

Grade 2, Unit 3 Lessons

Lesson 9: We Celebrate God's Love

Opening Prayer: [Begin and end with the Sign of the Cross]

Dear God, Through Your Holy Sacraments we celebrate Your love for us. Amen

Intro: Last week we learned that we are part of the Church. This week we are going to learn about how the church celebrates and shares God's love.

Watch and Learn:

Jesus used words and actions to show love to God and others. The Church continues this work today. One way we show honor and love to God is through Worship.

What is Worship Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jhjXv0yKZZA>

Finish this sentence:

Worship means that, because God has given me everything, I am

Explore:

A special way that Catholics Worship God is through the Seven Sacraments.

Watch this short video and then complete the 7 Sacraments worksheet below by drawing a picture to represent each sacrament.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LatLsVNR0T0&t=111s>

Final Prayer:

The prayers and actions of the sacraments are signs of God's love. Your words and actions can help people believe and trust in God's love. Use your words and actions to talk to God in the Prayer Activity on p. 88 of your text. Remember to begin and end with the Sign of the Cross.

Name: _____

The Seven Sacraments

Direction: Draw a picture for each sacrament. Then, color in your pictures.

A large cross shape is drawn with a thick black border. Inside the cross, seven circles are arranged to form the shape of the cross. Each circle contains the name of a sacrament in a simple, sans-serif font. The circles are empty, intended for drawing and coloring.

- Baptism
- Confirmation
- Eucharist
- Penance
- Matrimony
- Holy Orders
- Anointing of the Sick

Lesson 10: Our Church Welcomes Us

Opening Prayer:

[Begin and end with the Sign of the Cross] Loving God, you have welcomed us to your family, the Church. Help us to welcome others. Amen

Intro:

Last week we learned that the Sacraments are signs of God's love. Today we are going to take a closer look at the first Sacrament we receive, and what it shows us of God's love for us.

Watch Video:

Baptism is the first Sacrament we receive, and it joins us to the Church (which is Christ's Body). The words and actions we use in this Sacrament show that we are followers of Jesus and should share His love in the world.

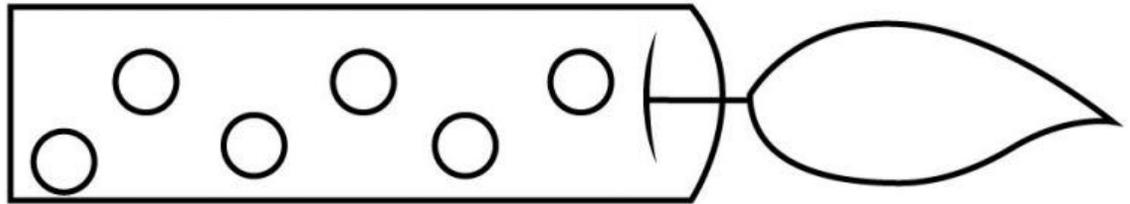
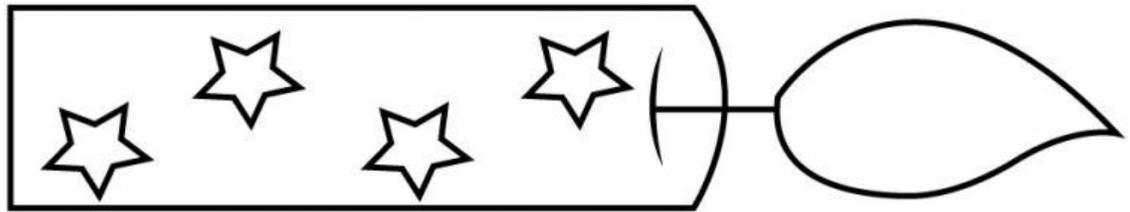
Godly Play Holy Baptism Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Juatr2NVOeY&t=308s>

Explore:

On p. 95 in your textbook, complete the activity by drawing a picture of how the objects mentioned are used in Baptism.

Final Prayer:

One candle alone doesn't give off much light. The more candles that are lit, the brighter a room becomes. Jesus tells us to be 'lights' in the world, shining His love on others. On the worksheet below, write one way you can share God's love in the world on each candle flame, then say a prayer and ask God to help you do the things you wrote.



Lesson 11: We Celebrate the Holy Spirit

Opening Prayer:

[Begin and end with the Sign of the Cross] Spirit of God, we thank you for the gifts you give us. Help us to live as disciples of Jesus. Amen

Intro:

Last week we learned about the first of the 7 Sacraments – Baptism. At baptism, we receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This week, we are going to learn about a Sacrament you receive after you are Baptized called Confirmation, where the Holy Spirit comes and strengthens us in a new way.

Watch Video:

Let's review what the Holy Spirit is by watching this short clip from Brother Francis

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cy-itFb-Kmo>

Now let's see what happens at and after Confirmation:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-BNfG18PdSI>

During the Sacrament of Confirmation, the Bishop blesses you with oil and prays over you, asking that the Holy Spirit (who is invisible like the wind) will come strengthen you to live as followers of Jesus by giving you special gifts or abilities.

Explore:

What are gifts of the Spirit? They are abilities that help us love and serve other people and show love to God. For example, courage is a gift from the Holy Spirit. It can help you be brave and help a friend who is being bullied, or give you the courage to tell the truth to your parents. Some other gifts of the Spirit are wisdom, understanding, the ability to make good decisions, the ability to love God, and wonder at how amazing God is!

In the gift box below, draw a gift of the Spirit that you would like more of, then complete the activity on p. 102 about how you can use the gifts God has given you:



Final Prayer:

Make the Sign of the Cross and ask the Holy Spirit to give you the gift that you wrote in the gift box. Then end with the Sign of the Cross.

Lesson 12: We Celebrate Forgiveness

Opening Prayer: [Begin and end with the Sign of the Cross]

Dear Jesus, help us to forgive others and to ask forgiveness when we hurt others by our actions.
Amen

Intro:

We have been learning about the Sacraments of the Church which are signs of God's love for us. Today we will be learning more about the Sacrament of Reconciliation (which you will receive this year!).

Watch Video:

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is where we are forgiven by God for the wrong choices we make. Jesus taught us that God is our loving Father who will always forgive us when we come to Him and say sorry. Jesus told us this story about to help us understand how forgiving God is:

The Forgiving Father, God's Story: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kfDfMZ6MTJs>

Have your child tell you one wrong choice that the youngest son made in the story. Tell them that when we choose to do something that we know God doesn't want us to do, that choice is called a Sin.

Explore: How do I go to Confession?

There are 4 steps in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (which is sometimes called Confession). The steps are listed on p.111 in your text. Read the steps to your child. Then, complete the worksheet below by writing which step is represented by each picture.

Once you are finished, complete the Chapter Review on p. 113.

Final Prayer:

When we receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation we pray an Act of Contrition. When we do this we are telling God that we are sorry for all the wrong choices we've made and will try, with God's help, to do better. Practice reading the Act of Contrition below with your child (remember to begin and end with the Sign of the Cross):

O my God,
I am sorry for my sins.
In choosing to sin
and failing to do good,
I have sinned against you.
I promise, with the help of your Son, Jesus, to make up for my sins
and to love you and others as I should. Amen.

Steps of Reconciliation

In the space under each picture, write the name of the step in reconciliation that the picture best illustrates.



