

GRADE 2 RELIGION

The purpose of the Religion program is to prepare the children to know Jesus through the Mass and especially through the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. This is accomplished by activities that include stories from the Bible, Christian value videos, and prayers. Students are encouraged to live their daily lives as Jesus did.

Doctrine

Students will:

- Learn that we belong to the Catholic Church
- Recognize the Seven Sacraments
- Be introduced to the celebration of Sacraments
- Learn about the Sacrament of Baptism and its signs
- Learn about the Sacrament of Confirmation and its signs
- Understand the power of the Holy Spirit
- Understand the difference between sin and mistake
- Learn about and receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Be introduced to different parts of the Mass
- Prepare and receive the First Eucharist
- Learn the seasons of Advent and Lent
- Learn to pray the Rosary
- Learn about the following Saints:
 - St. Margaret of Scotland
 - St. Anthony of Padua
 - Saint Angela Merici
 - Saints Elizabeth and Zechariah
 - St. Vincent de Paul
 - Holy People -
 - Martin Luther King, Jr.
 - Maria Montessori
 - Blessed Andre Bessette

Morality

Students will:

- Know they have a responsibility to care for others.
- Understand they are Christians and how to act as Christians.
- Understand the difference between sin and mistake.
- Learn how to live their faith through good works and love of others.

Scripture

Students will:

- Learn and understand the following Bible stories:
 - Followers of Jesus – Christians
 - Story of Mary Magdalene
 - John the Baptist
 - The Emmaus Story
 - Moses and Aaron
 - The Sower and the Seed
 - King David and The Psalms
 - Crucifixion

- Holy Spirit Pentecost
- Resurrection
- Prodigal Son
- The Good Samaritan
- Jesus in the Temple
- Angel Gabriel
- The Last Supper

Prayer and Worship

Students will:

- Pray daily (Morning, lunch and at the end of the day)
- Attend First Friday mass with school
- Prepare and receive First Reconciliation
- Prepare and receive First Eucharist
- Learn the Act of Contrition
- Participate in Advent Prayer Services
- Prepare and perform in part of the school Nativity play
- Be honor guards for the May Procession

Materials

- Silver Burdett Ginn, Blest Are We, textbook
- Silver Burdett Ginn, Blest Are We, activity book
- Silver Burdett Ginn, Blest Are We, teacher's edition
- Silver Burdett Ginn, Blest Are We, music cd
- Community for Children, Second Step
- Protecting God's Children
- Rosary beads
- Bible
- Saint books
- Videos
 - The Day the Sun Danced
 - A Child's First Penance
 - A Child's First Eucharist
 - Veggie Tales on Virtues

Instruction

Teachers will:

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- Present lessons from the textbook to the children
- Instruct children in making crafts and in role playing activities
- Guide children in acting out stories from the bible
- Introduce hymns
- Prepare children to receive the sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation

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