

ST. ROSE 7TH GRADE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CURRICULUM

2009-2010

Text Used – Christ our Life, Loyola Press

| CLASS DATES | CHAPTER/LESSON | FAITH FOCUS | ADDITIONAL CLASS ACTIVITY |
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| Sat 9/12 | Catechist Gathering 8:00 a.m – 12:00 pm | | 8am Mass. Breakfast & meeting to follow until 12:00 |
| Sept. 12 – 13 | Catechetical Commissioning | Catechist blessing at all masses | |
| Sept 12 – 16 | Catechists call to students | Call all students to introduce yourself and tell them where class is. This is very important | Remind parents there is a meeting in the church during the first class, and they are invited to visit the classroom for the last 15 minutes. |
| Sun. 9/20 | Catechetical Sunday | | Classes begin. Families blessed during all masses this weekend. |
| Sun. 9/20 | Catholic Forum 4pm “The celebration of marriage and family” – for all Parishioners | Church and Gathering Hall | |
| Sun 9/20 Mon 9/21 Tues 9/22 | Classes Begin – Chapter 1 The Impact of Jesus Parents in classroom last 15 minutes of class. | Jesus, our Savior, is the Son of God & a human being “John 3:16 God loved the world so much that he gave his only son Jesus.” | Distribute texts, letters home (black line masters 1, 2a-b), Encourage students to review text and letters with parents and read Family Feature (pg 2). Discuss class expectations with students. |
| Sun. 9/27 Mon. 9/28 (no class) Tues. 9/29 | Ch. 2 – Friendship with Jesus No Class Monday – Yom Kippur | Jesus is truly human. He invites us to friendship with him Sirach 6:14 – 17 “A faithful friend is a treasure beyond price” | Review Saints project, remind of 10/18-20 essay due date |
| Mon. 9/28 | Religious Education 101 | 7pm. St Rose Gathering Hall | Informative session for all parents of <i>new</i> Religious Education Students. All new parents are <u>required</u> to attend. |
| Sun 10/4 | Animals in the Kingdom of God | 7 th grade report to class rooms & dismiss from Gathering Hall | |
| Sun. 10/4 Mon. 10/5 Tues. 10/6 | Monday’s class: Ch. 2 & 3 Ch. 3 – Scripture: A Portrait of Jesus | Ch. 3 – “Matthew 11:27 Jesus is the fullness of God’s Revelation about himself; to know Jesus is to love God” | Review Saints project, remind of 10/18-20 essay due date Call parents to invite them personally to Sacramental Night on Oct 12 |
| Oct. 11 – 12 | Columbus Day Weekend | Classes in session | |
| Sun. Oct. 11 Mon. Oct. 12 Tues. Oct. 13 | 7 th Grade All Saints Day Project Distribution Student Assessments | Beginning of the year assessments are from the 6 th grade end of year assessment. | Students received the Saints Day project with parent letter, mailed in early September. Essay needs to be typed and brought to class during week of 10/18. Must have idea of how to portray saint in a magazine collage |
| Mon. Oct. 12 | Sacramental Night for all 2 nd , 7 th & 8 th grade parents & Catechists | 7pm – 8:30pm St. Rose School Gathering Hall | Fr. Jim Sabak – Sacraments – What are they? What do they do? Why are they so important to me and my family? <u>Parents are required to attend.</u> |
| Oct. 17 – 18 | Social Concerns Clothing drive | All masses | Community Service Opportunity. |

