

RELIGION

LEVEL K

STANDARD 1: CREED - Students will demonstrate understanding of core Catholic beliefs.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Explain that God made all people out of love.
2. Identify that each person is special because of God's love.
3. Identify Jesus as our Friend and Brother.

STANDARD 2: WORSHIP AND SACRAMENTS - Students will demonstrate understanding and practice of Catholic worship and sacraments with an emphasis on the centrality of the Eucharist in the life of Catholics.

OBJECTIVES

1. Celebrate Mass with the school student body at least once a month.
2. Understand that Mass is a time for a faith community to gather weekly and worship God.

STANDARD 3: MORALITY - Students will understand right from wrong and be able to make good moral choices in life decisions that are consistent with Church teachings and a Christian life style.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Explain the difference between right and wrong.
2. Explain why they made a particular choice and the consequences of their choice.
3. Participate in the school program for teaching and living a Christian life (virtues, life skills, Christian themes, etc.).
4. Explain how families help us live our faith.
5. Participate in the character education.

STANDARD 4: SOCIAL JUSTICE - Students will demonstrate understanding of Catholic social teaching and apply these principles to social and personal situations.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Demonstrate respect for all creation.
2. Demonstrate the dignity of the human person in work and play.
3. Explain how families are a sign of God's love.
4. Appreciate the diverse roles of members in a community.
5. Actively participate as members of a community.
6. Understand the relationship between actions and consequences.
7. Students will be involved in service projects throughout the year.

STANDARD 5: CORE SCRIPTURE - Students will read, interpret and apply Scripture to their own daily life situation.

OBJECTIVES

1. Retell stories from the Christian Scriptures (New Testament): Jesus' birth, Jesus' miracles, Jesus' death and resurrection.
2. Become familiar with some stories from Hebrew Scripture (Old Testament): Creation, Noah, David, etc.
3. Reverence the Bible as a special holy book, the Word of God.
4. Introduce and be familiar with Scripture verses appropriate to the curriculum.
5. Devotions will be discussed in connection with a Bible verse.

STANDARD 6: FAMILY LIFE - Students will demonstrate their understanding of Christian family life and how it is nourished and passed on.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Understand that God made all kinds of families that grow and change.
2. Able to explain how family, friends and parish families show love.
3. Understand that God gave the gift of life.
4. Understand that girls can grow up to be mothers and boys can grow up to be fathers.
5. Understand that a baby is a gift from God that helps a family's love grow.
6. Understand that God is forgiving and wants us to be kind, fair, and truthful.

STANDARD 7: LITURGICAL YEAR - Students will demonstrate their understanding of the Liturgical year and how it is celebrated.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Know that there are special times in the year we celebrate, especially Advent and Christmas, Lent and Easter.
2. Participate in activities and prayer that celebrates Christmas and Easter.
3. Recognize the Saints (Mary, Guardian Angels, St. Francis, and St. Nicholas) on their feast days.

STANDARD 8: CHRISTIAN PRAYER AND PRACTICE - Students will be able to demonstrate, understand, use and identify traditional prayer forms in the Catholic tradition.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Experience a variety of prayer forms including: silence, listening, song, gesture, spontaneous petitions and prayers of thanksgiving.
2. Refer to "Continuum of Prayers Taught" and especially be familiar with the rosary and the stations of the cross as prayers.

STANDARD 9: VOCABULARY - Students will be able to demonstrate understanding and use of religious vocabulary.

Refer to “Vocabulary to be Taught” and the glossary provided.

STANDARD 10: VOCATION – LIFE STYLES - Students will demonstrate their understanding of different vocations and life styles to prepare them to respond to their own call.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Understand that God made each of us special.
2. Understand that each one is gifted with many talents.
3. Know and understand that there are people who reach out to help others. (mothers and fathers, priests, sisters, brothers, deacons, single adults)
4. Understand that God calls each of us to love one another and care for those who need help.

STANDARD 11: SERVICE - Students will engage in service to the community (family, parish, local, national, and global) by action and reflection on our response to the Gospel call.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Students understand their responsibility to help the members of their family.
2. Students understand the importance of helping other students.
3. Students understand that Jesus asks them to help others.

