

Assembly Planner 2025 January – June

DATES	THEMES	PRAYERS (PRAYING TOGETHER)	BIBLE	ASSEMBLY
January				
6 th	Epiphany	p.47 / p.49 (old / new edition)	Matthew 2:1-12	
21 st	World Religion Day			https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/judaism_term_3_lesson_5.pdf https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/islam_term_3_lesson_6.pdf Also lovely resources here http://www.st-marys-centre.org.uk/resources/Exploring%20Our%20World.html http://www.st-marys-centre.org.uk/resources/Exploring%20Why.html
27 th	Holocaust Memorial Day			Link for senior classes with WW2 or Judaism topics.
29 th	Chinese New Year			
30 th	National Storytelling week starts			Have a theme for favourite Bible stories – could teachers / rector introduce and tell their favourite Bible story?

February				
30 th Jan- 6 th Feb	National Storytelling Week			See above
1 st	St Brigid's Day	p.31 / p.32 (old / new edition)		https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/st_brigid_lesson_17.pdf https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/celtic_christianity_term_3_lesson5.pdf
2 nd	Candlemas		Luke 2:22-40	Presentation of Christ in the Temple. Story of Simeon and Anna. (End of Christmas season). https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/4232/light-a-candle
14 th	St Valentine's Day	Prayers about loving neighbour	Matthew 22:36-40	https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/loving_our_neighbour_the_good_samaritan_term_2_lesson_2.pdf https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/3464/love-hearts
21 st	International Mother Language Day			Resource on www.followme.ie (Assemblies) Lord's Prayer read in different languages. (More to be added).
28 th	Ramadan commences			Muslim period of fasting – ends 29th March https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/islam_term_3_lesson_6.pdf
March				
1 st -17 th	Seachtain na Gaeilge	p.31 / p.32 (our country)		Hoping to get assembly to schools for Seachtain na Gaeilge.

		Paidreacha on www.followme.ie (prayer tile)		
3 rd	World Wildlife Day	p.22-28	Genesis 1 Creation or Matthew 6:28-33	Green Schools Theme possible https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/environment_green_schools_lesson_2.pdf
3 rd -10 th	Tree Week	p.22-28	Zacchaeus : Luke 19:1-10	https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/zacchaeus_term_2_lesson_6.pdf or any other story about trees.
4 th	Shrove Tuesday	p.47/49		https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2181/sorry-pancakes
5 th	Ash Wednesday	p.47/49	Matthew 4:1-11	https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/spring_and_lent_lesson_22.pdf https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/3857/ash-wednesday https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/4049/here-comes-lent
8 th	International Women's Day		Any stories of women from the Bible	https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2527/taking-care-of-the-poor- The story of Ruth and Naomi
10 th	Mothering Sunday	p.43 / p.45	Exodus 2:1-10 (Moses)	https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/mothers_lesson_22.pdf You could use any other Bible stories of mothers. https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1287/a-day-for-special-people
13 th	Purim			Jewish festival – story of Esther from the Old Testament Half this assembly includes her story https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/noah_and_esther_lesson_4.pdf
14 th	Holi			Hindu Festival

17 th	St Patrick	p.31 / p.32 Paidreacha on www.followme.ie (prayer tile)	Matthew 4:1-11	https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/st_patrick_lesson_22.pdf
21 st	World Poetry Day	p.53		
22 nd	World Water Day	p.49 / p.51	Exodus 17:1-6	https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/water_is_fun_1_lesson_25.pdf and https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/water_is_fun_2_lesson_25.pdf and https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/water_lesson_6.pdf
29 th	Eid Al-Fitr			Muslim Festival end of Ramadan
30 th	Mothering Sunday	p.43	Exodus 2:1-10 (Moses)	https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/mothers_lesson_22.pdf You could use any other Bible stories of mothers. https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1287/a-day-for-special-people
April				
End of Term	Preparing for Easter	p.48		https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/easter_jesus_appears_to_his_disciples_lesson_23.pdf - Easter focus Easter assemblies will be shared with schools.
12 th -20 th	Passover			Jewish Festival
13 th	Palm Sunday			

20 th	Easter Sunday			
25 th	St Mark	p.46		https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/stories_about_people_jesus_met_term_2_lesson_8.pdf
May				
1 May	St Philip and St James	p.46		
8 th May	World Red Cross/ Red Crescent Day	p.29, p.41	Caring for others	https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/stories_about_people_jesus_met_term_2_lesson_8.pdf https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/jesus_helped_people_term_2_lesson_6.pdf
9 th	Europe Day	p.30,31		
14 th	St Matthias	p.46		
14 th -20 th	Christian Aid Week	p. 29.		Resources available on www.christianaid.ie
20 th	World Bee Day	p.22-28		https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/environment_green_schools_lesson_2.pdf
29 th	Ascension Day	p.48	Acts 1:6-11	https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/3318/going-up https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/1656/ascension-day-jesus-says-goodbye
June				
1 st -3 rd	Shavuot			Jewish Harvest Festival
8 th	World Ocean Day			https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/3059/caring-for-the-oceans

8th	Pentecost	p.49	Acts 2:1-12	https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/the_holy_spirit_term_3_lesson_2.pdf https://www.dcu.ie/sites/default/files/church-of-ireland-centre/pentecost_and_holy_spirit_lesson_29.pdf
9 th	St Columba	p.46		https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/333/st-columba-of-iona
11 th	St Barnabas	p.46		
15 th	Father's Day	p.44		https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/336/great-dads-fathers-day
20 th	World Refugee Day			
24 th	St John the Baptist	p.46		
This month	Sports Day	p.16		https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/4146/lets-talk-about-teamwork
	End of School/ 6 th class leavers	p.16-20		We will share some end of year service ideas.