

## Grade 1 Lesson Plan / Fall Semester 2016

Sunday/ Monday	Liturgical Color	Lessons	Key Concept	Gospel Reading/ Question of the Week
Sept 11/12	Green	Ch. 1: Created by God	God created everything and all that he created is good. He knows and loves everyone.	Luke 15:1–32 (the prodigal son) Are you ever angry over the generosity extended toward a person you thought did not deserve it? What motivated you to feel this way? How can you change?
Sept 18/19	Green	Ch. 2: God's Gift to Us	God's world is a gift to you. You can learn about God and his love by looking at the world he made.	Luke 16:1–13 (the dishonest steward) How do you deal with friends or acquaintances who are obvious cheaters and or liars?
Sep 25/26	Green	Ch. 3: Made to Care and Unit Review	All creation is a gift from God, and humans are the most special part of creation.	Luke 16:19–31 (the rich man and Lazarus) How do you relate or fail to relate toward people who are poor? What is one thing you and your family could do this week to help those who are poor or sick?
Oct 2/3	Green	Ch. 4: The Holy Trinity	The Holy Trinity is God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Jesus is the Son of God who came to show the Father's love and bring us closer to him.	Luke 17:5–10 (sayings on the requirements of faith) How do you feel after doing something extra for a family member or a friend?
Oct 9/10	Green	Ch. 5: The Holy Family	Jesus is both true God and true man. Jesus, Mary, and Joseph are the Holy Family.	Luke 17:11–19 (ten lepers) When were you generous this week? How was it an act of mercy and compassion?
Oct 16/17	Green	Ch. 6: About the Bible and Unit Review	Jesus told short stories, or parables, to teach us about God. The Bible is the Word of God written down in human words.	Luke 18:1–8 (the corrupt judge) Who are the people in your life whose needs you need to listen to?
Oct 23/24	Green	Ch. 7: Jesus the Healer	Jesus' healing actions show God's power and love. Faith is the gift of believing in God and doing what he asks.	Luke 18:9–14 (the Pharisee and the tax collector) Think of a time(s) when you were a "show off" or practiced being "one up" on someone. What is the problem with this?
Oct 30/31 <b>At Home Lesson</b>	Green	Ch. 8: Jesus Teaches Love	The Great Commandment is the greatest of all of God's laws and it teaches you should love God above all else and love your neighbors as yourself.	Luke 19:1–10 (Zacchaeus the tax collector) How does excluding others from your group of friends make them feel? What could you change to include them?
Nov 6/7	Green	<b>Jubilee Year of Mercy Closing</b>	TBA	Luke 20:27–38 (the resurrection of the dead) After someone you love dies, how have you experienced the living, merciful God?
Nov 13/14	Green	Ch. 9: Jesus Teaches Us to Pray and Unit Review	Prayer is talking and listening to God. Jesus taught his friends how to pray the Lord's prayer.	Luke 21:5–19 (the cataclysm to come) How does it feel when your friends put you down for what you believe?
Nov 20 - 28		<b>NO CLASS – Thanksgiving Break, First Sunday of Advent Nov. 27</b>		
Dec 4/5	Purple	<b>Advent Ch. 10:</b> Responding to God	God invites everyone into his kingdom. The Church is the community of all baptized people who follow Jesus.	Matthew 3:1–12 (John the Baptist) What could you do so that others will see in you what it means to follow Jesus?
Dec 11/12	Rose	<b>Advent Feasts and Seasons Lesson: Waiting for Jesus and the Light of Christ</b>	Advent is a time of waiting and preparing our hearts. Jesus is the light of the world and we bring Jesus' light to others.	Matthew 11:2-11 (Christ's witness to John) What good thing have you done so far during Advent to be like Jesus?
Dec 18 – Jan 2		<b>NO CLASS – Christmas Break</b>		

