

SECOND GRADE

CURRICULUM GUIDELINES

Theme: We receive Jesus in a special way through the sacrament of Eucharist. Jesus forgives our sins in the sacrament of Penance.

The Catechist should:

- **Make copies of the Parent Page (front and back) for students to take home.**
- **Read the Background for Catechists Information.**
- **Become familiar with the *National Directory for Catechesis & the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults*.**
- **Review Previous Understandings with students:**
 - Recall the Blessed Trinity and name the three persons.
 - Recall the sacrament of Baptism as the sacrament in which we become part of God's family.
 - Recall the gifts Jesus gives us: a sharing in God's life through baptism; His forgiveness in the sacrament of Penance; His body and blood in the Eucharist.
 - Recall the following prayers:
 - Sign of the Cross
 - Our Father
 - Hail Mary
 - Glory Be
 - Prayer before and after meals



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AT THE END OF THIS GRADE LEVEL STUDENTS WILL DEMONSTRATE THE FOLLOWING UNDERSTANDINGS AND APPRECIATION OF THE EXPERIENCES INDICATED.

[Note about symbols: Of the six tasks of catechesis (knowledge of the faith; liturgy & sacraments; moral formation; prayer; community; missionary spirit) five have a symbol assigned to them. Knowledge of the Faith is the organizing task]

Symbol Key:

 = Liturgy & Sacraments

 = Moral Formation

 = Prayer

 = Community

 = Missionary Spirit

Reference Code: CCC = *Catechism of the Catholic Church*
Compendium = *Compendium to the Catechism of the Catholic Church*
USCCA = *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults*

KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH

- ❖ **Jesus is the Son of God, who became man.** Date completed _____
CCC #422-423, 461, 463, 470; Compendium # 79, 86, 90; USCCA pp. 77-87

 - Students will experience spontaneous prayer.

Luke 2: 10-14...The birth of Jesus

Vocabulary: Jesus, Immaculate Conception, Blessed Trinity, Christmas, Son of God, Advent

- ❖ **Jesus died on the cross to save ALL people.** Date completed _____
CCC #604-605; Compendium # 118; USCCA pp. 89-100

 - Students will understand that we must include ALL people in our caring and good actions because God calls us to be responsible for others.

Luke 15: 11-24...The Prodigal Son

Vocabulary: crucifix, Good Friday, sin, resurrection, Easter, Christ

- ❖ **Jesus' obedience to the Father is a sign and model for our life.** Date completed _____
CCC #532, 606-607; Compendium # 119; USCCA pp.89-100

 - Students will understand the friends and followers of Jesus act in loving ways and serve others in need.

Luke 23: 44-49...the death of Jesus

Vocabulary: saint, Christian, all saints

- ❖ **Jesus is still present today in the Word, and in the Church, most especially in the Eucharist.** **Date completed** _____

CCC #1088, 1373; Compendium # 222, 282; USCCA pp. 165-179, 213-232

 - Students will visit (tour) the church to discover the meaning of the different areas and objects used at Mass, such as the altar, tabernacle, crucifix, chalice, paten, vestments, baptismal font, Stations of the Cross, confessional. Appreciate the liturgical seasons of the church year (Advent, Christmas, Lent, holy week, Easter, ordinary time) and customs, such as fasting and prayer.

Matthew 26: 26-30...Last Supper

Vocabulary: Bible, Mass, Eucharist, Blessed Sacrament, genuflection, lectionary

- ❖ **We become members of God's family through baptism.** **Date completed** _____

CCC #804, 1213, 1267; Compendium # 252; USCCA pp. 181-196

 - Students will accept one's self as belonging to the family of God.

Vocabulary: baptism, Christian, godparents, baptismal font, faith, Catholic, parish, creed

- ❖ **God made each of us to grow up and help others in our own special way as a married person and parent, a single person, a sister or brother, or a priest.**

Date completed _____

CCC #873; Compendium # 178; USCCA pp. 126-136

 - Students will value the family's role of sharing life, welcoming each other, teaching and protecting. Understand there are different ministries in the Church: Eucharistic ministers, lectors, ministers of hospitality, altar servers, music ministers, social ministers.

Vocabulary: bishop, Mass, priest, vestments, parish, stole, pope, responsibility

- ❖ **When Jesus ascended to His Father. He sent the Holy Spirit to be with us always.**

Date completed _____

CCC #669, 690; Compendium # 132; USCCA pp. 96-97, 99

 - Students will understand the Church as the community of Jesus' followers gathered by the Spirit.

Vocabulary: Jesus, Pentecost, Blessed Trinity, Christ

- ❖ **Jesus gave us special gifts of his presence: a sharing in God's life through baptism, his forgiveness in the sacrament of penance and his body and blood in the Eucharist.**

Date completed _____

CCC #1373; Compendium # 282; USCCA pp. 213-232

 - Students will understand the Mass as our greatest prayer.

