



Seeds of Faith

Pilot Resource Pack: 1st Class

Archdiocese of Dublin

April 2024



'Pope Francis reminds us that the first proclamation that must ring out over and over in our religious education is that, "Jesus Christ loves you; he gave his life to save you; and now he is living at your side every day to enlighten, strengthen and free you."'

(Catholic Preschool and Primary Religious Education Curriculum for Ireland, 2015, p. 9, Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium, 164).



Introduction

The *Catholic Preschool and Primary Religious Education Curriculum for Ireland* (2015) and the *Grow in Love* Religious Education Programme are the foundation documents for the *Seeds of Faith*, Second Class, pilot programme. Parishes will undertake this pilot programme in five areas of the Dublin Diocese beginning in September /October 2024 and will complete it in June 2025. The children who participate in this programme are children of families who seek religious education for their Catholic children who attend schools other than Catholic Schools.

Children who will participate in this pilot programme will receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Communion for the first time in 2026.

The appointed religious educator will teach *Seeds of Faith* on a weekly basis from the *Grow in Love* Teacher Manual on a pilot base. *Seeds of Faith* will be accessible in booklet form for the religious educators' use.

Parish Provision of Resources

- To provide a First Class *Grow in Love* Teacher Manual which includes a CD, a set of posters and an access code to the online resources for each teacher.
- To provide a *Grow in Love*, First Class Children's textbook for each child partaking in *Seeds of Faith*.
- To provide a *Seeds of Faith* booklet for each religious educator. *Seeds of Faith*, First Class booklet will be printed in two shades of orange similar to the *Grow in Love* colour code.
- To provide material for the prayer space, including a copy of The Catholic Children's Bible, St Mary's Press, as outlined in each theme of *Grow in Love*

Initial Note

The Children's *Grow in Love* textbook includes thirty-five lessons which follows the liturgical year and accompanied by individual lesson plans, accessible in the *Grow in Love* Teacher Manual. The Primary Diocesan Advisors in the Education Secretariat will take added responsibility with their existing role, for overseeing *Seeds of Faith* and for training religious educators initially for this role. They will also provide ongoing Continuous Professional Development and advise them in their work. The Education Secretariat will collaborate with the Diocesan policy on 'Accompanying Families' in the parish.

Seeds of Faith provides thirty-five lessons based on the *Grow in Love* programme. The parish will provide for twenty-eight of these weeks.

Seeds of Faith offers parents/guardians an opportunity to take their role as the primary educators of their children.



It proposes that the parents/ guardians in collaboration with the parish will engage with their children in seven lessons throughout the year in addition to the twenty-eight lessons taught at parish level. These seven lessons will take place at a face-to-face meeting, a Zoom meeting, or during an agreed time during the liturgical year. Such meetings will provide an additional opportunity for parental support using digital/online resources to pray with families and enhance faith practice.

Continuous Professional Development to Religious Educators

The Primary Diocesan Advisors will provide regular CPD and accompaniment to the religious educators, parents/guardians and other partners if requested, on the *Catholic Preschool and Primary Religious Education Curriculum for Ireland (2015)*, the *Grow in Love* Religious Education Programme and *Seeds of Faith*.

Assessment and Evaluation

Regular assessment and evaluation, in consultation with trained Diocesan Advisors for Religious Education will take place, to ensure relevance and accountability to parents/guardians and Church authorities. Such assessment will ensure that Religious Education meets the criteria outlined in the *Catholic Preschool and Primary Religious Education Curriculum for Ireland (2015)*.

Layout

Seeds of Faith resource provides:

- The weekly outline of the lessons which correspond to the lessons in the *Grow in Love* Children's textbook for First Class.
- The weekly Scripture texts (from *The Catholic Children's Bible*, St. Mary's Press, 1993) for thirty-five weeks.
- The additional relevant stories from the *Grow in Love* programme which are required for the thirty-five weeks.
- The Formal Prayers and the Prayers for the Mass.



The suggested structure of each week is as follows.

- Gather and Come: Greet one another, settle and focus on the prayer space.
- Recap and Share: After week one, this will be based on the previous 'AT HOME' section in the *Grow in Love* Children's textbook.
- Prayer: Begin with prayer.
- Scripture: Read and reflect on the assigned scripture, preferably from the Bible.
- IN CLASS: This is from the children's *Grow in Love* textbook.
- AT HOME: This also comes from the children's *Grow in Love* textbook. This 'AT HOME' page is the task of the parents/guardians to accompany their child in faith.
- Gather and Go: This provides the opportunity to remind the children of what the religious educator taught in class and the 'AT HOME' page. Each lesson will conclude with prayer and carefully tidy away the prayer space.

Week 1:

We Belong Together



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

N/A - First Lesson

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer

Scripture

Isaiah 49:15, God is always with Us

So the Lord answers, "Can a woman forget her own baby and not love the child she bore? Even if a mother should forget her child I will never forget you."

IN CLASS

Page 2 - God said...

AT HOME

Page 3 - God is with us!

Gather & Go

Week 2:

We belong to the Church



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

God is with us!

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer

Scripture

Matthew 3: 13-17, The Baptism of Jesus

At that time Jesus arrived from Galilee and came to John at the Jordan to be baptised by him. But John tried to make him change his mind, "I ought to be baptised by you," John said, "and yet you have come to me!" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so for now. For in this way we shall do all that God requires." So John agreed. As soon as Jesus was baptised, he came up out of the water. Then heaven was opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God coming down like a dove and lighting on him. Then a voice said from heaven, "This is my own dear Son, with whom I am pleased."

IN CLASS

Page 4 - What happens at Baptism?

AT HOME

Page 5 - My Baptism

Gather & Go

Week 3:

God loves us



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

My Baptism

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer

Scripture

Jeremiah 31:3, God Loves Us

I appeared to them from far away. People of Israel, I have always loved you, so I continue to show you my constant love.

