

Second Grade Syllabus

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September 26 Parish Community Center(PCC)	5:45 PM KICKOFF! Family and Parish Faith Night	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pizza 5:45 PM - Hospitality Hall Family / Parish Event + Meet and Greet / Rally
October 3 Centerville Elementary Classroom (CVE)	Pages 1-8 - Introduction - A New Year Page 314 - Penance and Reconciliation Chapter 10: The Sacraments Chapter 11: Seek Forgiveness Parent letter and Rite of Reconciliation handouts come home tonight, along with an <u>Act of Contrition Prayer</u> for your child to start memorizing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Seven Sacraments are special signs and celebrations that Christ gave his Church that allow us to share in God's life and work Jesus continues to share his life and love in the Sacraments. Baptism, the first Sacrament received makes a person a child of God and member of the church, taking away original Sin and all personal sin. The Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist -celebrate our membership in the Catholic Church Read and do Family Pages for Chapters 10 & 11 with your child An Examination of Conscience is a prayerful way of thinking about how we have followed the Ten Commandments, beatitudes and Church teachings Contrition is being sorry for your sins In the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation God's forgiveness is given through the Church The Sacrament includes confession, penance, contrition and absolution
October 10 (CVE) Classroom	Students meet in classrooms Parents meet in the Library Chapter 7: God's Commandments Chapter 8: Choose to Do Good <i>Examination of Conscience pg 315</i> <i>God's Laws' pg 317</i> A Blessing Cup starts tonight; it will be shared with all families throughout the year. Begin learning Act of Contrition prayer.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Ten Commandments are God's laws that teach us to love Him and others The Great Commandments sums up all of God's laws, telling us to love God above all else and others the way you love yourself The parable of the Good Samaritan helps us to understand that loving god means loving your neighbor Jesus gave us a new commandment to teach us to love as He loves Read and do Family Pages for Chapters 7 & 8 with your child When we make bad choice that hurt our relationship with god and others, God forgives us if we are truly sorry Sin is a free choice to do what we know is wrong. Mistakes and accidents are not sins Both venial and mortal sins harm our relationship with god but in different ways Conscience is an ability given to us by God that helps us make choices about right and wrong
October 17	NO CLASS (MEA)	No homework. Enjoy your break
October 24 (CVE) Classroom	Chapter 1: God's Gift Chapter 3: God's Promise <i>Care for Creation - Catholic Social Justice teaching - Pages 302-303</i> Keep practicing your Act of Contrition prayer!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God created human beings in His image Humans have a special role in creation Jesus is God's gift, the son of God who became man. He is always faithful to the Father Read and do Family Pages for Chapters 1 & 3 with your child God tells us about Himself through the Bible The Bible is God's Word written down by humans Jesus tells us stories that help us know and love God the Father

