

Grade 3 Religious Education



Big Ideas

<p>The Father and the Son are revealed by the Holy Spirit who was sent from the Father and the Son to remain with the Church forever.</p> <p>Mary is the Mother of God, the Mother of the Church, and the first disciple of Christ.</p> <p>The mission of the Church given to all the faithful, sends us forth to spread the Good News to all people of the world.</p>	<p>The Liturgical Year of the Church, marked by specific rituals, prayers, signs, images and colours, celebrates God’s plan of salvation revealed in the Life, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus (i.e., Paschal Mystery).</p> <p>Through the Sacraments of Initiation, the baptized become members of the Body of Christ, and are strengthened in their witness of Christ.</p>	<p>Jesus summed up the Ten Commandments into two, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind... Love your neighbour as yourself.” (Matt. 22:37-40)</p> <p>God has created human persons with free will and reason (the ability to choose to do what is good or what is not good).</p> <p>Sin is any act which goes against the will of God and destroys or weakens charity in the hearts of human persons.</p>	<p>The Holy Spirit, active and living in the Church is the source of its life, of its unity in diversity, and of the riches of its gifts and charisms.</p>	<p>Catholic Social Teaching is founded on the principle of the human dignity that stems from God because we are made in God’s own image and likeness.</p> <p>The disciples were united by the Spirit in one mission and given the gifts to witness to Christ; united with Christ as one body, we participate in his mission.</p>	<p>Through a living transmission (Sacred Tradition) within the believing and praying Church, the Holy Spirit teaches the children of God to Pray. (Common and liturgical prayers of the Church.)</p>
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Curricular Competencies	Content
<p><i>Students are expected to be able to do the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Demonstrate an understanding that the Father and the Son are revealed by the Holy Spirit who was sent from the Father and the Son to remain with the Church forever. ❖ Demonstrate an understanding that in the celebration of the Eucharist, Christ is present by the power of His word and Spirit and our belief in faith. [CCC nos.1337-1344; 1373-1381] ❖ Demonstrate an understanding that the Church has established special days and seasons to celebrate the life of Christ and the mystery of his presence (i.e., Lord’s Day, liturgical seasons, feasts, and memorials with a focus on Advent and Christmas). [CCC nos. 1091-1112; 1163-1171; 1204-1209] ❖ Demonstrate an understanding of the gift of freedom and responsibility that we have in the choices that we make in trying to live a good Christian moral life. [CCC nos. 1730- 1748] ❖ Demonstrate an understanding of the nature of sin and our human capacity to choose to commit actions which do not show love for God or neighbour (i.e., personal sin, and social sin). [CCC nos. 1846-1876] ❖ Demonstrate an understanding of the community of the Church as the temple of the Holy Spirit. [CCC nos. 683-701; 797-810; 731-747] ❖ Demonstrate an understanding that human dignity, equality and diversity is to be respected. [CCC nos. 356- 384; 1934-1938] ❖ Demonstrate an understanding that the Church teaches and provides us with guidance as we learn how to pray. [CCC nos. 2623-2625; 2683-2696] 	<p><i>Students are expected to know the following:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Church is a community formed by the mission that it received from Christ (i.e., to announce the Good News – to evangelize through the witness of holiness, teaching and of service to others as Jesus did). [CCC nos. 535-570; 687-780] ❖ Mary is the first disciple and Mother of Church. [CCC nos. 963-970] ❖ The Church celebrates sacraments which transform our lives, strengthen us, and initiate us into the community of the Church; all sacraments point to the Eucharist as their purpose and end. [CCC nos. 1113-1134; 1322-1344] ❖ God teaches us to be good and to reflect this goodness in our actions (i.e., Moral Law – revealed in Scripture e.g., Old Law – Ten Commandments, New Law – Law of the Gospel). [CCC nos. 1949-1986; 2052-2082] ❖ The importance of Pentecost and the Holy Spirit in the Church’s life (i.e., communion in spiritual goods). [CCC nos. 949-953] ❖ The Holy Spirit assists us to develop and strengthen our relationship with Jesus and one another through our participation in society (i.e., human community / Body of Christ). [CCC nos. 731-747; 1905-1912] ❖ God created all persons in his one image: equal in their human dignity yet diverse in their being (i.e. male and female, weak and strong, diversity of race, colour, creed, charisms, talents) ❖ The universal call to prayer from God is revealed in scripture in the Old Testament and the New Testament. [CCC nos. 2562-2564; 2566-2597]