
EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

Eighth Grade

LOVE GOD

“Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD alone! Therefore, you shall love the LORD, your God, with your whole heart, and with your whole being, and with your whole strength. Take to heart these words which I command you today.” - Deuteronomy 6:4-6

Examination Questions:

- Do I make God a priority in my life? Have I put other people, events, or activities in front of God?
- Have I made an idol out of my schoolwork, sports, activities, or relationships? Do I trust those things to “save” me, rather than God?
- Have I used Sunday as a day to rest and thank God for blessings in my life, or have I filled it up with other activities?
- Did I miss Mass on a Sunday or another Holy Day of Obligation?
- Have I remembered to pray every day? Do I spend meaningful time in prayer, or do I give it less effort than I should?

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

“The scholar of the law said to Jesus, ‘And who is my neighbor?’ Jesus replied, ‘A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went on leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. Likewise, a Levite came to the place, and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn and cared for him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper with the instruction, ‘Take care of him. If you spend more than what I have given you, I shall repay you on my way back.’ Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers’ victim?’ He answered, ‘The one who treated him with mercy.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Go and do likewise.’” - Luke 10:29-37

Examination Questions:

- Have I been kind and respectful to other students at school? Do I stand up for people who are being bullied or made fun of, or have I joined in or ignored it?
- Do I love and honor my parents, or do I blame them for my own shortcomings or hold their failures against them?
- Have I been sexually pure? Have I looked at pornography, engaged in masturbation or sexual behaviors with another person?
- Have I shared my possessions and time with those who are in need? Do I make an attitude of service a way of life?
- Do I gossip about other people in person or on social media? Have I engaged in “cyber-bullying?”