

Syllabus			2018-19	SUNDAY							
Date	Week	Theme	Objectives	Bible	Beginner's Bible Curriculum	Activities/Lesson or Additional Resources	Prayer Mini Lesson also includes Catholic Info from the Book Tell Me About the Catholic Faith for Young Children	Devotional Time My Goodnight Devotions (D) or Storybook (both have same stories)	Notes	Homework - green folder with take home sheets Comes back weekly for stickers	Saint - yellow folder keep in class
				<i>This column is for your reference as to Bible passages that tie in with the lesson. Emphasize each week that the Bible is God's way to speak to us and that we learn about God from the Bible. Children will have their own bible at home to reread the stories with their parents.</i>		<i>These are extra activities beyond the Beginner's Bible Guide. Please choose the activities that best fit your class and your teaching style.</i>	<i>Each week should have a short lesson on prayer. Remind students that they are speaking to God. There are different ways to pray. Set up prayer table weekly</i>	<i>This is optional. The storybook uses regular stories to show how the Bible point lies into real life. These are short stories - maybe a 5 minute class lesson.</i>	<i>Please check this out each week - reminders of upcoming feast days, flyers going home, etc.</i>	<i>The family pages from the Beginner's Bible Guide have been made into packets for each child to take home. They have the Bible at home to work on this throughout the week with their family.</i>	<i>A short 5 minute lesson each week. Remind students that saints are ordinary people who have done extraordinary things. A short story, a coloring sheet, etc. This will be a folder already put together for your use.</i>
Sunday, September 23	Lesson 1	First Day of Class/Welcome	Establish Classroom Rules Get to Know Students The Church Welcomes			Welcome Activities, Get to Know You A priest will stop in for a blessing of the classroom			Please check out the catechist webpage for ideas and lessons	All items will go home the second week of class.	
Sunday, September 30		Who is God? God is our Father. God speaks to us through Scripture/the Bible	God is our Heavenly Father. God never stops loving us. The Bible is God's word for us.	Introduce the Bible as God's word for us. It is God's way of speaking to us and to learn about God and His son Jesus. We will use the Bible for each class this year. Children will receive their own bible to have at home for family activities.	Introduce the Bible - let children see. You can use different Bibles (children, adult, picture - but all tell the same stories - more details are added as you age and mature)	Song - The B-I-B-L-E, me that's the book for me Use Supplemental Lesson Who is God? Tell Me About the Catholic Faith p 6 - 7 What's in the Bible	What is our prayer? Prayer is the way to talk to God. God hears us when we pray. Tell Me About the Catholic Faith pp 76 Learning To Pray		Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi - October 4 (coloring sheet provided)		
Sunday, October 7		<i>No Class Columbus Day</i>									
Sunday, October 14		God Created the World God's Good Creation	Creation - God loves us so much he created the world	Genesis 1:1 - 2:3	Lesson 1 in BB notebook pages 7-25 in Children's Beginner Bible	Mini Coloring Book Creation Wheel craft Creation Walk - can you see what God has created	The Sign of the Cross (focus on the Father) http://www.catechist.com/blog/archives/199-20100114.html or http://www.catholicism.com/4-199-to-teach-kids-how-to-make-sign/	D or S p 21 The Secret Ingredient - "God said I made the earth"		Practice making the sign of the cross. Retell the story of creation with the story wheel. Can send home saint project.	What is a saint? We will celebrate All Saints Day later this month. Each week we will learn about a new saint.
