



Seeds of Faith

Pilot Resource Pack: 2nd Class

Archdiocese of Dublin

August 2023



'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 2023 and will complete it in June 2024. 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 2024.

The appointed teacher 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 teachers' use.

Parish Provision of Resources

- To provide a Second 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*, Second Class Children's textbook for each child partaking in *Seeds of Faith*.
- To provide a *Seeds of Faith* booklet for each teacher. *Seeds of Faith*, Second Class booklet will be printed in two shades of green 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 teachers initially for this role. They will also provide ongoing in-service 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.

In-service to Religious Educators

The Primary Diocesan Advisors will provide regular in-service and accompaniment to the teachers, 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 Second 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: Our Class



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

N/A - First Lesson

Prayer

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

Scripture

Matthew 10:1-4 - The Twelve Apostles

Jesus called his twelve disciples together and gave them authority to drive out evil spirits and to heal every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James and his brother John, the sons of Zebedee; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew, the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Patriot, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him.

IN CLASS

Page 2 - I have friends

AT HOME

Page 3 - My Friend

Gather & Go

Week 2:

Jesus chose Followers



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

My Friends

Prayer

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

Scripture

Matthew 10:14-20 - Jesus calls four Fishermen

After John had been put in prison, Jesus went to Galilee and preached the Good News from God. “The right time has come,” he said, “and the Kingdom of God is near! Turn away from your sins and believe the Good News!” As Jesus walked along the shore of Lake Galilee, he saw two fishermen, Simon and his brother Andrew, catching fish with a net. Jesus said to them, “Come with me, and I will teach you to catch people.” At once they left their nets and went with him. He went a little farther on and saw two other brothers, James and John, the sons of Zebedee. They were in their boat getting their nets ready. As soon as Jesus saw them, he called them; they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and went with Jesus.

IN CLASS

Page 4 - The twelve apostles, Fishermen

AT HOME

Page 5 - Follow me

Gather & Go

Week 3:

We are Jesus' Followers



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Follow me

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass:
Liturgy of the Word:
Prayer of the Faithful:
Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.

Scripture

Matthew 10:14-20 - Jesus chooses the 12 apostles

At that time Jesus went up a hill to pray and spent the whole night there praying to God. When the day came, he called his disciples to him and chose twelve of them, whom he named apostles: Simon (whom he named Peter) and his brother Andrew; James and John, Philip and Bartholomew, Matthew and Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon (who was called the Patriot), Judas son of James, and Judas Iscariot, who became the traitor.

IN CLASS

Page 6 - Followers of Jesus

AT HOME

Page 7 - We become followers of Jesus

Gather & Go

Week 4:

Jesus: healer, helper, friend



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

We become followers of Jesus

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass:
 - Liturgy of the Word:
 - Prayer of the Faithful:
Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father

Scripture

Luke 14: 1-6 - Jesus heals the sick man

One Sabbath Jesus went to eat a meal at the home of one of the leading Pharisees; and people were watching Jesus closely. A man whose legs and arms were swollen came to Jesus, and Jesus spoke up and asked the teachers of the Law and the Pharisees, "Does our Law allow healing on the Sabbath or not." But they would not say a thing. Jesus took the man, healed him, and sent him away. Then he said to them, "If any one of you had a child or an ox that happened to fall in a well on a Sabbath, would you not pull it out at once on the Sabbath itself?" But they were not able to answer him about this.

IN CLASS

Page 8 - How much do you know about Jesus?

AT HOME

Page 9 - Where in the world?

Gather & Go

Week 5:

Jesus heals Simon Peter's mother-in-law



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Where in the world?

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass:
 - Liturgy of the Word:
 - Prayer of the Faithful:
Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father

Scripture

Matthew 1: 29-34 - Jesus heals many people

Jesus and his disciples, including James and John, left the synagogue and went straight to the home of Simon and Andrew. Simon's mother-in-law was sick in bed with a fever, and as soon as Jesus arrived, he was told about her. He went to her, took her by the hand, and helped her up. The fever left her, and she began to wait on them. After the sun had set and evening had come, people brought to Jesus all the sick and those who had demons. All the people of the town gathered in front of the house. Jesus healed many who were sick with all kinds of diseases and drove out many demons. He would not let the demons say anything, because they knew who he was.