## Grade 1 Lesson Plan / Spring Semester 2017

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Jan 8/9	White	Ch. 11: The Church's Guide	The Holy Spirit is the third person of the Holy Trinity who fills people's hearts with love and guides the Church.	Matthew 2:1-2 (The Visit of the Magi) What could you do to be like a star and lead someone to know about Jesus?
Jan 15/16		<b>NO CLASS- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day</b>		
Jan 22/23	Green	<b>Sacred and Safe Lesson</b>		Matthew 4:12-23 (Jesus in Capernaum) What could you do for someone this week that would tell them about Jesus?
Jan 29/30	Green	Ch. 12: Friends of God and Unit Review	Saints are heroes of the Church who can show us how to love. All of us, the members of the Church are called to live holy lives.	Matthew 5:1-12 (the beatitudes) Who is welcome in the reign of God? Who would you like to tell about the reign of God?
Feb 5/6 <b>At Home Lesson</b>	Green	Ch. 13: Disciples Serve	Jesus' words and actions teach us how to love and serve God. When you serve others, you are serving God.	Matthew 5:13-16 (the similes of salt and light) How can you let the light of Christ in you shine for others this week?
Feb 12/13	Green	Ch. 14 Making Choices	The Ten Commandments are God's laws that teach us to love Him and others. God gives us the freedom to choose.	Matthew 5:17-37 (The Old Law and The New) When have you taken the first step to make up with someone who has hurt you or whom you have offended?
Feb 19/20	Green	Ch. 15: Showing Sorrow and Unit Review	God always forgives those that are truly sorry and ask his forgiveness. God asks that we forgive others and ourselves.	Matthew 5:38-48 (New Law of Retaliation; love of enemies) Who are the people you find it most difficult to forgive?
Feb 26/27	Green	Ch. 16: Jesus the Savior	Even though humans have sinned. God continued to save us. Jesus died and rose to new life bringing us back to the Father.	Matthew 6:24-34 (Dependence on God) What can help you worry less about something that might happen?
Mar 5/6	Purple	<b>Lent</b> Ch. 17: Holy Signs/ <b>Feasts and Seasons: A Time for Change</b>	The Church has seven Sacraments, which are signs and celebrations that allow us to share in the life of God.	Matthew 4:1-11 (the temptation of Jesus) What helps you do the right thing when you want to do something wrong?
Mar 12 - 20		<b>NO CLASS – Spring Break</b>		
Mar 26/27	Rose	<b>Lent</b> Ch. 18: We Are Welcomed and Unit Review	Baptism is the Sacrament which brings new life in God and makes the person a member of the Church through grace.	John 9:1-41 (the man born blind) How can you let the light of your faith in Jesus shine for others to see?
Apr 2/3	Purple	<b>Lent</b> Ch. 19: We Give Thanks	At Mass we worship God by reading from the Bible, giving thanks, and receiving Holy Communion. Jesus shares his Body and Blood with us in the Eucharist.	John 11:1-45 (the raising of Lazarus) How does Jesus help you do what is good and avoid what is not?
Apr 9/10	Red	<b>Palm Sunday Feasts and Seasons: Holy Week / He is Risen</b>	Holy Week is the holiest week of the Church year and the Easter Triduum is the culmination of the entire liturgical year. On Easter Sunday, God raised Jesus from the dead.	Matthew 26:14-27:66 (the passion of Jesus) How do you allow Jesus to live in your heart?
Apr 16/17		<b>NO CLASS - Easter</b>		
Apr 23/24	White	<b>Divine Mercy Sunday</b> Ch. 20: Forever With God	Jesus said those who die can have new life with Him in heaven. All who follow Jesus and obey God's laws go to heaven.	John 20:19-31 (appearance to the disciples; Thomas) What could you do this week to encourage someone who is sad or discouraged?
Apr 30/ May 1 LAST CLASS	White	Ch. 21 God's Kingdom and Unit Review	Justice, peace and love are signs of God's kingdom and are the way that Catholics are called to live so that they might help his kingdom to grow.	Luke 24:13-35 (Emmaus) When you join Jesus at the table of the Eucharist next Sunday, what would you like to thank him for?