

# GRADE 6 THEOLOGY

## UNIT STANDARDS



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### UNIT 1

#### THE BIBLE: INSPIRATION & INTERPETATION

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT analyze with scaffolding the origins, the divisions/genres, and the inspirations of the Bible, and how they are used in scripture citing.

##### Unit Rationale

In order for students to grasp an understanding of the Old Testament, they must first learn how to cite the Bible and how the Bible is divided. The focus in this unit will be on the main divisions of the Old Testament.

Liturgy: Liturgy of the Word/Gospels/Psalms

##### Unit Standards

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### UNIT 2

#### GENESIS: CREATION & CONFLICT

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT apply the stories of the Creation and the fall of man to our understanding of who we are, what God wants of us, and His unending love and forgiveness.

##### Unit Rationale

Starting with the creation of the Earth and the conflicts found in the early Old Testament, students will learn that God is a loving and forgiving God, as shown through His covenants. It is important for students to know that we are created in God's image and that we are called to care for all of creation.

CST: Care of God's Creation/Life and Dignity of the Human Person  
Sacrament: Reconciliation  
Liturgy: Liturgy of the Word

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### UNIT 3

#### OUR FATHERS: REVELATION OF GOD

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT analyze with scaffolding how stories of our Fathers in Faith give us examples of how to respond to God's call in our lives.

##### Unit Rationale

Students will grasp an understanding of our Fathers in Faith, discussing Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph. It is important for students to know about God's revelation, call, and forgiveness before continuing to the Israelites' journey to the Promised Land.

CST: Call to Family, Community, and Participation  
Sacraments:  
Baptism/Confirmation/  
Holy Orders/  
Matrimony/Reconciliation/  
Eucharist  
Liturgy: Sacrifice and the Eucharist/Liturgy of the Word

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### UNIT 4

#### LET MY PEOPLE GO: MOSES & THE EXODUS

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT compare how Moses freed the Israelites to how God freed us from sin by continuing his action in today's world.

##### Unit Rationale

Before God can lead them to the Promised Land, the Israelites had to endure a series of tests (plagues and crossing the sea), much like we endure tests leading to our salvation, under the help and guidance of God. CST: Rights and Responsibilities/Call to Family, Community, and

Participation/Solidarity/The Dignity and the Rights of Workers/Life and Dignity of the Human Person  
Sacraments: Eucharist/  
Holy Orders  
Liturgy: Passover and the Eucharist/Liturgy of the Word

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### UNIT 5

#### SALVATION HISTORY: OUR COVENANT WITH GOD

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT compare how the Israelites' journey to the Promised Land parallels our journey to salvation under the guidance of the Ten Commandments.

##### Unit Rationale

After receiving freedom from the Egyptians, the Israelites wander the desert and receive the Ten Commandments. They learn that trusting in God and obeying his commands are necessary, just as we do today.

They also learn of God's unending love and care for us.

CST: Rights and Responsibilities/Call to Family, Community, and Participation/Solidarity/Life and Dignity of the Human Person

Sacraments: Eucharist/Holy Orders/Baptism/Reconciliation  
Liturgy: Manna and the Eucharist; Catholic rituals are rooted in ancient Jewish rituals; Catholic altar=Ark of the Covenant in the Temple/Liturgy of the Word

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### UNIT 6

#### THE PROMISED LAND: THE ULTIMATE DESTINATION

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT compare the conquering of the Promised Land to our courage to follow our faith and how it leads us to our ultimate reward of Heaven.

##### Unit Rationale

Students will learn how the Israelites, under Joshua's leadership conquered and settled in the Promised Land, much like the Promised Land we seek is Heaven. The Battle of Jericho is similar to the temptation and sin that we face and overcome.

CST: Rights and Responsibilities/Call to Family, Community, and Participation/Solidarity/Life and Dignity of the Human Person  
Sacraments: Holy Orders  
Liturgy: Profession of Faith/Liturgy of the Word

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### UNIT 7

#### THE WISDOM OF THE KINGS

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT survey the contributions to the redemption of the people of Israel by key figures in Hebrew Scriptures.

##### Unit Rationale

Concentrating on leaders after the arrival of the Israelites in the Promised Land, students will learn about the kings of Israel and their contributions to the psalms and proverbs.

Psalms are a rich part of our worship and are the basis for many of our hymns we sing in Mass today.

CST: Option for the Poor and Vulnerable/Solidary/ Call to Family, Community, and Participation

Sacraments: Holy Orders/Reconciliation  
(David)/Baptism/Confirmation/Matrimony (David)  
Liturgy: Responsorial Psalms/Liturgy of the Word/Prayer

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### UNIT 8

#### PROPHETS: RETURN TO GOD

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT analyze with scaffolding covenants of the Old Testament in relation to the covenant of the New Testament in Jesus Christ.

##### Unit Rationale

Students will learn how the Israelites forgot God and how He sent the prophets to remind them of doing His will. Their prophecies are ultimately fulfilled through Jesus, who leads all of us back to God.

CST: Call to Family, Community, and Participation/Solidarity  
Sacraments: Anointing of the Sick/Reconciliation/Holy Orders  
Liturgy: Liturgy of the Word/Liturgical Year (Lent)

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### UNIT 1 PRAYER: TALKING TO GOD

#### Unit Goal

SWBAT explain the role, purpose, and uses of different forms of prayer, including an ability to create examples of each.

