

Lesson Plan

Lesson Plan ref		Course Ref	
Subject /Course	Religious Education		
Topic	Advent and Christmas		
Lesson Title	What are the Gifts of Christmas?		
Level	Primary	Lesson duration	
<u>Lesson Objectives</u> *To understand the importance of giving at Christmas - not material gifts, but spiritual gifts, such as gratitude and love. *To be aware of the original Christmas feast day in the Christian calendar. *To enable students to participate in Advent activities. *To understand Jesus' lineage through the Jesse Tree and have an appreciation of their own heritage.			
<u>Summary of Tasks / Actions</u> *Scripture Lesson Plan: Verses from the Gospel relating to this liturgical season. *Facts and Inquiry Activity Sheet: narrative text, new vocabulary, visual literacy, creative activities, research assignment. *Theme Prayer Sheet: Advent and Christmas prayers/carols.			
<u>Materials / Equipment</u> Paper, coloured pencils, scissors, pictures of the crib, shepherds, wise men, calendar, glue, glitter, sketch of a tree with branches (Jesse tree), stickers (stars), seasonal offerings			
<u>References</u> 'Break Through' Bible for Young Catholics '365 Children's Prayers', B.James 'My Christmas Activity Book' 'St Nicholas', J. Stiegemeyer 'The Jesse Tree', T.M. Shuman 'The Jesse Tree', R and G Anderson 'Meeting Jesus Through The Jesse Tree', A. Neuberger 'Learning Links To Christmas, Teacher Resource', M. Ryan 'Jesse Tree, Advent Song for Children' CD and music, dennis j. newman			

Take Home Tasks