

Colours through the year in Church

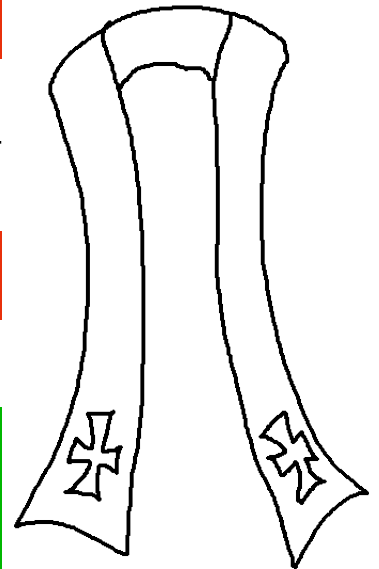
Throughout the year, the Church uses colour as a link with the different festivals and seasons that the Church celebrates. Here are some of the main festivals and seasons, with the colour that the Church uses.

Name: _____





Date: _____

Advent	Preparing for Christmas	Purple
Christmas	Celebrating Jesus' birth	Gold or white
Epiphany	The wise men visit Jesus	Gold or white
Lent	Preparing for Easter and saying sorry	Purple
Palm Sunday	Remembering Jesus entering Jerusalem on a donkey	Red
Good Friday	Remembering Jesus dying on the cross	Red
Easter Sunday	Celebrating Jesus rising from the tomb	Gold or white
Ascension Day	Celebrating Jesus going to heaven	Gold or white
Pentecost	Celebrating the disciples receiving Holy Spirit	Red
Trinity Sunday	Celebrating God the Father, Son and Spirit	Gold or white
Ordinary time	All the other time!	Green
Harvest	Celebrating the gifts of the earth	Green
Remembrance Sunday	Remembering those who have died in wars	Red

Here is a stole, a type of long cloth scarf worn by the priest. Colour it in with the right colour for today. Ask your teacher if you are not sure what season it is.



These are the colours used, and what they represent

	Purple	Preparation, saying sorry, mourning
	Gold or white	Celebration, purity, party
	Red	Holy Spirit, suffering, those who have died
	Green	Everyday, the earth and creation

What colour do you think is used for weddings? And what colour for saints who died because of what they believed (martyrs)? Colour in the boxes below.

Weddings

Martyrs