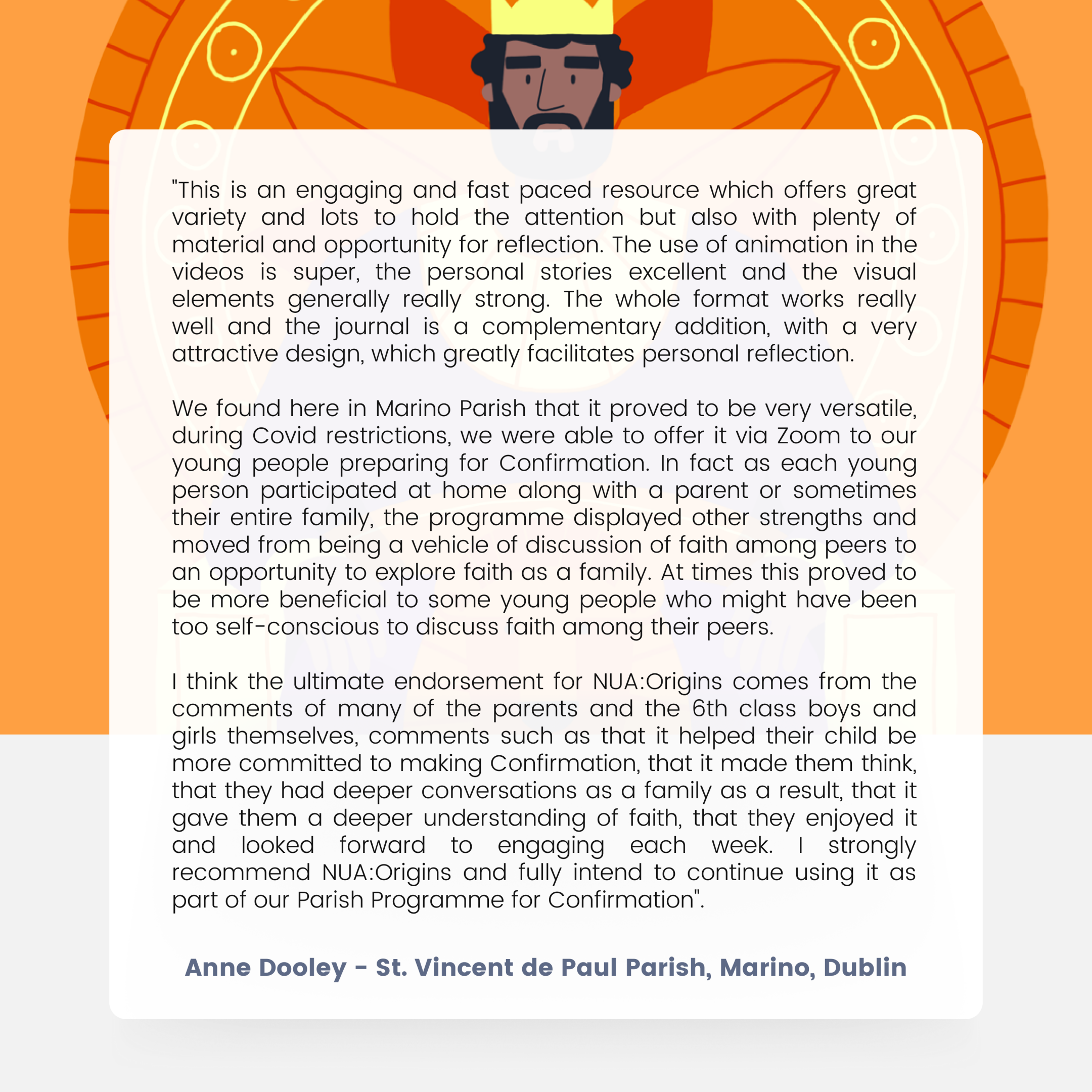




"During the Pilot Phase the 6 th class in Kill o' the Grange NS used and tested the videos: The programme is amazing and an absolute blessing. There is no other RE resource that is as relatable, engaging and fun for kids their age so thank you so much for this. The class are LOVING it. They think the videos are brilliant, funny and "have very epic graphics".

Lucy Harris - 6th Class Teacher in Kill o' the Grange NS



"This is an engaging and fast paced resource which offers great variety and lots to hold the attention but also with plenty of material and opportunity for reflection. The use of animation in the videos is super, the personal stories excellent and the visual elements generally really strong. The whole format works really well and the journal is a complementary addition, with a very attractive design, which greatly facilitates personal reflection.

