

# Religion Standards: Grade Two

# THEME:

Understanding that God shares His love through creation, Eucharist, redemption and guidance.

### **OBJECTIVES:**

- A. To understand that God's gift of creation brings with it a call for responsibility.
- B. To understand that God sent Jesus to redeem the world.
- C. To learn that Jesus shares Himself in a special way through Eucharist.
- D. To learn that the Holy Spirit helps and guides us.
- E. To assist the child in an appreciation of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

# 1.0 MESSAGE: God, our Creator, sends Jesus and the Holy Spirit to help and guide us.

### 1.1 God

- 1.1.1 To learn that God made us.
- 1.1.2 To understand that God always loves us.
- 1.1.3 To learn that God always forgives us if we are sorry.
- 1.1.4 To learn that God allows us to make choices.
- 1.1.5 To learn that Jesus is the Son of God.
- 1.1.6 To understand that Jesus is our brother and friend.
- 1.1.7 To learn that Jesus died for us.
- 1.1.8 To learn that Jesus rose from the dead to give us new life.
- 1.1.9 To learn that Jesus gives us Himself in the Eucharist.
- 1.1.10To learn that the Holy Spirit helps us to make choices.

# 1.2 Scripture

- 1.2.1 To understand that the Bible is a collection of stories divided into two parts.
- 1.2.2 To begin to respond to God's word by doing what Jesus asks of us.
- 1.2.3 To read and experience the Parables.
- 1.2.4 To introduce the use of the Bible.

### 1.3 Doctrine

- 1.31 To learn that we receive Jesus in the form of bread and wine through the Eucharist.
- 1.3.2 To learn that we give and receive forgiveness through the Holy Spirit.
- 2.0 WORSHIP: We participate in worship through liturgy and sacraments.

## 2.1 Sacraments

- 2.1.1 To understand sacraments as celebrations of Jesus' love and signs of His presence.
- 2.1.2 To reinforce that we enter God's family, the Church, through Baptism.
- 2.1.3 To reinforce that we are given new life through Baptism.
- 2.1.4 To emphasize that Eucharist was given to us at the Last Supper by Jesus.
- 2.1.5 To learn that through Eucharist we experience healing, forgiveness, and mission.
- 2.1.6 To learn that Eucharist is a sacrament of thanksgiving.
- 2.1.7 To learn that bread and wine are changed into the Body and Blood of Jesus at Eucharist.



- 2.1.8 To learn that Eucharist is a remembrance of Jesus' death and resurrection.
- 2.1.9 To learn that we will be welcomed back to God's family when we ask for forgiveness.

# 2.2 Prayer

- 2.2.1 To learn that we call on God as Creator, Redeemer, and Guide through prayer.
- 2.2.2 To understand the meaning of the following prayers: (1) Sign of the Cross; (2) Our Father; (3) Hail Mary; (4) Doxology (Glory to the Father...).
- 2.2.3 To introduce an Act of Contrition.
- 2.2.4 To learn the responses of the Liturgy as prayer.
- 2.2.5 To have the opportunity to participate in a variety of prayer forms such as recitation, spontaneous prayer, petitions, and guided meditation.

# 2.3 Liturgy

- 2.3.1 To participate in school and Sunday liturgies.
- 2.3.2 To understand that we gather at Liturgy to celebrate Jesus' life with us.
- 2.3.3 To understand that we receive special food at Eucharist.
- 2.3.4 To learn the two parts of the Mass.
- 2.3.5 To learn the basic responses and prayers used during Mass.

# 2.4 Liturgical Year

- 2.4.1 To experience Advent as a time of preparation.
- 2.4.2 To experience Christmas as the message of God's love.
- 2.4.3 To experience Lent as a time for sacrifice and giving.
- 2.4.4 To reinforce knowledge of the events of Holy Week.
- 2.4.5 To emphasize and experience the Eucharistic theme of Holy Thursday.
- 2.4.6 To experience the Easter season as a time for great happiness.

### 2.5 Feast Days

- 2.5.1 To learn that feast days help us celebrate special members of God's family.
- 2.5.2 To celebrate special feast days.

## 2.6 Traditions

2.6.1 To experience a variety of Marian devotions.

# 3.0 MORALITY: We develop personal responsibility.

- 3.1 To learn that decisions involve choices.
- 3.2 To reinforce that all decisions have consequences.
- 3.3 To experience reconciliation as a part of forgiveness.
- 3.4 To learn conflict resolution skills.

# 4.0 CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING: We live the message of Jesus through service to others.

#### 4.1 Justice

- 4.1.1 To learn and experience that we can make choices and follow rules.
- 4.1.2 To learn that others help us to make choices.

#### 4.2 Peace

- 4.2.1 To learn that we can try again if we make a mistake.
- 4.2.2 To learn to share our personal gifts with others.



- 4.2.3 To learn that we belong to a parish community.
- 4.2.4 To learn that many communities make up the world.
- 4.2.5 To learn that we have a Christian responsibility for others in need.

#### 4.3 Local Needs

- 4.3.1 To participate in local outreach.
- 5.0 COMMUNITY: God's people are connected by faith.

#### 5.1 Models of Church

- 5.1.1 To know that the Church is the people of God.
- 5.1.2 To know that the Church is a community of people who follow God.
- 5.1.3 To know that our local community is called a parish.
- 5.1.4 To know that the Church is the Family of God.

# 5.2 Church History

- 5.2.1 To learn that Mary was chosen to be the Mother of Jesus.
- 5.2.2 To understand that Mary is the mother of Jesus.
- 5.2.3 To learn that Mary shows us how to love.
- 5.2.4 To begin to learn about patron saints.

# 6.0 FAMILY LIFE: The uniqueness of each person is to be nurtured.

# 6.1 Human Dignity

- 6.1.1 To understand that families come in many "forms": mothers, fathers, and children; mothers and children; grandparents and children.
- 6.1.2 To understand that families work together.
- 6.1.3 To learn that friends are special people.
- 6.1.4 To learn that we grow and change.
- 6.1.5 To learn that we are special and unique.
- 6.1.6 To understand our unique characteristics.

# 7.0 TERMINOLOGY:

Advent, God's Family, altar, grace, apostles, Jesus, Baptism, Last Supper, Bible, Lent, celebrate, liturgy, Christ, Mary, Christmas, Mass, communion, prayer, Easter, reconciliation, Eucharist, Sacrament, forgive, saint

# 8.0 SCRIPTURE REFERENCES to be used to develop the themes of the religion standards.

Genesis 2-3 First failure to love God enough

Exodus 1-14 Moses leads the people out of Egypt; first Passover

1 Kings 17: 1-16 Elijah and the widow; God provides for the poor

Psalm 51 Prayer of repentance

Psalm 139 God knows us

Mark 10: 17-25 The Rich Man, Lazarus

Luke 10: 25-37 The Good Samaritan

Luke 14: 16-24 Good News

Luke 15: 1-7 Lost Sheep

Luke 15: 11-32 Prodigal Son

Luke 19: 1-10 Zacchaeus



Luke 22: 14-20 Last Supper John 2: 1-11 Wedding at Cana John 6: 1-13 Jesus feeds the five thousand

John 6: 25-58 Bread of Life