

**ASSUMPTION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**Third Grade 2017-2018 Calendar of Lessons**  
**Sundays 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.**

**TEXT: Be My Disciples**

**The Faith of a Third Grader:** In their journey of faith, third graders enjoy learning about the heroes of the Bible and the stories of the people of God. 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. Third graders begin to realize that true happiness comes from knowing and loving God. You can expect your third grader to:

- Appreciate and want to participate in the community dimension of sacramental celebrations
- Enjoy having a role in liturgical experiences
- Delight in learning about Biblical saints and persons of faith in the Church
- Relate to saints as role models who stand for morality, justice and faith
- Like to participate 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
10/1/17 SESSION 1	Welcome. Unit 1 Opener Ch. 1: God Speaks to Us	Pg. 18	To explore Sacred Scripture as God's Word
10/8/17 SESSION 2	Ch. 2: God the Creator <i>Creation to Moses</i> (30 mins.)	Pg. 26	To discover God as the loving Creator who cares for all his creation.
10/15/17 SESSION 3	Ch. 3: Mary Trusted God <i>Close Encounters w/Mary &amp; Rosary</i> (13 mins.)	Pg. 34	To discover ways Mary responded to God in faith and trust.
10/22/17 SESSION 4	Ch. 4: Jesus, the Son of God Ch. 5: Jesus is Risen <i>Jesus the Son of God</i> (30 mins.)	Pg. 42, 54	To explore Jesus' command to help those in need. To explore the hope found in the Paschal Mystery.
10/29/17 SESSION 5	Ch. 6: The Gift of the Holy Spirit Ch. 11: Celebrating God's Love <i>Angel's Sacrament Lesson</i> (11 mins.)	Pg. 62,106	To discover that the Holy Spirit, who came to the disciples on Pentecost, is with the Church today. To discover how celebrating the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation bring us closer to God.
11/5/17 SESSION 6	Ch. 7: The Church Ch. 8: The Communion of Saints <i>Jesus Calls His Apostles</i> (30 mins.)	Pg. 70, 78	To explore what it means to belong to the Church & to say that the Church is the Communion of Saints and the Body of Christ.
11/12/17	<i>Teacher's Convention. No Class</i>		
11/19/17 SESSION 7	Ch. 9: A People of Prayer Ch. 11: Celebrating God's Love <i>Born Into the Kingdom</i> (25 mins.)	Pg. 90, 105	To discover the five traditional expressions of prayer. Through the sacraments we share in the life of the Holy Trinity.
11/26/17	<i>Happy Thanksgiving! No Class</i>		
12/3/17 SESSION 8	Ch. 12: God's Healing Love Review the steps of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Role play receiving the sacrament.	Pg. 114	To explore the power of forgiveness.
12/10/17 SESSION 9	Reconciliation Prayer Service for Grades 3-5 Unit 4 Opener Ch. 13: The Word of God	Pg. 126	To discover more about the Liturgy of the Word

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*December 17, 2017 – January 1, 2018 No Classes. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

1/7/18 SESSION 10	Ch. 14: The Bread of Life <i>The Bread of Life</i> (29 mins.)	Pg. 134	To discover what we do in the Liturgy of the Eucharist.
1/14/18	<i>Martin Luther King, Jr. Weekend. No Class</i>		
1/21/18 SESSION 11	Ch. 15: The Sacrament of Matrimony Ch. 16: Called to Serve <i>God's Footprints</i> (30 mins.)	Pg. 142, 150	To explore human examples of selflessness.
1/28/18 SESSION 12	Ch. 17: Happiness with God <i>The Fall of Freddie the Leaf</i> (17 mins)	Pg. 162	To discover that God shares his grace with us and calls us to be with him in Heaven.
2/4/18 SESSION 13	Third Grade Family Day. Parents & 3 <sup>rd</sup> graders attend class together.		Focus: Lent
2/11/18 SESSION 14	Ch. 18: God's Laws of Love Ch. 19: Love One Another <i>Moses Receives the 10 Commandments</i> (30 mins.)	Pg. 170,178	To discover the meaning of the First, Second, and Third Commandments. To explore the power of respect.
2/14/18 SESSION 15	Attend Ash Wednesday Mass or Prayer Service	Pg. 241,242	All children and youth 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 with their families.
2/18/18	<i>President's Weekend. No Class</i>		
<b>2/24/18 Sat.</b>	<b>Pasta Supper &amp; Basket Raffle Religious Education Fundraiser</b>		<b>Cafeteria. Seatings at 5:00 &amp; 7:00 p.m.</b>
2/25/18 SESSION 16	Ch. 22: The Creeds Ch. 23: Living Our Faith <i>The Proud Tree</i> (25 mins.)	Pg. 206,214	To discover that the creeds of the Church help us express our faith in God. To discover and explain the true happiness the Beatitudes describe.
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 9 at 4 p.m. or for families on Friday, March 16 at 7 p.m.		
3/4/18 OR 3/18/18 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>

**3/25/18 Palm Sunday**

**4/1/18 Easter Sunday**

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