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Old and New Testament are two parts of the Bible, known as Scripture
October 31	NO CLASS	All Hallow's Eve - Be sure to come to Mass tomorrow for The Feast of All Saints, a Holy Day
Nov. 1 Thursday	All Saints Day <i>(Holy Day) - see you at Mass</i>	Instituted as a Feast Day to honor all Saints - known and unknown
November 7 (CVE) Classroom	Chapter 2: God's Promise Chapter 9: God's Mercy <i>Call to Community - Social Justice pg 292-293</i> <i>Forming your Conscience Pg 319</i> Keep practicing your Act of Contrition prayer!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God gives all people the ability to choose Original Sin is the first sin committed by Adam and Eve Jesus is the Savior because He led people who were lost through sin back to God, Jesus is the Good Shepherd Read and do Family Pages for Chapters 2 & 9 with your child We learn about God's mercy in the story of the Prodigal Son The virtues can help us say no to temptation and choose what is good Mercy is kindness and concern for those who are suffering: God has mercy on us even though we are sinners It's important to ask God and others for forgiveness, and to be forgiving
November 14 (CVE) Classroom	Chapter 6: God the Holy Spirit Giving Thanks <i>Rights and Responsibilities - Catholic Social Justice pg 294-295</i> Keep practicing your Act of Contrition prayer!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Holy Trinity is one god in three Divine Persons The Holy Spirit is the Third divine Person of the Holy Trinity who helps and guides us as Jesus promised Jesus is the Son of god who became man, the Second Divine Person of the Holy Trinity The Holy Spirit helped the apostles understand and spread Jesus' teachings and he remains with the Church today Read and do Family Page for Chapter 6 with your child
November 21	NO CLASS (Happy Thanksgiving!)	No homework. Many Blessings to you and your family this Thanksgiving
November 28 St. Genevieve Church	RECONCILIATION MEETING 6:30 p.m. (parent & child together) <i>Handouts and Review Pages 314-315</i> <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation Page 317- God's Laws</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Practice how to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation; PARENTS please read chapters and go over Handouts at home.
December 2	First Sunday of Advent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Light the first Candle on your Advent wreath During Advent, we prepare our hearts for the Word who brought light into darkness. It is a particularly fitting time to welcome the light of God's forgiveness into the dark places of our sinful lives by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Excerpted from How to Celebrate Christmas as a Catholic, copyright © 2005, Our Sunday Visitor Publishing Division, Our Sunday Visitor, Inc
December 5 (PCC)	Advent Family Event (First Week of Advent)	Celebrating Advent

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December 8	Feasts of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Holy Day , see you at Mass!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This feast celebrates that Mary received the benefits of Christ's salvation from the very moment of her conception. In 1854 Pius IX issued the infallible statement: "The most Blessed Virgin Mary, in the first instant of her conception, by a singular grace and privilege granted by almighty God, in view of the merits of Jesus Christ, the savior of the human race was preserved free from all stain of original sin."
December 9	Second Sunday of Advent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Light the first and second candle on your Advent wreath. How are you doing in preparing your heart for Jesus?
December 12 (CVE) Classroom	(Second Week of Advent) Protecting Youth and Children <i>Created in the Image of God</i> <i>Mother of Mercy</i> Read pages 9-13 Have your children bring their "good deed" links to class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mandated course focusing on helping children to make good and safe choices and knowing how to get help. Children are reminded that they and all of God's children are created in His image and need to see themselves and others as special, and deserving of respect, in all parts of their lives
December 16	Third Sunday of Advent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Light the first, second & third candle on your Advent wreath. The pink candle represents JOY! the Joy we receive at the birth of Jesus! How are you doing in preparing your hearts for Jesus?
December 19 (CVE) Classroom	(Third week of Advent) Read pages 25-30 Christmas Chapter 4: God the Father Chapter 5: God the Son <i>Glory to God/Christmas pg 25-30</i> <i>Life and Dignity Catholic Social Justice teaching - Pages 290-291</i> Keep studying your Act of Contrition prayer! Have your children bring their "good deed" links to class	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> God the Father is the First Divine Person of the Holy Trinity Jesus taught us the God the Father loves and cares for us. We rely on God the Father, praying to him and trusting he will provide what we need Read and do Family Pages for Chapters 4 & 5 with your child The Angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would be the Mother of the Son of God, the Savior, Jesus The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph live in Nazareth where Jesus grew up learning and praying Jesus is both the Son of God and a human being The Baptism of the adult Jesus by John the Baptist was the beginning of his public teaching
December 23	Fourth Sunday of Advent	Light the last Advent Candle (all four are now lit) <i>We look forward to the birth of Our Lord, Jesus!</i>
December 25	Merry Christmas! (Holy Day of Obligation) The Nativity of the Lord	Celebrates the Birth of Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of the World PRAISE GOD JESUS IS BORN!!

