

2019-20 Lesson Guides
Grade 7 – Catechist
Text- *Be My Disciples: Christ Reveals God's Mystery*

***Note: If you find that you have time remaining in any of these classes, please cover some of the material from Chapters 3-5. If not, that's quite alright to focus on the assigned chapter. Also, please review the Diocesan Standards of Learning for 7th grade throughout the year. Thank you!**

Date	Lesson	Focus
1/5	NO CLASS	7th Grade Parent/Candidate Confirmation Meeting 6:45 pm in the Church on 1/5
1/12	<p>Chapter 1 Faith in History</p> <hr/> <p>Chapter 2 Faith of the Church (highlight vocab only, unless you have time to cover more)</p>	<p>Intro and Timeline: Page 9 Faith Focus: What does the Church teach about who God is? Vocabulary: dogma, ecumenical council, heresy. The Church Follows Jesus: Highlight the martyrs. Engage discussion about describing God and how this question has led to many councils to define aspects of God that have been revealed to humanity. Why is it important to make these distinctions account Jesus/God/ the Church's belief? I Follow Jesus: How do you live the Creed? (Pages 17-18) Pray and Review each week: Pages 19-20</p> <hr/> <p>Chapter 2 Vocab: Divine Revelation, faith, mystery Pages 29-30 would be good to explore if you have time.</p>
1/19	NO CLASS	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Holiday
1/26	NO CLASS	1/27- 7th Grade Large Group Session 1 6:45 pm in DeSales Hall
2/2	NO CLASS	FCPS Holiday
2/9	Chapter 6 The Holy Trinity	<p>Into and Timeline: Page 69 Faith Focus: How does the Church come to better understand who God is? Vocabulary: nature, sanctifies, Salvation The Church Follows Jesus: Explore the symbols of God. Emphasize that none of these symbols can entirely explain God- they are here to help us think about God and reflect more and more on the mystery of who God is. Discuss the Communion of persons and the unique roles of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit (pages 72-76). I Follow Jesus: How do we maintain healthy relationships with one another? (Pages 77-78)</p>

	Unit 1 Review	<p>Pray and Review each week: Pages 79-80.</p> <p>Unit I Review: Pages 81-82. They may not know all of the answers since they are only covering 2 chapters of this unit, but it would be good to at least go over the answers and work through the review together.</p>
2/16	NO CLASS	Presidents' Day Weekend
2/23	NO CLASS	OLGC Basketball Tournament
3/1	<p>Chapter 7 Unity From Diversity</p> <p>Lent Highlight/Review</p>	<p>Intro and Timeline: Page 85 Faith Focus: How is the Church as reflection of God? Vocabulary: Magisterium, rite, schism The Church Follows Jesus: Highlight the various rites of the Catholic Church with their diverse celebrations. Similarities? Differences? Engage discussion on the reformation of the Church from within-Council of Trent (pages 90-91). I Follow Jesus: How do we deal with/resolve conflict? (Pages 93-94) Pray and Review each week: Pages 96-96</p>
3/8	<p>Chapter 8 Jesus of Nazareth</p>	<p>Intro and Timeline: Page 97 Faith Focus: What does the Church teach about Jesus' human nature? Vocabulary: Gospel, messiah, metanoia The Church Follows Jesus: Engage the students in the life of Elizabeth Ann Seton. Explore Jesus as the Word of God made flesh, as the Messiah, and as the Way to God. Who is Jesus? What is he like? What is his ministry? I Follow Jesus: How do I view life with the eyes of faith? (Pages 105-106) Pray and Review each week: Pages 107-108</p>
3/15	NO CLASS	<p>3/16- 7th Grade Large Group Session 2</p> <p>6:45 pm DeSales Hall</p>
3/22	<p>Chapter 9 The Son of God</p>	<p>Intro and Timeline: Page 109 Faith Focus: What does the Church teach about Jesus' two natures? Vocabulary: Incarnation, Kyrios The Church Follows Jesus: Explore the symbols used for Jesus and the various aspects of what we know about Jesus-His</p>

		<p>being, His Life, His mission, His work. Engage in discussion about Mary, the Mother of God. Everything we know and say about Mary points to something special about Jesus. Mary is our Mother too (page 115).</p> <p>I Follow Jesus: How are you living as a symbol of Christ? (Pages 117-118)</p> <p>Pray and Review each week: Page 119-120.</p>
3/29	<p>Chapter 10 Jesus' Passion and Death</p>	<p>Intro and Timeline: Page 121</p> <p>Faith Focus: How does the Crucifixion affect your life today?</p> <p>Vocabulary: expiation, Original Sin, Redemption</p> <p>The Church Follows Jesus: Engage the class with the Stations of the Cross and the role of pilgrimages in our tradition. Highlight original justice, original sin, evil, and Jesus's role in restoring our relationship with God.</p> <p>I Follow Jesus: How do you find grace in the midst of grief? (Pages 129-130)</p> <p>Pray and Review each week: Pages 131-132</p>
4/5	NO CLASS	Holy Week
4/12	NO CLASS	Easter Sunday
4/19	<p>Chapter 11 The Resurrection and Ascension</p>	<p>Intro and Timeline: Page 133</p> <p>Faith Focus: Why is the Resurrection at the center of our faith?</p> <p>Vocabulary: Ascension, Heaven, hell, Purgatory</p> <p>The Church Follows Jesus: Explore the Easter Vigil and its importance in our Catholic faith. Continue with discussion on Jesus' resurrection and its impact on our lives, beliefs, and thoughts about life after death.</p> <p>I Follow Jesus: How does Jesus' resurrection empower you to go forth and proclaim the Gospel with your life? (Pages 141-142)</p> <p>Pray and Review each week: Pages 143-144</p>
4/26	<p>Last Class</p> <p>Chapter 12 The Giver of Life</p> <p>Unit 2 Review (if time permits)</p>	<p>Intro and Timeline: Page 145</p> <p>Faith Focus: Why is the Holy Spirit vital to the Church?</p> <p>Vocabulary: Advocate, charisms</p> <p>The Church Follows Jesus: Explore the gifts of the Holy Spirit and the Holy Spirit's role in salvation history and today in the life of the Church.</p> <p>I Follow Jesus: Where are the fruits of the Holy Spirit present in your life? (Pages 153-154)</p> <p>Pray and Review each week: Pages 155-156</p> <hr/> <p>Unit 2 Review on Pages 157-158</p>
5/11 (Monday)	<p>7th Grade Large Group Session 3</p>	6:45 pm DeSales Hall

