



St. Rose Religious Education 2007-2008 Class Schedule/Lesson Plan Outline Second Grade

***“For where two or three come together in my name, there I am with them”
(Matthew 18:20)***

September

Our spiritual goal for this month is to encourage and enrich the prayer life of our students and families. Consider inviting parents 15 minutes early during a class this month to join their children in a special prayer service.

This month’s lessons:

Grade 1 Review/Prayer Lesson

Introduce Memory Verses

**Chapter 1: God is the Giver of Gifts
Homework: pages 5 & 7**



This month’s memory verse: “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you,” Matthew 7:7

Please note that the first day of class parents will be attending a meeting and then joining your class for the last 15 minutes.

Important Dates This Month:

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| September 8th | Catechist Gathering, 8a.m. Mass Church |
| September 16th | Classes Begin/Catechetical Sunday |
| September 16th-19th | Parent Orientation 4:15 & 7pm@Hall
Visit classes last 15 minutes |
| September 29th | Blessing of the Animals (9 AM at Stable...38 Church Hill) |
| September 30th | <i>HAPPY BIRTHDAY FATHER BOB!</i> |

“Blessed be our teachers who sow the seeds of Christian service by their good deeds.”

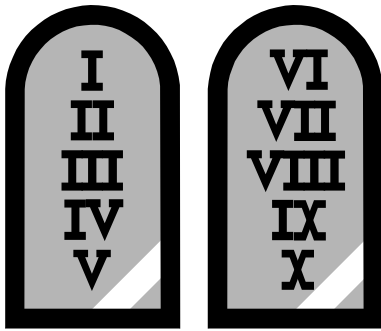
October

Our spiritual goal for this month is participating in the Mass. Visit the Church during a class this month. Talk to the children about Mass etiquette and the significance of the parts of the Mass. Talk about the importance of sharing in the Mass and being an active participant. Invite your families to attend a Saturday/Sunday Mass that you will be attending, tell the children you look forward to sharing this Mass with them. Discuss the readings from that Mass during your next class.

This month's lessons:

Chapter 2: Jesus is God's Best Gift
Homework: pages 12 & 13

Chapter 3: Jesus Lives in His Church
Use Chapter 4: God Gives Us Life and Love as an extension of this lesson
Homework: pages 18 & 19 & 23
Supplement: Tour of Church



Chapter 5: Jesus Shows Us How to Love God Our Father
Supplement: Introduce Commandments 1-3
Homework: pages 26, 29, & 30

Chapter 6: Jesus Shows Us How to Love Others
Supplement: Introduce Commandments 4-10
Homework: pages 33, 34 & 35

This month's memory verse: "In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you." - 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Important Dates This Month:

October 4th **2nd gr. Catechist meeting 7-8:00p.m. 38 Church Hill (Sacramental booklets/examination of conscience)**

October 6th **Children's Liturgy 5:30pm@Church (Respect Life) Please invite your families to attend**

October 7th-8th **No Classes...Columbus Day weekend**

October 13th **FIRST PENANCE and FIRST COMMUNION SACRAMENTAL ENROLLMENT MASS 9:30am-12noon@CHURCH, Sit with class, sign in All Second Grade Catechists should attend.**

October 26th **Sacramental Parent Retreat "Living the Sacraments-More Than Just the Moment" 7:30-9:15p.m. Church**

October 31st **All Classes will meet**

"At that time Jesus, full of joy through the Holy Spirit, said, 'I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children.'" (Luke 10:21)

November

Our spiritual goal for this month is living our faith. Use a lesson on All Saints Day as a springboard to discussing how to live more like Jesus in our daily life.

This month's lessons:



Chapter 7: We Give the Gift of Love to Others
Supplement: Revisit Commandments & Introduce Examination of Conscience
Homework: pages 37 & 39
Supplement: All Saints Day and/or Alternatives to Halloween
(Consider Parent Activity)

Chapter 8: Jesus Calls Us to Give Ourselves in Love
Supplement: Revisit Commandments & Introduce Examination of Conscience
Homework: pages 40 & 42

Chapter 9: Our Friend Jesus Forgives Us
Homework: page 48



Chapter 10: Jesus Leads Us to His Peace
Supplement: Reconciliation booklet and Tour of Reconciliation Room
(Consider Parent Activity)
Homework: pages 49 & 51

This month's memory verse: "Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His love endures forever." Psalm 136:1

Important Dates This Month:

November 1st	All Saint Day Holy Day of Obligation
November 3rd	Children's Liturgy 5:30pm@Church Please invite your families to attend
November 6th	No classes—Election Day
November 11th & 12th	No classes -- Veteran's Day Weekend
November 21st –23rd	Thanksgiving Break—Have a blessed Thanksgiving
November 25th	Sunday...Classes resume
November 25th-28th	Stations of the Crib: A Journey of Hope during Advent Sun. classes in Hall; Mon-Wed classes in Church

"Blessed be our teachers who echo God's word and teach our youth what needs to be heard."

