

*May your Life be changed by recognizing  
God in all things!*

**St Rose Religious Education  
2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Curriculum 2017-2018  
Finding God – Our Response to God’s Gift.**

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## SEPTEMBER 2017

- Sept. 6** New Catechist Meeting at 7:00 pm in Holy Innocents in Holy Family.
- Sept. 10** General Catechist Meeting at 3:00 pm with grade level and general meeting at 4:00 pm following Commissioning Mass at 5:00 pm.
- Sept. 11** New Parent Meeting at 7:00 pm in Holy Innocents in St. Rose room.
- Sept. 13-16** Catechists calls student's parent or guardian.  
Please call each family to introduce yourself and to give classroom location.  
Stress the importance of the parent's meeting in Holy Innocents on the first of class. Parents are invited to visit classrooms the last fifteen minutes during all Sessions.  
**Ask for substitute volunteers.**
- Sept. 17-20** Classes Begin. **Parent meeting in Holy Innocents during class time.**  
Session 1: God Creates Us  
God created the world to show us how much He loves us.  
Memory verse: "Everything God made is good. We are thankful for all that God has given us." 1 Timothy 4:4  
Distribute text to students. Establish class rules and procedures.  
Prayer: Glory be to the Father  
Bookmark your Bible to Genesis 1:31 and 1 Timothy 4:4  
**Parents are invited to visit classroom for last 15 minutes during all sessions.**
- Sept. 24-26** Session 2: God Gives Us Jesus.  
Jesus is the Son of God who comes to save us.  
Memory Verse: "I will be with you always, until the end of the world!"  
Matthew 28:20  
Bookmark your Bible to Matthew 1:18-24 & Matthew 28:20
- Sept. 30** Msgr. Bob 71<sup>st</sup> Birthday!

## OCTOBER 2017

**Oct 1-3**

**Session 3: God is Our Father**

We call Jesus the Son of God because He reveals to us his loving Father.

Memory Verse: "Trust in the Power of God. Place all your cares in His hands because He cares for you." 1 Peter 5:6-7

Bookmark your Bible to Matthew 6:25-34 and 1 Peter 5:6-7

**Oct 7<sup>th</sup>**

Blessing of the animals at 9:00 am at front of the church.

**Oct 8-10**

**Session 4: God's Life for Us**

All good things we do and the good decisions we make come from the Holy Spirit.

Memory Verse: "You will be my light to the ends of the earth so that all people may be saved." Isaiah 49:6

Bookmark your Bible to Luke 2:25-32 and Isaiah 49:6

**Oct 15-17**

**Session 5: Celebrating Ordinary Time**

**Beginning of year review Assessments. The purpose of this assessment is to ascertain knowledge from last year's program. Please correct assessment and make note of any general areas to work on. Send corrected assessments to parents.**

Bookmark your Bible to John 6:48

**Oct 22-24**

**Session 6: Jesus is faithful**

With God's help, we can follow the commandments and live with peace with one another.

Memory Verse: "Honor your father and mother so that you may live a long life." Exodus 20:12

Bookmark your Bible to Luke 2:41-52 and Exodus 20:12

**Display poster of Ten Commandments and review during class.**

**Oct 28**

**Instructional Enrollment Mass at 9:30 am in Church.**

**Second Grade Parents from Religious Ed and St. Rose School and JOF**

**Parents/Guardians and Students will receive packet of Sacramental Information. PARTICIPATION REQUIRED.**

**Oct 29-31**

**Seasonal Session: All Saints Day**

**All Saint's Day Session Pages 117-180**

**Identify the saints as people who lived model lives.**

## NOVEMBER 2017

Nov 5-6

Session 7 - Jesus Save Us

Jesus is the model of love and goodness in our lives.

Memory Verse: "The eyes of the blind and the ears of the deaf will be open".

Isaiah 35:5

Bookmark your Bible to Luke 7:18-22 and Isaiah 35:5

Nov 7

**No classes: Election Day**

Nov 12-14

Session 8 – Jesus Call Us to Love

Jesus calls us to the kingdom of God.

Memory Verse: "Jesus traveled through Galilee. He taught people, shared God's message, and cured those who were sick." Matthew 4:23

Bookmark your Bible to Luke 14: 16-23 and Matthew 4:23

Nov 16

**Home School Meeting at 4:30- 5:30 in St. Joseph Workshop.**

**All home schooling parents and children must attend this diocesan-mandated meeting.**

Nov 16 ?

**Second Grade Parent Sacramental Prep Meeting with Fr. Jim Sabak at 7:00 pm in Our Lady of Guadalupe and Holy Family Holy Innocents.**

Nov 19-21

Session 9 – Jesus Cares for Us

The parable of the lost sheep shows God's loving concern for us.

