



Day 5

Review the answers in the Baltimore Catechism for Lesson 7. Then take a quiz, either orally or in writing. Parent: You may record the grade in Section A on the Quarter Report Form.

Bible History: Read Chapter 6 and Answer the questions for “St. Peter: The Fisher of Men.”

WEEK SEVEN

Day 1

Lesson 8: The Redemption. Read, study pp. 52 to 56 in the Baltimore Catechism.

October 4th is the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis, who was born in 1182, is called the Seraphic Saint. He gave up all his wealth and worldly possessions and dedicated himself to helping the poor. He helped to build up the Church at a time when many had lost their faith. He is considered the most extraordinary saint of the Middle Ages.

St. Francis founded the Franciscan Order, the Third Order of St. Francis, and the Poor Clares. He was very simple and lived a life of poverty. Thousands followed him in his dedication to Jesus and the teachings of Jesus to care for others. Toward the end of his life, Jesus gave Francis the stigmata, the marks of the wounds of Jesus, in his hands and feet.

Day 2

Review. read, study Week Seven: The Redemption in *Religion 7 for Young Catholics*, p. 39 and following. If you have difficulty with this lesson, please read it slowly and discuss it with your parents. Answer the questions.

In the first painting on p. 39, you can see Jesus and His holiness shining out like a bright light in the darkness of the whole “trial” by Pontius Pilate. How many people are in the painting? Look at all the different postures and places where the people are looking from? Do you think one person there is the Blessed Mother? Look carefully where the artist chooses to show the light. Do you see the Cross? The artist is depicting Jesus freely walking down the steps to take up His Cross. Jesus never was forced to take up His Cross, but always did it willingly to help us to obtain Heaven.

The second painting on p. 40 shows the Scourging of Jesus. Why do you suppose Jesus is not standing? Notice the use of bright light by the artist to show the central focus of Jesus with the people and things around in darker colors. How many people do you see in the painting? Notice the different expressions on their faces. Do you see a sympathetic face? Do you see a doubting face? What do you see above the face of Jesus, in the back shadows? Do you notice the whip with the lead balls on the end? This is an accurate depiction of the whip used by the Roman soldiers.

The next two paintings are of the Resurrection. How are they similar? How are they different? Which one do you like best? Why? Study the details in each painting. Study the people in each painting. Notice their faces. Notice the position of their bodies which also reflect their fear and lack of understanding.

Confirmation: Read and study pp. 19 and 20: Sponsors and Parents. Answer the review questions on p. 54.

Day 3

Review. Answer the questions in the *Baltimore Catechism*, pp. 57 to 58.

Confirmation: Read and study p. 21. Read pp. 22 and 23. Finish the review questions on p. 54.



Correction for p. 23: When the bishop says “Peace be with you,” the proper response in the corrected translation of the Mass is now **“And with your spirit,”** rather than “And also with you.”

Day 4

Review. On p. 58 in the *Baltimore Catechism*, read the section “Read from the Bible.” Read at least one Bible reference for each section.

Bible History: Read Chapter 7 and Answer the questions for “The Twelve Apostles.”

Day 5

Review. Take a quiz on the questions in the Baltimore Catechism for this lesson. Parent: You may record the grade in Section A on the Quarter Report Form.

Read over and review the basic truths of the Faith in Chapter 4 in the Confirmation book. You will be tested on this chapter at the end of this quarter. If you have not yet done so, memorize the following truths of our Faith, which are of primary importance:

- The Ten Commandments
- The Seven Sacraments
- The Precepts of the Church
- The Spiritual Works of Mercy
- The Corporal Works of Mercy
- Try to remember these:
- The Eight Beatitudes
- The Evangelical Counsels
- The Theological Virtues
- The Cardinal Virtues
- The Four Last Things
- The Holy Days of Obligation in the United States

Confirmation: Read and review pp. 25 to 31.

WEEK EIGHT

Day 1

Lesson 9: The Holy Spirit and Grace. Read, study pp. 59 to 62 in the *Baltimore Catechism*.

October 17 is the feast day of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1600s). St. Margaret Mary was a Visitation nun to whom Our Lord appeared. Through her, He gave the universal Church a special form for devotion to the Sacred Heart, which has its foundation in the devotion to the wounded side of Christ begun by the Fathers of the Church.

It was through the visions of St. Margaret Mary that Jesus promised the faithful devoted to Him the grace of final perseverance for attending Mass and receiving Holy Communion (with the proper dispositions, of course) on nine consecutive First Fridays. However, this Great Promise is not “automatic.” It takes for granted one’s great faith and trust in – as well as love for – the Sacred Heart of Jesus. A book for adults on the Sacred Heart is Timothy T. O’Donnell’s *Heart of the Redeemer* (San Francisco: Ignatius Press, 1992).

“Lord Jesus Christ, You wondrously revealed all the deep treasures of Your Heart to St. Margaret Mary. May her merits and example win us the grace to love You above all things and in all things, so that we may make our home in Your own Sacred Heart.”

“Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us.”