IN CLASS

Page 6 - God wants us to love others

AT HOME

Page 7 - Jeremiah told us about God

Gather & Go

Week 4:

Jesus



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Jeremiah told us about God

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father

Scripture

Luke 11:1-4, Jesus' Teaching on Prayer

One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples." Jesus said to them, "When you pray, say this: 'Father: May your holy name be honoured; may your Kingdom come. Give us day by day the food we need. Forgive us our sins, for we forgive everyone who does us wrong. And do not bring us to hard testing.'"

IN CLASS

Page 8 - We learn about Jesus from the Bible

AT HOME

Page 9 - My favourite story about Jesus

Gather & Go

Week 5:

Jesus had many friends



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

My favourite story about Jesus

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father

Scripture

Luke 5:1-11, Jesus Calls the First Disciples,

One day Jesus was standing on the shore of Lake Gennersaret while the people pushed their way up to him to listen to the word of God. He saw two boats pulled up on the beach; the fishermen had left them and were washing the nets. Jesus got into one of the boats-it belonged to Simon- and asked him to push off a little from the shore. Jesus sat in the boat and taught the crowd. When he finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Push the boat out further to the deep water, and you and your partners let down your nets for a catch." "Master," Simon answered, "we worked hard all night long and caught nothing. But if you say so, I will let down the nets." They let them down and caught such a large number of fish that the nets were about to break. So they motioned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. They came and filled both boats so full of fish that the boats were about to sink. When Simon Peter saw what had happened, he fell on his knees before Jesus and said, "Go away from me, Lord! I am a sinful man!" He and the others with him were all amazed at the large number of fish they had caught. The same was true of Simon's partners, James and John, the sons of Zebedee. Jesus said to Simon, "Don't be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." They pulled the boats up on the beach, left everything, and followed Jesus.

IN CLASS

Page 10 - Jesus had many friends

AT HOME

Page 11 - Jesus and his friends

Gather & Go

Week 6:

Jesus healed people



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

The Poem: Jesus and his friends

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father

Scripture

Matthew 9:1-8, Jesus Heals a Paralysed Man

Jesus got into the boat and went back across the lake to his own town, where some people brought to him a paralysed man, lying on a bed. When Jesus saw how much faith they had, he said to the paralysed man, "Courage, my son! Your sins are forgiven." Then some teachers of the Law said to themselves, "This man is speaking blasphemy!" Jesus perceived what they were thinking, and so he said, "Why are you thinking such evil things? Is it easier to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up and walk'? I will prove to you, then, that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins." So he said to the paralysed man, "Get up, pick up your bed, and go home!" The man got up and went home. When the people saw it, they were afraid, and praised God for giving such authority to people.

IN CLASS

Page 12 - Who said what?

AT HOME

Page 13 - Jesus healed a man who couldn't walk

Gather & Go

Week 7:

Jesus taught his friends how to live



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Jesus healed a man who couldn't walk

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father

Scripture

Luke 21:1-4, The Widow's Offering

Jesus looked around and saw rich people dropping their gifts in the Temple treasury, and he also saw a very poor widow dropping in two little copper coins. He said, "I tell you that this poor widow put in more than all the others. For the others offered their gifts from what they had to spare of their riches; but she, poor as she is, gave all she had to live on."

IN CLASS

Page 14 - The woman who gave all

AT HOME

Page 15 - We can share

Gather & Go

Week 8:

At Mass, Jesus' friends gather together



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

We can share

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
 - Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
 - Morning Prayer
 - Night Prayer
 - Our Father
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
- Priest:** The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit

Scripture

Mark 2:13-17, Jesus Calls Levi

Jesus went back again to the shore of Lake Galilee. A crowd came to him, and he started teaching them. As he walked along, he saw a tax collector, Levi son Alphaeus, sitting in his office. Jesus said to him, "Follow me." Levi got up and followed him, Later on Jesus was having a meal in Levi's house. A large number of tax collectors and other outcasts was following Jesus, and many of them joined him and his disciples at the table. Some teachers of the Law, who were Pharisees, saw that Jesus was eating with these outcasts and tax collectors, so they asked his disciples, "Why does he eat with such peoples?" Jesus heard them and answered, "People who are well do not need a doctor, but only those who are sick. I have not come to call respectable people, but outcasts."

IN CLASS

Page 16 - Lots of people help at Mass

AT HOME

Page 17 - At Mass, we pray together

Gather & Go

Week 9: Celebrating the Saints



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

At Mass, we pray together

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

Scripture

Matthew 5:13-16, Salt and Light

“You are like salt for the whole human race. But if salt loses its saltiness, there is no way to make it salty again. It has become worthless, so it is thrown out and people trample on it. “You are like light for the whole world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and puts it under a bowl; instead it is put on the lampstand, where it gives light for everyone in the house. In the same way your light must shine before people, so that they will see the good things you do and praise your Father in heaven.”

IN CLASS

Page 56 - Pray for Us

AT HOME

Page 57 - St Thérèse of Lisieux

Gather & Go

Week 10:

Waiting for the Light



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

St Thérèse of Lisieux

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____, pray for us

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

Scripture

Luke 2:25-38, The Presentation

At that time there was a man named Simeon living in Jerusalem. He was a good, God-fearing man and was waiting for Israel to be saved. The Holy Spirit was with him and had assured him that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's promised Messiah. Led by the Spirit, Simeon went into the Temple. When the parents brought the child Jesus into the Temple to do for him what the Law required, Simeon took the child in his arms and gave thanks to God:

“Now, Lord, you have kept your promise, and you may let your servant go in peace. With my own eyes I have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples: A light to reveal your will to the Gentiles and bring glory to your people Israel.”