Sunday, October 21	Lesson 2	God Created Man and Woman	Continue the story of Creation with focus on Adam and Eve	Genesis 2:7-3:4	Lesson 1 in BB notebook, pages 26-38 in Children's Beginner Bible	mini coloring book, felt board Adam and Eve, puppet craft Adam, Eve, snake	The Sign of the Cross (focus on the Son - Jesus)	D or S p 25 Name Game - "I have called you by name"		Practice making the sign of the cross	
Sunday, October 28	Lesson 3	Noah and the Flood God Helps Me Obey	Share the story of Noah with focus on what is right, Noah did everything God commanded. God keeps His promises.	Genesis 6:1-9:17	Lesson 2 in BB p notebook pages 39-57 in Children's Beginner Bible	mini coloring book, felt board ark craft or other craft of choice	The Sign of the Cross (focus on the Holy Spirit)	D or S p.29 Oh My Ple - "Obey Me" and/or D or S p 33 For Keeps		Children retell the story of Noah with their family with the puppets	
Sunday, November 4		NO CLASS - FCPS long weekend									
Sunday, November 11	Lesson 4	The Story of Abraham God Has Plans For Us	Anything is possible with God, God has plans for us	Genesis 12:1-21:8, Jeremiah 29:11 I know the plans I have for you announces the Lord.....	Lesson 3 in BB notebook, pages 59-57 in Children's Beginner Bible	mini coloring book,story sequence cards Tell Me About the Catholic Faith pp 12-15 Abraham Father of God's People	Our Father (use the book, but keep in class for practice) Tell Us About the Catholic Faith p 69 Prayer of Jesus	D or S p 49 A Baby To Love and/or P 45 Just Trust		Use sequence cards to retell the story of Sarah and Abraham	
Sunday, November 18	Lesson 5	The Story of Joseph God Wants Us to Help Others	God showed Joseph how to help others. God will show me how to help others also	Genesis 37:39-46 Philippians 2:4 None of you should look out just for your own good, you should also look out for the good of others.	Lesson 5 in BB notebook, pages 71-91 in Children's Beginner Bible	Coat of many colors craft Grain bag with popcorn kernels (what you intended for harm, God has use for good)	Practice the Our Father Use the prayer table (practice set up)	November 21 Presentation of Mary November 25 Christ the King			
Sunday, November 25		<i>No Class - Happy Thanksgiving</i>									
Sunday, December 2		Make Advent Wreaths - blessing at Nov 27 Mass	*Advent starts the new church year and is a season of waiting. The church follows the liturgical calendar	Matthew 6:9-13 This is how you should pray.	Materials supplied for wreaths, but you are welcome to bring your own supplies	What is Advent? What happens in the liturgical year with the start of Advent? Make Advent wreaths to bring to Mass November 27. Introduce Advent countdown calendar.	Practice the Our Father Use the prayer table (practice set up) Introduce prayers of Thanksgiving during prayer table time	Advent wreaths can be simple (made from construction paper) *Advent starts the new church year and is a season of waiting *The church follows the liturgical calendar	Send home Advent countdown calendar for students to complete during Advent		
Sunday, December 9	Lesson 9	Advent	Introduce children to the season of Advent as a special time of waiting as we prepare for Christmas	Bible Story: Angel Gabriel visits Mary		Ideas/Activities/Lessons posted on website Tell Me About the Catholic Faith pp28-29 Mary and Joseph	Introduce the Hail Mary - Mary was chosen to be the mother of God's son Jesus Tell Me About the Catholic Faith p77 Praying with Mary Mary can help us pray Prayer table set up with emphasis on the change of liturgical colors and the start of a new church year	D or S P 97 Wise Buys - God gives us wisdom (This is a story of giving to those in need)			
Sunday, December 16		Christmas/ The Birth of Jesus	Celebrate the story of Jesus birth	Luke 2:1-21; Matthew 2:1-12	Lesson 18 BB notebook, pages 266-290 in Children's Beginner Bible	Ideas/Activities/Lessons posted on website Tell Me About the Catholic Faith pp 30-31	Practice the Hail Mary	Bible p 115 Happy Birthday Jesus	*What is Christmas "Why do we celebrate Christmas	Have students bring in something from their baptism when we return for class in January	
