

3rd GRADE – Alive in Christ

- Begin 3rd grade with the opening lesson - an “Introduction to the year”
- The church year feasts and seasons can be found in the beginning of the text. These can be done throughout the year when that season occurs
- The standards in the chapters on sacraments of initiation may also be covered in the specific sacramental preparation books
- There are five chapters without standards: Chapters 9, 10, 17*,18* & 19

THE CHURCH YEAR Feasts and Seasons

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teaching Notes
How do we celebrate the special events during the liturgical year?	<p>S 3.5 We celebrate the Seasons of the Church (The Liturgical Year)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Recognize there is a liturgical year in which we celebrate the life of Jesus, Mary, and the saints b. Recognize the liturgical colors: Advent (violet/rose); Christmas (white); Ordinary Time (green); Lent (violet/rose); Easter (white), Holy Spirit, Passion, and Martyrs (red), Feasts of Mary and other Saints (white) c. Know the Church’s new year begins the first Sunday of Advent and reaches its high point at Easter and ends on the Feast of Christ the King d. Know during Advent and Lent we prepare our hearts through acts of penance e. Know Holy Thursday we celebrate the Last Supper f. Know Good Friday celebrates the Passion of our Lord g. Know Holy Saturday recalls Jesus in the tomb h. Know we celebrate the Easter Vigil on Saturday night i. Know we celebrate Jesus’ resurrection on Easter Sunday j. Know Pentecost celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit to the apostles and birth of the Church 	CCC 1163-1172		

CHAPTER 2 The Church Gathered

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teaching Notes
What is the Church?	<p>PF 3.5 The Church is the family of God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know we become members of the Church through baptism b. Recognize we belong to God’s family: the Church 	<p>CCC 790-791</p> <p>CCC 752</p>		

CHAPTER 3 Families Teach Love

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Who is the Holy Family?	<p>PF 3.6 The Holy Family is the model for all families</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know Mary is the mother of Jesus and our mother too b. Begin to understand that Mary had perfect faith and was free from Original Sin <p><u>Not covered in text:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> c. <i>Know the members of the Holy Family: Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, foster-father of Jesus</i> d. <i>Understand Joseph had total trust in God and was obedient to God’s will</i> e. <i>Recognize that Jesus obeyed Mary and Joseph</i> 	<p>CCC 531-533</p> <p>CCC 502-507, 511</p> <p>CCC 437</p> <p>CCC 532</p>		

CHAPTER 5

The Church Celebrates

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teaching Notes
What is a sacrament?	<p>S 3.1 Jesus instituted the seven sacraments so that we could receive sanctifying grace, a share in God’s divine life</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know a sacrament is an outward sign, instituted by Jesus Christ, given to the Church, to give grace 	CCC 1113-1119, 1210		
What is the importance of the Eucharist	<p>S 3.3 The Holy Eucharist completes the sacraments of initiation, full membership in the Church</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Begin to understand the Eucharist is the source and summit of our life in Christ b. Know Jesus instituted the Eucharist at the Last Supper c. Know how to receive the Eucharist on the tongue and in the hand 	CCC 1322-1324		
How do we pray?	<p>P 3.2 Jesus, through his Church, teaches us to pray in many ways</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know we can visit and adore Jesus in the form of the Blessed Sacrament (Adoration) b. Understand memorizing prayers is a rich tradition in the Church. It helps us: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Participate as a family during Church services 2. Join others in prayer 3. Affirm what we believe 	<p>CCC 2607-2614</p> <p>CCC 1378-79</p>		

CHAPTER 6

Pray Always

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teacher Notes
<p>What is prayer?</p> <p>Who initiates prayer?</p>	<p>P 3.1 God, who loved us first, places on our heart the desire to have a relationship with him</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know prayer is the lifting up of our mind and heart to God b. Know Jesus taught us to pray to the Father c. Know we need to respond, through prayer, to God's invitation to be in relationship with him <p><u>Not directly covered in chapter</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> d. <i>Know asking Mary, the saints, and angels to pray for us leads us to God</i> e. <i>Recognize the beauty of creation can inspire people to a relationship with God, the Creator</i> 	<p>CCC 2565, 299</p> <p>CCC 2559 CCC 2567</p> <p>CCC 2670-2672</p> <p>CCC 2673, 2679 CCC 2683-2684</p>		

