**VICTORIOUS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION LESSON NOTES FOR TERM TWO**

**PRIMARY THREE YEAR 2018**

**Theme: Sorrow and Joy in life**

**Sub-theme**: The baptism of Jesus

Baptism is the first sacrament in the Christian faith.

It washes away the original sin committed by our grandfathers.

Then it makes us become the children of God.

Jesus was baptised to show us the example.

**The Baptism of Jesus.**

1. John the Baptist baptised Jesus in River Jordan.

2. During Baptism the Holy Spirit came upon Jesus inform of a dove.

3. Thereafter, heaven opened and the voice came saying," that is my only son in whom I am well pleased. "

4. The Holy Spirit led Jesus Christ into a desert.

5. Jesus stayed in the desert for forty days and nights without eating food.

6. When Jesus was in the desert, the devil tempted Him thrice.

* The devil told Jesus to change the stones into bread.
* The devil led Jesus on the temple and told Him to throw Himself down.
* The devil showed Jesus the whole Kingdom of the world, told Him to bow down and worship him and he would give to Him everything.

During this time, the Christians fast.

Lent is the fasting period for Christians.

Lent period begins on Ash Wednesday.

Fasting periods help Christians to draw closer to God through prayer and acts of kindness.

**Activity**

1. Who baptised Jesus Christ?

2. In which river was Jesus Christ baptised?

3. What led Jesus into the desert to be tempted by the devil?

4. What do you understand by the term lent?

5. How many days did Jesus spend in the desert?

6. ............................................. marks the beginning of lent period.

7. What is the importance of fasting to a Christian?

REFERENCE: Mathew 4: 1-11

Pentagram page 32-33

Christians grow in Jesus teachers guide page 33-34

**Lesson two**

**What happened to Jesus during the Holy week?**

Holy week is the week in which Jesus Christ suffered and died on the Cross.

During this week, many thing happened to Jesus.

1. Palm Sunday;

* Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey as a king

2. Holy Thursday [Maundy Thursday]

* Jesus washed the feet of the apostles to show love and service.
* Jesus had last supper with His disciples.
* Jesus introduced the sacrament of the Holy communion [Eucharist]

3. Good Friday;

* Judas Iscariot betrayed Jesus Christ.
* He was given thirty silver coins for betraying Jesus.
* The soldiers led by Judas Iscariot arrested Jesus.
* Jesus was taken to Pontius Pilate and King Herod.
* They handed Jesus to be punished and killed.
* Jesus was given a cross to carry.
* Simon of Cyrene helped Jesus to carry the cross.
* Jesus Christ was crucified on the cross in a place called Golgotha
* Golgotha means the place of the skull.
* The body of Jesus was buried by Joseph of Arimathea.

4. Easter Sunday;

* Jesus rose from the dead.

**Activity**

1.......................................... is the week Jesus suffered and was crucified on the cross for our sins.

2. Who betrayed Jesus Christ?

3. What took place on the following days?

a] Palm Sunday...............................................................................

b] Holy Thursday.............................................................................

c] Good Friday..................................................................................

d] Easter Sunday...............................................................................

4. Write the meaning of the word Golgotha.........................................................................................

5. Draw Jesus on the cross

**Reference**

Pentagram page 38-40

Bible John 12: 9-19, Luke 19: 45-48,

**Lesson three**

**Jesus gives the Holy Spirit**

Content: Jesus' promise of the Holy Spirit

When Jesus was about to die, the disciples started getting worried.

Jesus promised them that He would ask His father to send a helper who would stay with them forever.

The helper is called the Holy Spirit.

The day when the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples is called Pentecost day.

The Holy Spirit came inform of fire.

The tongues of fire rested on the disciples' heads.

They got the courage and the faith to preach the word of God.

The work of the Holy Spirit was to strengthen the disciples to carry out their work.

**Activity**

1. What helper did Jesus promise to His disciples?

2. State what happened on Pentecost day.

3. In which form did the Holy Spirit come to the apostles?

4. What happened to the disciples when they were filled with the Holy Spirit?

**Lesson four**

**Sub-theme:** Jesus gives us the Holy Spirit

Content: The work of the Holy Spirit to the early Christians.

