

RE – Jesus ‘the Word became flesh’

What is the Trinity?

The Father

- We pray to ‘Our Father..’
- The creator
- God above us

The Son

- Jesus, God in human form (incarnate)
- Model Example
- So we can understand God
- God beside us

The Holy Spirit

- God within us
- Gives us strength (grace)
- Helps us to live a life like Jesus.

‘The Trinity is One... one God in three persons’. CCC

What is the Arian Heresy?

The Council of Nicaea, 325 AD

St. Athanasius & St. Nicholas	Arius
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus is the same substance as the Father • Jesus is God • Homoousios (same substance) • People voted and agreed with Athanasius and not Arius. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus is not the same substance as the Father. • Jesus is not God • Homoiosios (similar substance) • Arius was branded a heretic (someone that goes against the teachings of the Church) • Arius was exiled.

The Nicene Creed was created to confirm the belief in the Trinity. This is still said at every **Mass** today.

The Nicene Creed	Explanation
<i>‘We believe in one God’</i>	Catholics believe in one God in three persons
<i>‘The Father, the Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth’</i>	The Father is the creator
<i>‘We believe in One Lord Jesus Christ... consubstantial with one being the Father’</i>	Jesus is God and the same substance as the Father
<i>‘We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life’</i>	The Holy Spirit gives us life

Jesus

Christ—Greek word for **Messiah**.

Meaning **saviour**.

LORD—God.

Son of God—Reminder of Jesus’ **divine nature** (God like).

Son of Man—Reminder of Jesus’ **human nature**.



‘Imitators of God’ Ephesians

Forgiveness— *‘Forgive seventy times seven times’ Luke*

Servanthood— *‘Now that I have washed your feet, you also should wash one another’s feet’ John*

Love for others—*‘Love your neighbour’ Luke*

God **incarnate** (God in human form)

- Allows us to **understand God’s nature** e.g. loving
- **Model example** e.g. Forgiveness
- Help us to understand what God wanted (law)

Elizabeth Prout

Jesus	What did Elizabeth do?
Servanthood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taught people how to read. • Nursed those who were ill.
Forgiveness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forgave the sisters who left her.
Love for others	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Showed love and care for those in poverty . • Left her own lifestyle to help those less fortunate.