



Faith Formation Standards – Diocese of St. Cloud

The chart below shows how St. Mary’s Sunday school program curriculum meets and goes beyond basic diocesan faith formation standards. Dates shown are when topics are introduced.

Kindergarten

Students will be able to:

<i>PRAYER AND CELEBRATION: EXPRESSIONS OF OUR COMMUNICATION WITH GOD AND THE GATHERING OF THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY</i>
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A. Participate in weekly Sunday liturgy through song, gestures, responses and listening. September 28, October 24, November 16

B. Identify prayers as listening and talking to God. Weekly
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C. Know that Advent, Lent and Easter are Church seasons. Advent, Christmas, and Lenten Seasons

D. Memorize designated prayers. September: Sign of the Cross; October: Hail Mary, Rosary; November: Glory Be; January: Our Father; February: Angel of God
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CATHOLIC SOCIAL THOUGHT

A. Identify what “family” means and explain that we are all part of God’s family. October 26, November 2

B. Know that we become members of the Church’s family through baptism. January 11
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C. Understand that we can share God’s love by being friends and treating others fairly. October 26, November 2

D. Describe characteristics of God’s kingdom. October 26, November 2

SCRIPTURE – GOD’S WORD TO US

A. Reflect on the creation story and relate the story to how God has blessed each of us. February 8, weekly
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B. Identify the Bible as the Word of God, most sacred of all books, and explain that it contains stories about God and Jesus. September 28, weekly

MORALITY: THE MORAL FORMATION OF THE INDIVIDUAL
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A. Know that God wants us to respect our parents and ourselves. October 12

B. Know that God wants us to respect others and all things God has created. October 5
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C. Know that God loves us even when our choices are not good. February 8, Lent

<i>BELIEFS: WHAT WE HOLD TRUE TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH</i>
A. List ways that he/she is a unique child of God. September 28
B. Know that Jesus, Mary and Joseph are members of the Holy Family. October 12, November 2, December 21
C. Know that God loves us and Jesus is with us always. Weekly
D. Name some of the gifts God has given them. October 5
E. List creations of God. October 5, February 8
F. Identify self as one of God's greatest creations. October 5, February 8

<i>HIGHLIGHTED SCRIPTURE (BEYOND DIOCESAN STANDARDS)</i>
A. Let the Children Come to Me
B. Lilies of the Field
C. Parables of the Kingdom of God
D. The Last Supper
E. Annunciation
F. Christmas Story
G. Jesus Calls the Fishermen
H. Noah's Ark
I. Creation
J. Adam and Eve
K. Man at the Pool
L. Good Shepherd
M. Holy Week

<i>OTHER TOPICS COVERED (BEYOND DIOCESAN STANDARDS)</i>
A. Saints, Angels
B. Symbols
C. Trinity
D. Sacraments: Baptism, Eucharist, Holy Orders