Religion Grade 6 Objectives

Awareness of God

Message

- Recognizes God as Yahweh and as the one true God
- Recognizes creation stories tell us about God, the world, and His people
- Acknowledges the concept of sin and the consequences that accompany it
- Recognizes the 46 books of the Old Testament and the 27 books of the New Testament
- Examines the experiences of God's people as recorded in the Old and New Testaments
- Learns the story of Moses and God's chosen people the Hebrews
- Recognizes that the focus of the Ten Commandments is union with God and communion with all people
- Traces how the Old Testament is fulfilled in Jesus Christ
- Appreciates that Jesus saves us by his life, death, and resurrection
- Recognizes the Mass as a sacrifice
- Recognizes that Jesus nourishes us in the Eucharist
- Describes Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy in light of service in Jesus' name
- Recognizes the Precepts of the Church as a continuation of the Ten Commandments
- Distinguishes how the Holy Spirit is always present in our lives to help us live as Jesus taught
- Explains that God is revealed to us through the Bible

Doctrinal

- Realizes that the knowledge of history and tradition helps Catholics remain faithful
- Identifies religious traditions – Jewish, Catholic, Islamic
- Studies Old Testament writings and appreciates the lessons in faith that are expressed
- Learns about people in the Old Testament who had special relationships with Yahweh, Abraham, Moses, Joseph, David, Solomon etc.
- Sees the Ten Commandments in relation to the covenant between God and His people
- Respects his/her own Catholic Faith and Tradition, as well as, that of other faiths

Message

- Explores the mystery of evil in the world
- Recognizes the difference between mortal and venial sin
- Learns to listen to God's call to overcome the effects of sin in our daily lives
- Learns how to rely on God
- Understands we are called to work for peace and justice
- Identifies qualities of a good leader
- Explores the idea that with freedom comes greater responsibility
- Becomes more aware of god's presence in their lives
- Demonstrates how we are God's people by living the Ten Commandments
- Analyzes the Scripture as a guide in moral pathways to the reign of God
- Defends human sexuality as a precious gift of God
- Recognizes that we are called to live a chaste life

Personal

- Begins to reflect on the relationship between prayer and their actions
- Recognizes that their personal talents are to be used for the service of others
- Realizes that there are social consequences of sin
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• Recognizes that holiness includes overcoming evil and becoming responsible stewards for all creation
• Discusses the role of celibacy in priestly, religious and single life and sees it as a gift
• Sees marriage as a commitment of love and fidelity between a man and woman
• Recognizes self as a unique creation because of the loving union of parents
• Discusses the role of parents in the growth and development of children
• Realizes that human life must be respected from beginning to end

Morality  Service/Witness

• Describes the importance of having a personal relationship with Jesus
• Relates to the Old Testament prophets as role models and explores implications for today
• Recognizes that Jesus teaches that prayer and actions are to be simultaneous
• Starts reflecting on service as a ministry
• Is made aware of services that go beyond his/her parish community

Awareness of Others

Community  Development

• Identifies with Israel’s journey of faith as a people of God
• Recognizes they are bonded in faith with the people of God of the Old Testament
• Introduces to the message of the prophets as call us:
  ➢ To conversion
  ➢ To work for social justice
  ➢ To serve the church and community
• Shows skills in solving inter-personal problems: hospitality, freedom, trust, etc.
• Recognizes positive and negative influences of groups on him/herself: cliques, teams, clubs
• Identifies Church as a community of living believers in the Risen Christ
• Values the family as the primary community
• Responds to the teachings of Jesus to examine his/her attitudes and actions toward others
• Is aware of the rights of individuals with disabilities and will defend them

Awareness of Spiritual Development

Worship  Scriptural

• Recognizes the Bible as the inspired word of God
• Recognizes the themes of Covenant Call and discipleship based on personalities and events of the Old Testament
• Discovers where and when the Bible was written
• Appreciates the different literary forms of writings in the Bible
• Interprets the creation stories
• Knows that God created human beings in His own image and likeness
• Appreciates Abraham as a model of faith
• Understands the terms of the Sinai covenant
• Explains how we are born into original sin because of the choices made by Adam and Eve
• Recognizes that as a result of original sin human beings are faced with constant temptations
• Describes the role and significance of prophets such as: Samuel, Saul, David, Solomon, etc.
• Understands that the Exodus is the central event of the Old Testament
• Specifies, reads, and discusses particular Bible passages
• Is made aware that Jesus fulfills God’s promises in the Old Testament
• The Bible does not err on any matter concerning our salvation

Worship  Prayer

• Uses Hebrew Scripture in his/her personal prayer
• Prays using the Psalms
• Expresses gratitude to God by praying a Litany
• Uses poetry as a source of prayer
• Recognizes the Angelus as a devotion to honor Mary
- Recognizes Scriptural prayer
- Analyzes the deepening awareness of the covenant relationship with God that prayer provides
- Knows, recites, and reflects the mysteries of the Rosary
- Participates in the Way of the Cross devotions
- Practices prayers of meditation and contemplation
- Practices making an Examination of Conscience
- Prays the Dayenu
- Recites from memory formal prayers
  - Morning Offering
  - Hail Holy Queen
  - Prayer to St. Francis
  - Acts of Faith, Hope, Love
  - Hail Mary in Spanish
  - Come Holy Spirit
  - Act of Contrition
  - Grace Before and After Meals
  - Nicene Creed
  - The Angelus

Worship Sacraments
- Identifies the Eucharistic celebration (the Mass) as the principal act of worship for Catholics
- Relates the Eucharist to the Passover and Last Supper
- Recognizes the new covenant in the blood of the Lamb of God
- Recognizes the call to service God’s people through the ministry of Holy Orders
- Recalling that sacramental actions of the Church originated in Jewish rituals

Worship Liturgical
- Identifies that the Liturgy of the Word includes readings from the Old and New Testaments
- Participates in planning and celebrating prayer services
- Describes the Sabbath in the life of Christians, Jews, and Muslims
- Reviews information on the Church’s Liturgical Seasons
- Deepens awareness of and celebrates:
  - Advent as a season of hope
  - Recognizes through the Christmas story the connection between the past, present, and future events
  - Realizes that Lent is a time of penance
  - Reflects on the meaning of Lenten symbols
  - Studies, writes, and creates their own meanings for the Way of the Cross
  - Is taught the significance of the Easter Triduum
  - Examines Good Friday services
  - Learns the symbolism of the Paschal Candle
  - Researches and creates biographies and prayers of specific saints
  - Recognizes Mary’s role in God’s plan

Projects
Special role in All Saint’s Day Mass
Advent Projects
Create Spiritual Bouquets
Lenten Projects
Involved with Living Stations
Takes part in Seder Meal
Experiences Slovakian Easter traditions
Special Marian activities