

Year 4 Knowledge Organiser Spring 2 Easter: Why is Holy Week important to Christians?

VOCABULARY

Salvation	Saved, rescued. (From sin and the effects of sin, by faith)
Holy Week	The events of the seven days before Easter Sunday.
Resurrection	To be brought back to life after someone has died.
Tomb	A place where a dead person's body is buried.
Cross	A large wooden shape where people were punished and killed. This doesn't happen today, it was a very long time ago.
The Last Supper	The Last Supper was Jesus' last meal with his disciples before he died.
Holy Communion	<p>Communion means 'togetherness' and Holy Communion is a ritual to show the togetherness of Christians and God. At the Last Supper, Jesus shared two symbols with his disciples: bread as a symbol for his body being broken and wine as a symbol for his blood being spilled when he was crucified.</p> <p>Holy Communion is a way for Christians to say 'thank you' to God for Jesus' life and death.</p> <p>When Christians take Holy Communion they eat a small piece of bread and take a sip of wine/grape juice in memory of Jesus.</p>
Eucharist	The Eucharist is celebrated by Christians. It is a service of reenactment of The Last Supper where Christians take Holy Communion.
Disciples	Jesus' close followers.
Sabbath	A day of rest and worship.
Betrayal	To be unfaithful to a friend and help an enemy. To turn against someone.
Denial	A refusal.



Jesus described himself as the servant king and washed his disciples' feet. He encouraged his disciples to behave in the same way.



The crowds waved palm leaves to welcome Jesus and laid them on the floor.

The events of Holy Week:

- Palm Sunday – The Journey into Jerusalem
- Judas betrays Jesus
- Maundy Thursday – The Last Supper and praying at Gethsemane. Betrayal and arrest.
- Peter's denial
- Good Friday – the trial of Jesus and his Crucifixion
- Easter Sunday – the empty tomb