IN CLASS

Page 10 - Jesus heals Peter's mother-in-law

AT HOME

Page 11 - She's well again

Gather & Go

Week 6:

Jesus heals Jairus' Daughter



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

She's well again

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass:
- Liturgy of the Word:
- Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father

Scripture

Matthew 5: 35-43 - Jairus's Daughter

While Jesus was saying this, some messengers came from Jairus' house and told him, "Your daughter has died. Why bother the Teacher any longer?" Jesus paid no attention to what they said, but told him, "Don't be afraid, only believe." Then he did not let anyone else go on with him except Peter and James and his brother John. They arrived at Jairus' house, where Jesus saw the confusion and heard all the loud crying and wailing. He went in and said to them, "Why all this confusion? Why are you crying? The child is not dead-she is only sleeping!" They started making fun of him, so he put them all out, took the child's father and mother and his three disciples, and went into the room where the child was lying. He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha, koum," which means "Little girl, I tell you to get up!" She got up at once and started walking around. (She was twelve years old.) When this happened, they were completely amazed. But Jesus gave them strict orders not to tell anyone, and he said, "Give her something to eat."

IN CLASS

Page 12 - Jesus tells Jairus...

AT HOME

Page 13 - Jesus heals Jairus' Daughter

Gather & Go

Week 7:

Jesus gives his followers the law of love



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Jesus heals Jairus' Daughter

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass:
Liturgy of the Word:
Prayer of the Faithful:
Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father

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.

IN CLASS

Page 14 - The Law of Love

AT HOME

Page 15 - Jesus told us to love one another

Gather & Go

Week 8:

At Mass Jesus' followers gather together (The Law of Love)



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Jesus told us to love one another

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass:
Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayers from the Mass:
Introductory Rites:
Penitential Act
A/Penitential Act B.

Scripture

Luke 18: 9-14 - The Parable of the Pharisee and Tax Collector

Jesus also told his parable to people who were sure of their own goodness and despised everybody else. "Once there were two men who went up to the Temple to pray: one was a Pharisee, the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood apart by himself and prayed, 'I thank you, God, that I am not greedy, dishonest, like everybody else. I thank you that I am not like that tax collector over there. I fast two days a week, and I give you one tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector stood at a distance and would not even raise his face to heaven, but beat on his breast and said, 'God, have pity on me, a sinner!' I tell you," said Jesus, "the tax collector, and not the Pharisee, was in the right with God when he went home. For those who make themselves great will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be made great."

IN CLASS

Page 16 - What happens 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
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayers from the Mass: Introductory Rites: Penitential Act A/Penitential Act B.
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____, pray for us

Scripture

Matthew 25: 35-39 - The Final Judgement

I was hungry, and you fed me, thirsty and you gave me a drink; I was a stranger and you received me in your homes, naked and you clothed me; I was sick and you took care of me, in prison and you visited me.' The righteous will then answer him, 'When, Lord, did we ever see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you a drink? When did we ever see you a stranger and welcome you in our homes, or naked and clothe you? When did we ever see you sick or in prison, and visit you?' The King will reply, 'I tell you, whenever you did this for one of the least important of these followers of mine, you did for me!'

IN CLASS

Page 56 - St Vincent de Paul

AT HOME

Page 57 - All Saints, All Souls

Gather & Go

Week 10:

Prepare the Way of the Lord



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

All Saints, All Souls

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayers from the Mass: Introductory Rites: Penitential Act A/Penitential Act B.
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____, pray for us

Scripture

Luke 3: 3-7 - The preaching of John the Baptist

So John went throughout the whole territory of the Jordan River, preaching, "Turn away from your sins and be baptised, and God will forgive your sins." As it is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah: "Someone is shouting in the desert: 'Get the road ready for the Lord; make straight path for him to travel! Every valley must be filled up, every hill and mountain levelled off. The winding roads must be made straight and the rough paths smooth. The whole human race will see God's salvation!'" Crowds of people came out to John to be baptised by him.

IN CLASS

Page 18 - John the Baptist tells the people to prepare

AT HOME

Page 19 - Prepare, Prepare

Gather & Go

Week 11:

Messenger of God



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Prepare, Prepare

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
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- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
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- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary

Scripture

Luke 2: 8-20 - The Shepherds and the Angels

There were some shepherds in that part of the country who were spending the night in the fields, taking care of their flocks. 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:

Week 11:

Messenger of God



Scripture

“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 20 - Angels delivered God's message

AT HOME

Page 21 - An angel appeared to the shepherds

Gather & Go

Week 12:

The birth of Jesus



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

An angel appeared to the shepherds

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayers from the Mass: Introductory Rites: Penitential Act A/Penitential Act B.
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: After the Reading/Before the Gospel/After the Gospel

Scripture

Matthew 2: 1-9 - The Wise Men and King Herod

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.