We found here in Marino Parish that it proved to be very versatile, during Covid restrictions, we were able to offer it via Zoom to our young people preparing for Confirmation. In fact as each young person participated at home along with a parent or sometimes their entire family, the programme displayed other strengths and moved from being a vehicle of discussion of faith among peers to an opportunity to explore faith as a family. At times this proved to be more beneficial to some young people who might have been too self-conscious to discuss faith among their peers.

I think the ultimate endorsement for NUA:Origins comes from the comments of many of the parents and the 6th class boys and girls themselves, comments such as that it helped their child be more committed to making Confirmation, that it made them think, that they had deeper conversations as a family as a result, that it gave them a deeper understanding of faith, that they enjoyed it and looked forward to engaging each week. I strongly recommend NUA:Origins and fully intend to continue using it as part of our Parish Programme for Confirmation".


Anne Dooley – St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Marino, Dublin



"Sixth class in Gaelscoil na Cille really enjoyed the NUA:Origins resource. The videos are entertaining, informative, engaging and link well with Grow in Love. The children really connected to the presenters and related to the faith message that they shared. The videos are a valuable resource, and they lead the children on a journey that shows them that faith is all around us and comes in all shapes and sizes, family members, friends, nature, good deeds and so much more.

They really enjoyed their personal journal and it empowered them to individually make sense of God and follow their own faith path".

**Ciaran O Fearraigh 6 th Class teacher in
Cholaiste na Cille Gaelscoil Ashbourne Co Meath**




"As part of the preparation for Confirmation 2021 Ashbourne Parish used the NUA:Origins Resource in our four Parish Schools (seven Teachers and Classrooms in all) for the 230+ Sixth Class Students receiving The Sacrament.

The Teachers and The Parish Team were very highly impressed with the quality, themes and language of NUA:Origins. Not alone did it hold the student's interest but it allowed them to see a Faith - Life as a realistic, normal and desirable/attainable option in a modern world of competing voices. Importantly this Resource is Irish made which gives the participants an Irish voice to follow.

Following a written review and meeting with the teachers, it became apparent how delighted they were with how flexible this resource can be in the way in which it can be delivered as well as how the booklet (journal) enables each student to process what they have seen. It held the students attention, they said, and they looked 'forward to it' and 'enjoyed it'. All said they would recommend it and use it again while regarding Confirmation preparation, they felt it conveyed a deeper understanding of where The Holy Spirit fits in on the broader Christian Faith journey".

