throughout **Year 5**, students will investigate the big question: ***How do believers share and strengthen faith in community?*** They do this by engaging with the following units of work:

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO SHARE FAITH? Faith is shared and strengthened in communities of believers, past and present. Students broaden their appreciation of the significance of personal and communal prayer and worship, including Eucharist and Sabbath rituals and prayers.

Lent / Holy Week Easter How do believers share and strengthen faith in the Easter season?

HOW CAN CONFIRMATION HELP US UNDERSTAND THE ACTION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE LIVES OF BELIEVERS? The action of the Holy Spirit is described in scripture using a variety of titles. The Sacrament of Confirmation remembers the actions of the Holy Spirit – word, symbols and actions. Students learn about the Gifts and Fruits of the Spirit and the action of the Holy Spirit in the lives of believers.

HOW CAN JESUS' MESSAGE CHALLENGE ME TODAY? Students describe how believers live according to Jesus' new commandment of charity (love) and make and act upon informed moral choices. They explore formation of conscience with the Decalogue and Beatitudes as guiding scripture and develop and explain a personal choice or action that demonstrates how Jesus' teaching can apply to the world today.

HOW CAN THE STORY OF MARY HELP US UNDERSTAND FAITH TODAY? Students learn about Mary, mother of Jesus and Mary mother of the Church as understood in scripture and investigate gospel writers shaped their texts for particular communities. They learn about Marian prayers, including the rosary and the Litany of Mary of Nazareth. They develop their understanding of the story of Mary in scripture and Mary's role in the Church community.

Advent / Christmas