Week 12:

The birth of Jesus



Scripture

“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.’ 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.”

IN CLASS

Page 22 - Who said what?

AT HOME

Page 23 - The wise men and King Herod

Gather & Go

Week 13:

The Epiphany



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

The wise men and King Herod

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
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- Our Father
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- Hail Mary
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Scripture

Matthew 2: 9-12 - Visitors from the East

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 church and say a prayer at the crib

Gather & Go

Week 14:

Nothing is impossible to God



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Visit the parish church and say a prayer at the crib

Prayer

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- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: After the Reading/Before the Gospel/After the Gospel

Scripture

1 Samuel 17: 41-52 - Daniel defeats Goliath

The Philistine started walking toward David, with his shield bearer walking in front of him. He kept coming closer, and when he got a good look at David, he was filled with scorn for him because he was just a nice, good-looking boy. He said to David, "What's that stick for? Do you think I'm a dog?" And he called down curses from his god on David, "Come on", he challenged David, "and I will give your body to the birds and animals to eat." David answered, "You are coming against me with sword, spear, and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the God of the Israelite armies, which you defied. This very day the Lord will put you in my power; I will defeat you and cut off your head.

Week 14:

Nothing is impossible to God



Scripture

And I will give the bodies of the Philistines soldiers to the birds and animals to eat. Then the whole world will know that Israel has a God, and everyone here will see that the Lord does not need swords or spears to save his people. He is victorious in battle, and he will put all of you in our power.” Goliath started walking toward David again, and David ran quickly toward the Philistine battle line to fight him. He reached into his bag and took out a stone, which he slung at Goliath. It hit him on the forehead and broke his skull, and Goliath fell face downward on the ground. And so, without a sword, David defeated and killed Goliath with a sling and a stone! He ran to him, stood over him, took Goliath’s sword out of its sheath, and cut off his head and killed him. When the Philistines saw that their hero was dead, they ran away. The men of Israel and Judah shouted and ran after them, pursuing them all the way to Gath and to the gates of Ekron. The Philistines fell wounded all along the road that leads to Shaaraim, as far as Gath and Ekron.

IN CLASS

Page 24 - David and Goliath

AT HOME

Page 25 - Psalm 23, The Lord is my Shepherd

Gather & Go

Week 15:

At Mass, we listen



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

p. 25, Psalm 23, The Lord is my Shepherd

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayers from the Mass: Introductory Rites: Penitential Act A/Penitential Act B.
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____, pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: After the Reading/Before the Gospel/After the Gospel

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

Page 26 - What happens at Mass?

AT HOME

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

Gather & Go

Week 16: Choices



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

At Mass we listen to stories from the Bible

Prayer

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- Hail Mary
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Scripture

Matthew 22: 34-40 - The Great Commandment

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they came together, and one of them, a teacher of the Law, tried to trap him with a question. "Teacher," he asked, "which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus answered, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and the most important commandment. The second most important commandment is like it: 'Love your neighbour as you love yourself.' The whole law of Moses and the teachings of the prophets depend on these two commandments."

IN CLASS

Page 28 - We can make good choices

AT HOME

Page 29 - Jesus teaches us

Gather & Go

Week 17:

St Brigid



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Jesus teaches us

Prayer

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Scripture

Psalm 148 - A Call for the Universe to praise God

Praise the Lord from heaven,
You that live in the heights above.
Praise him, all his angels,
All his heavenly armies.

Praise him, sun and moon;
Praise him, shining stars.
Praise him, highest heavens,
And the waters above the sky.

Let them all praise the name of the Lord!
He commanded, and they were created;
By fixing his command they fixed in their places forever,
And they cannot disobey.

Week 17:

St Brigid



Scripture

Praise the Lord from the earth,
Sea monsters and all ocean depths;
Lightning and hail, snow and clouds,
Strong winds that obey his command.

Praise him, hills and mountains,
Fruit trees and forests;
All animals, tame and wild,
Reptiles and birds.

Praise him, kings and all peoples,
Princes and all other rulers;
Young women and young men,
Old people and children too.

