

**ASSUMPTION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
SECOND GRADE CALENDAR OF LESSONS 2016-2017
FRIDAYS, FAITH & FAMILY**

TEXT: Be My Disciples

The Faith of a Second Grader: On a journey of faith, second graders especially enjoy learning through Bible stories. They interpret stories literally with little symbolic meaning. They embody a natural sense of wonder, which fosters sensitivity to the sacred. Their hearts are touched through prayer experiences. They have a strong spiritual sense about God and imagine God as a human person. This is an exciting time to watch children grow in their relationship with God as they learn to answer Jesus' call to *Be My Disciples*. You can expect your second grader to:

- Delight in Bible stories and interpret stories literally
- Appreciate prayer experiences, ritual, and ceremony
- Experience life with wonder and awe
- Grow in their understanding of community
- Grow in their religious imagination
- Imagine God as human

This calendar of lessons is being provided to you so you will know what will be discussed each month. It will also guide you in completing lessons at home if your son or daughter is absent.

DATE: TOGETHER TONIGHT: AT HOME, BEFORE NEXT MONTH: FOCUS:

9/16/2016	Welcome Unit One Opener Ch. 1: The Bible	Ch. 2: We Know and Love God	To explore how God speaks to us through the Bible. Creation helps us come to know and believe in God.
10/14/2016	Ch. 3: The Holy Trinity Ch. 6: Jesus, Son of God	Ch. 9: We Celebrate God's Love	To discover what Jesus told us about who God is. To discover how Jesus showed that God always loves people. The Sacraments.
Sunday 10/23/2016	Ch. 4: God, Our Father Ch. 24: The Our Father Parent Orientation for First Communion and First Reconciliation Prep in school cafeteria while children are in class.	<i>10:00-11:30 a.m. Assumption School Cafeteria. 2nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom.</i>	To explore how we respond to God's love by honoring his Creation. To decide on a way to live the Our Father.
11/18/2016	A Walk Through the Mass with Fr. Przemek	Ch. 10: Our Church Welcomes Us	To discover what happens at Baptism.
Sunday 11/20/2016	Parent/Child Session Ch. 21: We Make Choices	<i>10:00-11:30 a.m. Assumption School Cafeteria. 2nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom.</i>	To discover why it is important to make wise choices.

12/9/2016	Ch. 12: We Celebrate Forgiveness Ch. 19: We Love God	Ch. 20: We Love Others	Sacrament of Reconciliation. To discover how the first three commandments help us to love God. To explore how followers of Jesus are to treat others.
1/6/2017	Review chs. 12, 19, 20, 21		Continuing preparation to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
Sunday 1/8/2017	Ch. 22: We Can Choose Right from Wrong Ch. 23: We Share in God's Life Parent/Child Session	10:00-11:30 a.m. Assumption School Cafeteria. 2 nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom.	To explore venial and mortal sins.
Wed. 1/25/2017	First Reconciliation		7:00 p.m. Church
2/3/2017	Ch. 13: We Gather for Mass	Ch. 14: We Listen to God's Word	To discover what happens when we gather for Mass. To explore how followers of Jesus hear and keep God's Word.
Sunday 2/5/2017	Ch. 15: We Give Thanks; Bread Party; Hosts Parent/Child Session	10:00-11:30 a.m. Assumption School Cafeteria. 2 nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom.	To discover what happens when we celebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist.
2/24/2017	FFF goes to the Interfaith Food Pantry, Morris Plains		
3/1/2017	Ash Wednesday Prayer Service	4:00 p.m.	Church. All Are Welcome. Masses 7:00 a.m., 12:05 p.m., 7:30 p.m.
3/4/2017	Pasta Supper & Basket Raffle Religious Education Fundraiser		Cafeteria. Seatings at 5:00 & 7:00 p.m.
Sunday 3/26/2017	Ch. 18: We Live a Children of God; Ceramic Chalice Parent/Child Session	10:00-11:30 a.m. Assumption School Cafeteria. 2 nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom.	To understand that the Great Commandment sums up all God's laws.

3/31/2017	Ch. 16: We Live a Disciples of Jesus Ch. 17: In God's Image	Pg. 150,162	To explore ways to share the message of God with others. To discover what we do to live as children of God.
<i>Weekend 4/2/2017</i>	<i>Bread Prayer and Share</i>	<i>Refer to handout/email attachment.</i>	<i>For All 2nd Graders of the Parish. At all weekend Masses.</i>
4/9/2017	Palm Sunday		
4/16/2017	Easter Sunday		
4/21/2017	Ch. 11: We Celebrate the Holy Spirit		To discover what happens at Confirmation.
Sunday 4/23/2017	Ch. 6: Jesus, the Savior Parent/Child Session	10:00-11:30 a.m. Assumption School Cafeteria. 2 nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom.	To discover why we call Jesus Christ the Savior of all people.
Thurs. 4/27/17	First Communion Rehearsal for Mrs. Humbert's, Mrs. Grilli's, and FFF 2 nd Graders	4:00-5:30 p.m. Church Children Only	
Sat. 4/29/2017	First Communion for Mrs. Humbert's, Mrs. Grilli's, and FFF 2 nd Graders	12 Noon	
Sunday 5/7/2017	May Crowning	10:00 a.m. Mass	All 2 nd graders of the parish are invited to participate.
5/12/2017	Review the experiences of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist		

Please Note: As participants in Fridays, Faith and Family, it is expected that your family will make every effort to attend every session and will keep up with the assigned lessons to be completed "at home, before next month." If not, a large portion of information necessary for continuing faith formation is lost. Irregular attendance and assignments that are left incomplete will automatically prevent your family from participating in FFF next year. If you find this too difficult to adhere to, please speak with Linda as soon as possible.

Fridays, Faith and Family 2nd graders are invited to join Mrs. Christine Grilli's class when attending the Sunday Parent/Child sessions. Please be sure to bring your workbook.