STANDARD 12 : SAINTS - Students will explore the lives of the saints in order to expand their role models for Christian living.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Celebrate and understands feasts of Mary especially Mary, Mother of Jesus.
2. Celebrate and understands the feasts of Our Lord especially Christmas and Easter
3. Celebrate and understand the life and feast of canonized saints
 - a. Guardian Angel (10/2)
 - b. Nicholas (12/6)
4. Celebrate and understand the life of modern day saints:
Our parents, grandparents, and ourselves

STANDARD 13: CHURCH HISTORY – Students will explore the development and history of the Roman Catholic Church.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Introduce church leaders: Jesus, Pope, Bishop and priests.

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LEVEL 1

STANDARD 1: CREED - Students will demonstrate understanding of core Catholic beliefs.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Identify the Trinity by name.
2. Explain that God is our Father and Creator.
3. Be able to tell how God shows love for us.
4. Explain that Jesus is the Son of God and identify ways that He shows us how to live.
5. Explain that the Holy Spirit is our Helper and identify ways that the Spirit guides our lives.
6. Understand that Jesus gave us the Church

STANDARD 2: WORSHIP AND SACRAMENTS - Students will demonstrate understanding and practice of Catholic worship and sacraments with an emphasis on the centrality of the Eucharist in the life of Catholics.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Understand that the Church celebrates all year.
2. Understand that the Church celebrates sacraments.
3. Understand the Mass as Word and sacrament.
4. Celebrate Mass at least once a month.

STANDARD 3: MORALITY - Students will understand right from wrong and be able to make good moral choices in life decisions that are consistent with Church teachings and a Christian life style.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Explain the difference between right and wrong.
2. Explain why they made a particular choice and the consequences of that choice..
3. Explain the difference between a sin, an accident, and a mistake.
4. Demonstrate how to express sorrow and acceptance of responsibility.
5. Understand that God will forgive them.
6. Understand how to forgive one another.
7. Understand the two great commandments: Love God and love others as yourself.
8. Participate in character education program in the school.

STANDARD 4: SOCIAL JUSTICE - Students will demonstrate understanding of Catholic social teaching and apply these principles to social and personal situations.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Demonstrate respect for all creation.
2. Demonstrate the dignity of the human person in work and play.
3. Explain how families are a sign of God's love.
4. Explain how families teach us about Jesus.
5. Appreciate the diverse roles of members in a community.
6. Actively participate as members of a community.
7. Understand the relationship between actions and consequences.

STANDARD 5: CORE SCRIPTURE - Students will read, interpret and apply Scripture to their own daily life situation.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Understand the call to follow Jesus.
2. Retell stories from the Christian Scriptures (New Testament): Jesus' birth, Jesus' miracles, Jesus' death and resurrection.
3. Become familiar with some stories from Hebrew Scripture (Old Testament): Creation, Noah, David, Moses, Abraham, etc.
4. Reverence of the Bible as a special holy book, the Word of God.
5. Continue to introduce and be familiar with Scripture verses appropriate to the curriculum.

STANDARD 6: FAMILY LIFE - Students will demonstrate their understanding of Christian family life and how it is nourished and passed on.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Explain how families work, love, care, share and have fun together.
2. Understand that God makes and loves all people as they are.
3. Understand that God gave everyone life and a loving heart.
4. Understand that the body is a gift from God and should be kept healthy and safe.
5. Understand that Love grows when it is shared.
6. Understand that boys' and girls' bodies are different.
7. Understand that people learn to show love and to forgive when things go wrong.
8. Understand that people belong to many groups that are like families.
9. Understand that God wants people to care for one another.
10. Understand the needs and wants of being a family.

STANDARD 7: LITURGICAL YEAR - Students will demonstrate their understanding of the Liturgical year and how it is celebrated.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Understand seasons of Advent and Christmas and how they are celebrated.
2. Understand seasons of Lent, Holy Week and Easter and how they are celebrated.
3. Understand ordinary time and the liturgical colors.
4. Introduce parts of the church and liturgical vessels.