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December 26	NO CLASS	Christmas break
January 1	<p style="text-align: center;">New Year's Day Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When Catholics celebrate the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God we are not only honoring Mary, who was chosen among all women throughout history to bear God incarnate, but we are also honoring our Lord, who is fully God and fully human. Calling Mary "mother of God" is the highest honor we can give Mary. Just as Christmas honors Jesus as the "Prince of Peace," the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God honors Mary as the "Queen of Peace" This solemnity, falling on New Year's Day, is also designated the World Day of Peace (David Bennett 8/15/2008 . Church Year. Net) • one of the oldest feasts of the Church, it was changed to this date following Vatican II, by Pope Paul VI in 1974
January 2	NO CLASS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CATECHIST APPRECIATION
January 9 Welcome Back! (CVE) Classroom	<p style="text-align: center;">Students meet in classrooms Parents meet in the Library</p> <p>Chapter 16: Gather to Worship The Mass - <i>Introductory Rites</i> Sign of the Cross, The Greeting</p> <p>PARENTS, please go over Lesson <i>And What is Liturgy? "Something to Do"</i> Handout at home.</p> <p>Start studying the Mass prayers in your Mass Shuffle</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Eucharist is the Sacrament in which Jesus Christ shares himself and the bread and wine become his Body and Blood • The Mass is another name for the celebration of the Eucharist • The assembly is all those gathered for Mass We take part by praying, singing and using actions to worship god • The Introductory Rites gather and unite us, preparing our hearts to hear God's Word • Read and do Family Pages for Chapter 16 with your child <p style="text-align: center;">Tonight your child will receive Eucharistic worksheets and a Mass Shuffle deck. Please help your child begin to work with them.</p>
January 16 (CVE) Classroom	<p>Chapter 15: Ways to Pray Introductory Rites- Penitential Act, Gloria & Collect</p> <p>PARENTS, please go over lesson <i>And what is Liturgy?" "In our Parish"</i> Handouts at home.</p> <p>Start studying the Mass prayers in your Mass Shuffle</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jesus taught us to pray the Lord's Prayer, which we call the Our Father • There are five basic forms of prayer,: blessing, petition, intercession, thanksgiving and praise • Prayer is important to deepen our friendship with God, and we can pray in many ways and at different times • Sacramentals (pg 316) are blessings, objects and actions that remind you of God and are made sacred through the prayers of the Church • Read and do Family Pages for Chapter 15 with your child

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January 30 (CVE) Classroom	<p>Chapter 14: Share the Good News Liturgy of the Word - Homily, Profession of Faith & Prayer of the Faithful</p> <p>PARENTS, please go over "And what is Liturgy? "In our Parish" Handout at home.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The gospel message is the Good News of God's Kingdom and his saving love • In the parable of the Vine and Branches, Jesus teaches us that we need to stay connected to him in order to have life • The Holy spirit strengthened the Apostles to share what Jesus had taught them • Many people in our parish share Jesus' message and work together with God as he builds his Kingdom • Read and do Family Pages for Chapter 14 with your child
February 6 (CVE) Classroom	<p>Chapter 18: Remembering Jesus' Sacrifice Liturgy of the Eucharist- Presentation and Preparations of the gifts The Eucharistic Prayer</p> <p>PARENTS, please go over "And what is Liturgy? "In our Parish" Handout at home.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mass is a memorial celebration of Jesus' Death, Resurrection and Ascension • Jesus' Death of the Cross is a sacrifice and gift that saves all people from the power of sin and everlasting death • The Liturgy of the Eucharist is the second main part of the Mass in which Jesus Christ gives us the gift of himself, and we receive the Body and Blood in Holy Communion • In the consecration, through the power of the Holy Spirit and the words and actions of the priest, the gifts of bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ • Read and do Family Pages for Chapter 18 with your child
February 13 (CVE) Classroom	<p>Liturgy of the Eucharist- The Preface Dialogue The Holy, Holy, Holy Memorial Acclamation</p> <p>PARENTS, please go over "And what is Liturgy? "In our Parish" Handout at home. Keep practicing the Mass Prayers</p>	