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| Sun 10/18 Mon 10/19 Tues 10/20 | 7 th Grade All Saints Day Class Projects. | | During Class Time. Instructions & materials will be provided & left in classroom. |
| Sun. Oct 25 | Catholic Forum | The Grandeur of the Catholic Church | 12:00pm Church and Gathering Hall |
| Sun 10/25 Mon 10/26 Tues 10/27 | Class Assessments &/or Saints Make-Up Chapter 4 – The World Jesus Lived In | Assessments for purpose of seeing where students are and what areas need to be a more concentrated focus Chapter 4 - Jesus was a Jewish man who lived in first-century Palestine during the Roman occupation | If time allows, let students work on saint essay/project. Remind students of 11/1 Enrollment Mass – Distribute flyers. Call parents to personally invite (remind) them to Sunday’s Enrollment Mass. Chapter 4 - Deuteronomy 6:4 – 5 “The Lord alone is God.” |
| Sun. Nov. 1 | 7 th Grade All Saints Day – Instructional Mass and Confirmation Prep Enrollment | 5:00 – 6:30pm at the church. Students & parents sit with class & Sign in. Confirmation prep packets distributed at this time. 7 th grade students will have class this week. | This mass counts as Sunday obligation. Catechist volunteers needed for liturgical help (Readers, ministers, etc.) Catechist to take attendance. |
| Sun 11/1 Mon 11/2 Tues 11/3 (no class) | Chapter 5 – The Early Life of Jesus | Chapter 5 – Isaiah 35: God comes to save us and to bring us everlasting joy. | Distribute enrollment packets to anyone who missed Mass No class Nov 3. (Election Day) |
| Sun 11/8 Mon 11/9 Tues 11/10 | Tuesday’s Class Chapter 5 & 6 Chapter 6 – The Mission of Jesus | Chapter 6 - Jesus accepted his mission as Messiah at his baptism and was faithful to it during his temptation | Hebrews 4:15; 5:2 – Jesus feels our weakness and has been tempted as we are. . |
| Thurs. Nov. 12 | Bishop Lori – Charity and Truth | Presentation on Encyclical Caritas in Veritate | 7:00pm Gathering Hall |
| 11/14 & 11/15 | Social Concerns Food Drive | During all masses | Community service opportunity each day. |
| Sun. Nov. 15 | Catholic Forum | “From Heathen to Priest: A Personal Journey” | 4:00pm Church or Gathering Hall |
| Sun 11/15 Mon 11/16 Tues 11/17 | Chapter 7 – The Apostles, Mary. | Jesus called disciples, in particular Mary and the apostles, to share in his mission. | Ch 7 – Psalm 42-43 We thirst for God who is our shelter and hope; within the depths of our soul we long for God. |
| Sun 11/22 Mon 11/23 Tues 11/24 | Chapter 8 – Baptism and Confirmation | In the sacraments, we receive and celebrate the life Jesus won for us. Through Jesus, we find the way to the Father. | Ch. 8 – John 3:5 No one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. |
| Sun 11/29 Mon 12/30 Tues 12/1 | Advent Reconciliation Sunday students welcome to go to reconciliation Mon. or Tues. | 7 th grade, report directly to the church & sit with class. | Parents will pick up at the school as usual. Special lesson #3 – Christmas Luke 2:1-7 Jesus is born Titus 2:11-14 The birth of Jesus transforms us. |
| Thurs. Dec. 3 | Christmas Catechist Gathering | “Pray, Shop & Party” | 7:00pm mass and boutique with refreshments. |
| Sun 12/6 Mon 12/7 Tues 12/8 | Chapter 9 – Unit 1 Review | | Ch. 9 – John 14:5 – 7 Jesus is the way to the Father. |
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| Sun 12/13 Mon 12/14 Tues 12/15 | Chapter 10 – Parables: Stories Jesus Told. <u>AND</u> Chapter 11 – Miracles: Signs Jesus Worked. | Some truths taught by Jesus and his Church are contained in parables. The power of Jesus over nature, sin and evil, sickness, and death was displayed in his miracles. | Send home Family Letter on Unit #2 (black line master 35a-b) Ch. 10 – Hebrews 4:1 – 13 We are invited to obedient faith in the Good News, for it teaches us what we must do to attain eternal life. Ch. 11 – Jeremiah 33:7-9 Jeremiah tells of God’s plan to cure his people and to forgive every sin. |
| Sun. 12/20 | 7 th & 8 th Grade Advent Mass | 5- 6:15PM. Report to Church | Students & parents sit with class. No other classes this week. |
| Sun 12/20 (no class) Mon 12/21 (no class) Tues 12/22 (no class) | All students should have attended the Advent mass on Sunday. | | |
| Dec 24 - 31 | Christmas Vacation No classes | | |
| Sun 1/3 Mon 1/4 Tues 1/5 | Chapter 14 – The Challenge of the Beatitudes | In the Beatitudes, Jesus gives us guidelines for a happy life in this world and the next. | Romans8:35,37 No troubles, worries, lack of food or clothes, or even persecution can keep us from Christ. |
| Sun 1/10 Mon 1/11 Tues 1/12 | Chapter 17 – Unit 2 Review | Jesus teaches us the truth that we can live by. Luke 12:32 The father has given the kingdom to the followers of Christ. | Not all lessons in this unit have been taught. Please discuss Unit Review as a class, touching on areas not yet covered. |
| Wed 1/13 | 7 th Grade Catechist Meeting 7:00 – 8:00 PM | Religious Education Office | Detective McDonald, Lent Lessons, God’s Plan for Human Sexuality, Reconciliation, |
| Sun 1/17 (no class) Mon 1/18 (no class) Tues 1/19 | Chapter 18 – Living Faith in Jesus | Through faith and virtue, our life of grace grows, and we become more like Jesus. | Send home Family Letter on Unit # 3 (black line master 64a-b) John 10:10 It is through Christ that we experience abundant life. |
| Thurs. Jan. 21 | Catechist Meeting | 7:00pm Gathering Hall | “Classroom Management, Part 1-Includes Learning Styles and Hands on Activities” |
| Sun 1/24 Mon 1/25 Tues 1/26 | Chapter 19 – Opposition to Jesus (Sun & Mon ch 18 & 19) | Jesus’ suffering led to eternal life and glory for him and for us. | |
| Sun. 1/31 Mon. 2/1 Tues. 2/2 | God’s Plan for Human Sexuality. | Presentations given by St. Rose Senior Youth Group Volunteers during normal class times. | Boy/Girl room assignments to be announced. (Covers chapter 16) |
| Sun 2/7 Mon 2/8 Tues 2/9 | Chapter 20 – The Eucharist | The Eucharist nourishes us with the Body and Blood of Jesus uniting us with him and one another. | John 5:24-28 Jesus is the source of eternal life. Anyone who listens and believes in him will pass from death to eternal life. |
| Sun 2/14 (no class) Mon 2/15 (no class) Tue. 2/16 | Presidents Day Weekend All students & parents attend 2/16 “Social Justice and Forgiveness” Presentation with Detective Steven McDonald | 7:00 – 8:30 pm. All 7 th gr. Students and parents report to church. Sit with catechist. Attendance taken | (Covers chapters 13 & 15) |

