

## SLIDE OVERVIEW – THE LITURGICAL YEAR TE TAU ONA RITENGA TAPU

### The Feast of the ASCENSION

#### Year 2 Resource 1

Print off this slide overview to supplement your planning.

Refer to Teacher's Notes for background information related to the resource content and suggested Teaching and Learning Experiences in the Teacher's book or in the Teacher's material under Resource Notes on the Resource Home Page.

If worksheets are used in this resource these can be printed from PDF files that are available on-line in the (Lesson) Resource Documents.

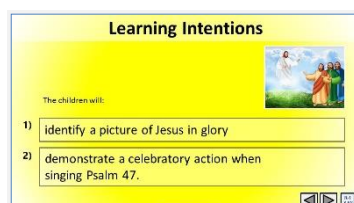


Teacher's Notes

#### Slide 1 The Church Celebrates Jesus' Return to Heaven

Use this slide as a focussing strategy to introduce the resource topic. Read the title together and invite children to share something they know about the Ascension when Jesus returned to God his Father in heaven.

Read the Ascension story in class prayer this week.



Teacher's Notes

#### Slide 2 Learning Intentions

Read through the Learning Intentions with the class and identify some ideas/questions that might be explored in the resource.



### Slide 3 Jesus ascended in glory to his home in heaven

Revise with children that Ascension Day is another important feast in the Liturgical Year.

Note where it comes and highlight it on the class Liturgical Calendar and what season it comes at the end of – recap the feasts and seasons that have led up to the Ascension.

#### Responses to questions on Post it notes.

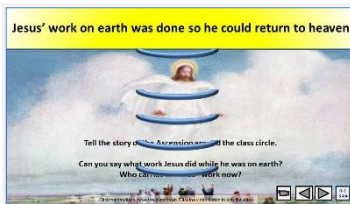
We cannot imagine how wonderful and beautiful the glory of heaven is. There could be beautiful music, angels and all the people we love there to welcome us as. Jesus told us heaven is much more wonderful and beautiful than anything on earth and he is getting it ready for us to enjoy.

Jesus called heaven **home** because God his Father and Mary his mother live there. Heaven is his home because that's where he belongs and when we die it will be our home too.

All of Jesus' family and friends were waiting for Jesus in heaven and his work on earth was finished.

Jesus didn't stay on earth with his friends because he had to go back to heaven so he could be with God and send his Holy Spirit down to live forever in good people on earth.

Teacher's Notes



### Slide 4 Jesus' work on earth was done so he could return to heaven

Follow the directions on the slide.

Adapt Teaching and Learning Experience 2.

Read and discuss the blind reveals about what Jesus did while he was on earth and answer the last question.

Give examples of how children your age carry on the work of Jesus.

Watch the clip

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4qBbr1D-OIU>

**Beloved Master Jesus' Ascension 2:56 minutes**

Teacher's Notes



### Slide 5 Why is Ascension Day such a very happy day?


Children respond to the question in the slide title.

Sing using the MP3 'Psalm 47' – words on slide.

Adapt Teaching and Learning Experiences 4 & 5.

Teacher's Notes

**Prepare an Ascension day Procession**



You could:

- Make an Ascension Day banner to lead the procession
- Blow up balloons to carry and write WELCOME HOME JESUS on them
- Have a band and dance and sing celebration songs like Psalm 47
- Dress up as angels to welcome Jesus home - have a throne for Jesus to sit on
- Invite others to join in and share the celebration
- Take some photos to share with your family when you
- Add some ideas of your own.

**Slide 6 Prepare an Ascension day Procession**

Adapt Teaching and Learning Experience 7.  
Use ideas suggested on the slide.

Teacher's Notes

**What do you think Jesus in glory in heaven looks like?**




Create your own art works and display them in an Ascension Exhibition to share with your school and your parish.

**Slide 7 What do you think Jesus in glory in heaven looks like?**

Use a variety of media and photograph the children's art works to use as a teaching resource for next year.

Teacher's Notes

**Check Up**



- 1) Tell a friend the story of the Ascension of Jesus into heaven.
- 2) Give 2 reasons why Jesus went back to heaven?
- 3) Demonstrate something you can do to celebrate Ascension Day.
- 4) Which activity do you think helped you to learn best in this resource?
- 5) Questions I would like to ask about the topics in this resource are ...

**Slide 8 Check Up**

This formative assessment strategy will help teachers to identify how well children have achieved the Learning Intentions of the resource. Teachers can choose how they use the slide in their range of assessment options.

A worksheet of this slide is available for children in Years 5-8 to complete.

The last two items are feed forward for the teacher.

Recording the children's responses to these items is recommended as it will enable teachers to adjust their learning strategies for future resources and target the areas that need further attention.

Teacher's Notes

**Time for Reflection**



**Slide 9 Time for Reflection**

The MP3 is played to help create a reflective atmosphere and bring the children to stillness and silence as the teacher invites them to *imagine what it was like in heaven when Jesus returned there. Whisper a prayer to Jesus to tell him how good it is to know him and learn about him and be his friend.*

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