Fr John Nally PP Ashbourne Co Meath

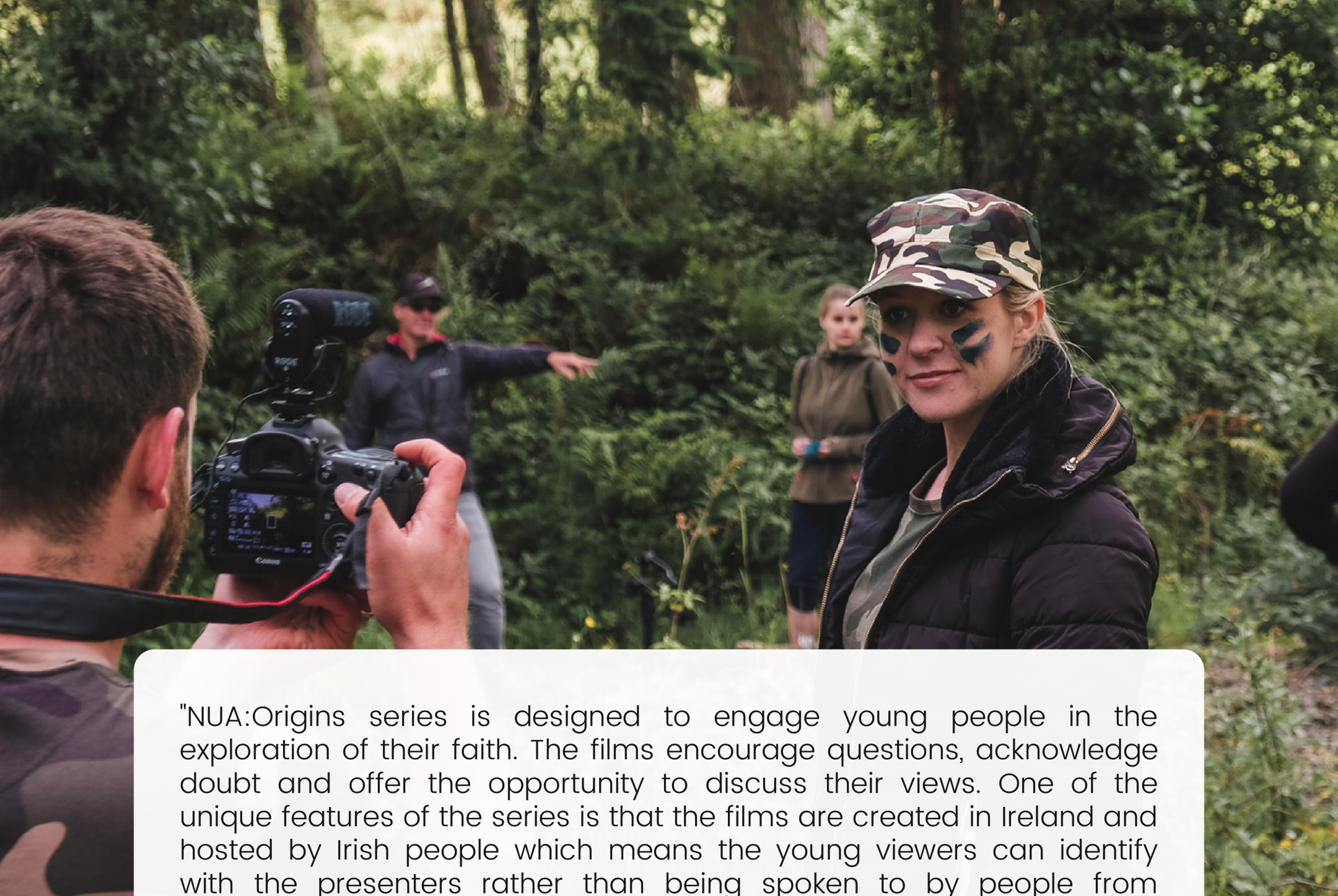


"It connects easily to the themes of the Grow in Love series. It supplements, enhances, and fleshes out the themes in Grow in Love, in a simple, creative, informative way. The viewer is invited to wonder about the material presented, to explore questions, to hear the views of others, to reflect privately or as a whole class, and to decide what it might mean for their lives. Therefore, it follows the same Pedagogical approach - 'Let's Look', 'Let's Learn', 'Let's Live', of the Grow in Love series. It takes the viewer on a journey starting with creation and one's own uniqueness and finishes with making good and informed choices.

It is an Irish programme with three young Irish adults sharing their own faith in the very down to earth way that is well suited to the age and the developmental stage of children in six class. The segments are short to the point, very visual which holds the viewer's interest. The beat of the background music draws the viewer in, the blue van on the road which connects the eight episodes giving the idea of a journey. The colourful and very creative presentation of the information appeals to a young person. It makes the message down to earth, attractive, enjoyable, easy to watch and to understand.

On a personal note, as a Diocesan Advisor, we have searched for years for an Irish programme that would connect with Irish children preparing for Confirmation. It provides an essential opportunity for children to engage with what is taught in a creative, informative, and reflective, manner. A programme to help them understand the real essence of their faith and how it can sustain them in their everyday life. It is also a programme that provides faith formation for the teacher and parents. I welcome this programme as it enhances the Grow in Love series, and it is a wonderful resource for teachers and for the child. It 'bridges' the gap between belief and life between the Christian message and modern-day culture".

**Sr Antionette Dilworth - Diocesan Adviser (Primary)
Waterford and Lismore Diocese**



"NUA:Origins series is designed to engage young people in the exploration of their faith. The films encourage questions, acknowledge doubt and offer the opportunity to discuss their views. One of the unique features of the series is that the films are created in Ireland and hosted by Irish people which means the young viewers can identify with the presenters rather than being spoken to by people from beyond their own contexts.

Many in Dublin and Glendalough will also recognise many of the locations. This series has received positive feedback from a number of clergy and laity in the dioceses who have had the opportunity to view these NUA Films and I commend them for use across the dioceses".

**Archbishop Michael Jackson
Dublin and Glendalough Diocese**