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February 20 (CVE) Classroom	Chapter 19: Supper of the Lamb Liturgy of the Eucharist The Doxology and The Lord's Prayer Lent Teach Me your Ways - Pages 31-35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The story of the Loaves and Fishes helps us understand what Jesus gives us in Holy Communion Before receiving Communion we pray the Lord's prayer and offer each other a sign of peace Through the Eucharist, Jesus' followers are united with him and one another Jesus is really and truly present with us in the Eucharist, so we receive Holy Communion with reverence and adore him in the reserved Blessed Sacrament Read and do Family Pages for Chapter 19 with your child
February 27	Chapter 21: A Feast for Everyone pg. 310 & 312 - Sacrament of the Eucharist Liturgy of the Eucharist- Lamb of God Communion Prayer after Communion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heaven is life and happiness forever with God the story of the Wedding Feast is compared to God's invitation and our response the Eucharist is the spiritual food that helps us to live with Jesus forever We are called to say "Yes" to God every day Read and do Family Pages for Chapter 21 with your child
March 6	ASH WEDNESDAY Family Faith Night <i>All Classes and Family Event at the Parish Center</i>	No homework; this is the beginning of Lent prepare your hearts by attending Ash Wednesday Liturgy
March 13	Centennial Spring Break	NO CLASS / NO HOMEWORK
March 20 (CVE) Classroom	20: Go Forth Pentecost Pages 47-50 Concluding Rites The Blessing Final Dismissal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the Concluding Rites of the Mass, we are blessed and sent out to proclaim the Good News and give honor to God by the way we live As the Apostles were called to share the Good News, the Church' mission is to share Jesus' message of love and the Kingdom All members of the Church share in her mission, and some serve as missionaries who travel far away to spread the Good News Read and do Family Pages for Chapter 20 with your child Catholic Fair prep - Decide on booth theme
March 27 (CVE) Classroom	Chapter 12: The Church Year/Triduum <i>Pages 37-41 Triduum-Holy Week The Three Days</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The liturgy is the public prayer of the Church The Church Year celebrates the Life, Death, Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus The Seasons of the Church Year are Advent, Christmas, Lent the Three Days (Triduum), and Easter Easter celebrates Christ's Resurrection and is the greatest feast of the Church Year Read and do Family Pages for Chapter 12 with your child
March 30 Saturday	First Eucharist Retreat for parent and child, 9:00 – noon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continental Breakfast, skits, teaching, talk with Father Greg

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April 3 (CVE) Classroom	Chapter 13: Welcome in the Kingdom Easter-We Rejoice- Pages 43-46 Divine Mercy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> By the things he said and did, Jesus included those often left out and showed that God welcomes everyone. The story of Zacchaeus is an example of Jesus welcoming someone who had faith and was willing to repent Jesus has a great love for children, and welcomed them along with all others into his Kingdom The Kingdom of God is world of love, peace, and justice that Godhas in heaven and wants for us on Earth Read and do Family Pages for Chapter 13 with your child
April 10	Catholic Fair Prep	Catholic Fair prep
April 14	Palm Sunday	<p>Palm Sunday commemorates the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-9), when palm branches were placed in his path, before his arrest on Holy Thursday and his crucifixion on Good Friday. It thus marks the beginning of Holy Week, the final week of Lent.</p> <p>In ancient times, palm branches symbolized goodness and victory. . . Again at the end of the Bible, people from every nation raise palm branches to honor Jesus (Revelation 7:9).http://www.catholic.org/clife/lent/palmsunday.php</p>
April 17	NO CLASS – HOLY WEEK HAPPY EASTER See you in Church!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare your hearts to celebrate the holiest time of the year by going to Holy Week Masses and Services: <i>Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, Easter Sunday</i>
April 18 - 20 The Triduum	Holy Thursday - Good Friday - Passion and Death of Jesus Holy Saturday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Triduum Institution of the ordained Priesthood, and the Eucharist Passion and Death of Jesus Easter Vigil - the Church begins to Celebrate the Light of the Resurrection
April 21	EASTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord and the Easter celebration continues for the next 50 days Blessings to your family and friends during this Easter season!
Apr. 24 PCC	CATHOLIC FAIR (Open to all family members) Hope you have a blessed and joyful summer!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No homework Make sure you're prepared for your Catholic Fair booth; An evening of fun and activities <p style="text-align: center;">God Bless You! Have a great evening!</p>