* The Holy Spirit helped the apostles to preach the word of God.
* The Holy Spirit gave courage to the apostles to preach about Jesus, His death, resurrection and glorification.
* The Holy Spirit united the Christians.
* The Holy Spirit helped the apostles to heal the sick.
* The Holy Spirit empowered the Christians in times of troubled.
* The Holy Spirit guided the disciples during persecution times.

**Activity**

1. Mention any five works of the Holy Spirit to the Christians today.

2. Draw the apostles receiving the Holy Spirit. Show the tongues of fire on the disciples' heads.

**Reference**

Pentagram Book 3 page 51.

**Lesson Five**

**Sub-theme**: Jesus gives us the Holy Spirit.

Content: Fruits of the Holy Spirit

**Fruits of the Holy Spirit**

Activity 1

Identify the fruits of the Holy Spirit

**Identifying the fruits of the Holy Spirit.**

* Joy
* Happiness
* Kindness
* Self control
* Peacefulness
* Love
* Patience

Activity 11

1. Identify any five fruits of the Holy Spirit.

2. Mary did not have a pen in class. She tried to borrow from Pauline but she refused to give out. Mary then continued to Jack for a pen. Jack looked at Mary with a lot of piety and gave her a pen. Identify the two fruits of the Holy Spirit that Jack has with him.

**Lesson six**

**Theme: Sorrow and Joy in life**

**Sub-theme: Jesus gives us the Holy Spirit**

**Content:** Gives of the Holy Spirit

Activity 1

Identify the gifts of the Holy Spirit

**Gifts of the Holy Spirit**

* A gift of prophesy [being a prophet]
* Faithfulness [having faith in God]
* A gift of healing.
* A gift of performing miracles [Miraculous powers]
* A gift of knowledge.
* A gift of wisdom.
* A gift of speaking in tongues.
* A gift of interpreting tongues.
* A gift of distinguishing spirits [Knowing spirits from God and those that are from the devil]

**Activity 11**.

1. Outline any five gifts of the Holy Spirit.

2. John lost his book in class. She went to Nancy whom he saw checking his bag. Nancy then denied that she was the one. John thereafter went to the teacher to report Nancy. What gift of the Holy Spirit does the teacher need to solve this problem?

**Lesson Seven**

**Sub-theme: Jesus gives us the Holy Spirit.**

**Content: The work of the Holy Spirit in the joint activities of Christians.**

Activity 1

Talking about how the Holy Spirit guides us in our activities.

**The work the Holy Spirit in the joint activity of the Christians.**

* The Holy Spirit helps us to read and understand the Bible together.
* The Holy Spirit helps us to remember and share experiences together.
* The Holy Spirit helps us to pray together.
* The Holy Spirit helps us to share things with one another.
* The Holy Spirit helps us to share both joy and sorry.
* The Holy Spirit helps us to overcome trials and temptations.

Reference: Pentagon page 56.

Thematic curriculum book 3 page 64

**Lesson eight**

**Theme : Christians grow in Christ**

**Sub-theme: The worshipping community**

Content: Biblical aspects of worship

**Activity 1**

Identifying ways of worshipping God from the Bible.

**Examples of worshipping God from the Bible**.

* Singing praise songs and worship songs.[Psalms 100 : 2]

-Praise songs are always loud and fast.

-Praise songs are to prepare you for actual worship.

-Praise songs are sung first before worship songs.

-Worship songs are slow and soft.

-Worship songs are sung after praise songs.

-Worship songs prepare us to listen to the word of God.

* Giving thanks
* Listening and doing what God tells us to do
* Giving offering from our hearts without pride.
* Reading the Bible in a quiet place. There shouldn't be interference and noise.
* Reading the Bible helps us to listen to the word of God. We also hear God talking to us.

**Activity 11**

1. Why should we read the Bible?

2. Mention any four ways of worshipping God in the Bible.

3. State the best place for reading the Bible.

4. Give two works of the Holy Spirit to the early Christians.

**Reference**

Holy Bible Mark 12: 41-44; Psalms 100: 2

Pentagram page 59-60

**Lesson nine**

**Theme: The worshipping community**

**Content**: Christians as the worshipping community.

**Content**: Christian joint activities and experience in worshipping God

**Activity 1**

Identifyingdifferent activities we do in worshipping God.