Week 10:

Waiting for the Light



Scripture

The child's father and mother were amazed at the things Simeon said about him. Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother, "This child is chosen by God for the destruction and the salvation of many in Israel. He will be a sign from God which many people will speak against and so reveal their secret thoughts. And sorrow, like a sharp sword, will break your own heart". There was a very old prophet, a widow named Anna, daughter of Phanuel of the tribe of Asher. She had been married for only seven years and was now eighty-four years old. She never left the Temple; day and night she worshipped God, fasting and praying. That very same hour she arrived and gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were waiting for God to set Jerusalem free. When Joseph and Mary had finished doing all that was required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to their hometown of Nazareth in Galilee. The child grew and became strong; he was full of wisdom, and God's blessings were upon him.

IN CLASS

Page 18 - Anna and Simeon

AT HOME

Page 19 - I am waiting

Gather & Go

Week 11:

Jesus is the Light



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

I am waiting

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

Scripture

Luke 1:39-45, The Visitation

Soon afterwards Mary got ready and hurried off to a town in the hill country of Judea. She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby moved within her. Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and said in a loud voice, "You are the most blessed of all women, and blessed is the child you will bear! Why should this great thing happen to me, that my Lord's mother comes to visit me? For as soon as I heard your greeting, the baby within me jumped with gladness. How happy you are to believe that the Lord's message to you will come true!"

IN CLASS

Page 20 - Mary and Elizabeth

AT HOME

Page 21 - The Visitation

Gather & Go

Week 12:

Inter- Religious Education Lesson



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

The Visitation

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

Scripture

Exodus 20:1-6, The First Commandment

God spoke, and these were his words: "I am the Lord your God who brought you out of Egypt, where you were slaves. Worship no god but me. Do not make for yourselves images of anything in heaven or on earth or in the water under the earth. Do not bow down to any idol or worship it, because I am the Lord your God and I tolerate no rivals. I bring punishment on those who hate me and on their descendants down to the third and fourth generation. But I show my love to thousands of generations of those who love me and obey my laws."

IN CLASS

Page 62 - Who owns what?

AT HOME

Page 63 - We can pray to God

Gather & Go

Week 13:

The waiting is over



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

We can pray to God

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

Scripture

Luke 2:1-20, The Birth of Jesus/ The Shepherds and the Angels,

At that time Emperor Augustus ordered a census to be taken throughout the Roman Empire. When this first census took place, Quirinius was the governor of Syria. Everyone then, went to register himself, each to his own hometown. Joseph went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to the town of Bethlehem in Judea, the birthplace of King David. Joseph went there because he was a descendant of David. He went to register with Mary, who was promised in marriage to him. She was pregnant, and while they were in Bethlehem, the time came for her to have her baby. She gave birth to her first son, wrapped him in cloths and laid him in a manger-there was no room for them to stay in the inn. There were some shepherds in that part of the country who were spending the night in the fields, taking care of their flocks.

Week 13:

The waiting is over



Scripture

An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone over them. They were terribly afraid, but the angel said to them, “Don’t be afraid! I am here with good news for you, which will bring great joy to all the people. This very day in David’s town your Saviour was born - Christ the Lord! And this is what will prove it to you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.” Suddenly a great army of heaven’s angels appeared with the angel, singing praises to God:

“Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace on earth to those with whom he is pleased!” When the angels went away from them back into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us.” So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph and saw the baby lying in the manger. When the shepherds saw him, they told them what the angel had said about the child. All who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said. Mary remembered all these things and thought deeply about them. The shepherds went back, singing praises to God for all they had heard and seen; it had been just as the angel had told them.

IN CLASS

Page 22 - The Stable in Bethlehem

AT HOME

Page 23 - Who told who?

Gather & Go

Week 14:

The Epiphany



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Who told who?

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

Scripture

Matthew 2:1-12, Visitors from the East, (The Epiphany)

Jesus was born in the town of Bethlehem in Judea, during the time when Herod was king. Soon afterward, some of the men who studied the stars came from the East to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the baby born to be the king of the Jews? We saw his star when it came up in the East, and we have come to worship him." When King Herod heard about this, he was very upset, and so was everyone else in Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the teachers of the Law and asked them, "Where will the Messiah be born?" "In the town of Bethlehem in Judea," they answered. "For this is what the prophet wrote: 'Bethlehem in the land of Judah, you are by no means the least of the leading cities of Judah; for from you will come a leader who will guide my people Israel.'

Week 14:

The Epiphany



Scripture

So Herod called the visitors from the East to a secret meeting and found out from them the exact time the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem with these instructions: “Go and make a careful search for the child; and when you find him, let me know, so that I too may go and worship him.” And so they left, and on their way they saw the same star they had seen in the East. When they saw it, how happy they were, what joy was theirs! It went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was. They went into the house, and when they saw the child with his mother Mary, they knelt down and worshipped him. They brought out their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, and presented them to him. Then they returned to their country by another road, since God had warned them in a dream not to go back to Herod.

IN CLASS

Talk about the crib

AT HOME

Visit the parish crib

Gather & Go

Week 15:

All who heard him were amazed



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Visit to the parish crib

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

Scripture

Luke 2:41-50, The Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple

Every year the parents of Jesus went to Jerusalem for the Passover Festival. When Jesus was twelve years old, they went to the festival as usual. When the festival was over, they started back home, but the boy Jesus stayed in Jerusalem. His parents did not know this; they thought that he was with the group, so they travelled a whole day and then started looking for him among their relatives and friends. They did not find him, so they went back to Jerusalem looking for him. On the third day they found him in the Temple, sitting with the Jewish teachers, listening to them and asking questions. All who heard him were amazed at his intelligent answers. His parents were astonished when they saw him, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been terribly worried trying to find you". He answered them, "Why did you have to look for me? Didn't you know that I had to be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand his answer.

IN CLASS

Page 24 - A story from the Gospel of Luke

AT HOME

Page 25 - Jesus respected his parents. I can show respect by...

Gather & Go

Week 16:

We listen to the Gospel at Mass



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Jesus respected his parents. I can show respect by...

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary

- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

- Before the Gospel:

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...