CHAPTER 7
The Good News

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teaching Notes
Who is Jesus?	<p>PF 3.3 Jesus is the Son of God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know Jesus is both God and man b. Know Jesus teaches us how to love and take care of one another 	<p>CCC 443-444</p> <p>CCC 464</p> <p>CCC 571</p>		

CHAPTER 8
The Paschal Mystery

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Who is Jesus?	<p>PF 3.3 Jesus is the Son of God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know that Jesus suffered, died and rose from the dead for the salvation of all people b. Understand Jesus is with us always 	<p>CCC 443-444</p> <p>CCC 571</p> <p>CCC 662</p>		

CHAPTER 9
The Body of Christ

CHAPTER 10
Church Leaders

CHAPTER 11
One and Holy

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teaching Notes
Who is the Holy Spirit?	<p>PF 3.4 The Holy Spirit is our Advocate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know the Holy Spirit helps us (Advocate) b. Know the Holy Spirit guides the Church c. Know the Holy Spirit descended upon the apostles on Pentecost 	<p>CCC 692</p> <p>CCC 731</p> <p>CCC 737-738</p>		
What is the Church?	<p>PF 3.5 The Church is the family of God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Begin to understand the four marks of the Church (One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic) 	<p>CCC 790-791</p> <p>CCC 804</p>		
Why do we have patron saints?	<p>ML 3.6 Our patron saints protect and guide us</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know the lives of saints model love of God and concern for others b. Begin to understand patron saints are saints with whom we have a special relationship because of a common experience or interest c. Know that Mary is the perfect model saint, she always did God's will d. Know stories about the saints e. Know we are called to be saints f. The Church designates saints as patrons of persons, places, or things 	<p>CCC 828, 957</p> <p>CCC 2683</p> <p>CCC 148, 2617</p>		

CHAPTER 12

Catholic and Apostolic

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teaching Notes
How do we share God's love with others?	<p>ML 3.5 We show our love for God by sharing what we have with others</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Begin to recognize the needs of others by respecting all human life (Catholic social teaching) b. Know all human life is a gift from God c. Know that people are more important than things d. Begin to understand we can help others by praying for them 	<p>CCC 1889</p> <p>CCC 1929-1933</p> <p>CCC 343</p> <p>CCC 2634-2636</p>		

CHAPTER 13

Choose Love

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teaching Notes
What are ways we can imitate Jesus?	<p>ML 3.4 Jesus is our model and guide</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know we can imitate Jesus by loving others, serving those in need, praying, forgiving, and sharing God's plan of love b. Understand we can know Jesus more personally by reading the Gospels <p><u>Found in the back of book:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> c. Recognize the Corporal Works of Mercy: feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, shelter the homeless, clothe the naked, visit the sick and imprisoned, and bury the dead d. Begin to understand the Spiritual Works of Mercy: instruct the ignorant, admonish the sinner, counsel the doubtful, comfort the sorrowful, bear wrongs patiently, forgive all injuries, pray for the living and the dead 	<p>CCC 1693</p> <p>CCC 125</p> <p>CCC 2447</p>	<p>Perform a corporal work of mercy</p> <p>Perform a spiritual work of mercy</p>	

CHAPTER 14

Live in the Light

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teaching Notes
How does the Holy Spirit help us to live a moral life?	<p>ML 3.1 The Holy Spirit helps us to love and follow Jesus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know that the Holy Spirit strengthens, guides, and helps us b. Begin to understand we receive the theological virtues of faith, hope, and charity (love) at baptism <p><u>Found in back of book:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> c. Begin to recognize that the fruits of the Holy Spirit come from exercising the gifts of the Holy Spirit: the fruits are charity [love], joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, and chastity) 	<p>CCC 741, 1742</p> <p>CCC 683-684 YOUCAT 120 CCC 1812-1832</p> <p>YOUCAT 310-311</p> <p>Isaiah 11:2</p>		

