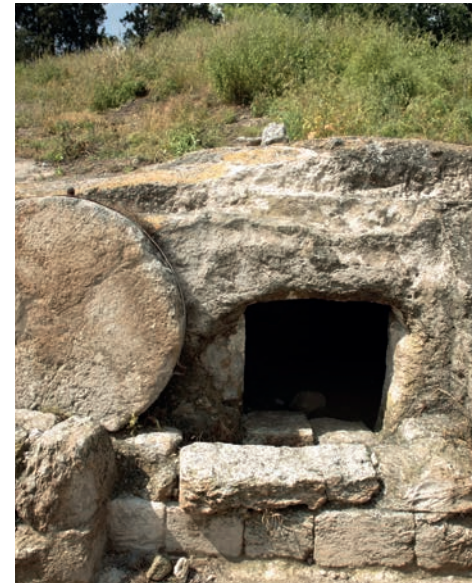
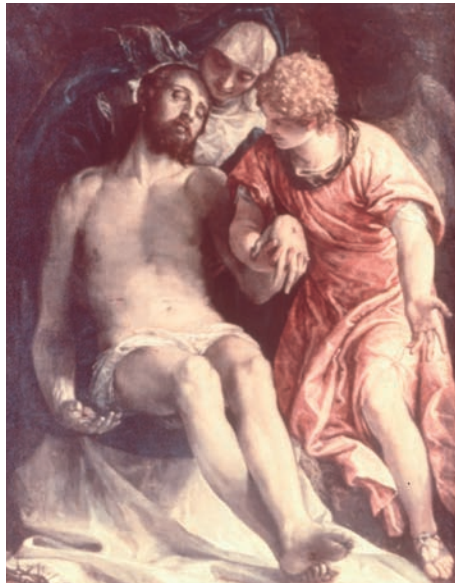


Easter Religious Festival Story



Religious Education KS1

Easter



Easter is the oldest and most important Christian feast day, celebrating the resurrection of Jesus. It is the most joyous of occasions commemorating Jesus' victory over death.

Rooted in ancient tradition and centred round impressive church services, Easter is primarily a religious and spiritual festival, with richly coloured priestly apparel and church furnishings as well as magnificent floral displays, making a stark contrast with the austere period of Lent. The giving of Easter eggs to young children symbolises the new life associated with Jesus' conquest of death.

Arguably some of the best known and loved hymns in the repertoire of all denominations and the music of classical and modern composers are those associated with Easter.





After Jesus had died he was taken down from the cross. Joseph of Aramathea gave him a tomb and they laid his body there and left, as it was the Sabbath.



Early on the Sunday morning the women returned and found the stone rolled away and no sign of Jesus.





They went into the cave
and there an angel told
them that Jesus had risen.





Later Jesus appeared to Mary of Magdala and she mistook him for the gardener. He also appeared to his friends on the Road to Emmaus, and on the beach of the Sea of Galilee.





Christians celebrate the resurrection of Jesus on Easter Day. Giving Easter eggs symbolises new life.





Questions

Ask the children the following questions and discuss them:-

Why do you think we have Easter Eggs at Easter?

What else do we celebrate during the Spring time?

Talk about how people celebrate Easter.

You will find additional Easter resources on iChild.