People: Glory to you, O Lord

- After the Gospel:

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Scripture

John 10:1-16, Jesus the Good Shepherd

Jesus said, "I am telling you the truth: the man who does not enter the sheep pen by the gate, but climbs in some other way, is a thief and a robber. The man who goes in through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him; the sheep hear his voice as he calls his own sheep by name, and he leads them out. When he has brought them out, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they know his voice. They will not follow someone else; instead, they will run away from such a person, because they do not know his voice." Jesus told them this parable, but they did not understand what he meant.

Week 16:

We listen to the Gospel at Mass



Scripture

So Jesus said again, “I am telling you the truth: I am the gate for the sheep. All others who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Those who come in by me will be saved; they will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only in order to steal, kill, and destroy. I have come in order that you might have life-life in all its fullness. “I am the good shepherd, who is willing to die for the sheep. When the hired man, who is not a shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees a wolf coming, he leaves the sheep and runs away; so the wolf snatches the sheep and scatters them. The hired man runs away because he is only a hired man and does not care about the sheep. I am the good shepherd. As the Father knows me and I know the Father, in the same way I know my sheep and they know me. And I am willing to die for them. There are other sheep which belong to me that are not in this sheep pen. I must bring them, too; they will listen to my voice, and they will become one flock with one shepherd”.

IN CLASS

Page 26 - We welcome the Gospel

AT HOME

Page 27 - At Mass we listen to stories from the Gospel

Gather & Go

Week 17:

St Brigid



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

At Mass, we listen to stories from the Gospel

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____, pray for us
- Hail Mary

- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

- Before the Gospel:

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...

People: Glory to you, O Lord

- After the Gospel:

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Scripture

Luke 10: 38-42, Jesus Visits Martha and Mary,

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha welcomed him in her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat down at the feet of the Lord and listened to his teaching. Martha was upset over all the work she had to do, so she came and said, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her to come and help me!" The Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha! You are worried and troubled over so many things, but just one is needed. Mary has chosen the right thing, and it will not be taken away from her."

Week 17:

St Brigid



St Brigid

Long, long ago, there lived a woman called Brigid. Brigid was born in Ireland, in a place called Co. Louth. She was a very good and kind person. She wanted to share love with everyone that she met, but especially with people who were poor. One day Brigid set out on a long journey. After a little while she stopped to rest by the side of the road. A rich woman was going by and she saw Brigid. This woman had heard about Brigid and she wanted to give her something. She asked her servants to run to her orchard and to fill a basket of delicious apples for Brigid. 'Oh, thank you!' said Brigid. 'You are so kind. These apples will certainly keep me from being hungry on my journey.' The woman hadn't even left when a group of people who were very poor came by. They saw Brigid's basket of apples. 'Please give us an apple,' one of them said. 'We have not eaten for days and days, and we are so hungry.' Brigid felt very sorry for the people. They looked very tired and very hungry. 'Here,' she said giving them the basket. 'Take all of them. You need these much more than I do. You should have the apples.' The rich woman who had given Brigid the apples heard what Brigid said. 'Hey!' she shouted. 'I brought those apples for you, not for them!' Brigid looked at the woman, smiled, and said, 'What is mine is theirs.' Brigid explained to the woman that she was doing what God wanted her to do. God wants us to be good and kind and generous to everyone, especially those who are in need. The people were very grateful to Brigid. They realised right away that she must be a very special person indeed.

IN CLASS

Story of St Brigid

AT HOME

Put up a St Brigid's Cross

Gather & Go

Week 18:

Lent (Ash Wednesday)



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Chat about putting up a St Brigid's Cross

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____, pray for us
- Hail Mary

- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

- Before the Gospel:

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...

People: Glory to you, O Lord

- After the Gospel:

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Scripture

Hosea 14:4-8, The Lord Promises New Life for Israel

The Lord says, "I will bring my people back to me. I will love them with all my heart; no longer am I angry with them. I will be to the people of Israel like rain in a dry land. They will blossom like flowers; they will be firmly rooted like the trees of Lebanon. They will be alive with new growth, and beautiful like olive trees. They will be fragrant like the cedars of Lebanon. Once again they will live under protection. They will grow crops of grain and be fruitful like a vineyard. They will be as famous as the wine of Lebanon. The people of Israel will have nothing more to do with idols; I will answer their prayers and take care of them. Like an evergreen tree I will shelter them; I am the source of all their blessings."

IN CLASS

Page 58 - During Lent, we turn towards God

AT HOME

Page 59 - During Lent I can...

Gather & Go

Week 19:

We can lose our way



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

During Lent, I can

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____, pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Act of Sorrow

- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings

Priest: The Lord be with you

People: And with your spirit

- Before the Gospel:

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...

People: Glory to you, O Lord

- After the Gospel:

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Scripture

Luke 5:27-32, Jesus calls Levi,

After this, Jesus went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting in his office. Jesus said to him, "Follow me." Levi got up, left everything, and followed him. Then Levi had a big feast in his house for Jesus, and among the guests was a large number of tax collectors and other people. Some Pharisees and some teachers of the Law belonged to their group complained to Jesus' disciples. "Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and other outcasts?" they asked. Jesus answered them, "People who are well do not need a doctor, but only those who are sick. I have not come to call respectable people to repent, but outcasts."

IN CLASS

Page 28 - Good choice or bad choice?

AT HOME

Page 29 - We can say that we are sorry

Gather & Go

Week 20:

The Lost Sheep



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Preparing for Reconciliation

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
 - Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
 - Morning Prayer
 - Night Prayer
 - Our Father
 - Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
 - St _____, pray for us
 - Hail Mary
 - Act of Sorrow
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
Priest: The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
 - Before the Gospel:
Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
 - After the Gospel:
Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Scripture

Psalm 23, The Lord Our Shepherd,

The Lord is my shepherd;
I have everything I need.
He lets me rest in fields of green grass
And leads me to quiet pools of fresh water.
He gives me new strength.
He guides me in the right paths,
As he has promised.