December

Our spiritual goal for this month is opening our hearts to Jesus. Discuss the times during their lives that they will be called to draw closer to Jesus. How will they answer? What will they do?

This month's lessons:

Chapter 11: The Spirit of Jesus Helps Us
Supplement: Reconciliation booklet, pg 13
Homework: pages 55 & 57

Chapter 12: We Meet Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation

Homework: page 60
Supplement: Advent/Christmas/Epiphany (Consider Parent Activity)

This month's memory verse: "She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus because he will save his people from their sins."

Matthew 1:21



Important Dates This Month:

- December 1st** Children's Liturgy (Advent) 5:30pm@Church
Please invite your families to attend
- December 2nd** First Sunday of Advent
- December 8th** Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary
Holy Day of Obligation
- December 15th** Live Nativity 6:30pm@Parish Stable & Hall
(December 16th SNOW DATE)
Refreshments in Hall after presentation
- December 16th-19th** Advent Mass 4:15-5:15pm@Church (Mon.-Wed.)
9:15 & 10:45 on Dec. 16 in Hall for Sunday PK-8
Please be sure to extend a personal invitation to your families to join you in this Eucharistic Celebration!
- December 23rd –Jan 1st Christmas Break—Have a blessed holiday season.**

*"Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it."
(Proverbs 22:6)*

January

Our spiritual goal for this month is following God's commandments. As part of our preparation for Reconciliation we should spend time discussing the commandments, their meaning for children and how they can follow them in their daily lives. This is also a good time to discuss making the right choices, being guided by our beliefs and faith.

This month's lessons:

- Chapter 13: We Become Better Persons**
Supplement: Reconciliation booklet, Pages 19 & 20
Homework: pages 63 & 64
- Chapter 14: Jesus Gives Us the Gift of Peace**
Supplement: Prayers, Sacramental Book and Examination of Conscience
Homework: page 66; Act of Contrition
- Reconciliation Preparation**
Review Prayers and Sacramental Book
Emphasis on Examination of Conscience
Practice Reconciliation (consider parent activity)
Homework: Review Prayers & Sacramental Book
- Chapter 15: Jesus Promised the Gift of Himself**
Homework: pages 74 & 75

This month's memory verse: Jesus said, "In your lives you must think and act like Christ Jesus." Philippians 2:5

Important Dates This Month:

- January 2nd** Classes Resume
- January 3rd** 2nd gr. Catechist meeting 7-8:00p.m. Church Hill
(Communion Sacramental books)
- January 5th** Children's Liturgy 5:30p.m. Church
Please invite your families to attend
- January 12th** **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION DAY for STUDENTS and PARENTS**
9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Church and Hall. Students will be assigned to class specific times. Please encourage families to attend with class; however, if there is a conflict please have them contact Janice at the Religious Ed office 426-2333 ext. 4. Sit with class, sign in.
Snow date is Jan 13th 1:30p.m. and 4:30
- January 15th** Parent Sacramental Prep Evening and Confessions
7:00p.m. Church - Snow date January 16th
- January 20th-21st** No Classes...Martin Luther King Holiday

February

Our spiritual goal for this month is living God's word. This is a good opportunity to discuss with the children how to live by God's word. Select some of your favorite Scriptures and share them with the class. Discuss how we can be more like the people in the stories or how we should listen to what God is trying to tell us through the Scriptures. How can they, as children, do what God is asking of them?