John 10:11-15...Good Shepherd

Vocabulary: altar, baptism, forgiveness, confess, confession, reconciliation, penance, Eucharist, Blessed Sacrament, Bread, chalice, wine, communion

❖ **God gives us his voice in our hearts - our conscience - so that we can choose to do what God calls us to do.**

❖ **When we follow our conscience as God made it, then we are truly free and happy.**

Date completed _____

CCC #1733, 1777; Compendium # 372, 363; USCCA pp. 323-335



- Students will understand that we must include ALL people in our caring and good actions because God calls us to be responsible for others.

Matthew 8: 10-14...The Lost Sheep

Luke 15: 1-7...The Lost Sheep

Vocabulary: conscience, temptation, parable

❖ **God gave us the law of love: to love God and to love others as one's self.**

CCC #2055; Compendium # 435; USCCA pp. 323-335 **Date completed** _____



- Students will understand that we must include ALL people in our caring and good actions because God calls us to be responsible for others. Appreciate that we are sent forth to love and serve the Lord, using the gifts and talents God gave us.

Mark 12:41-44...The Widow's Mite

Luke 10:25-27...Good Samaritan

❖ **The Holy Spirit helps us to make good choices.**

Date completed _____

CCC #1742; Compendium # 363; USCCA pp. 323-335

✠ - Students will understand the Church as the community of Jesus' followers gathered by the Spirit.

Vocabulary: conscience, Blessed Trinity, Pentecost, trinity

❖ **God wants us to forgive others. Sin is a break in our relationship with God.**

Date completed _____

CCC # 386, 1469, 1487, 1829; 1850; Compendium # 73, 310; USCCA pp. 71-72



- Students will learn the Act of Contrition.



- Students will experience being reconciled to God, self, and others through the sacrament of Penance.

Luke 17: 11-17...The Ten Lepers

Vocabulary: sin, forgiveness, sorrow



- ❖ **If we are sorry, and we seek God's forgiveness in the sacrament of penance, God will always forgive us when we sin. In the sacrament of Penance we express sorrow for our sins and we are forgiven.** **Date completed** _____

CCC # 1448, 1449-1460, 1847; Compendium # 302-306, 392-393;
USCCA pp. 322-335, 233-244



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Luke 22: 54-62...Peter's Denial

Vocabulary: forgiveness, confession, absolution, examination of conscience, confess, reconciliation, contrition, penance, reconciliation room, responsibility, sacrament of Penance, lent, fasting, Stations of the Cross

- ❖ **Jesus gave the priest the power to forgive sins in the sacrament of penance.** **Date completed** _____

CCC #1461, 1495; Compendium # 307; USCCA pp. 233-247



- Students will practice a daily examination of conscience.

John 20: 19-23...Who's Sins You Forgive

Vocabulary: forgiveness, examination of conscience, contrition, sorrow

- ❖ **Jesus gave us himself in the Eucharist at the last supper.** **Date completed** _____

CCC #610; Compendium # 120; USCCA pp. 213-232



- Students will understand there are different ministries in the Church: extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, lectors, ushers, and altar servers.

Luke 22: 7-20...Last Supper

Vocabulary: Last Supper, Holy Thursday, sacrifice, sacrament of the Eucharist, holy week

- ❖ **In the sacrament of the Eucharist, Jesus continues to give himself to us in the bread and wine that become his body and blood.** **Date completed** _____

CCC #1333; Compendium # 276; USCCA pp. 213-232



- Students will value Sunday as the "Lord's Day," when we gather to offer praise and thanksgiving to God.

Mark 14: 22-26...Last Supper

Vocabulary: Blood of Christ, Body of Christ, thanksgiving, Lord's Day

❖ **We receive Jesus so that we can become more like Jesus.**

Date completed _____

CCC #460, 752, 1068; Compendium # 85, 147, 218; USCCA pp. 77-87, 111-123

✠ - Students will understand a genuflection before the Blessed Sacrament as a sign of reverence.

Mark 6: 31-44...Multiplication of the Loaves

Vocabulary: grace

❖ **The Eucharistic Liturgy (Mass) is the most important prayer of the Church.**

Date completed _____

CCC #1324; Compendium # 274; USCCA pp. 213-232

 - Students will experience the four types of prayer: prayer, thanksgiving, sorrow, and petition.

 - Students will appreciate that we are sent forth to love and serve the Lord, using the gifts and talents God gave us.

Matthew 6: 9-13...The Lord's Prayer

Vocabulary: prayer, praise, petition, thanksgiving

❖ **The parts of the Mass are: listening to God's Word, offering ourselves with Jesus to the Father, and receiving Jesus in communion.**

Date completed _____

CCC #1346; Compendium # 277; USCCA pp. 213-232

 - Students will pray the following: Act of Contrition, prayers and responses of the Mass.

Luke 24: 13-35...Emmaus Story

Vocabulary: Lectionary, sacrifice, psalms

STUDENTS SHOULD BE FAMILIAR WITH THE FOLLOWING PRAYERS

Sign of the Cross

Act of Contrition

Our Father

Responses to prayers at Mass

Hail Mary

A Morning Prayer

Glory Be

Prayer before and after meals