Focus on Faith: Prayers, Mass Parts and Faith Topics

for Catholic children in kindergarten through eighth grade

Kindergarten
Pray: The Sign of the Cross
Mass Part: Hosanna (first sentence)
   Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Know: Who created me.

Grade 1
Pray: The Glory Be & The Lord’s Prayer
Mass Part: Greeting
   Priest: The Lord be with you.
   People: And with your spirit.
Know: The Holy Trinity & 7 Days of Creation

Grade 2
Pray: Act of Contrition, Lord’s Prayer & Hail Mary
Mass Part: Penitential Act (Form B)
   Priest: Have mercy on us, O Lord.
   People: For we have sinned against you.
   Priest: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
   People: And grant us your salvation.
Know: 10 Commandments & The Real Presence

Grade 3
Pray: Grace Before Meals
   Bless us, O Lord, and these your gifts which we are about to receive, from your bounty, through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Mass Part: Invitation to Communion Response
   Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.
Know: Church Leaders (i.e. laity, religious, priests, etc.) & the two parts of Bible
Grade 4

Pray: Prayer of St. Francis

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen

Mass Part: Penitential Act (Form A)

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Know: 10 Commandments & Beatitudes

Grade 5

Pray: Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. Enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit, and they will be created. And you will renew the face of the earth. Amen.

Mass Part: Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Know: 7 Sacraments & Mysteries of the Rosary
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Grade 6
Pray: Apostles’ Creed (new)

Mass Part: Apostles’ Creed (new)
I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Know: The Books of the Bible

Grade 7 & 8
Prayer: Nicene Creed (new)

Mass Part: Nicene Creed (new)
I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. And one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Know: The Corporal & Spiritual Works of Mercy