

Month by month Curriculum Goals

2019-20

Grade: **First Year**

Month	Topics and Content	Resources	Comments
September 3 sessions	<p>Session One - Getting Acquainted and organized</p> <p><i>Session Two will include a fire drill</i> rehearse drill in first class</p> <p>Help students begin to share what it means to be in community by sharing aspects of their lives.</p> <p>Introduce how to pray - Five Finger prayer and basic prayers</p> <p>Introduce idea of God as Creator</p>	<p>Use the "Fire Drill Social Story" to help prep</p> <p>Chapter 1 is a resource;</p>	
October 5 sessions	<p>Story of Creation from Scripture</p> <p>How we take care of God's creation</p> <p>Begin unit on belonging to the church</p>	<p>Creation story from Read and Learn Bible</p> <p>Story of Noah, chapter 26</p>	<p>The Feast of St. Francis is October 4. Check with me about posters for the Canticle of the Sun - tying in St. Francis and Creation; other St. Francis resources</p> <p>Flip book on the whole history of the universe is available.</p> <p>Ark and Noah Big Book available.</p> <p><i>Hooray, I'm Catholic</i> is a good intro book</p>

<p>November</p> <p>3 sessions</p>	<p>Continue with belonging to the church</p> <p>Saints are special people who loved God</p> <p>Baptism is the way we join the church</p> <p><i>No class on Nov 27</i></p>	<p>Chapters 12 and 15</p> <p>Chapters 8, 25</p> <p>Chapter 17</p>	<p>There are many, many saint resources - stories and projects.</p> <p>Use story of Daniel in Lion's Den - start with a puzzle - and/or Samuel (we have the big book)</p> <p>Posters and pictures of people of various ages being baptized are available.</p> <p>John the Baptist big book</p> <p>A trip to see and explore the baptismal font in church might be a good idea.</p>
<p>December</p> <p>2 sessions</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>Advent lesson - Mary is the one who trusted in God's promises and bore Jesus</p> <p>Continue with the life of Jesus in Nazareth</p>	<p>See Cathy for posters of art of the Annunciation.</p> <p>"Everyday Life" flip books about life in Bible times are available.</p>	<p>Nativity Lego set</p> <p>Story books about Our Lady of Guadalupe and St. Juan Diego are available.</p>

<p>January</p> <p>4 sessions</p>	<p>Review / introduce what happens in mass</p> <p>Connect the celebration of the mass to Jesus' life, death and resurrection</p>	<p>Chapters 4, 5</p> <p>Chapters 22-23; use the stories in the Read and Learn Bible</p> <p>Chapters 9,21</p>	<p>We have a "Mass kit" is to talk about and explain mass. A trip to the church /sacristy is also fun.</p> <p>Magnetic set with church objects is available.</p> <p>Feeding the five thousand and Last Supper big books available. Also Last Supper Lego set</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>How and why does God want us to be good?</p> <p>Moral behavior, sin and forgiveness</p> <p>What happens in Lent?</p>	<p>Chapter 19</p> <p>Chapter 20</p>	<p>Many story books explore sin and forgiveness - <i>The Hurt</i> and several on the Lost Sheep. See Cathy for some examples.</p> <p>The story of Jonah can work here - begin with puzzle</p> <p>Also Good Shepherd and Prodigal Son big books</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>Connect the season of Lent to the story of Jesus and his ministry, death and resurrection</p>	<p>Use the stories from the Read and Learn Bible</p>	<p>Felt Board stories available.</p> <p>See Cathy for Stations of the Cross posters to preview/talk about the Stations</p>

<p>April</p> <p>3 sessions</p>	<p><i>No class on April 8 - Holy Week</i></p> <p><i>Child safety on April 22</i></p> <p>Celebration of Easter</p> <p>Connect Easter to baptism</p>	<p>Chapter 27</p> <p>Use the stories from the Read and Learn Bible</p>	
<p>May</p> <p>1 session</p>	<p><i>Rosary and May Crowning; awards and closing party on May 6</i></p>		