

8th Grade

Priority Standard Explain the qualities and virtues of Mary and of the saints and identify them as role models.

- Discuss Mary and her feast days
- Characteristics of a role model, virtues
- Discuss and pray the Rosary
- Qualities of friends
- Make posters of the school for the month of May that give information about Mary

Priority Standard Explain the format and the use of the Lectionary

- We go to the church and we discuss the parts of the mass and items at church
- We research the history of the Lectionary and why we use the Lectionary and what is inside the Lectionary.

Priority Standard Name and discuss the Precepts of the Church and apply them to their lives

- We research the precepts and discuss the catechism of the church
- We compare and contrast different rites and churches with our catholic rites and churches.

Priority Standard Know and recite the following prayers: Morning Offering, Memorare, Hail Holy Queen, Nicene Creed, Come Holy Spirit, Angelus.

- We discuss Catholic Spirituality groups and their prayer lives.
- We discuss when we say the prayers- example: with the rosary

7th Grade

Priority Standard Express why Catholics celebrate the sacraments and illustrate how each sacrament is a sign of God's living presence.

- Research the sacraments- the symbols, the oils used
- Discuss God's living presence

Priority Standard Name contemporary people who have modeled service and social justice.

- Discuss contemporary people and their service
- Research social justice and its history
- Discuss why we need to serve and help with social justice

Priority Standard Name and share stories of their personal experiences of God's grace.

- Discuss what is God's grace

Priority Standard Select passages in the Old and New Testament and apply it to their lives or events in the world.

- Review stories from the Old and New Testament
- Find the theme between the Old and New Testament stories in a daily reading

Sixth Grade

Priority Standard Explain the life of Jesus as fulfillment of salvation history in relationship to the Old Testament (Jewish Scripture).

- Discuss salvation history meaning
- Research prophets and where to find them in the Bible
- Discuss covenants and how this is part of our salvation history
- Review Jesus' life on Earth

Priority Standard Detail how their active participation in the liturgy helps build the Body of Christ.

- Discuss active participation during the 4 parts of the mass
- Discuss the consecration
- Celebrating the Paschal Mystery

Priority Standard Detail why stewardship involves their time, talent, and treasure.

- Discuss examples of time, talent, and treasure at Lenten time
- Meaning of: to love and serve the world
- Precepts of the church defined

Priority Standard Explore the lives of saints as models of discipleship.

- Discuss the Corporeal and Spiritual Works of Mercy
- Discuss social justice
- Research saints and virtues

6-8 Guidance

Throughout the year, we will discuss and revisit topics about their likes and dislikes as a person, how to use their personalities to help within a group, and how to work in a group well.

Also we will discuss the messages of: it is OK to make mistakes, to not be OK, to have hard days, to be yourself, to not know it all, to ask for help, to start all over, and to need more time.

We will learn to problem-solve and how to speak to others to help get the problem solved.

Finally, we will check in with each other to see where we are at in our development of moving together in a positive way.