

Creation and Covenant

Religious Vocabulary

1.	Creation	The making of the world by God.
2.	The Fall	When Adam and Eve are forced to leave the garden of Eden because they have sinned against God and disobeyed Him and brought evil into the world.
3.	Eden	The garden where Adam and Eve first lived in the Creation story.
4.	Stewardship	Caring for God's beautiful world.
5.	Sin	Making a wrong choice that is against God's law.
6.	Original sin	The result of Adam and Eve disobeying God when they gave in to temptation and ate the forbidden fruit in the garden of Eden. It affects individuals by separating them from God. Catholics believe that they are redeemed through Jesus' sacrifice and His dying on the cross.
7.	Baptism	The first Sacrament of initiation in to a Christian life. Through baptism, Christians are freed from sin and welcomed into the Church.
8.	Salvation	This begins with Baptism and is the process of being freed from sin. It is made possible through Jesus' life, death and resurrection.

Year 6

Creation story – The Fall

(Genesis 2 and 3)

1.	Creation of Man (Adam)	The Lord God took some soil and formed a man. He breathed life into him.
2.	Eden	Then the Lord planted a garden in Eden. God put the man he had formed in it.
3.	Growth	God planted all kinds of trees that produced fruit. In the middle of the garden stood the tree that gives knowledge of what is good and bad.
4.	Warning	God told the man not to eat the fruit from the tree of knowledge.
5.	Woman (Eve)	God took one of the man's ribs when he was sleeping and created a companion called <i>woman</i> .
6.	Temptation	The snake tempted Eve to eat the fruit from the tree of knowledge. She ate it and gave some to Adam, who also ate it.
7.	The Fall	When God found out they had eaten the fruit from the tree of knowledge, God ordered them to leave the garden.
8.	Genesis	The Genesis account of Creation and the Fall is not a literal scientific description, but expresses beliefs about God, the world and human beings. In Jesus, God restored humanity's relationship with Him.

Advent 1

Science and Faith

1.	Catholic Scientists	Many scientists are Christians and they do not see any conflict between their faith and science.
2.	Scientific discoveries	The discoveries of science can lead to a deeper appreciation of the greatness of God and God's love for all creation.
3.	Georges Lemaître	He was a Catholic priest and a scientist. Georges Lemaître independently, found solutions to Einstein's gravitational field equations that described a universe in which space itself is expanding. He predicted that there should be observable radiation left over from the Big Bang explosion, which is correct, though he incorrectly identified it with Cosmic Rays. So, not only did Lemaître propose the central idea of modern cosmology, the Big Bang theory, but his further speculations also brilliantly anticipated several ideas that have become major parts of contemporary thinking in cosmology.

Georges Lemaître

A Belgian priest, theoretical physicist and mathematician who proposed the Big Bang theory.