Let them all praise the name of the Lord!
His name is greater than all others.
His glory is above earth and heaven.
He made his nation strong,
So that all his people praise him-
The people of Israel, so dear to him.
Praise the Lord!

IN CLASS

Page 60 - St Brigid's Cloak

AT HOME

Page 61 - St Brigid builds her Church

Gather & Go

Week 18:

Zacchaeus made bad choices



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

St Brigid builds her Church

Prayer

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Scripture

Luke 19: 1-10 - Jesus and Zacchaeus

Jesus went on into Jericho and was passing through. There was a chief tax collector there named Zacchaeus, who was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but he was a little man and could not see Jesus because of the crowd. So, he ran ahead of the crowd and climbed a sycamore tree to see Jesus, who was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to that place, he looked up and said to Zacchaeus, "Hurry down, Zacchaeus, because I must stay in your house today." Zacchaeus hurried down and welcomed him with great joy. All the people who saw it started grumbling, "This man has gone as a guest to the home of a sinner!" Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Listen, sir! I will give half my belongings to the poor, and if I have cheated anyone, I will pay back four times as much." Jesus said to him, "Salvation has come to his house today, for this man, also, is a descendant of Abraham. The Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

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Page 30 - Zacchaeus and Jesus

AT HOME

Page 31 - Confiteor

Gather & Go

Week 19:

We can be forgiven



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Confiteor

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayers from the Mass: Introductory Rites: Penitential Act A/Penitential Act B.
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____, pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: After the Reading/Before the Gospel/After the Gospel
- Act of Sorrow: Sacrament of Reconciliation/ Bless me Father, for I have sinned....

Scripture

Luke 15: 1-7 - The Lost Sheep

One day when many tax collectors and other outcasts came to listen to Jesus, the Pharisees and the teachers of the Law started grumbling, "This man welcomes outcasts and even eats with them!" So, Jesus told them this parable: "Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them- what do you do? You leave the other ninety-nine sheep in the pasture and go looking for the one that got lost until you find it. When you find it, you are so happy that you put it on your shoulders and carry it back home. Then you call your friends and neighbours together and say to them, 'I am so happy I found my lost sheep. Let us celebrate!' In the same way, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine respectable people who do not need to repent.

IN CLASS

Page 32 - The Sacrament of Reconciliation

AT HOME

Page 33 - Preparation for Reconciliation

Gather & Go

Week 20:

Lent



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Preparing for Reconciliation

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
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- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayers from the Mass: Introductory Rites: Penitential Act A/Penitential Act B.
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- St _____, pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: After the Reading/Before the Gospel/After the Gospel

Scripture

Luke 4: 1-13 - The Temptation of Jesus

Jesus returned from the Jordan full of the Holy Spirit and was led by the Spirit into the desert, where he was tempted by the Devil for forty days. In all that time he ate nothing, so that he was hungry when it was over. The Devil said to him, "If you are God's Son, order this stone to turn into bread." But Jesus answered, "The scripture says, 'Human beings cannot live on bread alone.' Then the Devil took him up and showed him in a second all the kingdoms of the world. "I will give you all this power and all this wealth," the Devil told him. "It has all been handed over to me, and I can give it to anyone I choose. All this will be yours, then, if you worship me." " Jesus answered, "The scripture says, "Worship the Lord your God and serve only him!"

Week 20:

Lent



Scripture

Then the Devil took him to Jerusalem and set him on the highest point of the Temple, and said to him, “If you are God’s Son, throw yourself down from here. For the scripture says, ‘God will order his angels to take good care of you.’ It also says, ‘They will hold you up with their hands so that not even your feet will be hurt on the stones.’ But Jesus answered, “The scripture says, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’ When the Devil finished tempting Jesus in every way, he left him for a while.

IN CLASS

Page 58 - Jesus in the Desert

AT HOME

Page 35 - 'Do to others as I have done for you.'

Gather & Go

Week 21:

'Do this in memory of me'



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

'Do to others as I have done for you.'

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
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- Grace Before/After meals

Scripture

John 13: 3-15 - Jesus Washes His Disciple's Feet

Jesus knew that the Father had given him complete power; he knew that he had come from God and was going to God. So he rose from the table, took off his outer garment, and tied a towel around his waist. Then he poured some water into a washbasin and began to wash the disciples' feet and dry them with the towel around his waist. Then he poured some water into a washbasin and began to wash the disciples' feet and dry them with the towel around his waist. He came to Simon Peter, who said to him, "Are you going to wash my feet, Lord?" Jesus answered him, "You do not understand now what I am doing, but you will understand later." Peter declared, "Never at any time will you wash my feet!"

