

Month by month Curriculum Goals

2019-20

Grade: **Eighth**

| Month | Topics and Content | Resources | Comments |
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| <p><i>September</i></p> <p><i>3 sessions</i></p> | <p>Session One - Getting Acquainted and organized</p> <p><i>Session Two will include a fire drill</i></p> <p>The Jesus Question</p> <p>Review of last year's exploration of the Gospel of Luke. What do they remember of the 'highlights' of the life of Jesus, death and resurrection?</p> <p>What do we believe? Why do we believe?</p> | <p>DP (Decision Point), Ses: 1 Or CH (Chosen) L:1</p> <p>DP, Ses 3 Or CH, L:5</p> | <p>God wants us to be happy. <i>PLUS</i> Credible Catholic: Scientific Evidence of God's Existence AND Philosophical Proof</p> <p>*Outside Da Box: What Do You Say That I Am? [Alpha Youth Series: E 2: Jesus: who is He?]</p> |

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| <p><i>October</i></p> <p><i>5 sessions</i></p> | <p>Pentecost</p> <p>Preaching of the Apostles</p> <p>The conversion of Paul</p> <p>The baptism of the Ethiopian eunuch and Gentile Pentecost</p> <p>The Council of Jerusalem</p> | <p>Acts 2</p> <p>Acts 3</p> <p>Acts 7 & 9</p> <p>Acts 8; Acts 10</p> <p>Acts 15</p> | <p>BOOK: <i>The Good News of the Holy Spirit, Acts</i> "The Spirit Arrives"</p> <p>The Good News of the Holy Spirit, Acts: "Healing and Boldness"</p> <p>The Good News of the Holy Spirit, Acts: "Who Are You Lord?"</p> <p>The Good News of the Holy Spirit, Acts: "The Spirit Leads the Way"</p> <p>Gospel equality, Gal 3:26-29</p> <p><i>The Good News of the Holy Spirit, Acts: Trying to Grasp What God is Doing</i></p> <p>Teaching on the Church 1Peter 2:4-10</p> |
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| <p><i>November</i></p> <p><i>3 sessions</i></p> | <p>The further journeys of Paul, his letters and Peter and Paul's martyrdoms in Rome</p> <p>Why die for what you believe? Why would it be that important?</p> <p>Creed -what it means to believe? Describing the articles of the Nicene Creed</p> <p><i>No class on Nov 27</i></p> | <p>Acts 17-19</p> <p><i>Catholic Connections Handbook - chapters 3,4,11,16,17</i></p> | <p>We have videos that depict the martyrdoms;</p> <p>compare with other martyrs in <i>Radiate</i> - Agnes, Lucy, the Japanese martyrs or Korean martyrs</p> <p>*Outside Da Box: "The Creed"</p> <p>Chosen, Lesson 3</p> |
| <p><i>December</i></p> <p><i>2 sessions</i></p> | <p><i>Will include Advent candle lighting at the beginning of first week.</i></p> <p><i>No class on Dec 11 due to OL Guadalupe traffic</i></p> <p><i>Third week is Adoration and Christmas treat</i></p> <p><i>Need to cover Advent and Christmas;</i></p> <p>Continue with Creed - what do we believe about the Incarnation of Christ?</p> | | |

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| <p>January</p> <p>4 sessions</p> | <p><i>Speaker Night - full class - for fifth grade and up - hopefully on interfaith issues with Muslim and/or Jewish speakers</i></p> <p>Continue with the Creed</p> <p>Review Sacraments: Baptism Eucharist</p> | <p><i>Catholic Connections Handbook, chapters 28-33</i></p> | <p>*Outside Da Box: Eternal Life</p> <p>*Outside Da Box: Holy Water</p> <p><i>Chosen, Lesson 9</i></p> |
| <p>February</p> <p>4 sessions</p> | <p><i>Do prep for Lent on February 19.</i></p> <p><i>Feb 26 is Ash Wednesday. We'll go to the 7 PM mass. (Session will dismiss from church at the end of mass.)</i></p> <p>Confirmation</p> <p>What does it mean to receive the Holy Spirit? What are the gifts of the Spirit? What do we do with the gifts of the Spirit?</p> | <p><i>Catholic Connections Handbook, chapters 18 and 34</i></p> <p>I Corinthians 12; Romans 12</p> | |
| <p>March</p> <p>3 sessions</p> | <p><i>All classes do Stations of the Cross; half session on either March 4 or March 11.</i></p> <p><i>March 25 off due to school break</i></p> <p>What is our mission / purpose with Confirmation / after Confirmation?</p> | | <p><i>Decision Point, Ses 11: Made for Mission</i></p> <p><i>Decision Point, Ses 12: Holiness is Possible</i></p> <p><i>Chosen, L22: "Why wait?"</i></p> |

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| <p><i>April</i></p> <p><i>3 sessions</i></p> | <p><i>No class on April 8 - Holy Week</i></p> <p><i>Child safety on April 22</i></p> <p><i>How does our sexuality intersect with our Christian lives? How do we live as whole / holy people?</i></p> | <p><i>THEOLOGY OF THE BODY for Teens- Middle School Edition</i></p> | |
| <p><i>May</i></p> <p><i>1 session</i></p> | <p><i>Rosary and May Crowning; awards and closing party on May 6</i></p> | | |