

Religious Studies Y9 Spring 1:The Growth of the Church

	Keyword	Meaning
1	Denomination	A separate branch of the Christian Church
2	Schism	A divide between two groups based on a difference in belief or opinion
3	Sectarianism	Having extreme loyalty to a sect or denomination and prejudice to others
4	Unity	The uniting or joining of two or more things
5	Vatican Council	A meeting of the Pope and Bishops to decide key principles for the Church
6	Evangelical work	The act of spreading the Good News
7	Conversion	To change your beliefs or religion
8	Reformation	Making positive changes to an institution
9	Missionary worker	A Christian that spreads the Good News to others
10	Ecumenicalism	Uniting different denominations to work together for one cause

Martin Luther



The Protestant Reformation

- He promised to dedicate his life to God during a storm
- He wrote 95 theses about the Catholic Church
- He was opposed to indulgences within the Church
- He translated the Bible's New Testament into German
- His work sparked the Protestant Reformation



Important messages such as teaching on life after death are passed to us through the disciples, saints and missionary workers. The Saints also show us how to be dedicated to God and live a good life so that we can achieve a place in Heaven.



The **Second Vatican Council** is the most recent council in Church History. The Second Vatican Council lasted for three years between 1962 and 1965. The council sought to address relationships between the Catholic Church and the modern world. Four key documents were the result of the council. Each of these documents changed how the Church interacted with the modern world, with other Christian and non-Christian **denominations** and with practices within the Church.

<u>The Troubles</u>

In 1968 **Catholics** were demanding equal rights with **Protestants**.

Protestant extremists and fervent Unionists were prepared to use violence to stop this. Riots broke out in Londonderry (Derry) in 1968 and Belfast in 1969 as Catholics were attacked and driven from their homes. British troops were brought in to restore order, but the conflict intensified as the **IRA** and Protestant **paramilitary** groups carried out bombings and other acts of **terrorism**. This continuing conflict, which lingered into the 1990s, became known as 'The Troubles'.