Week 21:

'Do this in memory of me'



Scripture

“If I do not wash your feet,” Jesus answered, “you will no longer be my disciple.” Simon Peter answered, “Lord, do not wash only my feet, then! Wash my hands and head too!” Jesus said, “Those who have taken a bath are completely clean and do not have to wash themselves, except for their feet.” (Jesus already knew who was going to betray him; that is why he said, “All of you, except one, are clean.”) After Jesus had washed their feet, he put his outer garment back on and returned to his place at the table. “Do you understand what I have just done to you?” he asked. “You call me Teacher and Lord, and it is right that you do so, because that is what I am. I, your Lord and Teacher, have just washed your feet. You, then, should wash one another’s feet.

IN CLASS

Page 34 - The Last Supper

AT HOME

Page 35 - 'Do for others as I have done for you.'

Gather & Go

Week 22:

At Mass, we thank God



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

'Do for others as I have done for you.'

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
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- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
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- Prayers from the Mass: Introductory Rites: Penitential Act A/Penitential Act B.
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
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- Hail Mary
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: After the Reading/Before the Gospel/After the Gospel
- Grace Before/After meals
- Prayer before Holy Communion

Scripture

Matthew 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 it," he said, "this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks to God, and handed it to them; and they all drank from it. Jesus said, "This is my blood which is poured out for many, my blood which seals God's covenant. I tell you; I will never again drink this wine until the day I drink the new wine in the Kingdom of God." Then they sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives.

IN CLASS

Page 36 - At Mass, we give thanks to God for...

AT HOME

Page 37 - Prayer before Communion

Gather & Go

Week 23:

At Mass, we receive Holy Communion



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Prayer before Communion

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayers from the Mass: Introductory Rites: Penitential Act A/Penitential Act B.
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
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- Grace Before/After meals
- Prayer before Holy Communion
- Prayer after Holy Communion

Scripture

Mark 14: 22-26 - 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 they sang a hymn and went out to the Mount of Olives.

IN CLASS

Page 38 - We receive Jesus in Holy Communion

AT HOME

Page 39 - Prayer after Holy Communion

Gather & Go

Week 24:

St Patrick



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Prayer after Holy Communion

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
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- Grace Before/After meals
- Prayer before Holy Communion
- Prayer after Holy Communion

Scripture

Mark 4: 1-9 - The Parable of the Sower

Again Jesus began to teach beside Lake Galilee. The crowd that gathered around him was so large that he got into a boat and sat in it. The boat was out in the water, and the crowd stood on the shore at the water's edge. He used parables to teach them many things, saying to them: "Listen! Once there was a man who went out to sow grain. As he scattered the seed in the field, some of it fell along the path, and the birds came and ate it up. Some of it fell on rocky ground, where there was little soil. The seeds soon sprouted because the soil wasn't deep. Then, when the sun came up, it burned the young plants; and because the roots had not grown deep enough, the plants soon dried up. Some of the seed fell among thorn bushes, which grew up and choked the plants, and they didn't bear grain. But some seeds fell in good soil, and the plants sprouted, grew, and bore grain: some had thirty grains, others sixty, and other one hundred." And Jesus concluded, "Listen, then, if you have ears!"

Week 24:

