

SYLLABUS: BE MY DISCIPLES - GRADE 1

Blessed Sacrament - St Edward - St Joseph, Fall 2019 - Spring 2020

COURSE OVERVIEW

This course shares the Christian story in a catechumenal methodology, using reflection on Scripture and doctrine, plus prayer celebration in every class and during all the major seasons of the Church year. It initiates children into the community of faith and challenges them to discipleship.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The overall goals and objectives of this course are to help the students 1) to know, understand, and integrate Catholic beliefs, 2) to know how the church worships through full, active, and conscious participation in liturgy, 3) to recognize, understand, and express that each person is called as a disciple of Jesus to love, forgive, and serve others, 4) to learn to pray the way Jesus did: adoration, praise, thanksgiving, filial confidence, supplication, and awe, 5) to experience community life as an apprenticeship of faith which cultivates values, relationships, and ecumenical dialogue, and 6) to become disciples of Christ, present in society, and be able to witness their faith.

TEXTS

1. RLC Benziger Publishing. BE MY DISCIPLES GRADE ONE. 2013. (Abbreviated BMD)
2. Saint Mary's Press. THE CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S BIBLE. 2013. (Abbreviated CCB)

PARENT'S ROLE

Since faith is caught, not taught, the role of parents in the faith formation of their children is crucial. We, the faith community can teach them about their faith but you, the parents, are the primary teachers. Your interest in their RE classes and you working with them on their reading assignments is irreplaceable.

ASSIGNMENT SCHEDULE

WK	TOPIC	READING	DESIRED LEARNING OUTCOME
1	The Bible (1)	BMD pg 11-18 Luke 11:28 (CCB pg 1610)	Know that the Bible is a special book of God's word and demonstrate how we show respect for it Know that we read from the Bible at Mass Give examples of how Bible stories tell us about God's love for us
2	God Loves Us (2)	BMD pg 19-26 Psalm 139:1-6 (CCB pg 950)	Recognize that Jesus is the visible sign of God's Love. Know, love, and be in a relationship with Jesus Christ
3	God, Our Father and Creator (3)	BMD pg 27-34 Psalm 136:4 (CCB pg 948)	Recognize God is the Creator of all things Respect that each person is created in God's image and likeness Show respect for all of creation
4	Jesus, the Son of God(4)	BMD pg 35-42 Luke 2:1-7 (CCB pg 1576)	Know that Jesus lives as a member of a human family Identify that Jesus is truly God and truly man
5	Mary, Woman of Faith (5)	BMD pg 47-54 Luke 1:42 (CCB pg 1572)	Identify angels as special messengers of God
6	Jesus Shares God's Love (6)	BMD pg 55-62 Mark 10:14-16 (CCB pg 1548)	Plan ways to share their faith with others Recognize that Jesus came to save all people
7	The Holy Spirit, Our Helper (7)	BMD pg 63-70 John 14:26 (CCB pg 1689)	Identify that God is Trinity: One God who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – God is One but not solitary, an eternal relationship Identify that through the Sacrament of Baptism, we become members of the Catholic Church, are consecrated to God, and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit

8	The Church Celebrates Jesus (9)	BMD pg 83-90 Ecclesiastes 3:1 (CCB pg 996)	Recognize the Liturgical Seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, Ordinary Time
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9	The Church (8)	BMD pg 71-78 Acts of the Apostles 2:42 (CCB pg 1716)	Recognize that the "People of God" are the Church Identify oneself as Catholic Give examples of saints, heroes, and holy people
10	Signs of God's Love (10)	BMD pg 91-98 Mark 1:10-11 (CCB pg 1524)	Identify the seven Sacraments Name and explain the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation Know that because of Baptism, we are Christ's disciples
11	We Follow Jesus (11)	BMD pg 99-106 Mark 16:15 (CCB pg 1566)	Share their favorite Bible stories with others Identify how members of the parish are living their Baptismal call Relate how the Sunday Mass asks us to help others
12	The Catholic Family (12)	BMD pg 107-114 Luke 2:39-40 (CCB pg 1577)	Experience family life as the domestic Church Understand the role and authority of adults within the family and acknowledge the roles and responsibility of children within the family structure
13	We Pray (13)	BMD pg 119-126 Matthew 6:7 (CCB pg 1459)	Develop a personal relationship with Jesus Formulate spontaneous prayers Formulate prayers of petition and intercession
14	The Our Father (24)	BMD pg 215-222 Matthew 6:6-8 (CCB pg 1459)	Know that the Our Father (Lord's Prayer) is a Christian prayer Pray in thanksgiving for the gift of life
15	We Go to Mass (15)	BMD pg 135-142 Psalm 92:2	Identify the two parts of the Mass: Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist

		(CCB pg 914)	Show reverence while being in Church Reflect on the experience of Sunday Mass: what you see, hear, smell, touched
16	Jesus Shows God's Love (16)	BMD pg 143-150 Luke 22:19-20 (CCB pg 1636)	Give examples of how we live a Christian life Apply their knowledge of the faith to their daily life Understand their responsibility to care for themselves, others, and the environment
17	We Are Peacemakers (14)	BMD pg 127-134 Matthew 6:12 (CCB pg 1459)	Relate the concepts of sin, God's forgiveness and mercy and how sin hurts us, others, and our relationship with God Explain the difference between accidents, mistakes, choices, and sin
18	We Are Children of God (22)	BMD pg 199-206 Genesis 1:27 (CCB pg 21)	Identify that life is our greatest gift from God Identify all followers of Jesus as our brothers and sisters Appreciate that many diverse cultures make up the Catholic Church