Middle School Religion 2023-2024 Syllabus

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Description of Course



In each grade this course will **promote the knowledge of faith**. Using Scripture and Tradition, students will learn stories of the saints, Old Testament and the New Testament. Also the students will learn about the religious community and the ministry of the Church.

In Liturgical education, students will understand the Church's sacramental life. It will give each student an experience of signs, symbols, gestures, prayers, and creeds of the Church.

Moral Formation will introduce each student to virtues,gifts, the Fruits of the Holy Spirit, Beatitudes, and living Jesus' call to moral living as we share the Gospel.

Students will be taught to pray and learn daily prayers.

We will pray daily and write our own prayers.

Education for community life- Students learn to join a loving community of faith appreciating diversity and social justice. Understanding different faiths, beliefs, attitudes and opinions.

Learn to live the Gospel in daily life.

Students will have opportunities to do outreach activities, service projects and to participate in the Church's mission.

Grading System

Tests-30

Quizzes-15

Classwork-20

Homework-15

Projects/Participation-20



Supplies and Books being used for class.

A Binder with college ruled paper. Folders and tools for writing and drawing. See supply list on website.

Each student must bring their religion book to class each day with their binder and supplies required unless indicated the day before what is not necessary for class by the teacher or listed in Google Classroom.

Here is a list of supplies needed and Books used in class:

6th Grade- Christ Our Life- God Calls a People

7th Grade- Christ Our Life-Jesus the Way, the Truth, and the Life

8th Grade-Christ Our Life-The Church Then and Now

Bibles are available in the classroom: The American Bible (revised)

If you have one, please bring it to class.



Skills

- There will be Study Guides for tests. You will get them ahead of time to work on and to review for the
- There will be a Bible Study using the New American Revised Bible.
- We will begin each class with a prayer. Google classroom will be used for your assignments. Must copy
 homework from the board. Work will be done in the Google classroom, completed in the classroom, or
 will be handed in depending on the particular assignment.
- Announcements will be made on Google Classroom and the Religion Website.

Absent and Missing Work

In the event of an absence, each student will need to check a

folder. There will be a folder with information about missing and unfinished work in the classroom for each student.



Expectations and Responsibilities

1. Be on time for class.

2. Accept personal responsibility for your words and actions.

3. Discover your own personal goals for the class and be self-motivated.

4. You will develop self-management, organization, and take control of your time and energy in class.

5. Learn effective study skills and take notes.

6. Develop research techniques, critical thinking skills, continue to develop writing and reading skills.

7. Be creative and learn to analyze and solve problems and apply this knowledge in

your daily life.

8. You and your teacher will promote a classroom environment that fosters awareness of other people's beliefs, opinions, attitudes to cultivate a learning environment that reflects diversity and cultural awareness.

9. Do your work in a timely fashion. Do your work to the BEST of your ability.

10. Be attentive and prepared to work with your book, binder, and the Bible. You will be using school computers; all technology rules apply to the responsibility and usage of the computer.

