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SECOND QUARTER

Week Ten

Day 1

Chapter 11: The Barbarians and the Church.

You might wish to make a chart contrasting Roman civilization with life during the "Dark Ages" in order to appreciate the total collapse of civilization. Of course, because of the Roman torture and crucifixions of Christians, Christians are reluctant to call the Roman culture "civilized."

Note: Chronologically, some of the events in Chapter 11 happened simultaneously with events in the preceding chapter. Be sure to keep up a time line so that you can appreciate that the Church was fighting heretical attacks and barbarian invasions at the same time.

Read the Review questions on pp. 131 & 132.

Survey Chapter 11, reading the headings and skimming over the first sentences in each paragraph.

Read aloud with expression, study pp. 118 to 124. Highlight important points as directed by the Review questions.

Day 2

Read aloud with expression, study pp. 124 to 131. Highlight important points as directed by the Review questions.

Day 3

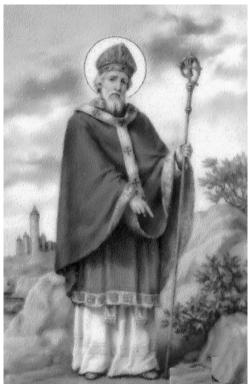
Study Chapter 11. Notice Number 4 in the projects on p. 132. Read about those topics in an encyclopedia or book. If you have a monastery anywhere in your area, visit it and ask for information about the history of the monastery. Check the Catholic encyclopedia at www.newadvent.org/cathen on the Internet for St. Brendan and St. Scholastica, and Ireland. Look for St. Bridget at www.catholic.org/saints/

Day 4

Study Chapter 11. Do the Chapter 11 quiz.

Day 5

Chapter 12: The Prophet and the Emperor.



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Read the Review questions on p. 142.

Survey the chapter, noting the headings and the first sentence of each paragraph. Read aloud with expression, study pp. 133 to 136. Highlight important points.

Week Eleven

Day 1

Read aloud, study pp. 136 to 142. Highlight. Below is Charles Martel at the Battle of Tours.

Day 2

Study the chapter. Read over the projects. You may be able to read more about the famous battle at Covadonga in a Spanish history book. It may even have some illustrations.

Read more about Charlemagne in a book or encyclopedia, or on the Internet.

Day 3

Review Chapter 12. Do the Chapter 12 quiz.

Day 4

Chapter 13: The Foundation of a New Civilization.

Read the Review questions, pp. 157 & 158.

Survey the chapter, reading the headings and the first sentence of each paragraph. Read aloud, study pp. 144 to 148. Write an outline in the margins. Highlight important points.

Day 5

Read aloud, study pp. 148 to 157. Outline in the margins. Highlight.

One of the reasons Alfred was inspired to carry on his fight against the Danes was that he saw a vision of the Blessed Mother. This vision is beautifully described in G. K. Chesterton's poem "Ballad of the White Horse."

Week Twelve

Day 1

Study Chapter 13. Read more about the Vikings, feudalism, Charlemagne, Brian Boru, Otto the Great, and King Alfred the Great.

After the defeat of Ivar, eventually the Desmond jealousy, encouraged by Ivor, flared up. Pretending friendship, Donovan, one of the Desmond leaders, invited Mahon