Week 20:

The Lost Sheep



Scripture

Even if I go through the deepest darkness,
I will not be afraid, Lord,
For you are with me.
Your shepherd's rod and staff protect me.
You prepare a banquet for me,
Where all my enemies can see me;
You welcome me as an honoured guest
And fill my cup to the brim.
I know that your goodness and love will be with me all my life;
And your house will be my home as long as I live.

IN CLASS

Page 30 - The Good Shepherd

AT HOME

Page 31 - You search and find us, O God

Gather & Go

Week 21:

We celebrate God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

You search and find us, O God

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
 - Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
 - Morning Prayer
 - Night Prayer
 - Our Father
 - Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
 - St _____, pray for us
 - Hail Mary
 - Act of Sorrow
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
Priest: The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
 - Before the Gospel:
Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
 - After the Gospel:
Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Scripture

Mt 18:10-14, The Parable of the Lost Sheep

“See that you don’t despise any of these little ones. Their angels in heaven, I tell you, are always in the presence of my Father in heaven. “What do you think a man does who has one hundred sheep and one of them gets lost? He will leave the other ninety-nine grazing on the hillside and go and look for the lost sheep. When he finds it, I tell you, he feels far happier over this one sheep than over the ninety-nine that did not get lost. In just the same way your Father in heaven does not want any of these little ones to be lost.”

IN CLASS

Page 32 - The Sacrament of Reconciliation

AT HOME

Page 33 - “I’m Sorry”

Gather & Go

Week 22:

St Patrick (17 March)



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

"I'm Sorry"

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
 - Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
 - Morning/Night Prayer
 - Our Father
 - Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
 - St _____, pray for us
 - Hail Mary
 - Act of Sorrow
 - Glory be to the Father
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
Priest: The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
 - Before the Gospel:
Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
 - After the Gospel:
Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Scripture

Luke 4:16-20, Jesus is Rejected at Nazareth

Then Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath he went as usual to the synagogue. He stood up to read the Scripture and was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it is written, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has chosen me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free the oppressed and announce that the time has come when the Lord will save his people." Jesus rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down.

IN CLASS

Page 60 - St. Patrick told the people of Ireland about Jesus

AT HOME

Page 61 - St. Patrick's Fire

Gather & Go

Week 23:

We offer gifts



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

St. Patrick's Fire

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
 - Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
 - Morning/Night Prayer
 - Our Father
 - Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
 - St _____ , pray for us
 - Hail Mary
 - Act of Sorrow
 - Glory be to the Father
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
Priest: The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
 - Before the Gospel:
Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
 - After the Gospel:
Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Scripture

Mt 26: 3-13, Jesus is Anointed at Bethany

Jesus was in Bethany at the house of Simon, a man who had suffered from a dreaded skin disease. While Jesus was eating, a woman came to him with an alabaster jar filled with an expensive perfume, which she poured on his head. The disciples saw this and became angry. "Why all this waste?" they asked. "This perfume could have been sold for a large amount and the money given to the poor!" Jesus knew what they were saying, and so he said to them, "Why are you bothering this woman? It is a fine and beautiful thing that she has done for me. You will always have poor people with you, but you will not always have me. What she did was to pour this perfume on my body to get me ready for burial. Now, I assure you that wherever this gospel is preached all over the world, what she has done will be told in memory of her."

IN CLASS

Page 34 - At Mass, we bring gifts to the altar

AT HOME

Page 35 - What gift can you offer to God?

Gather & Go

Week 24:

“Do this in memory of me”



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

St. Patrick's Fire

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
 - Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
 - Morning/Night Prayer
 - Our Father
 - Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
 - St _____ , pray for us
 - Hail Mary
 - Act of Sorrow
 - Glory be to the Father
 - Prayer before Communion
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
Priest: The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
 - Before the Gospel:
Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
 - After the Gospel:
Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Scripture

Mt 26:26-30, The Lord's Supper

While they were eating, Jesus took a piece of bread, gave a prayer of thanks, broke it, and gave it to his disciples. "Take and eat it," he said; "this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks to God, and gave it to them. "Drink it, all of you," he said; this is my blood, which seals God's covenant, my blood poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink this wine until the day I drink the new wine with you in my Father's Kingdom." Then he sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives.

IN CLASS

Page 36 - We remember the words of Jesus at Mass

AT HOME

Page 37 - Prayer before Communion

Gather & Go

Week 25:

We are nourished by receiving Holy Communion



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Prayer before Communion

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Act of Sorrow
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayer before Communion
- Prayer after Communion
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
Priest: The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
- Before the Gospel:
Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
- After the Gospel:
Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Week 25:

We are nourished by receiving Holy Communion



Scripture

Mk 6:30-44, Jesus Feeds Five Thousand

The apostles returned and met with Jesus, and told him all they had done and taught. There were so many people coming and going that Jesus and his disciples didn't even have time to eat. So he said to them, "Let us go off by ourselves to some place where we will be alone and you can rest a while." So they started out in a boat by themselves to a lonely place. Many people, however, saw them leave and knew at once who they were; so they went from all the towns and ran ahead by land and arrived at the place ahead of Jesus and his disciples. When Jesus got out of the boat, he saw this large crowd, and his heart was filled with pity for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd. So he began to teach them many things. When it was getting late, his disciples came to him and said, "It is already very late, and this is a lonely place. Send the people away and let them go to the nearby farms and villages in order to buy themselves something to eat." "You yourselves give them something to eat," Jesus answered. They asked "Do you want us to go and spend two hundred silver coins on bread in order to feed them?" So Jesus asked them, "How much bread do you have? Go and see." When they found out, they told him, "Five loaves and also two fish." Jesus then told his disciples to make all the people divide into groups and sit down on the green grass. So the people sat down in rows, in groups of a hundred and groups of fifty. Then Jesus took the five loaves and the two fish, looked up to heaven, and gave thanks to God. He broke the loaves and gave them to his disciples to distribute to the people. He also divided the two fish among them all. Everyone ate and had enough. Then the disciples took up twelve baskets full of what was left of the bread and fish. The number of men who were fed was five thousand.