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| Thurs. Feb. 18 | Catechist Meeting | 7:00pm Church. Catechist Stations of the Cross and "Catholic Traditions and Doctrine. | Q&A with Msgr. Bob. |
| Sun 2/21 Mon 2/22 Tues 2/23 | Lenten Reconciliation During Class Time. Lenten Almsgiving Lesson with Pam Arsenault during class time. | 7 th Grade, Report Directly to class. Parents pick up at school. | Sunday classes are welcome to attend either Mon. or Tues. |
| Sun. Feb. 28 Mon. March 1 Tues. March 2 | Chapter 21 – Jesus' Final Hours | Jesus' suffering and death won eternal life for us. | John 12:24-26 The pattern of dying and growing is reflected in the image of a grain of wheat producing an abundant harvest. The same is true of those who follow Jesus. |
| Sun. March. 7 Mon. March 8 Tues. March 9 | Chapter 23 – Alive with the Spirit | The Holy Spirit came to the Church, making the members courageous witnesses and forming a community of love. | Galatians 5:22 – 26 The spirit brings gifts to counter our sinfulness. The Spirit is our life. |
| Mon. Mar. 8 | Parish Retreat - Sacraments | 7:00pm Church | For all parents of 2 nd , 7 th & 8 th Graders & Catechists. |
| Sun. March. 14 Mon. March 15 Tues. March 16 | Chapter 24 – Matrimony and Holy Orders | Jesus calls each of us to be holy in a special vocation. | 1 Corinthians 4:1 Those called to the ordained ministry are servants and teachers of the mysteries of God. |
| Thurs. March 18 | Catechist Mtg | 7:00pm Gathering Hall – Engage Every Child in Your Class | The Multiple Intelligence Theory in Classroom Management, Part 2 |
| March 20 – 27 | Social Concerns Lenten Food Drive | All Masses | Community Service Opportunity |
| Sun. March. 21 Mon. March 22 Tues. March 23 | Special Seasons Lessons # 5 – Holy Week | During the Easter Triduum, we commemorate our redemption in Christ | #5 – 1 Peter 2:20 – 25 Christ patiently accepted suffering to free us from sin |
| Wed. Mar. 24 | 7 th Grade Catechist Meeting | 7:00 – 8:00 pm, Rel. Ed. Office | |
| Sun. March. 28 Mon. March 29 Tues. March 30 | Special Seasons Lessons # 6 – Easter | During the Easter season we celebrate Jesus' Resurrection and our hope for eternal life. | #6 Luke 24:1-8 The women found the tomb empty on the third day after Jesus died. |
| Sun. April 4 (no class) Mon April 5 Tues. April 6 | Happy Easter. Chapter 25 – Unit 3 Review Registration for Religious Education 2010 - 2011 | Jesus frees us from sin and leads us to life in God Catechist volunteers needed | John 3:5 Every person receives life through the water and the spirit. During class time in Gathering Hall |
| Sun. April 11 | Registration for Religious Education 2010 - 2011 | Catechist volunteers needed. | 8:30am – 1:30pm |
| Sun. April 11 Mon April 12 Tues. April 13 | End of Year Class Assessments | | "Progress Reports" to be sent home to parents. Parent signature returned by week of 4/25. |
| April 18 – 21 | No Class. Spring Break | | |
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| Sun. April 25 Mon April 26 Tues. April 27 | End of Year Class Celebrations | Remember – NO FOOD IN CLASSROOMS! Thank you! | Distribute flyers for End of Year Mass. Get volunteers for Liturgy. Call parents to personally invite them to End of Year Mass. Collect parent signature portion of progress reports. |
| Sun. May 2 | Registration for Religious Education 2010 - 2011 | Catechist volunteers needed. | 8:30am – 1:30pm |
| Sun. May 2 | End of year mass | 5:00 – 6:00 pm Students and parents report directly to church. Sit with catechist. | |
| May 24 | End of year educational ministry gathering | 6:30 Church followed by dinner in Gathering Hall. | |

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