Memory verse: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. John 10:11

Bookmark your Bible to Matthew 18:10 and John 10:11

Nov 26

**No classes (classes resume Nov. 27 after Thanksgiving break)**

Nov 27-28

Session 10 – Celebrating Advent and Seasonal Session Advent

Identify Advent as a time to prepare to celebrate Jesus' birth.

Pages 57-60 and 153-155

## DECEMBER 2017

- Dec 3-5**      **Session 11 – We Worship God**  
The Sacraments help us to worship God in a special way.  
Memory verse: “The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, and Kindness.” Galatians 5:22  
Bookmark your Bible to John 15:1-6 and Galatians 5:22
- Dec 10-12**      **Session 14 – Mary shows us the way**  
Mary is the greatest example of what it means to obey God.  
Memory verse: “Mary remembered all these things and kept them always In her heart.” Luke 2:19  
Bookmark your Bible to Luke 1:39-55 and Luke 2:19  
**Consider discussing how to pray the rosary.**
- Dec 14**      **Fifth Year Memorial Mass in Church with Bishop Caggiano at 7:30**
- Dec 16**      **Live Nativity after 5:30 Children’s liturgy Soccer Field & Gathering Hall & Post-Nativity Gathering in Holy Innocents.**
- Dec ?**      **Breakfast with Santa in Gathering Hall**
- Dec 17-19**      **Session 15 and Seasonal Session – Christmas**  
Identify Jesus as God’s gift to us. Pages 87-90 and 157-160
- Dec 24**      **Children’s Christmas Pageant – 4:00 pm (Newtown High School)**
- Dec 24 – Jan 1**      **No Classes – Merry Christmas!**

## January 2018

Jan 2

**Classes Resume**

Jan 2-4

Session 12 – Celebrating Reconciliation

When we celebrate the sacrament of Penance we are reconciled with God and others.

Memory verse: “Sell what you have and give to those who do not have Much. Your treasure is with the Lord. No thief can steal that from you.”

Luke 12:33

Bookmark your Bible to Luke 19:2-9 and Luke 12:33

**Use poster of the Act of Contrition and begin reviewing it during class and in Future classes.**

Jan 7-9

Second Grade Reconciliation Preparation during class time in Holy Family Room of Holy Innocents. Parent/Guardian attendance is required.

Students and parents sit with class. If student is absent most make up at another session this week. Parents may call R.E. office to re-schedule to another session this week if necessary.

Jan 14-15

**No classes- Martin Luther King Jr. Observance.**

Jan 16

Session 16 – New Life in Jesus

When we receive the sacrament of Initiation, we receive new life in Jesus.

Memory verse: “The Spirit says, “Come.” Whoever is thirsty may come forward and receive life-giving water.” Revelations 22:17

Bookmark your Bible to Acts of the Apostles 2:38 and Revelations 22:17

**Review pgs 250-256 on Mass and Communion in the back of children’s book.**

Jan 21-23

Session 13 – The Sacrament of Penance, our sins are forgiven.

Memory verse: “The people are given knowledge that they are saved because their sins have been forgiven.” Luke 1:77

Bookmark your Bible to Mark 2:1-12 and Luke 1:77

**Use poster of the Act of Contrition for review. Consider using Blackline Masters 35- "The Sacrament of Penance" (page 373 in catechist guide) to review what happens during the Sacrament**