This month's lessons:

Chapter 16: We Celebrate God's Love at Mass
Homework: pages 81 & 82

Chapter 17: Jesus Invites Us
Homework: pages 86 & 87

Chapter 18: We Listen to God and Pray
Homework: pages 89, 90, 92 & 94



This month's memory verse: "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path." Psalm 119:105

Important Dates This Month:

February 2nd	First Reconciliation 9:30a.m. and 12:30p.m Church Sit with class. Reception in Hall sponsored by 1st grade parents. Snow date February 9th.
February 2nd	Children's Liturgy (St. Blaise) 5:30pm@Church Please invite your families to attend
February 6th	Ash Wednesday Prayer Service 4:15 Students and parents report to Church, sit with class.
February 17th-23rd	NO CLASS...Winter Break
February 24th	Classes Resume

"If you can bring one moment of happiness into the life of a child, you are a coworker with God."

March

Our spiritual goal for this month is sharing Jesus' journey to the cross. Plan on spending time during this month to share and discuss each station of the cross with your class. Consider a reenactment or reading of the stations in your class...this would be a great time to invite parents to participate in your class.

This month's lessons:

**Chapter 19: We Prepare Our Gifts
Homework: page 99**

**Chapter 20: Jesus Offers Himself
Supplement: Stations of the Cross
Homework: pages 101 & 103**



**Chapter 21: We Receive the Bread of Life
Homework: pages 108 & 110**

**Chapter 22: Jesus Gives Us the Gift of Himself
Supplement: Order of the Mass
Visit Church to discuss Mass
Homework: pages 115 & 116**

Supplements: Lent/Holy Week/Easter/Missions/Trinity

This month's memory verse: "So my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and steady, always enthusiastic about the Lord's work, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless." 1 Corinthians 15:58

Important Dates This Month:

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| March 1st | Children's Liturgy 5:30pm@Church
Please invite your families to attend |
| March 3rd-5th | Lenten Reconciliation during classes 4:15 (M-W)
Sunday classes may attend during any session
2nd grade students report to classroom first |
| March 8th | <i>FIRST COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONAL MASS</i>
9:00-11:00a.m. in Church Children and Parents attend
Sit with class, sign in. Distribution of Butterfly materials |
| March 13th | 2nd grade Catechist meeting 7-8:00p.m. 38 Church Hill
(practice hosts distributed) |
| March 21st | Good Friday -- Stations of the Cross at 12:00noon |
| March 23rd | No classes - Happy Easter! |
| March 29th – 30th | Children's Liturgy 5:30p.m. Church
Butterfly Mass Weekend |

When we gather together and focus our love and attention outward-on God's goodness and grace-we actually grow closer to one another."

April/May

Our spiritual goal for our last two months is taking Jesus with us wherever we go. As they prepare for their first Eucharist this is a wonderful time to spend with the children discussing how to keep that feeling of wonder and awe throughout their lives. How they can experience this wonderful feeling every week by attending and participating in the Mass and partaking of the Eucharist every week. Remind them that they can do this no matter where they go or what they do over the summer or after second grade. How can children take Jesus with them on summer vacation? Suggest prayer journals, devotionals, hand out prayer cards, etc. You have made a lasting impression on your class by living and sharing your faith during this year. Take this last opportunity to impress upon them how important it is to continue living their faith and relying on their faith to carry them through.

April/May lessons:

Chapter 23: We Are One in the Church

Homework: pages 119, 122 & 123



Chapter 24: Mary, Mother of the Church, Cares for Us

Homework: page 126

Chapter 25: The Church Celebrates God's Love

Supplement: Prayer & Mass

Supplement: Eucharist

Review Songs and Mass

This month's memory verse: "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty." John 6:35

Important Dates--April:

