

Pre-Kindergarten Religion Curriculum Overview

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The students will be able to:

Prayer/Sacraments

1. Show reverence during prayer time.
2. Participate in spontaneous prayer/intentions.
3. Identify prayer as talking to God.
4. Recite by heart the prayers listed in the DFR Religion Curriculum Prayer List.

Church

1. Recognize the church as God's house.
2. Explain that we become members of the Church through Baptism.
3. Demonstrate appropriate behavior in church.
4. Recognize that we are all called to be saints.
5. Recall that saints are people who led holy lives by loving God and helping others.
6. Recognize that the Church celebrates the lives of the saints by having special days set aside for them.
7. Recall that the Feast of All Saints is November 1st.
8. Recognize the major Liturgical Seasons (Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter).
9. Explain that Advent is preparation for Christmas, the celebration of Jesus' birth.
10. Explain that Lent is the preparation for Easter.
11. Explain that Easter is important because it is the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection.

Scripture

1. Recall that the Bible is the story of God's family.
2. Retell and explain some Bible stories.
3. Demonstrate and explain why we show reverence for the Bible.

Peace & Justice/Moral Formation

1. Recognize the difference between good choices and bad choices.

Creed/Doctrine -

1. Recognize God made all living things.
2. Recognize that God made them because He loves them.
3. Discuss that God loves them no matter what.
4. Talk about why they are special.
5. Name ways to take care of creation (people, places, things).
6. Discuss how they use their senses to experience the world.
7. State that Jesus is the Son of God.
8. Recall that Jesus grew up in a family like we do.
9. Identify Jesus' birthday as Christmas Day.
10. Explain that Mary is Jesus' mother.
11. Identify that Jesus; Mary and Joseph are the Holy Family.
12. Explain that Jesus dies for us and rose from the dead.
13. Explain that angels are special messengers from God.
14. Recognize that we all have a guardian angel.

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Vocabulary (see also objects/places listed above)	
Advent	Guardian Angel
All Saints Day	Holy Family
Angel	Holy Spirit
Baptism	Jesus
Bible	Joseph
Bishop	Lent
Christmas	Mary
Church	Prayer
Easter	Saints