Day 4

Read, study the lesson on Sin. Fill in the missing words at the end of the lesson. Study the painting by American artist, Benjamin West, of Adam and Eve after they sinned. The angel expels them from the Garden. Their faces are full of regret. They are leaving the angel and walking toward the menacing serpent. They have exchanged the safety and beauty of innocence for the harsh world brought about by sin. They are leaving the light and entering darkness. Imagine what their thoughts are: “What have I done?” “Why did I do this?”

Memorize the answers to the eight questions in Lesson 5, Numbers 24 - 31.

Day 5

Review this week’s lessons. Take a quiz on the questions and answers in Lesson 5, Numbers 24 - 31.

In the Bible History, read pp. 25 and 26.

Israelites Punished

1. Who were the two most trustworthy spies?
2. What did they try to persuade the people to do?
3. What did the people begin to do again?
4. How did God punish them?

Aaron’s Rod

1. Why did God order Moses to take a staff from each of the twelve tribes and write the name of the chief on it?
2. The next morning, whose rod was found to bear both blossoms and fruit?
3. After this, what did the people never doubt?

Sins of Moses and Aaron / Death of Aaron

1. Where did the Israelites settle? Who died there?
2. Why did the people hold a council against Moses and Aaron? What did Moses and Aaron do?
3. What did the Lord then tell Moses to do? What would it yield?
4. While carrying out this order, what did Moses do that showed a lack of confidence in God?
5. While carrying out this order, what did Moses say that showed a lack of confidence in God?
6. How did God punish Moses and Aaron because of their doubt?
7. Where did they then journey?
8. What did God then tell Moses about Aaron?
9. Who did God say would be the next high priest?
10. Where did Aaron die?

Week Four

Day 1

Read, study the lesson on Actual Sin in Religion 5. Look at Murillo’s famous painting of the Blessed Mother’s Immaculate Conception. The artist painted the Woman of the Apocalypse, described by St. John
in the last book of the Bible, clothed with the sun and the moon under her feet (Apocalypse/Revelation 12:1). Our Lady is the Immaculate Conception because she was free from any personal sin, nor did she inherit original sin. Since she was intended to bear the Son of God, and to be the Mother of God, it is most fitting that she should be free from any stain of sin from the moment of her conception.

The next painting represents St. John the Baptist. He is painted as a child embracing a lamb. His younger cousin, Jesus, was the Lamb. When St. John became a man, he was responsible for announcing the Lamb of God. “Behold the Lamb of God! Behold Him Who has come to take away the sins of the world!” (John 1:29).

Do the Matching quiz.

Read, study Lesson 6 on Actual Sin in the Baltimore Catechism.

Saints for the Week: St. Vincent de Paul; Archangels Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael.

Day 2

Read, study the next lesson on Actual sin in Religion 5. Perhaps you recognize Correggio’s lovely devotional painting, which has graced numerous Christmas cards. (It is also featured in the Art 5 text.) He shows the Blessed Mother adoring the Christ Child. Consider Our Lady’s look of wonder and tender love that the artist has successfully managed to achieve.

Do the Matching quiz.

Memorize the questions and answers in Lesson 6 in the B.C., Numbers 32 - 39.

In the Bible History, read from p. 26 bottom to 28 top.

BRONZE SERPENT
1. Since the king of Edom would not allow the Israelites to pass through his territory, at what did the people again complain?
2. What did they also tell Moses?
3. What did God send out of the sand to punish them? Which did what?
4. What did Moses beg God to do?
5. What did the Lord tell Moses to make out of bronze? Where did He tell Moses to set it up?
6. Who would be cured?
7. Of whom is the bronze serpent a type?

DEATH OF MOSES
1. When Moses knew he was soon to die, of what did he remind the people? What did he read to them? What did he teach them?
2. After this, where did Moses go? What did he see from there?
3. At the age of 120 years, in what land did Moses die? Where was he buried?

Day 3

Read, study The Incarnation in Religion 5. Notice the details of the illustrated painting of the Angel Gabriel with Mary at the Annunciation. The angels overhead part in order to make way for the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit upon Our Lady. Do you see the Book of Scriptures on the kneeler behind Mary? She had been praying fervently for the promised Messiah when the Angel came.