Sunday, December 23		<i>No Class - Merry Christmas</i>									
Sunday, December 30	Lesson 10	No Class - Happy New Year									
Sunday, January 6		Baptism/John the Baptist Can also cover the early life of Jesus when he is lost at the temple - also in BB lesson 19)	The Sacrament of Baptism Welcome to God's family	Mark 1:1-11	Lesson 19 BB God Is Our Father (Children's Bible pp 303-307)	Mini coloring book, John the Baptist craft What is baptism? Take children to the church to see the baptismal font. Holy water reminds us of our baptism	Practice the Hail Mary Emphasis on color change - green ordinary time		Jan 6 Epiphany Jan 13 Baptism of the Lord Tell Me About the Catholic Faith pp 38-39		
Sunday, January 13	Lesson 6	The Birth of Moses and God Speaks to Moses <i>You can combine Moses all into one week and add in one of the extra week lessons as there are so many Bible stories that we can't cover in the course of the year</i>	Learn the story of baby Moses being found in the basket by Pharaoh's daughter	Exodus 1:1-2:10	Lesson 6 in BB notebook, pages92-110 in Children's Beginner Bible	mini coloring book, song about Moses, Moses craft	Practice the Our Father Use the prayer table (practice set up)	D or S Rescue Poochie p 53		Jan 13 Baptism of the Lord Tell Me About the Catholic Faith pp 38-39	
Sunday, January 20		<i>No Class</i>									
Sunday, January 27		David and Goliath David Becomes King A Heart for God	David and Goliath David is Chosen.	1 Samuel 16: 1-23	Lesson 11 in BB notebook - A Heart to God Children's Beginner Bible 168-193	Mini coloring books about David 2 part lesson in binder and on website with craft ideas.					
Sunday, February 3		<i>No Class</i>									
Sunday, February 10	Lesson 12	Jesus Chooses His Twelve Disciples The Friends of Jesus	Jesus chooses His followers	Mark 3:13-19	Limited lesson in BB #19 (Children's Bible p308-313) Use a regular Bible about Jesus choosing His disciples. Can also use the book <i>The Twelve Dudes Who Did</i> We will spend several weeks learning about Jesus Tell Me About the Catholic Faith pp 34-37 Friends of Jesus	Twelve Disciples Craft on website	Continue to practice Hail Mary during prayer table time	D or S p 127 Follow the Leader			
Sunday, February 17		<i>No Class - President's Day</i>									
Sunday, February 24	Lesson 14	I Can Go To Jesus	Many people go to Jesus for help. I can go to Jesus for help as well.		Lesson 21 BB Children's Bible pages 328-350	Call on Jesus craft.	Introduce prayer of petitions - I can ask God/ Jesus for his help.				
Sunday, March 3	Lesson 15	Ash Wednesday	We are getting ready for a Special Time in Church Year.		Ash Wednesday reminds us that we are entering a special season to get ready for Easter.	http://www.catholicism.com/holy-week-in-handprints/ Holy Week in Handprints could be done in one class or over the weeks of Lent. This is a neat way to tell the Easter story Plan on this taking several weeks to complete Mini Coloring book of the Disciples	Lent is a Season of Praying, Fasting and Giving Alms. This is how to pray, fast and give. Placemats can be made for kids to take home as a reminder	Ash Wednesday is March 6 Tell Me About the Catholic Faith pp.40-41			
Sunday, March 10	Lesson 18	LENT	Lent is a time of preparing our hearts for Easter. Jesus spent 40 days in the desert so we spe			Activities posted on website	Song This is Lent Review Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving Point out the purple on the prayer table.				
Sunday, March 17		Jesus Feeds Five Thousand/ We Can Trust Jesus	Many people in the Bible trusted Jesus - we can trust him too. Jesus will help us with our problems	Matthew 14 and John 9	Lesson 22 in BB. Children's Bible pages 357-408	coloring book and Parable craft	Practice asking God/Jesus for help during prayer time (Kids can pray during prayer circle time for anything they want God's help with.)				
