## Month by month Curriculum Goals Grade: Fourth

Month	Topics and Content	Resources	Comments
September 2 sessions	Session One -Video welcome and prayer service; digital citizenship and classroom organization  Session Two: Ice breakers and getting to know you		
October 4 sessions	Who is Jesus/learning what Jesus taught / why we would want to go to heaven  Creation and sin in the world; Original sin; free will and choices	Sadlier chapters 1 & 2 can be a resource  Genesis 1,2 & 3; Sadlier chapter 3	Need to explore sign and symbol; truth and fact.  Don't teach Genesis as if it is science.  I can help with resources about Genesis. The small articles in the Breakthrough Bible also help.
	Continue in Genesis.  Who was Abraham and why did he choose to believe in and follow God?; God's promises and covenant Israelites in Egypt; Moses; Exodus; giving of the Commandments	Gen 12 & 15  Exodus 1, 3, 6, 14, 15, 20	Connect the creation story to care for creation and lead in to the Feast of St. Francis  The idea is that God wants to save us and bring us to heaven  Resources can include Prince of Egypt; other DVDs; Cathy has other resources for plagues and Passover

November	Covenant at Mt. Sinai; intro to Ten Commandments	Exodus 20; Sadlier chapter 8			
3 sessions	Ten Commandments  No class the week of Thanksgiving	Sadlier has chapters for each commandment; pick and choose with other activities.	At some point you'll want to connect the Ten Commandments to the 'Law of Love' - either to organize at the beginning of the unit, or to summarize at the end.		
December 2 sessions	Continue Ten Commandments  Advent / Christmas lesson.		Try to begin to test on the Ten Commandments before Christmas;		
2 Sessions	Need to cover Advent and Christmas;	Sadlier chapters 13,14	Using "Mary on the snake" is a good way to talk about the Immaculate Conception, review Original Sin and sign/symbol. See Cathy for poster.		
The second semester map assumes that we'll be back on site. It will need to be adapted if we are still doing remote teaching.					
January	Tie up any loose ends re the Commandments				
4 sessions	Review holiness and the secret of life - connect to living the virtues.	Sadlier Chapters 24 & 25 Sadlier Chapter 26	You'll need at least two sessions for the virtues; saints stories and identifying the virtues as they practiced them are good here.		
	Begin the Beatitudes	Matthew 5;  Use the Beatitude and  "Me Attitude" posters!			

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February	Do prep for Lent on February 10.	
4 sessions	Feb 17 is Ash Wednesday. We'll go to the 7 PM mass if that is possible. If not, we'll arrange for a service with the distribution of ashes for the students  Feb 24 - Stations of the Cross for ½ the classes	Saints stories also work here - to identify the Beatitudes in a real person's life. Look at
	Continue with the Beatitudes	the book 57 Saints but there are others.
March	March 3 - Stations of the Cross for ½ the classes	
3 sessions	Grades three though seven go to confession - ½ session on either Mar 10 or Mar 17.	
	March 24 off due to school break No class on March 31- Holy Week	
	Review how to go to confession	
	Try to test on Beatitudes by school break	
	Lent - connect to practicing the virtues	
April	Child safety on April 21	
4 sessions	Corporal and spiritual works of mercy	
May	Rosary and May Crowning; and closing on May5	
1 session		