IN CLASS

Page 38 - We receive Jesus in Holy Communion

AT HOME

Page 39 - Prayer after Communion

Gather & Go

Week 26:

Jesus in Jerusalem



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Prayer after Communion

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Act of Sorrow
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayer before Communion
- Prayer after Communion
- Sanctus
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
Priest: The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
- Before the Gospel:
Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
- After the Gospel:
Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Week 26:

Jesus in Jerusalem



Scripture

John 12:12-19, The Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem

The next day the large crowd that had come to the Passover Festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Praise God! God bless him who comes in the name of the Lord! God bless the King of Israel!" Jesus found a donkey and rode on it, just as the scripture says, "Do not be afraid, city of Zion! Here comes your king, riding on a young donkey." His disciples did not understand this at the time; but when Jesus had been raised to glory, they remembered that the scripture said this about him and that they had done this for him. The people who had been with Jesus when he called Lazarus out of the grave and raised him from death had reported what had happened. That was why the crowd met him-because they heard that he had performed this miracle. The Pharisees then said to one another, "You see, we are not succeeding at all! Look, the whole world is following him!"

IN CLASS

Page 40 - Jesus comes to Jerusalem

AT HOME

Page 41 - Holy Week crossword puzzle

Gather & Go

Week 27:

Jesus is risen!



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Holy Week crossword puzzle

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Act of Sorrow
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayer before Communion
- Prayer after Communion
- Alleluia
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
Priest: The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
- Before the Gospel:
Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
- After the Gospel:
Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ
- Liturgy of the Eucharist: Preface
Dialogue: Sanctus

Week 27:

Jesus is risen!



Scripture

John 20:1-18, The Empty Tomb/ Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalen

Early on Sunday morning, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been taken away from the entrance. She went running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and told them, “They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!” Then Peter and the other disciple went to the tomb. The two of them were running, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and saw the linen cloths, but he did not go in. Behind him came Simon Peter, and he went straight into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there and the cloth which had been around Jesus’ head. It was not lying with the linen cloths but was rolled up by itself. Then the other disciples, who had reached the tomb first, also went in; he saw and believed. (They still did not understand the scripture which said that he must rise from death). Then the disciples went back home. Mary stood crying outside the tomb. While she was still crying, she bent over and looked in the tomb and saw two angels there dressed in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been, one at the head and the other at the feet. “Woman, why are you crying?” they asked her. She answered, “They have taken my Lord away, and I do not know where they have put him!” Then she turned around and saw Jesus standing there; but she did not know that it was Jesus. “Woman, why are you crying?” Jesus asked her. “Who is it that you are looking for?” She thought he was the gardener, so she said to him, “If you took him away, sir, tell me where you have put him, and I will go and get him.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned toward him and said in Hebrew, “Rabboni!” (This means “Teacher.”) “Do not hold on to me,” Jesus told her, “because I have not yet gone back up to the Father. But go to my brothers and tell them that I am returning to him who is my Father and their Father, my God and their God.” So Mary Magdalene went and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord and related to them what he had told her.

IN CLASS

Page 42 - The Easter story: Who’s who?

AT HOME

Page 43 - Mary Magdalene meets the Risen Jesus

Gather & Go

Week 28:

“I am with you always”



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Mary Magdalene meets the Risen Jesus

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Act of Sorrow
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayer before Communion
- Prayer after Communion
- Alleluia
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
 - Priest:** The Lord be with you
 - People:** And with your spirit
- Before the Gospel:
 - Priest:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
 - People:** Glory to you, O Lord
- After the Gospel:
 - Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord
 - People:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ
- Liturgy of the Eucharist: Preface
 - Dialogue: Sanctus

Week 28:

“I am with you always”



Scripture

Matthew 28:16-20, Jesus Appears to His Disciples

The eleven disciples went to the hill in Galilee where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshipped him, even though some of them doubted. Jesus drew near and said to them, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples: baptise them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teach them to obey everything I have commanded you. And I will be with you always, to the end of the age.

IN CLASS

Page 44 - Jesus' Promise

AT HOME

Page 45 - Jesus died, rose again and then went back to heaven

Gather & Go

Week 29:

“I will send a helper”



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Jesus died, rose again and then went back to heaven

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Act of Sorrow
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayer before Communion
- Prayer after Communion
- Alleluia
- Prayer to the Holy Spirit
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
Priest: The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
- Before the Gospel:
Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
- After the Gospel:
Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ
- Liturgy of the Eucharist: Preface
Dialogue: Sanctus

Week 29:

“I will send a helper”



Scripture

Acts 2: 1-13, The Coming of the Holy Spirit

When the day of Pentecost came, all the believers were gathered together in one place. Suddenly there was a noise from the sky which sounded like a strong wind blowing, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then they saw what looked like tongues of fire which spread out and touched each person there. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to talk in other languages, as the Spirit enabled them to speak. There were Jews living in Jerusalem, religious people who had come from every country in the world. When they heard this noise, a large crowd gathered. They were all excited, because all of them heard the believers talking in their own languages. In amazement and wonder they exclaimed, “These people who are talking like this are Galileans! How is it, then that all of us hear them speaking in our own native languages? We are from Parthia, Media, and Elam; from Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia; from Pontus and Asia, from Phrygia and Pamphylia, from Egypt and the regions of Libya near Cyrene. Some of us are from Rome, both Jews and Gentiles converted to Judaism, and some of us are from Crete and Arabia-yet all of us hear them speaking in our languages about the great things that God has done!” Amazed and confused, they kept asking each other, “What does this mean?” But others made fun of the believers, saying, “These people are drunk!”