STANDARD 8: CHRISTIAN PRAYER AND PRACTICE - Students will be able to demonstrate, understand, use and identify traditional prayer forms in the Catholic tradition.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Refer to “Continuum of Prayers Taught” especially emphasizing the rosary and the stations of the cross as prayers.
2. Experience a variety of prayer forms including: silence, listening, song, gesture, spontaneous petitions and prayers of thanksgiving.

STANDARD 9: VOCABULARY - Students will be able to demonstrate understanding and use of religious vocabulary.

Refer to “Vocabulary to be Taught” and the Glossary at this level.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Understand that God made each of us special.
2. Understand that each one is gifted with many talents.
3. Know and understand that there are people who reach out to help others. (mothers and fathers, priests, sisters, brothers, deacons, single adults)
4. Understand that God calls each of us to love one another and care for those who need help.

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1. Celebrate and understand feasts of Mary, especially Mary, our mother.
2. Celebrate and understand the feasts of Our Lord especially Christmas and Easter
3. Celebrate and understand the life and feast of canonized saints:
 Joseph (3/19, 5/1) Gabriel (10/29)
 Joachim and Anne (7/26) Francis of Assisi (10/4)
 Patrick (3/17)
4. Celebrate and understand the life of modern day saints:
 Our parents and grandparents

STANDARD 13: CHURCH HISTORY - Students will explore the development and history of the Roman Catholic Church.

1. Introduce church leaders and structure of the Church from Jesus, Pope, Bishops, and priests/pastors.
2. Understand what the Church is and who founded it.
3. Know that Peter is the first pope.

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LEVEL 2

STANDARD 1: CREED - Students will demonstrate understanding of core Catholic beliefs.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Identify that God reveals Himself to us in creation, in faith and through Jesus.
2. Reflect on the goodness of God's creation.
3. Build upon the ways that Jesus shows us God's love.
4. Explain that Jesus is our Savior, Friend, Brother and Teacher.
5. Retell that God sent the Holy Spirit to be with us and shows us how to live.
6. Identify the Church as the Body of Christ, the People of God.
7. Identify Mary as the mother of Jesus and our model of faith.

STANDARD 2: WORSHIP AND SACRAMENTS: - Students will demonstrate understanding and practice of Catholic worship and sacraments with an emphasis on the centrality of the Eucharist in the life of Catholics.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Worship God in word and action.
2. Understand the Sacrament of Baptism and being a child of God.
3. Understand the Sacrament of Reconciliation and God's forgiveness.
4. Understand the Sacrament of Eucharist as the Body and Blood of Jesus.
5. Understand and participate in the parts of the Mass.

STANDARD 3: MORALITY - Students will understand right from wrong and be able to make good moral choices in life decisions that are consistent with Church teachings and a Christian life style.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Understand they are children of God through words and actions.
2. Demonstrate an understanding of examination of conscience.
3. Explain the difference between a sin, an accident and a mistake.
4. Demonstrate how to express sorrow and forgiveness.
5. Explain what it means to love ones enemies.
6. Introduce and understand the Ten Commandments.
7. Understand the difference between original sin, venial sin, and mortal sin.

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2. Demonstrate the dignity of the human person in work and play.
3. Explain their role as a member of a family.
4. Demonstrate and appreciate the diverse roles of members in a community.
5. Actively participate as members of a community.
6. Explain why some people live in poverty.
7. Respond to human tragedies.
8. Understand that God calls each of us to love one another and care for those who need help.

STANDARD 5: CORE SCRIPTURE - Students will read, interpret and apply Scripture to their own daily life situation.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Understand and retell stories of forgiveness: Prodigal Son, Good Shepherd, Lost sheep, etc.
2. Understand and retell: Feeding 5000, the Good Samaritan, Last Supper, Resurrection stories.
3. Continue to introduce and be familiar with Scripture verses.

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1. Know that God loves all families.
2. Understand that God gives everyone gifts to share and loves all people as they are.
3. Understand that as a person grows up, body, mind and feelings change.
4. Understand that all living things are gifts of God that should be cared for and that God wants all people to care for one another.
5. Can explain that a wedding is a time when a man and a woman make an important promise.
6. Understand that a baby is a gift of life from God.

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