CHAPTER 15

Help with Choices

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teaching Notes
How can I resist temptation to sin?	<p>ML 3.3 Know sin is an offense against God and others <u>Not covered in text:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <i>Know the difference between mortal and venial sin</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Mortal sin is deadly and we break our relationship with God; there are three conditions:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) <i>the act is sinful, is grave matter and</i> b) <i>you know it is wrong and</i> c) <i>you freely choose to do it</i> 2. <i>Venial sin weakens our relationship with God</i> b. <i>Recognize we can sin through our thoughts, words, actions, and things we have failed to do</i> c. <i>Understand temptation is an attraction toward committing a sin</i> d. <i>Begin to understand we can resist temptation with God's grace (prayer, frequent confession, read Scripture, use of sacramentals, pray to your guardian angel, live the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit, etc.)</i> 	<p>CCC 538</p> <p>CCC 1849 CCC 1854-1859</p> <p>CCC 1863 CCC 1865-1869</p> <p>CCC 2340</p>		

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<p>Why did God give us the Ten Commandments?</p>	<p><u>Found in back of book:</u></p> <p>ML 3.2 God gave us the Ten Commandments so that we know how to live a good and holy life</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know the 1st Commandment: to love the Lord your God with all your heart b. Know the 2nd Commandment: not to take the Lord's name in vain c. Know the 3rd Commandment: to keep holy the Sabbath d. Know the 4th Commandment: to honor your father and mother e. Know the 5th Commandment: do not kill f. Know the 6th Commandment: do not commit adultery g. Know the 7th Commandment: do not steal h. Know the 8th Commandment: do not bear false witness (lie) i. Know the 9th Commandment: do not covet your neighbor's wife j. Know the 10th Commandment: do not covet your neighbor's goods 	<p>CCC 62, 2056</p> <p>Table before CCC 2052</p> <p>Mt 22: 36-39</p> <p>CCC 2083-2557</p>		

CHAPTER 16

Sacraments of Initiation

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teaching Notes
What is a sacrament?	<p>S 3.1 Jesus instituted the seven sacraments so that we could receive sanctifying grace, a share in God’s divine life</p> <p>a. Know the seven sacraments can be grouped:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sacraments of Initiation <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Baptism b. Confirmation c. Eucharist <p><u>Covered in the next chapters 17 & 18:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. Sacraments of Healing <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Reconciliation/Penance b. Anointing of the Sick 3. Sacraments of Service/Mission <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Marriage b. Holy Orders <p>b. Be introduced to the form and matter for the sacraments: baptism (water and words), confirmation (anointing by bishop, laying on of hands with the words and anointing with Chrism oil), and Eucharist (bread, wine, and words) reconciliation (confessing of sins and absolution)</p>	<p>CCC 1113-1119</p> <p>CCC 1131</p> <p>CCC 824, 1266</p> <p>CCC 1212</p> <p>CCC 1420-1421</p> <p>CCC 1533-1535</p> <p>CCC 1284, 1320, 1412, 1491</p>		

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<p>What is the importance of the Eucharist?</p> <p>What must I do to receive the Eucharist worthily?</p>	<p>S 3.3 The Holy Eucharist completes the sacraments of initiation; full membership in the Church</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know even though the bread (host) and wine look like ordinary bread and wine after the consecration, it is truly Jesus' Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity b. Know at Mass, during the consecration, the bread/wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus (Transubstantiation) <p><u>Not covered in text</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> c. <i>Begin to understand the Mass is the memorial of Jesus Christ's Passover, His life, death, and resurrection</i> d. <i>Begin to understand that the word "Eucharist" means "Thanksgiving"</i> e. <i>Know what is necessary to receive the Eucharist</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Be a baptized Catholic</i> 2. <i>Be free from mortal sin</i> 3. <i>Fast one hour before receiving the Eucharist</i> 	<p>CCC 1322</p> <p>CCC 1324</p> <p>CCC 1323</p> <p>CCC 1333</p> <p>CCC 1340</p> <p>CCC 1328</p> <p>CCC 1385-1388</p>		