IN CLASS

Page 46 - Pentecost

AT HOME

Page 47 - Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Gather & Go

Week 30:

“Go and share the Good News”



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Act of Sorrow
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayer before Communion
- Prayer after Communion
- Alleluia
- Prayer to the Holy Spirit
- Mission Prayer
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
 - Priest:** The Lord be with you
 - People:** And with your spirit
- Before the Gospel:
 - Priest:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
 - People:** Glory to you, O Lord
- After the Gospel:
 - Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord
 - People:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ
- Liturgy of the Eucharist: Preface
 - Dialogue: Sanctus

Week 30:

“Go and share the Good News”



Scripture

Acts 2:43-47, Life among the Believers

Many miracles and wonders were being done through the apostles, and everyone was filled with awe. All the believers continued together in close fellowship and shared their belongings with one another. They would sell their property and possessions, and distribute the money among all, according to what each one needed. Day after day they met as a group in the Temple, and they had their meals together in their homes, eating with glad and humble hearts, praising God, and enjoying the good will of all the people. And every day the Lord added to their group those who were being saved.

IN CLASS

Page 48 - The Holy Spirit helped Jesus' friends

AT HOME

Page 49 - I have a mission!

Gather & Go

Week 31:

The Rosary



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

I have a mission

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
 - Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
 - Morning Prayer
 - Night Prayer
 - Our Father
 - Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
 - St _____ , pray for us
 - Hail Mary
 - Act of Sorrow
 - Glory be to the Father
 - Prayer before Communion
 - Prayer after Communion
 - Alleluia
 - Prayer to the Holy Spirit
 - Mission Prayer
 - Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
- Priest:** The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
- Before the Gospel:
- Priest:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
- After the Gospel:
- Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ
- Liturgy of the Eucharist: Preface
Dialogue: Sanctus

Week 31:

The Rosary



Scripture

Lk 2:22-38, Jesus is Presented in The Temple/Presentation

The time came for Joseph and Mary to perform the ceremony of purification, as the Law of Moses commanded. So they took the child to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord, as it is written in the law of the Lord: “Every first-born male is to be dedicated to the Lord.” They also went to offer a sacrifice of a pair of doves or two young pigeons, as required by the law of the Lord. At that time there was a man named Simeon living in Jerusalem. He was a good, God-fearing man and was waiting for Israel to be saved. The Holy Spirit was with him and had assured him that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s promised Messiah. Led by the Spirit, Simeon went into the Temple. When the parents brought the child Jesus into the Temple to do for him what the Law required, Simeon took the child in his arms and gave thanks to God:

“Now, Lord, you have kept your promise, and you may let your servant go in peace. With my own eyes I have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the present of all peoples: A light to reveal your will to the Gentiles and bring glory to your people Israel.”

The child’s father and mother were amazed at the things Simeon said about him. Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother, “This child is chosen by God for the destruction and the salvation of many in Israel. He will be a sign from God which many people will speak against and so reveal their secret thoughts. And sorrow, like a sharp sword, will break you own heart”. There was a very old prophet, a widow named Anna, daughter of Phanuel of the tribe of Asher. She had been married for only seven years and was now eighty-four years old. She never left the Temple; day and night she worshipped God, fasting and praying. That very same hour she arrived and gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were waiting for God to set Jerusalem free.

IN CLASS

Page 54 - The Rosary

AT HOME

Page 55 - How to pray the Rosary

Gather & Go

Week 32:

God made the World



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

How to pray the Rosary

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
 - Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
 - Morning Prayer
 - Night Prayer
 - Our Father
 - Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
 - St _____ , pray for us
 - Hail Mary
 - Act of Sorrow
 - Glory be to the Father
 - Prayer before Communion
 - Prayer after Communion
 - Alleluia
 - Prayer to the Holy Spirit
 - Mission Prayer
 - Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
- Priest:** The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
- Before the Gospel:
- Priest:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
- After the Gospel:
- Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ
- Liturgy of the Eucharist: Preface
Dialogue: Sanctus

Week 32:

God made the World



Scripture

Genesis 1:25, The Story of Creation

In the beginning, when God created the universe, the earth was formless and desolate. The raging ocean that covered everything was engulfed in total darkness, and the Spirit of God was moving over the water. Then God commanded, 'Let there be light', and light appeared. God was pleased with what he saw. Then he separated the light from the darkness, and he named the light, 'Day and the darkness 'Night'. Evening passed and morning came- that was the first day. Then God commanded, 'Let there be a dome to divide the water and keep it in two separate places', and it was done. So God made a dome, and it separated the water under it from the water above it. He named the dome 'Sky'. Evening passed and morning came- that was the second day. Then God commanded, 'Let the water below the sky come together in one place, so that the land will appear', and it was done. He named the land 'Earth,' and the water which had come together he named 'Sea'. And God was pleased with what he saw. Then he commanded, 'Let the earth produce all kinds of plants, those that bear grain and those that bear fruit', and it was done. So the earth produced all kinds of plants, and God was pleased with what he saw. Evening passed and morning-that was the third day. Then God commanded, 'Let lights appear in the sky to separate day from night and to show the time when days, years, and religious festivals begin; they will shine in the sky to give light to the earth'-and it was done. So God made the two larger lights, the sun to rule over the day and the moon to rule over the night; he also made the stars. He placed the lights in the sky to shine on the earth, to rule over the day and the night, and to separate light from darkness. And God was pleased with what he saw. Evening passed and morning came-that was the fourth day. Then God commanded, 'Let the water be filled with many kinds of living beings, and let the air be filled with birds.' So God created the great sea monsters, all kinds of creatures that live in the water, and all kinds of birds. And God was pleased with what he saw. He blessed them all and told the creatures that live in the water to reproduce and to fill the sea, and he told the birds to increase in number. Evening passed and morning came-that was the fifth day. Then God commanded, 'Let the earth produce all kinds of animal life: domestic and wild, large and small'- and it was done. So God made them all, and he was pleased with what he saw.