Talking about importance of Christian activities to God.

**Christian joint activities and experiences in worshipping God**.

a] Worshipping God together at home and school brings harmony i.e. true happiness and love.

Read and explain; Acts 9:26-28, John 15: 12

b] Worshipping God together in church

-We sing

-We clap and play musical instruments.

-We dance

Our faith in Jesus unites us in the church.

**Activity 11**

1. We sing a song in a circle [O God is good] holding hands.

2. Tell the experience after singing.

**Lesson ten**

**Theme: Christians grow in Christ**

**Sub-theme: The teaching of Jesus**

**Content:** Values that Jesus taught

**Reference:**

Christians grow in Jesus page 65-66.

Bible Acts 9: 26-28; John 15: 12

Activity 1

Identify values that Jesus taught

Talking about importance of values

Values that Jesus taught

A value is the right way for people to behave.

**Honesty.**

An honest person does not lie but tells the truth.

An honest person does not steal.

**Responsibility**

Responsibility comes from responsible.

A responsible person is the one who is concerned with somebody or something.

Responsibility is a duty to deal with something so that it is your fault if something goes wrong.

A responsible person does what others expect him to do.

**2.Helping others.**

Jesus helped others by feeding the hungry, healing the sick, raising the dead.

**lesson two.**

**Theme**: Christians grow in Jesus.

**Sub-theme**: The worshipping community.

**Content**: Types of personal prayers.

**Activity 1**

Identifying situations for certain prayers.

**Types of personal prayers.**

A personal prayer is a prayer which is said alone.

1. **Personal thanksgiving prayer.**

This is a prayer through which a person thanks God for the things He did for him.

**2. Confessional prayers.**

This prayer is said when one is admitting ones sins and requesting for forgiveness.

**3. Petition prayer.**

This is a prayer said when one is presenting one needs to God.

**Activity 2**

1. What is a personal prayer?

2. Give any three examples of personal prayers.

3. If you want God to give you hope, which personal prayer would you say.

4. Give two examples of when you may need to say thanksgiving personal prayer to God.

Reference: Pentagram page 63-64

**Week eight**

**lesson :one**

**Theme**: Christians grow in Jesus.

**Sub-theme**: The teaching of Jesus.

**Conten**t: Personal abilities from God and how to use them.

**Activity 1**

1. Identifying personal abilities from God and how to use them.

2. Talking about importance of different abilities.

3. Demonstrating personal abilities.

**Personal abilities from God and how to use them.**

God -given abilities are called talents.

They include;

-Singing

-Dancing

-Drama

-Drawing

-Painting

-Playing games and sports.

-Good public speaking.

-Modelling.

**Activity 2**

--Reading and discussing the parable of the three servants. Mathew. 25; 14-30

Reference.

Pentagram page 68

**Lesson two**

**Theme:** Christians grow in Jesus.

**Sub-theme:** The teaching of Jesus.

**Content: Characteristics of God found in Jesus.**

**Activity 2**

**-I**dentifying characteristics of God found in Jesus.

-Talking about how family members resemble.

**Characteristics of God found in Jesus.**

**1.Love.**

God loved us so much that He created us in his own image. He also gave us His only son to die for us.

Jesus also had this when He shed His blood for the forgiveness of our sins.

2.**Kindness.**

Akind person cares for others. God cared for us and never wanted us to die. He therefore sent His son as a saviour.

Jesus also showed kindness by accepting to die on the cross for our sake.

Holiness.

Holiness comes from Holy.

Holy means pure with no sins at all. God is Holy. Although Jesus had a human body, he did not sin.

**Divine power**

This is the ability to control other things all over the world.

Jesus also has divine powers. He did things which no person could do.

Examples:

1. He calmed the storm.

2. He changed water into wine.

3. He raised the dead.

4. He gave sight to the blind.

5. He fed five thousand people.

6. He healed the sick and cast out many demons.

**Activity 11**

1. Identify any five things that Jesus did to show His divine power.

2. Draw Jesus calming down the storm.

3. State four ways Jesus showed love to the people.

4. Mention five miracles that Jesus performed.

Reference:

Pentagram page 69-71