

**ASSUMPTION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**Fourth Grade 2016-2017 Calendar of Lessons**  
**Sundays 6:30-8 p.m.**

**TEXT: Be My Disciples**

**The Faith of a Fourth Grader:** In their faith journey, fourth grader enjoy learning about the heroes of the Bible and the stories of the People of God. They have a strong desire to learn about people, past and present, and their differences. Because they value the attitudes and habits of important adults in their lives, learning about virtues and moral habits is critical at this stage of faith formation. They begin to realize that true happiness comes from knowing and loving God. They develop a deeper appreciation of Scripture, liturgy, community and prayer. You can expect your fourth grader to:

- Enjoy having a role in liturgical experiences and participating in ritual actions
- Delight in retelling and acting out stories from the Bible
- Have an increased awareness of right and wrong based on fairness
- Appreciate and understand at a deeper level the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation
- Strive to incorporate good works into daily living
- Like participating in community service

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

DATE	IN CLASS TODAY	AS A FAMILY	FOCUS
10/9/16 SESSION 1	Welcome Unit 1 Opener Ch. 1: God's Word to Us	Pg. 18	God is the author of Sacred Scripture.
10/16/16 SESSION 2	Ch. 2: I Will Be Your God Ch. 3: The Mystery of God <i>Adam and Eve(30 mins.)</i>	Pg. 26,34	God revealed himself most fully in Jesus Christ. God is the Creator of all that is seen and unseen.
10/23/16 SESSION 3	Ch. 4: God's Promise Ch. 5: The Son of God <i>The Great Storyteller (30 mins.)</i>	Pg. 42, 54	God has a plan for the salvation of people. God the Father's promise was fulfilled in his Son, Jesus.
10/30/16 SESSION 4	Ch. 6: The Death and Resurrection of Jesus Ch. 7: Receive the Holy Spirit <i>Discovering the Empty Tomb (35 mins.)</i>	Pg. 62,70	Jesus' Passion and Resurrection are the great signs of God's love for us. The Holy Spirit is the Advocate promised by Jesus.
11/6/16 SESSION 5	Ch. 8: The People of God Ch. 9: People of Prayer <i>Being Catholic, The Creed (21 mins.)</i>	Pg. 78,90	The Church is the People of God, the Body of Christ, and the Communion of Saints. We profess our faith when we pray the creeds of the Church.
11/13/16	<i>Teacher's Convention. No Class</i>		
11/20/16 SESSION 6	Ch. 14: Jesus Forgives Ch. 15: Jesus Heals the Sick Review the steps of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.	Pg. 134, 142	The Church continues Jesus' work of forgiveness and healing. Jesus' ministry of healing continues in the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.
11/27/16	<i>Happy Thanksgiving! No Class</i>		
12/4/16 SESSION 7	Reconciliation Prayer Service for Grades 4-8		
12/11/16 SESSION 8	Ch. 11: Sharing in Christ's Life and Work Ch. 12: Responding to God's Call <i>Close Encounters with the Sacraments (15 mins.)</i>	Pg. 106, 114	To understand that sacraments are celebrations of our faith. Jesus calls each of us to love and serve others.
12/4/16	<i>Breakfast With Santa</i>	8:30 a.m. – Noon	<i>Families are invited to attend the Breakfast in the Cafeteria.</i>

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*December 18, 2016 – January 1, 2017 No Classes. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

1/8/17 SESSION 9	Ch. 16: Signs of God's Love <i>Teaching Touch Safety</i>	Pg. 150	The Sacraments of Holy Orders and Matrimony are Sacraments at the Service of Communion. <i>A Diocesan program intended to create and maintain a safe environment for children and to protect all children from sexual abuse.</i>
1/15/17	<i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Weekend. No Class</i>		
1/22/17 SESSION 10	Ch. 18: The Beatitudes <i>Close Encounters with the Beatitudes (15 mins.)</i>	Pg. 170	Jesus taught that real happiness is being one with God.
1/29/17 SESSION 11 <b>10-11:30 a.m.</b>	Fourth Grade Family Day. Parents & 4 <sup>th</sup> graders attend class together.		Focus: Reconciliation and The Ten Commandments
2/5/17 SESSION 12 <b>10-11:30 a.m.</b>	Ch. 19: Living a Holy Life Ch. 20: Living God's Covenant <i>Moses Great Escape/Awesome Bible Adv. (15 mins.)</i>	Pg. 178, 186	God helps us to make choices. The story of Exodus and God's people.
2/12/17 SESSION 13	Ch. 21: Love God with All Your Heart <i>Moses Receives the 10 Commandments/Awesome Bible Adv. (30 mins.)</i>	Pg. 198	The first, second and third commandments.
2/19/17	<i>President's Weekend. No Class</i>		
2/26/17 SESSION 14	Ch. 22: Love Your Neighbor as Yourself; <i>Film Clips: Robots</i>	Pg. 206	The fourth, fifth, sixth, eighth, and ninth commandments.
3/1/17 SESSION 15	Attend Ash Wednesday Mass or Prayer Service	Pg. 241,242	All families are expected to attend one of our Ash Wednesday Masses (7:00 a.m., 12:05 p.m., 7:30 p.m.) or the 4:00 p.m. Prayer Service.
<b>3/4/17 Sat.</b>	<b>Pasta Supper &amp; Basket Raffle Rel Ed Fundraiser</b>		<b>Cafeteria. Seatings at 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.</b>
3/5/17 SESSION 16	Ch. 23: Love One Another <i>Film Clips: Over the Hedge</i>	Pg. 214	The seventh and tenth commandments.
Confession SESSION 17	Go to confession on any Monday evening, 7-8:30 p.m. or Saturday 4:15-5 p.m.		<i>Family members who can receive the sacrament will serve as a witness for those who can not.</i>
Stations of the Cross SESSION 18	Attend Stations of the Cross any Friday at 5:30 p.m., Good Friday at 8:00 p.m., for Families with Young Children on Friday, March 10 at 4 p.m. or for families on Friday, March 31 at 7 p.m.		
3/12/17 OR 3/19/17 SESSION 19	<b>Family Faith Event for Kdg. – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Families</b>		<b>10-11:30 a.m. OR 3:45-5:15 p.m.</b>

*Please note, because there will not be an evening class on February 5<sup>th</sup>, Super Bowl Sunday, we ask all 4<sup>th</sup> graders to attend class in the morning on that day, 10-11:30 a.m. All Sunday evening 4<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents are expected to attend 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Family day on January 29, 2017 from 10-11:30 a.m.*

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