

**ASSUMPTION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
EIGHTH GRADE CALENDAR OF LESSONS '17 - '18
SUNDAY 6:30 PM (Following 5:30 p.m. Youth Mass**) - 8 PM**

TEXT: Life in Christ Jesus

TOPIC: Jesus invites you to be his disciple. He wants you to know him better, to understand his message, and to follow his way of life. During this course of study, you will explore the principles of Catholic morality.

OTHER: Service Hours - Each student is required to perform 10 hours of community service as part of their spiritual training. Hours must be turned in to their Catechist by the end of the program in March in order to receive credit.

SUNDAY NIGHT ABSENCES CALL AFTER 6:00 P.M.: 973-538-0590

DATE: IN CLASS TODAY: FOCUS:

10/01/17 Sierra Leone Sponsorship Presentation with Tom Johnson, Jr.
SESSION 1

10/08/17 Mental Health Matters An overview of mental health and teen issues presented
SESSION 2 **PARENT/CHILD PROGRAM** **MANDATORY** in the church to 7th -10th graders and their parents.

10/15/17 Ch. 1: "The Universal Mission" To learn about the mission of the church and decide how to be
SESSION 3 a part of it. **Letters to SL Sponsored Children**

10/22/17 Ch. 2: "Human Dignity" To learn that the meaning of true happiness is found in holiness,
SESSION 4 Ch. 3: "To Follow Jesus" To learn the core values of Jesus' teachings and how to live as a
member of the kingdom.



10/29/17 Ch. 4: "Guided by Conscience" To learn how living a Christian moral life is a path to freedom.
SESSION 5

11/05/17 Ch. 5: "The Exercise of Virtue" To learn how practicing the virtues helps us grow in living the
SESSION 6 Great Commandment.

11/12/17 **No Class – Teacher’s Convention**

11/19/17 Ch. 6: "The Grace of the Holy Spirit" To learn how to live in and through the Holy Spirit when
SESSION 7 UNIT ONE REVIEW making decisions.

11/26/17 **No Class- Thanksgiving Weekend** 

DATE:	IN CLASS TODAY:	FOCUS:
12/03/17 SESSION 8	3 rd – 8 th Grade Reconciliation Service & Eucharistic Adoration	-Youth are expected to attend this service at the church. They will be given the opportunity experience the presence of Jesus through Eucharistic Adoration and celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation as we begin a new Liturgical Year.
12/10/17 SESSION 9	Ch. 7: "A Pilgrim Church"	To learn how the Church is continually engaged with the World.
12/17/17 - 01/01/18	No Class - Winter Break – Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!!	
01/07/18 SESSION 10	Ch. 8: "To Love God Above All"	To learn about how God wants us to live through his Laws and the Church's precepts.
01/14/18	No Class - Martin Luther King Weekend	
01/21/18 SESSION 11	Ch. 9: "A Community for Life"	-To describe ways that the Commandments tell us to respect and strengthen families' lives.
01/28/18 SESSION 12	A.C.R.E. Assessment 6:30 – 8 p.m.	An assessment used to evaluate the faith knowledge and attitudes of youth. MANDATORY FOR ALL 5th, 8TH & 10th GRADERS
02/03-02/04/18	Sierra Leone Bake Sale – 8th Gr. Volunteers & baked goods needed at all of the weekend masses.	
02/04/18	NO SUNDAY NIGHT CLASS ONLY - Super Bowl Sunday	
02/11/18 SESSION 13	Ch. 10: "Integrity of Heart" Ch. 11: "People of Truth"	-To understand how the 6 th , 7 th & 9 th Commandments command us to treat ourselves and other people with integrity, respect, and justice. To describe how the 8 th & 10 th Commandments guide us in living as people of courage, honesty and generosity.
02/14/18 SESSION 14	(WED) Ash Wednesday Family Worship Mass or Service	-Our middle school youth are expected to attend one of our Ash Wednesday Masses or our 4 p.m. Prayer Service with their families.