#### Unit Rationale

A relationship with God is rooted in prayer. By participating in various types of prayer, students will establish a foundation for personal and public prayer. This will assist them for fuller participation in and understanding of the liturgy.

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### UNIT 2 JESUS' MISSION IN MY LIFE

#### Unit Goal

SWBAT interpret how Jesus' teachings are reflected in their lives.

#### Unit Rationale

The full revelation of God is accomplished through Jesus. The more students learn about the teachings of Jesus, the better they will be equipped to live a moral life and recognize that Jesus was giving us a guide on how to live.

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### UNIT 3 GOSPELS: THE HIDDEN STORY

#### Unit Goal

SWBAT compare and contrast components of the four gospels such as the time frame, audience, themes, symbolism, and truths, etc.

#### Unit Rationale

The Church has said that you must look at scripture in more than just the literal interpretation. To more fully understand the message contained within the Gospels, it is important that students understand when each Gospel was written, the audience, the purpose, themes, and truths prevalent in each Gospel. Students should also comprehend the symbolism in John's Gospel and contrast that Gospel to the Synoptic Gospels.

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### UNIT 4 WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

#### Unit Goal

SWBAT explain the development of the early Church during the lives of the apostles as related in the New Testament.

#### Unit Rationale

The formation of the early Church is the main story of the remaining books of the New Testament. As such, they are the inspired word of God that reveals God's plan for all people through the establishment of His Church. The study of Acts of the Apostles and the Epistles reveal the ongoing mission of the Church until Christ returns to earth. The students should see that they have a unique and significant role in the Church.

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### UNIT 5

#### THE GOODNESS AND MERCY OF THE FATHER AND SON

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT analyze with scaffolding how the attributes of the Father and Son pertain to their salvation.

##### Unit Rationale

In order to be able to relate to God, they need to be able to understand who God is and what we believe about Him, why He created us, why Jesus became man, how He showed his love for us through Jesus Christ, etc. Basically this unit and the next are studies of our how our Creed is reflected in the students' lives.

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### UNIT 6

#### HOLY SPIRIT: THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT explain how the Holy Spirit affects their lives and perpetuates the Church.

##### Unit Rationale

It is important that the students understand that the decisions that the Church makes are guided by the Holy Spirit, so we wanted to make sure that the focus here is not just on their relationship with the Holy Spirit but also on the Church's relationship with the Holy Spirit.

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### UNIT 7

#### GROWING, LOVING, SERVING, HEALING IN THE SACRAMENTS

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT explain the spiritual benefits of the Sacraments.

##### Unit Rationale

We want the students to not only identify the differences between the Sacraments, but to build an understanding of the progression through the sacraments that we experience as we age.

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### UNIT 8

#### CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING: ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT organize an activity that produces a long-term effect on the recipients and deeper appreciation of the Christian obligation to serve others.

##### Unit Rationale

So also faith of itself, if it does not have works, is dead.  
James 2:17

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### UNIT 1 WHAT IS PRAYER?

#### Unit Goal

SWBAT combine various forms of prayer into unique personal and group worship.

#### Unit Rationale

Experiencing different types of prayer helps students develop a strong prayer life and strengthens their ability to plan and lead prayer. Building on 7th grade, students will combine all the types of prayer into a student led prayer service.

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### UNIT 2 DISCIPLESHIP THROUGH PRAYER & SERVICE

#### Unit Goal

SWBAT apply Jesus' teachings of prayer into action by implementing service to others.

#### Unit Rationale

Through service, students become invested in their faith.

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### UNIT 3 WHAT CATHOLICS BELIEVE

#### Unit Goal

SWBAT correlate the four marks of the church to the seven sacraments as essential characteristics of our Catholic identity.

#### Unit Rationale

The Four Marks of the Church are the basis of our faith and makes us unique from other Christian denominations as expressed through the Sacraments.

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### UNIT 4 FOUNDATIONS OF THE EARLY CHURCH

#### Unit Goal

SWBAT order the events that shaped the early church up until the Great Schism.

#### Unit Rationale

Students will look at a timeline of the first 1,000 years of the Church beginning with the persecution of the early Christians from about 60 AD through/up to the Great Schism. This includes a study of the Councils and the development of our Creed.

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### UNIT 5

#### CRACKS IN THE FOUNDATION OF THE CHURCH

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT summarize the challenges of the Catholic Church from the Great Schism and Protestant Reformation until the present.

##### Unit Rationale

How the Great Schism divided the church. Topics include: Crusades, Protestant Reformation, the Counter-Reformation, the Enlightenment, the Renaissance, and the Missionary Church in new lands; as well as, the development of the Catholic Church in the United States ending with the current papacy.

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### UNIT 6

#### MAKE MORALITY YOUR REALITY

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT compare and contrast current social issues with popular social norms versus Catholic values.

##### Unit Rationale

Students learn to make moral decisions aligned with the Ten Commandments, Corporal Works of Mercy, and Catholic Social Teaching.

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### UNIT 7

#### CRIMES AGAINST LIFE

##### Unit Goal

SWBAT construct arguments in support of Catholic teaching about the dignity and sanctity of human life from conception to natural death.

##### Unit Rationale

Help students to develop their views on life and death with the Catholic Social Teachings as a guideline in response to society's distorted views on the value of human life.

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