Year 11 Religious Studies GCSE

Autumn Term: Completing Practices, Sources of Wisdom & December PPEs

- **Completing Unit 6: Catholic Practices (Paper 1).** You will finish your study of how Catholics live out their faith through the seven sacraments, liturgical worship, prayer, and pilgrimage. You will also complete your exploration of Catholic Social Teaching, evangelism, and the global charitable work of the Church. **Milestone: Unit 6 Assessment.**
- **Unit 7: Sources of Wisdom and Authority (Paper 1).** You will study the origins, structure, and authority of the Bible, alongside the role of the Magisterium and the Second Vatican Council (Vatican II). You will also explore the Church as the Body of Christ, the four marks of the Church, the example of Mary, and how conscience and natural law guide moral decisions. **Milestone: Unit 7 Assessment.**
- **Autumn Revision & December PPEs.** Alongside your new learning, you will revise your Year 10 units across Catholic Christianity, Judaism, and Philosophy and Ethics using retrieval tasks and timed exam questions. You will sit your **December PPEs** to assess your exam readiness and identify key targets for the Spring Term.

Spring Term: Forms of Expression & Targeted Revision

- **Unit 8: Forms of Expression and Ways of Life (Paper 1).** You will examine how Catholic beliefs are expressed through church architecture, internal features, sacred objects, and religious art. You will also explore the meaning behind drama, music, and traditional symbols such as the cross, crucifix, and Chi-Rho. **Milestone: Unit 8 Assessment.**
- **Paper 1 & Paper 2 Consolidation.** You will bring together all four Catholic Christianity units alongside Jewish Beliefs and Practices, sharpening your use of scripture, Catechism references, and key Hebrew terminology. **Milestone: Timed Practice Papers.**
- **Paper 3 Consolidation.** You will revisit Arguments for the Existence of God and Relationships and Families, practising how to evaluate Catholic perspectives alongside non-religious and humanist arguments in 12-mark questions. **Milestone: Timed Practice Paper.**

Summer Term: Final Countdown & GCSE Examinations

- **Walking-Talking Mocks & Final Polish.** You will take part in structured exam walkthroughs focusing on timing and technique across all four Edexcel question styles (a, b, c, and d), closing any remaining knowledge gaps from your PPE feedback.
- **Final Milestone: GCSE Public Examinations.** You will sit your three official Edexcel A exam papers in May and June, covering Catholic Christianity (50%), Judaism (25%), and Philosophy and Ethics (25%).