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How is Jesus present at the Mass?	<p><u>Found in the back of book:</u></p> <p>S 3.4 We come to know Jesus through the Mass</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know we worship God at Mass b. Know the order of the Mass: Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist, Communion Rite, Concluding Rites c. Recognize Jesus Christ is present in the Mass; in the Word, in the priest (representing Jesus the Head) in the people (The Body of Christ) and most of all in the Eucharist d. Be introduced to the signs and symbols of the liturgy: sacred vessels, the book of the Gospels, ambo, incense, crucifix, celebrant's chair, water of baptism, chrism oil, altar, candles, vestments, bells, music, etc. e. Know the Sanctuary light/lamp tells us that Jesus, in the Eucharist, is present in the Tabernacle 	<p>CCC 1323</p> <p>CCC 1345 CCC 1346-1355</p> <p>CCC 1349, 1410, 1416</p> <p>CCC 1181-1186</p>		

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What is the Mass?	<p>P 3.3 Jesus gives us the gift of himself at the sacrifice of the Mass</p> <p>a. Begin to know the Mass celebrates the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus</p> <p><u>Parts of the Mass found in the back of the book</u></p> <p>b. Know how to fully participate in the Mass (prayers, song, attention, posture)</p> <p>c. Begin to know the Mass responses:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “Amen” 2. Responses to Greeting (“And with your spirit”) 3. Penitential Rite (“I confess to almighty God”..., “Lord have Mercy, Christ have Mercy”...) 4. Gloria (“Glory to God in the highest”...) 5. Responses to the Readings (“Thanks be to God”) 6. “Alleluia” 7. Response to the introduction of the Gospel (“Glory to you O Lord”) 8. Response to the Gospel (“Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ”) 9. Response to Intercessions (“Lord hear our prayer”) 10. “Holy, Holy, Holy” 11. Memorial Acclamation (“Save us Savior...”, “We proclaim your Death, O Lord...”, “When we eat this Bread and drink this cup”) 12. The Great Amen 13. Response to the Sign of Peace (to the priest, “And with your Spirit” and to others, “Peace be with you”) 14. “Lamb of God” 15. Final Blessing and Dismissal (“Thanks be to God”) 	<p>CCC 2655</p> <p>CCC 1345-1355</p>		

CHAPTER 17
Sacraments of Healing (see standard S 3.1)

CHAPTER 18
Sacraments at the Service of Communion (see standards S 3.1)

CHAPTER 19
The Church through Time

CHAPTER 20

The Work of the Church

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How can we work for peace in our homes and communities?	<p>ML 3.7 Social teaching of the Church: God created us as sacred and social beings to live and participate in families and communities in harmony with him</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Begin to understand how we are called by God to work together to make peace in our families and communities b. Begin to understand how small acts of kindness can make a big difference in the lives of others and create peace c. Begin to understand how people can work together to make a positive change in the community so that we all live in harmony with God 	<p>CCC 1879</p> <p>CCC 1882, 1886</p> <p>CCC 1888</p>		

CHAPTER 21

Everlasting Life

Essential Questions	Standards and Basic Understandings	Resources	Mission & Community Life	Teaching Notes
What happens when we die?	<p>PF 3.8 God desires eternal life in heaven for each of us</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Know we believe there is life after death in heaven or hell b. Begin to understand after death we will be judged by our thoughts, words and deeds c. Begin to understand Jesus told us he would come again at the end of time 	<p>CCC 1</p> <p>CCC 1020-1032</p>		