

Catechetical Curriculum

Liturgical Year

Grade Three Key Concepts



Legend:

- K = *Knowledge of Faith*
- LE = *Liturgical Education*
- ME = *Moral Education*
- P = *Teaching to Pray*
- CL = *Education for Community Life*
- MI = *Missionary Life*

ORDINARY TIME (January/February, Summer, Fall)

- K Deepens understanding of Trinity: Father as Creator, Son as Savior, Holy Spirit as Sanctifier/Helper
- K Identifies the four marks of the Church: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic
Ephesians 4:4-6 - There is One Lord...
- ME Explores scriptures to understand what it means to be a follower of Jesus
- LE Understands liturgy as the public worship of the Church
- LE Identifies items found in worship space of church- identifies sanctuary
- ME Demonstrates an understanding that the Ten Commandments serve as a guide to living as a disciple of Jesus
- CL Realizes that Christ calls his followers to be united
John 17:20-21 - Jesus prays for his people
- CL Identifies how each parish is related to the diocese and to the universal church
- CL Identifies the priest/deacon as ordained servant-leaders in the Church
- MI Recognizes how as church each is the light of the world
Matthew 5:14, 16 - Light of the world

(October and November)

- CL Appreciates belonging to the Communion of Saints
- MI Understands that God calls the baptized to be saints
- K Explores the Church's teaching about Jesus' second coming and final judgment
- LE Identifies sacraments of healing and service



ADVENT

- Incarnation
- CL Recognizes Mary under title of Our Lady of Guadalupe- only apparition where Mary is pregnant

CHRISTMAS

- CL Introduce custom of Posada



LENT

- CL Responds to God's call to be part of the Kingdom of God by service to the poor
- ME Give examples of how to work for justice/peace
- ME Recognizes the need to act responsibly
- CL Begins to appreciate responsibility and act responsibly
Matthew 18:21-35 - Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

EASTER (April – May)

- Paschal Mystery
- LE Develops an appreciation of entering more deeply into the paschal mystery through participation in the liturgical year
Resurrection Stories
Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11 - Pentecost Story



ALL THE TIME

- P Realizes need for prayer daily
- P Memorizes Apostles Creed; Act of Faith, Hope, Love and Confiteor
- P Differentiates between private and communal prayer
- ME Continues to expand understanding of forgiveness and healing
- K Experiences the parish as family
- K Appreciates their role as disciples of Jesus Christ
- ME Demonstrates an understanding that the Ten Commandments serve as a guide to living as a disciple of Jesus
Exodus 4:1-8 - Call of Moses
Exodus 16:1-15 - Exodus story of Quail and Manna