St Patrick



St Patrick

St. Patrick's Fire, The High King of Ireland was the most powerful person in the land. His name was Laoire. King Laoire and the people in his kingdom had never heard God. King Laoire lived on the high hill in County Meath called the Hill of Tara. From there he could see the countryside for miles and miles around. Every year when winter was over, and spring was about to arrive, King Laoire would light a huge bonfire-the biggest bonfire in the land-on the top of the Hill of Tara. This fire was a sign that the darkness of winter was over and that the new light of spring had arrived. When people saw its light, in the darkness of the night, they knew that winter was over. They knew that the long nights were over. They knew that spring had come. King Laoire had a rule, a very important rule. He ordered that no one in the land was allowed to light a bonfire before him. He ordered that his huge bonfire must be the first to be lit. Anyone who lit a bonfire before him would be punished. There was another high hill in Ireland. It was called the Hill of Slane. After Patrick returned to Ireland, he lived for a time on the Hill of Slane, which is also in County Meath. One winter, before King Laoire lit his bonfire, Patrick decided that he would build a bonfire on the Hill of Slane. The people asked him why he was doing this. He told them that when people would see the light of the bonfire in the darkness, it would help them to know that God was with them always. When the time for King Laoire to light his fire, Patrick was ready, and he lit his fire first. It flamed and blazed and burned through the darkness. Far away on the Hill of Tara, King Laoire saw Patrick's fire, and he was very angry. He wanted to know who had disobeyed his rule. When he heard that it was Patrick, he gathered his soldiers together and rode off to the Hill of Slane where they found him. Patrick was not afraid of King Laoire. He looked him straight in the eye. 'Why have you disobeyed me?' Laoire shouted. 'My fire is different from your fire,' answered Patrick. He told the King about his fire and about God's love and how God brings light to those in darkness. King Laoire had never heard anything like this before. He didn't know that God loved everyone, even him, and that God wanted people to love and care for each other. He was glad to hear Patrick's Good News and, from that day on, he became one of Patrick's friends.

IN CLASS

St Patrick's Fire (printed in text section in this document, taken from the Grow In Love Teacher Manual, First Class p.305)

AT HOME

Sow a Seed

Gather & Go

Week 25:

The death of Jesus



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Recap on sowing a seed

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
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- Glory be to the Father
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- Hail Mary
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- Grace Before/After meals
- Prayer before Holy Communion
- Prayer after Holy Communion

Scripture

Luke 22: 47-61 - The Arrest of Jesus/Peter denies Jesus

Jesus was still speaking when a crowd arrived, led by Judas, one of the twelve disciples. He came up to Jesus to kiss him. But Jesus said, "Judas is it with a kiss that you betray the Son of Man?" When the disciples who were with Jesus saw what was going to happen, they asked, "Shall we use our swords, Lord?" And one of them struck the High Priest's slave and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said, "Enough of this!" He touched the man's ear and healed him. Then Jesus said, "Enough of this!" He touched the man's ear and healed him. Then Jesus said to the chief priests and the officers of the Temple guard and the elders who had come there to get him, "Did you have to come with swords and clubs, as though I were an outlaw? I was with you in the Temple every day, and you did not try to arrest me. But this is your hour to act when the power of darkness rules."

Week 25:

The death of Jesus



Scripture

They arrested Jesus and took him away into the house of the High Priest; and Peter followed at a distance. A fire had been lit in the centre of the courtyard, and Peter joined those who were sitting around it. When one of the servant women saw him sitting there at the fire, she looked straight at him and said, "This man too was with Jesus!" But Peter denied it, "Woman, I don't even know him!" After a little while a man noticed Peter and said, "You are one of them too!" But Peter answered, "Man, I am not!" And about an hour later another man insisted strongly, "There isn't any doubt that this man was with Jesus, because he also is a Galilean!" But Peter answered, "Man, I don't know what you are talking about!" At once, while he was still speaking, a rooster crowed. The Lord turned around and looked straight at Peter, and Peter remembered that the Lord had said to him, "Before the rooster crows tonight, you will say three times that you do not know me."

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Page 40 - Jesus is betrayed and died

AT HOME

Page 41 - The Stations of the Cross

Gather & Go

Week 26:

The Resurrection



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

The Stations of the Cross

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
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- Prayer before Holy Communion
- Prayer after Holy Communion
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- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Eucharist: Mystery of Faith (Memorial Acclamation)

Scripture

Mark 16: 1-8 - The Resurrection

After the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalen, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices to go and anoint the body of Jesus. Very early on Sunday morning, at sunrise, they went to the tomb. On the way they said to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" (It was a very large stone.) Then they looked up and saw that the stone had already been rolled back. So, they entered the tomb, where they saw a young man sitting at the right, wearing a white robe-and they were alarmed.

Week 26:

The Resurrection



Scripture

“Don’t be alarmed,” he said. “I know you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is not here—he has been raised! Look, here is the place where he was placed. Now go and give this message to his disciples, including Peter: ‘He is going to Galilee ahead of you; there you will see him, just as he told you.’” So, they went out and ran from the tomb, distressed and terrified. They said nothing to anyone because they were afraid.

IN CLASS

Page 42 - The Woman at the Tomb

AT HOME

Page 43 - Mystery of Faith

Gather & Go

Week 27:

I am with you always



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Mystery of Faith

Prayer

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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."

