Coley Primary School – Knowledge Organiser

SUBJECT FOCUS:	RE: Christianity	YEAR 5	TERM 6

Key Knowledge

Area of focus: Believing and Behaving

Key question: What is the best way for a Christian to show commitment to God?

Christians believe that if they are committed to God they will display love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, self-control and not jealousy or self-importance.
Christians show their commitment to God in different ways. Some of these practices are more significant to some Christians than others.

Ten Commandments
One way Christians show their commitment is by following the Ten Commandments. These are a set of rules handed down from God to Moses.

1. You shall have no other Gods but me.
2. You shall not make any idols to worship.
3. You shall not take the Lord's name in vain.
4. Remember and keep the Sabbath holy.
5. Honour your father and mother.
6. You shall not kill.
7. You shall not commit adultery.
8. You shall not steal.
9. You shall not bear false witness.
10. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife nor goods.





Communion

Key vocabulary

- **Ten Commandments** – Laws or rules handed down to Moses by God on Mount Sinai.
- **Confirmation** – Rite of initiation normally carried out through anointing, the laying on of hands, and prayer, for the purpose of bestowing the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.
- **Lord's Prayer** – Also known as "The Our Father": prayer Jesus taught the disciples.

Church attendance and Communion

- Christians worship in a church and attend Mass. Many churches are shaped like a cross and have an altar, a special table at the front, where communion takes place.
- During Church services, people usually sing hymns, which are songs written to praise God and tell stories from the Bible.
- When Christians receive Holy Communion in church, bread and wine represent the body and blood of Jesus Christ.
- This part of Mass reminds Christians of the Last Supper.
- The bread and wine are blessed.
- Each member of the congregation who have been confirmed (see Confirmation on next page) are invited to eat a piece of bread and drink a sip of wine. This reminds Christians of the sacrifice and suffering of Jesus and to remember God's love for people on Earth.
- This part of the ceremony can differ depending on the type of church.

Confirmation

- Confirmation is when a Christian is old enough to understand and make promises to God themselves (at a baby's baptism service, the child is too young to make promises to God so the parents and godparents have to do this for them).
- They promise to follow God and live their life in a Christian way.
- Confirmations can happen at any age but you must already be baptised and old enough to understand the promises that are being made.
- Before the confirmation, the person getting confirmed has to take confirmation classes with their vicar or priest to learn more about what confirmation means.
- Getting confirmed also means that you can take part in the Eucharist by taking the consecrated bread and wine in church.
- Passages in the Bible discuss the sacrament of confirmation and how it marks the passage to maturity and adulthood within the church through a relationship with God and commitment to faith.



Mother Teresa



Martin Luther King Jr.

Learning outcomes

I can show an understanding of why people show commitment in different ways.
I can describe how different practices enable Christians to show their commitment to God and understand that some of these will be more significant to some Christians than others.
I can explain why I think some ways of showing commitment to God would be better than others for Christians.

Possible experiences:

A visit to a church and discussion with a priest or vicar asking questions about communion.
Read The Hiding Place by Corrie Ten-Boom
Learn about the life and achievements of a famous Christian.

Prayer

- Prayer is another way Christians show their commitment to God.
- There are different prayers that are said during Mass; these include The Lord's Prayer and The Sign of the Cross.
- Christians believe that prayer is talking to God, so it is not always necessary to say a set prayer, just what comes to the Christian as he or she prays.

Dedication to God

There are numerous famous Christians who dedicated their lives to helping others to show their love/ commitment to God.

<u>Martin Luther King Jr.</u>
An American Christian minister and activist who became the most visible spokesperson and leader in the Civil Rights Movement in the 1950s and 60s. His most famous work is his "I Have a Dream" speech in which he spoke of his dream of economic and social racial equality and putting an end to racism.

<u>Mother Teresa</u>
A nun and missionary known in the Catholic church as Saint Teresa of Calcutta. She devoted her life to caring for the sick and poor.

<u>Christian charities:</u>

- The Salvation Army – a worldwide evangelical Christian church and international charitable organisation. They help people who have fallen on hard times: it offers help to the elderly, the young, drug addicts, offenders and blind and disabled people. It provides food and shelter for the homeless and operates food distribution centres.
- CAFOD – the Catholic aid agency for England and Wales. They seek to bring hope, compassion and solidarity to poor communities across the world.

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