

Religion 3 Lesson Plan

Memorize the questions and answers for Week One (found on WEEK ONE: Day 5). Practice saying the short prayer together during the day. (A simple practice such as this helps to bring about performing our daily actions aware of the presence of God.)

Day 2

St. Joseph First Communion Catechism: Review the prayers in the front of the book. Read the prayers aloud. Sometimes seeing the words in print helps to understand a little better. Work on memorizing and understanding the Apostles' Creed, p. 64. Though it may have been learned last year, the Church encourages constant review. Recite the Apostles Creed from memory for the Family Rosary.

Religion 3 FYC: Read WEEK ONE: Day 2, complete the sentences, and practice the short prayer. Notice the picture of St. Ann and her daughter, Mary.

Memorize the questions and answers for Day 2 (found on WEEK ONE: Day 5).

Day 3

St. Joseph: Review the prayers on pp. 62-63, and the Apostles' Creed, p. 64.

Religion 3 FYC: Read WEEK ONE: Day 3, complete the sentences, and practice the prayer. Memorize questions and answers for Day 3 (found on WEEK ONE: Day 5).

The stained glass is of Jesus welcoming the little children. How many children in this picture.

Day 4

St. Joseph: Review the Apostles' Creed again, for understanding.

Religion 3 FYC: Read WEEK ONE: Day 4, following the procedure of the last three days.

The stained glass is of the Annunciation. Can you see her book of the Scriptures? Can you see the Holy Spirit?

Day 5

Religion 3 FYC: Spend this class period studying the week's Questions and Answers found on WEEK 1: Day 5.

The stained glass is of angels worshipping Baby Jesus.

WEEK TWO

Day 1

Parent: As an introduction to the Bible, explain that the Bible was written by holy people who were inspired by the Holy Spirit. Explain that the Old Testament is the story of God's people, from Adam and Eve, up to the time of Jesus—all in preparation for the promised Redeemer.

Explain that the New Testament is the story of Jesus and the beginnings of the Catholic Church, the Church founded by Jesus Christ. Read and explain the assigned Bible readings to your child.

Assign the following for your child:

Read Luke 10:25–37, the parable of the Good Samaritan.

Questions for Discussion

- 1. What happened to the certain man who was going from Jerusalem to Jericho?
- 2. What did the priest do when he saw the man?



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- 3. What did the Levite do?
- 4. What things did the Samaritan do for the man on the road?
- 5. Which of the three should we be like?
- 6. Who is our neighbor?
- 7. The priest and Levite were considered holy men, while a Samaritan was considered to be a lower class person in those times. What does this teach us about being a good person, and loving our neighbor?

Religion 3 FYC: Read: God is Great. Study Day 1 questions and answers (on WEEK TWO: Day 4 page).

Day 2

Read Luke 14:7–14, the parable of the last seat.

Questions for Discussion

- 1. At a feast, why should we not sit in the first place?
- 2. Why should we sit in the last place?
- 3. What does Jesus mean when he says, "Everyone who exalts himself shall be humbled, and he who humbles himself shall be exalted?"
- 4. Who should we invite when we give a dinner? Why?
- 5. When will we be repaid for this?
- 6. Do you think that being kind to the poor and needy just applies to banquets? Can you think of an example of how you might live out verses 13–14?

Religion 3 FYC: Read, then complete the sentences. Study questions and answers for Day 2 (WEEK TWO: Day 4 page).

Day 3

Read John 10:1–18, the parable of the Good Shepherd. This is a difficult passage, which needs plenty of discussion.

Questions for Discussion

- 1. What does Jesus mean when He says that He came so that the sheep might have life, and have it more abundantly?
- 2. What does the good shepherd do for his sheep?
- 3. How does Jesus do this for us?
- 4. In verses 17–18, what is Jesus talking about?

Religion 3 FYC: Read, then complete the sentences. Study questions and answers for Day 3 (on WEEK TWO: Day 4 page).

The first stained glass window is of the Coronation of Mary as Queen of Heaven. The second one is of St. Patrick teaching the people and the king and queen about the Holy Trinity.

Day 4

St. Joseph Catechism: Review the meaning and memorize the Confiteor, p. 63. Children should be saying this at Mass and should know it fairly well.

Religion 3 FYC: Read, then complete the sentences. Study questions and answers for Day 4 (found on Day 4 page).