Sunday, March 24	Lesson 17	Jesus Rescues the Lost	Good Samaritan The Lost Sheep The Lost Son	Luke 10:25-37	Lesson 23 BB Jesus Rescues the Lost Children's Bible pages 379-404 This lesson can be spread out over a couple of weeks if you want to focus on each story. You can also read all three and then have stations set up with a craft/activity for each.	Ideas are on the webpage - crafts and activities in addition to what is in the BB curriculum.		March 25 Annunciation			
Sunday, March 31		The Words of Jesus and The Parables Of Jesus	Jesus spoke words of love and forgiveness and told stories to help his followers understand		There is not a lesson in the BB curriculum. You may continue with lesson 23 since there are three lessons or you can introduce additional parables as listed in the additional ideas for week 18	Tell Me About the Catholic Faith pp38-39 The Words of Jesus	Song This is Lent Review Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving Point out the purple on the prayer table. Ask children how they have prayed, fasted and given alms so far in Lent.				
Sunday, April 7	Lesson 19	Jesus Enters Jerusalem	Jesus was welcomed as a king Palm Sunday		Lesson 26 - Just The True children's Bible pages 427-432	Palm Sunday Donkey Craft		D or S p 171 Ready for Teddy			
Sunday, April 14		<i>No Class - Holy Week</i>									
Sunday, April 21		<i>No Class -Easter</i>									
Sunday, April 28	Lesson 22	Easter									
Sunday, May 5	Lesson 23	Jesus Lives	The Risen Jesus	Matthew 26:28 John 20:21	Lesson 27 BB Children's Bible pages 446-465	Empty Tomb Craft	Tell Me About the Catholic Faith - Jesus is Alive Pp 60-61				
Sunday, May 12	Lesson 24	<i>No Class- Mother's Day</i>									
Sunday, May 19		<i>Last Day of Class</i>	Review Celebrate								
		Extra Lessons to use if you combine the two part lessons or need to fill in space									
Sunday, May 25	Lesson 25	Let's Share Jesus with the World	Saul/Paul shared Jesus with others how can we share Jesus with others		Lesson 29 BB Children's Bible Pages 488-508 Paul shared about Jesus with others						
Sunday, May 31		Pentecost/On a Mission For Jesus/ Holy Spirit	Jesus gives us a mission while we are on earth. The Holy Spirit helps us with that mission		Lesson 28 BB On a Mission for Jesus			Tell Me About the Catholic Faith pp 62-63 The Coming of the Holy Spirit			
Sunday, June 1	Lesson 26	David and Goliath David Becomes King A Heart for God	David and Goliath David is Chosen.	1 Samuel 16: 1-23	Lesson 11 in BB notebook - A Heart to God Children's Beginner Bible 168-193	Mini coloring books about David 2 part lesson in binder and on website with craft ideas.					
Sunday, June 8		Daniel and the Lion's Den									
Sunday, June 15	Lesson 22	Jonah and the Big Fish									
Sunday, June 22		Samuel/ Listen for God's Direction	God wants us to listen and follow His direction	1 Samuel 1:1-20	Lesson 10 in BB notebook pages 156-167 in Children's Beginner Bible	Good Listener - play Simon Says	I can pray when I need help. God will give me direction. Model a simple prayer of asking for God's guidance				
Sunday, June 29		David and Goliath David Becomes King A Heart for God	David and Goliath David is Chosen.	1 Samuel 16: 1-23	Lesson 11 in BB notebook - A Heart to God Children's Beginner Bible 168-193	Mini coloring books about David 2 part lesson in binder and on website with craft ideas.					
Sunday, July 6		Come Into God's Kingdom	God loved the world so much that he gave His one and only Son. Anyone who believe in Him will not die but have eternal life.	Matthew 13:47-49; 17:24-27;19:13-15, Mark 10:13-16,12:41-44 and Luke 18:15-17; 19:1-10 and 21:1-4	Lesson 24 Come Into God's Kingdom children's Bible pages 351-436	use games and activities to tie into the story or stories that you choose to highlight.					