IN CLASS

Page 50 - God's Creation

AT HOME

Page 51 - God created the world

Gather & Go

Week 33:

God made us... we are special



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

God created the world

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Act of Sorrow
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayer before Communion
- Prayer after Communion
- Alleluia
- Prayer to the Holy Spirit
- Mission Prayer
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
 - Priest:** The Lord be with you
 - People:** And with your spirit
- Before the Gospel:
 - Priest:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
 - People:** Glory to you, O Lord
- After the Gospel:
 - Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord
 - People:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ
- Liturgy of the Eucharist: Preface
 - Dialogue: Sanctus

Week 33:

God made us... we are special



Scripture

Genesis 1:24-31, The Story of Creation

Then God commanded, 'Let the earth produce all kinds of animal life: domestic and wild, large and small'- and it was done. So God made them all, and he was pleased with what he saw. So God created human beings, making them to be like himself. He created them male and female, blessed them, and said, 'Have many children, so that your descendants will live all over the earth and bring it under their control. I am putting you in charge of the fish, the birds, and all the wild animals. I have provided all kinds of grain and all kinds of fruit for you to eat; but for all the wild animals and for all the birds I have provided grass and leafy plants for food'-and it was done. God looked at everything he had made, and he was very pleased. Evening passed and morning came-that was the sixth day.

IN CLASS

Page 52 - We are all special

AT HOME

Page 53 - We can care for God's creation

Gather & Go

Week 34:

Living in Love



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

We can care for God's creation

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Act of Sorrow
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayer before Communion
- Prayer after Communion
- Alleluia
- Prayer to the Holy Spirit
- Mission Prayer
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
 - Priest:** The Lord be with you
 - People:** And with your spirit
- Before the Gospel:
 - Priest:** A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
 - People:** Glory to you, O Lord
- After the Gospel:
 - Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord
 - People:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ
- Liturgy of the Eucharist: Preface
 - Dialogue: Sanctus

Week 34:

Living in Love



Scripture

John 13:34-35, The New Commandment

And now I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. If you have love for one another, then everyone will know that you are my disciples.

IN CLASS

How can we live like Jesus?

AT HOME

Go and live like Jesus

Gather & Go

Week 35:

Growing in Love



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Go and live like Jesus

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Night Prayer
- Our Father
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Act of Sorrow
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayer before Communion
- Prayer after Communion
- Alleluia
- Prayer to the Holy Spirit
- Mission Prayer
- The Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary
- The Journey prayer
- Prayers at Mass: Introductory Rites - Greetings
Priest: The Lord be with you
People: And with your spirit
- Before the Gospel:
Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to N...
People: Glory to you, O Lord
- After the Gospel:
Priest: The Gospel of the Lord
People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ
- Liturgy of the Eucharist: Preface
Dialogue: Sanctus

Week 35:

Growing in Love



Scripture

Luke 6:31, The Golden Rule

Do for others just what you want them to do for you.

IN CLASS

Learn together "The Journey Prayer"

AT HOME

Chat with family about how you are going to journey with Jesus

Gather & Go



FORMAL PRAYERS

Sign of the Cross: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayer on Opening the Bible: Bless me, O God, so that in opening this Bible I may open my mind and heart to your Word. May it nourish me as it nourished Jesus. Amen.

Prayer on Closing the Bible: Bless me, O God, so that in closing this Bible I may enclose your Word In my heart and in my mind As Jesus enclosed it in his. Amen.

Glory be to the Father: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Morning Prayer: Father in heaven, you love me, You're with me night and day. I want to love you always in all I do and say. I'll try to please you, Father. Bless me through the day. Amen.

Night Prayer: God, our Father, I come to say Thank you for your love today. Thank you for my family, and all the friends you give to me. Guard me in the dark of night, and in the morning send your light. Amen.

Prayers to the Holy Spirit: Holy Spirit, I want to do what is right. Help me. Holy Spirit, I want to live like Jesus. Guide me. Holy Spirit, I want to pray like Jesus. Teach me.

Our Father: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Hail Mary: Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Mysteries of the Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries: 1. The Annunciation 2. The Visitation 3. The Nativity (Birth of Jesus) 4. The Presentation in the Temple 5. The Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple

Prayer for those who have died: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.

Act of Sorrow: O my God, I thank you for loving me. I am sorry for all my sins; for not loving others and not loving you. Help me to live like Jesus and not sin again. Amen.

Prayer for Forgiveness: O my God, help me to remember the times when I didn't live as Jesus asked me to. Help me to be sorry and to try again. Amen.



FORMAL PRAYERS

Mission Prayer:

May all children
In the world
Share love
Share friendship and live
In the peace
Of God's love
Now and forever.
Amen.

Journey Prayer:

Arise with me in the morning, travel with me
through each day,
Welcome me on my arrival.
God, be with me all the way.
Amen.

Prayer to Guardian Angel:

Angel sent by God to guide me,
Be my light and walk beside me,
Be my guardian and protect me;
On the paths of life, direct me.

Prayer before Holy Communion: Lord
Jesus, come to me. Lord Jesus, give me your
love. Lord Jesus, come to me and give me
yourself.

Lord Jesus, friend of children, come to me.
Lord Jesus, you are my Lord and my God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer after Holy Communion: Lord Jesus, I
love and adore you. You're a special friend to
me. Welcome, Lord Jesus, O welcome, thank
you for coming to me.

Thank you, Lord Jesus, O thank you for giving
yourself to me. Make me strong to show your
love Wherever I may be.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay Close
by me forever and love me, I pray. Bless all of
us children in your loving care and bring us to
heaven to live with you there.

I'm ready now, Lord Jesus, to show how much I
care. I'm ready now to give your love At home
and everywhere. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE MASS AVAILABLE AT THE BACK OF THE CHILDREN'S BOOK.

Archdiocese of Dublin

Seeds of Faith

www.dublindiocese.ie