**Jan 27**

**Sacrament of First Reconciliation**

**Session One: 9:30 am (SRS)**

**Session Two: 12:30 pm**

**Assigned class session distributed at the Enrollment Mass.**

**Students and parents report to church and sit with class.**

**Reception in Holy Innocents immediately following.**

**Vendor Fair in Holy Innocents during reception**

**Religious gift items, invitations, cakes, etc.**

**Jan 28-30**

**Session 17: Jesus loves the Church**

**One way we can see God's love in the world is the way we celebrate the Eucharist.**

**Memory verse: "Jesus' followers came together to learn, to pray, and to Break bread." Acts of the Apostles 2:42**

**Bookmark your Bible to Luke 24:13-31 and Acts of the Apostles 2:42**



# FEBRUARY 2018

- Feb 2**                    **Snow date for First Reconciliation**
- Feb 4-6**                **Session 18: Gathering for Mass**
- When we gather for mass we hear the word of God.
- Memory verse: "The word of the Lord will last forever." Psalm 119:89
- Bookmark your Bible to 2 Timothy 3:14-17 and Psalm 119:89
- Feb 11-13**            **Session 21: Being Like Jesus**
- Jesus shows us how to love through his words and deeds.
- Memory verse: "Blessed are the people who show mercy. God will have mercy on them." Matthew 5:7
- Bookmark your Bible to Luke 10:25-37 and Matthew 5:7
- Consider using Blackline Master Quiz on page 391 of the catechist guide for Review. Use Poster Part 2 of "We Celebrate the Mass" to review the Mass.**
- Feb 14**                **Ash Wednesday. Services or Mass 6:45, 9:00, Noon, 5:30, 7:30**
- Feb 15**                **Home School Meeting 4:30-5:30 in Holy Innocents**
- All home schooling parents and children must attend.**
- Feb 18-20**            **Winter break: No Classes**
- Feb 25**                **Session 22: We share God's Life**
- God helps us follow our conscience so we can be truly free and happy.
- Memory verse: "Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life." John 14:6
- Bookmark your Bible to Deuteronomy 30:16-18 and John 14:6
- Use Poster Part 1 of "We Celebrate the Mass".**
- Consider reviewing Holy Week and Easter Lessons found on pages 215-222 in catechist guide. Practice receiving Communion and prayers.**
- Feb 26-27**            **Lenten Reconciliation**
- Grade 2 Please go directly to church. Students will return to classroom with teacher for remaining time and pick up.**

# MARCH 2017

- March 4-6** **First Communion Preparation. During all classes parent and students meet In Holy Innocents for workshop. Distribution of butterfly materials for First Communion ceremonies. ATTENDANCE REQUIRED.**  
**If student misses this class, must attend another session this week.**  
**Call R.E. office to reschedule if necessary.**
- March 11-13** **Session 20: Celebrating Lent and Holy Week – Seasonal Session Lent**  
**Understand that Lent is a time to ask for God’s help to become the person He calls each of us to be. Pages 117-120 and 161-164.**
- March 18-20** **Session 23: Following Jesus**  
**We can be like Jesus by treating others fairly and with justice.**  
**Memory verse: “Love God with all your heart, soul, and mind. Love your neighbor as yourself. This is the greatest commandment. “**  
**Matthew 22:37-38**  
**Bookmark your Bible to Matthew 5:1-10 and Matthew 22:37-38**
- March 25-27** **Seasonal Session: Holy Week**  
**Tell about Jesus’ great love for everyone. Pages 161-168**
- March 26** **Parish Confessional open from 3:00-10:00. Invite all families.**
- March 30** **Good Friday- Stations of the cross for children at noon in church.**

# APRIL 2018

- April 1**      **Happy Easter- No classes**
- April 2-3**      **Session 25: Celebrating Easter and Seasonal Session Easter. Pages 147-150 and 169-172.**  
Tell how Easter is a time to reflect on the gift of eternal life.
- April 7-8**      **Butterfly Weekend – all First Communicants bring their butterfly banner to the mass that they attend this weekend.**
- April 8-10**      **Session 24: Making Choices**  
God wants us to respect one another's good name and property.  
Memory verse: "If you want to be happy, don't say bad things or tell lies.  
Always be peaceful with one another, and do not sin." Psalm 34:12-15  
Bookmark your Bible to Peter 3:10-12 and Psalms 34:12-15  
Use Poster II of "We Celebrate the Mass".  
Practice Receiving Communion / Prayers.
- April 15-17**      **No classes – Spring Break**
- April 22-24**      **Session 19: Celebrating the Eucharist**  
Celebrating the Eucharist is central to the Christian life.  
Memory verse: "Jesus sacrificed himself for our sins. He is with God forever."  
Hebrews 10:12  
Bookmark your Bible to Luke 22: 14-20 and Hebrews 10:12  
Use Posters Part I and II of "We Celebrate the Mass" to begin to review the Mass.
- April 30-31**      **Last Week of Religious Ed. Classes**
- Apr 30 & May 1**      **First Communion Rehearsal. Please refer to your calendar distributed at The enrollment Mass for your rehearsal schedule.**  
3:45 for Catechists, 4:15 for Children, 5:00pm -5:45pm for children and

# MAY 2018

- May 4**      **Reader and Gift Bearer Rehearsal in the church**  
4:15pm for 10:00am ceremony  
5:00pm for the 1:00pm ceremony
- May 5**      **First Communion at 10:00am and 1:30pm**  
Set up on May 4<sup>th</sup> in Holy Innocents & Church. Ceremonies assigned by class.
- May 7**      **First Communion Rehearsal from 4:15- 5:45pm (church)**  
3:45 for Catechists  
4:15 for children  
5:00pm-5:45pm for children and parents
- May 11**     **First Communion Readers & Gift Bearers at 4:15pm (church)**
- May 12**     **First Communion Ceremony at 10:00am.**
- May 18**     **Msgr. Bob's 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary in priesthood**
- May 31**     **Home school meeting from 4:30-5:30pm in Holy Innocents followed by  
Coordinator Meeting at 6:00 in St. Rose.**