

Year Three Focus of Religious Education Units

Unit 1: What is so super about superheroes? Who are the heroes of our parish/school?

Lent and Holy Week

Students will investigate the role of clergy, religious and laity in the development of the St Elizabeth's Parish and School community, within the wider Brisbane Archdiocese. They look at changes that have occurred over time to both the Parish and the School and the roles of various community superheroes in regards to these changes.

Students will learn about the Beatitudes and the message Jesus had for the people at the time They investigate how this relates to them today and in our own St Elizabeth's community and the wider worl **Core texts in this unit:** The Beatitudes Matthew 5:3-11; Luke 6:20-26

Unit 2: Who is Nano Nagle? (mini unit)

How do we celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation in a Parish?

Students will build on their knowledge of the Charism of Nano Nagle and the significance of her life to us here at St Elizabeth's. Students will celebrate her feast day on 26th April.

Students will learn about the significance of the Sacraments of Initiation, Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation for the Church Community. They will investigate the significant symbols, words and gestures of each and the role these play in the Sacrament.

Unit 3: Images of God and the relationship with God in the Old Testament

Students will engage with a variety of Old Testament texts to develop their understanding of God's relationship with people as individuals and community. They identify the different relationships in God's created world.

Core texts in this unit: "I will never forger you" (Isaiah 49:15-16); God's promise to Jacob (Genesis 28:10-22)

Unit 4: What is prayer and why do we pray?

Students will investigate and participate in prayers of praise and thanksgiving to develop an appreciation of the significance of these forms of prayer for Christians. They will continue to develop their meditation skills particularly focusing on stillness and mindfulness.

Core texts in this unit: Psalm 23; Psalm 28:1, 6-9

Unit 5: Who do you say Jesus is? The birth of Jesus

Students will learn about the cultural context in which the Gospel's were written and develop their understanding of the life and teaching of Jesus. They will gain a greater understanding of the Christian belief of Jesus as the Messiah.

Core texts in this unit: Luke 4:16-21; Matthew 1:17-2:12