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Page 44 - Jesus promises his friends

AT HOME

Page 45 - The Ascension

Gather & Go

Week 28:

I will send a helper



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

The Ascension

Prayer

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Scripture

Acts 2: 1-8 - 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.

Week 28:

I will send a helper



Scripture

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?”

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Page 46 - What happened after Jesus died?

AT HOME

Page 47 - The Holy Spirit comes to the disciples

Gather & Go

Week 29:

Go and Share the Good News



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

The Holy Spirit comes to the disciples

Prayer

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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.

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Page 48 - The Society of Missionary Children

AT HOME

Page 49 - We can keep doing Jesus' work.

Gather & Go

Week 30:

The Rosary



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

We can keep doing Jesus' work

Prayer

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- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Eucharist: Mystery of Faith (Memorial Acclamation)
- The Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries

Scripture

Luke 2: 41-50 - The Boy 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.

Week 30:

The Rosary



Scripture

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.

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Page 54 - Praying the Rosary

AT HOME

Page 55 - The Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary

Gather & Go

Week 31:

God created us



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

The Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
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- Morning Prayer
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- The Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries

Scripture

Genesis 1: 27-31 - The Story of Creation

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 50 - God has given every person gifts & talents

AT HOME

Page 51 - God has given me gifts and talents

Gather & Go

Week 32:

God wants us to be happy



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

God has give me gifts and talents

Prayer

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- The Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries

Scripture

Genesis 2: 8-9 - The Garden of Eden

Then the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the East, and there he put the man he had formed. He made all kinds of beautiful trees grow there and produce good fruit. In the middle of the garden stood the tree that gives life and the tree that gives knowledge of what is good and what is bad.

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Page 52 - Adam and Eve

AT HOME

Page 53 - Adam and Eve (poem)

Gather & Go

Week 33: Inter-Religious Education Lesson



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

Adam and Eve (poem)

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
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- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayers from the Mass: Introductory Rites: Penitential Act A/Penitential Act B.
- Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace. Amen.
- St _____ , pray for us
- Hail Mary
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: After the Reading/Before the Gospel/After the Gospel
- Grace Before/After meals
- Prayer before Holy Communion
- Prayer after Holy Communion
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Eucharist: Mystery of Faith (Memorial Acclamation)
- The Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries

Scripture

Matthew 22: 37-39 - The Great Commandment

Jesus answered, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the most important commandment. The second most important commandment is like it: Love your neighbour as you love yourself."

IN CLASS

Page 62 - Places of Prayer

AT HOME

Page 63 - We Pray in the Church

Gather & Go

Week 34:

'As I have loved you'



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

We pray in the church

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
- Prayer on Opening/Closing the Bible
- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
- Our Father
- Glory be to the Father
- Prayers from the Mass: Introductory Rites: Penitential Act A/Penitential Act B.
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- The Rosary: The Joyful Mysteries

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

Chat about your favourite story of Jesus

AT HOME

Read a story about Jesus from the Bible

Gather & Go

Week 35: Growing in Love



Gather & Come

Recap & Share

What we have learned...

Prayer

- Sign of the Cross
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- Morning Prayer
- Prayers from the Mass: Liturgy of the Word: Prayer of the Faithful: Lord hear us, Lord graciously hear us.
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Scripture

Matthew 19: 13-15 - Jesus Blesses Little Children

Some people brought children to Jesus for him to place his hands on them and to pray for them, but the disciples scolded the people. Jesus said, "Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the Kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." He placed his hands on them and then went away.

IN CLASS

What we have learned...

AT HOME

Go and Live like 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.

Grace before Meals: Bless us, O God, as we sit together. Bless the food we eat today. Bless the hands that made the food. Bless us, O God. Amen.

Grace after Meals: Thank you, God, for the food we have eaten. Thank you, God, for all our friends. Thank you, God, for everything. Thank you, God. 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. Amen.

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.

Prayer to the Trinity: Praise to the Father, Praise to the Son, Praise to the Spirit, The Three in One.

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.



FORMAL PRAYERS

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.

St Patrick's Breastplate: Christ be with me, Christ be beside me, Christ be before me, Christ be behind me, Christ be at my right hand, Christ be at my left hand, Christ be with me wherever I go, Christ be my friend, for ever and ever. 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.

Prayer after Forgiveness: O my God, thank you for forgiving me. Help me to love others. Help me to live as Jesus asked me to. Amen.

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.

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