

Prophecy and Promise

What should I already know?	What will I know at the end of the unit?
- Prophets are chosen by God to share His message. - Elijah and John the Baptist helped people follow God. - John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus. - Christians believe Jesus is the promised Messiah. - Advent is a time of preparation for Christmas. - Matthew's Gospel shows Jesus is descended from King David. - Christians believe Jesus is Christ the King. - Christians believe Jesus' kingdom will have no end.	- The Rosary is a prayerful reflection on the lives of Jesus and Mary and includes the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous Mysteries. - Good leaders act like shepherds by guiding, protecting and caring for others. - God called leaders such as Noah, Abraham, Moses, Joshua, Samuel and Saul to guide His people. - God chose David to be king because He looked at David's heart, not his outward appearance. - David showed courage and trust in God when he defeated Goliath. - David was anointed king and became a servant leader who cared for God's people. - The Psalms show David's trust in God and why he is a model of prayer. - Psalms 23 uses the image of a shepherd to describe God's loving care and guidance. - Christians believe Jesus is the fulfilment of God's promises to David and Abraham. - The O Antiphons are special Advent prayers that describe who Jesus is. - The hymn <i>O Come, O Come Emmanuel</i> is based on the O Antiphons and helps Christians prepare for Christmas. - David was a shepherd, king and model of prayer whose life prepared the way for Jesus.
Key Vocabulary and definitions	
Rosary – a prayer reflecting on the lives of Jesus and Mary Joyful Mysteries – happy events in the lives of Jesus and Mary Luminous Mysteries – events revealing Jesus as God's Son Sorrowful Mysteries – events about Jesus' suffering and death Glorious Mysteries – events after Jesus' Resurrection Shepherd – someone who guides and cares for others	Anointing – blessed with oil as a sign of being chosen by God Kingship – the role and responsibilities of a king Psalms – a prayer or song of praise to God Descendants – people who come from a family line Ancestors – family members who lived before us Fulfilment – when a promise or prophecy comes true Advent – the season of preparation for Christmas Antiphon – a short prayer or refrain used in worship
What Bible stories and other texts will I read?	
The Parable of the Lost Sheep (Luke 15:3-7)  Leaders in the Old Testament (1 Samuel 3:10, 12:24; 15:26)  David is anointed king (1 Samuel 16:1-13) (2 Samuel 5:1-5; 7:8-15) 	David and Goliath (1 Samuel 17:1-11, 32-54)  David as a model of prayer (Psalm 21:1-7)  David, the Shepherd king (Psalm 23)  God's promise continues (1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12; Matthew 1:1-16; Luke 1:32-33) 