April 6th-9th

**Registration for Religious Education 08-09 year
In Hall during all class times**

April 13th-19th

NO CLASS...Spring Break

April 20th



Classes Resume

April 26th

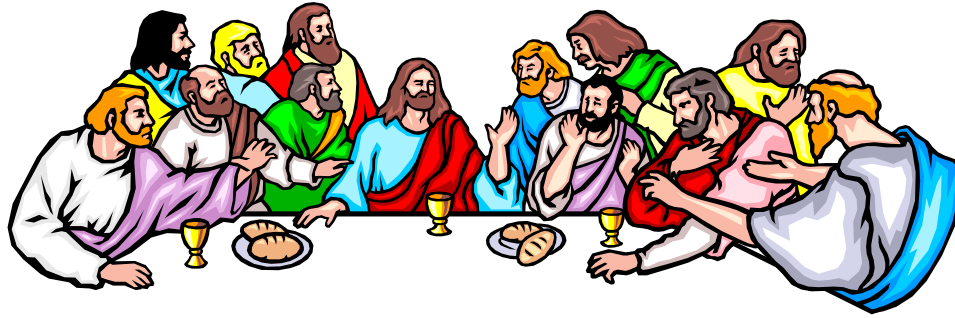
Children's Liturgy 5:30p.m. Church

**** See following page for April/May dates for Communion and Rehearsals ****

**Important Dates—FIRST COMMUNION REHEARSALS, CEREMONIES
and YEAR-END MASSES**

- April 24th** Rehearsal for 2nd Grade CATECHISTS for 1st Communion 3:00p.m. church
- April 28th** First Communion Rehearsals for May 3rd , 10 AM Ceremony
4:15-5:45 (4:15-5:00 child only; 5:00-5:45 parents join)
Classes not involved with rehearsals meet as usual
- April 29th** First Communion Rehearsals for May 3rd , 1 PM Ceremony
4:15-5:45 (4:15-5:00 child only; 5:00-5:45 parents join)
Classes not involved with rehearsals meet as usual
- May 2nd** Gift Bearers/Altar Dressers/Readers-May 3rd ceremonies
4:15-5:00 for 10 AM Ceremony
5:00-5:45 for 1 PM Ceremony
- May 3rd**  First Communion at 10 AM and 1 PM
Children should arrive 1 hour early
- May 4th** End of Year Mass for all Sunday students
Outside weather permitting; otherwise, in Hall
- May 5th** First Communion Rehearsals for May 10th, 10 AM Ceremony
4:15-5:45 (4:15-5:00 child only; 5:00-5:45 parents join)
- May 6th** First Communion Rehearsals for May 10th, 1 PM Ceremony
4:15-5:45 (4:15-5:00 child only; 5:00-5:45 parents join)
- May 9th** Gift Bearers/Altar Dressers/Readers-May 10th Ceremonies
4:15-5:00 for 10 AM Ceremony
5:00-5:45 for 1 PM Ceremony
- May 10th**  First Communion at 10 AM and 1 PM
Children should arrive 1 hour early
- May 12th-14th** End of Year Mass 4:15-5:15pm@Church
Please invite your families to attend
- May 19th** End of Year Catechist Gathering
7:00p.m. Mass in Church followed by dinner in Hall

Refer to separate handouts for the assigned dates and times your class has First Communion Rehearsal and Mass.



Notes:

****Parent visits are listed in places where it appears that an activity involving parents might fit into the lesson plan. These visits do not have to be for the entire duration of the class, they can be as short as 15 minutes.***

****Tours and visits to the church and reconciliation room are suggested, but not mandatory. These are opportunities to help the children better understand how everything fits together. Please consider including these in your lessons.***

****Supplements listed in the lesson plan can be found in the back of your teacher's manual or will be supplied, in advance, to assist with planning of a lesson.***

Any questions or concerns please contact Janice Lindsay at 426-2333 ext 4 or strosere.conf@charter.net or Kim Braun at 270-1867 or jkagbraun@aol.com

Lord, may my students always see the real teachings come from Thee.

***“Jesus...said to them, ‘Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.’”
(Mark 10:14)***

***“Faith is the first factor in a life devoted to service. Without it, nothing is possible. With it, nothing is impossible.”
(Mary McLeod Bethune)***

Thank you for all you do...

***T is for the time you take to teach God's love for them
E is for encouraging them to be the best they can be
A is for accepting them as God's children who grow more each day
C is for your caring spirit and loving, compassionate ways
H is for helping them to learn what they have to share
E is for exalting God and engaging them in prayer
R is for being resourceful and relentless in making learning fun
S is for your selfless serving in a job important to everyone!***

We thank you Lord for our teachers and their love that shines all year through. May the lessons they will teach be shared with others so that they may honor and glorify you!



Dear One Who Guides My Children,

Teaching is no different than other parts of life in this world – filled with obstacles. But don't worry – I've already overcome everything you will face. I'll encourage your heart and strengthen you in every good deed and word. May you inspire and support one another daily. Be heart lifters, spurring one another on to love and good deeds.

*Lovingly,
Your God of Nonstop Encouragement
Based on 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17;
1 Thessalonians 5:11; and Hebrews 10:24*

***“A catechist is faithful to the past, open to the future,
but especially dedicated to deepening the faith of the present generation.”
Monsignor John Francis Murphy***