Religion Standards: Grade One

THEME:
The development of a greater awareness of relationships and community.

OBJECTIVES:
A. God communicates with God's people through the Bible.
B. Each person belongs to many groups: family, parish, school, neighborhood, etc.
C. We worship together through prayer and liturgy.
D. Every person deserves love, care, and respect.

1.0 MESSAGE: God is the creator and nurturer of all things.

1.1 God
1.1.1 To learn that God is the creator of all things.
1.1.2 To recognize that God loves and cares for each of us.
1.1.3 To understand God wants us to be happy and always forgives us.
1.1.4 To recognize that Jesus is always with us.
1.1.5 To learn that Jesus is the Son of God.
1.1.6 To be aware that the Holy Spirit gives us strength and joy.
1.1.7 To understand that the Holy Spirit helps us to live together in harmony.
1.1.8 To learn that the Holy Spirit helps us to forgive and be forgiven.
1.1.9 To recognize that the Holy Spirit gives us special gifts to help us live good lives.

1.2 Scripture
1.2.1 To learn that the Bible is a collection of many books.
1.2.2 To understand that Jesus teaches us about God through stories in the Bible.
1.2.3 To learn that each book of the Bible was written by someone chosen by God.
1.2.4 To learn that God speaks to us through readings from the Bible at Mass.
1.2.5 To learn that the Bible teaches us about God's love for us.

1.3 Doctrine
1.3.1 To learn that we are children of God, who made us, loves us, and cares for us.
1.3.2 To learn that Jesus shows us how to live.

2.0 WORSHIP: We participate in worship individually and as a part of a community.

2.1 Sacraments
2.1.1 To understand that through Baptism, we celebrate becoming part of God's special family, the Church.
2.1.2 To understand that in the Eucharist, Jesus shares a meal with us.
2.1.3 To learn that in the Eucharist, Jesus gives Himself to us.
2.1.4 To recognize that, in the Eucharist, we remember what Jesus said and did at the Last Supper.

2.2 Prayer
2.2.1 To know the following prayers: (1) Sign of the Cross; (2) Hail Mary, (3) Prayer before Meals, (4) Lord's Prayer; (5) Doxology (Glory to the Father...).
2.2.2 To recognize that prayer is communication with God.
2.2.3 To participate in classroom prayer through recitation, spontaneous prayer, petitions, and guided meditation.

2.3 Liturgy
2.3.1 To recognize that we worship as a community at Eucharistic celebrations.
2.3.2 To participate in liturgies and prayer services with the class, school, and parish communities.

2.4 Liturgical Year
2.4.1 To experience the Liturgical Seasons and their themes:
Advent--A time for waiting
Christmas--A time for giving
Lent--A time for sharing and growing
Easter--A time for joy

2.5 Feast Days
2.5.1 Celebrate special Feasts, Days and People:
Saints as heroes/heroines
Thanksgiving
Mary, Mother of God
Joseph, Mary's husband

2.6 Traditions
2.6.1 To experience Marian traditions such as the rosary and May crowning.

3.0 MORALITY: Personal responsibility is developed.
3.1 To recognize that we each make decisions regarding our own actions.
3.2 To recognize that each decision has a consequence.
3.3 To understand that we live good lives with the help of the Holy Spirit.
3.4 To learn conflict resolution skills.

4.0 CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING: The Christian message is lived through service to others.
4.1 Justice
4.1.1 To recognize that God gives each of us gifts and talents.
4.1.2 To recognize the need to share ourselves each day.
4.1.3 To show we care about our world by taking care of it.

4.2 Peace
4.2.1 To treat others fairly.
4.2.2 To recognize that we are part of the larger world community.

4.3 Local Needs
4.3.1 To know that we can care for people who need our help.
4.3.2 To recognize that we are part of a parish community.
4.3.3 To participate in parish service, such as outreach to sick and parish community activities.
4.3.4 To participate in local outreach programs.
5.0 COMMUNITY: Each person plays a part in home, school, parish and global communities.

5.1 Models of Church
5.1.1 To learn that the Church is the people of God.
5.1.2 To recognize that we belong to the Catholic Church.
5.1.3 To understand that we are Christians.
5.1.4 To learn that a church is a special place.
5.1.5 To learn that a church is a home for the family of God.
5.1.6 To learn that the local church is called a Parish.
5.1.7 To learn that the Church is the Family of God.

5.2 Church History
5.2.1 To recognize that we celebrate God's kingdom, past, present, and future with other members of God's family.

5.3 Mary/Saints
5.3.1 To know that Mary is the Mother of God.
5.3.2 To learn about the Holy Family.
5.3.3 To recognize that saints are part of God's family.

6.0 FAMILY LIFE: We are a part of a family and community which should help us to grow in love and knowledge.

6.1 Human Dignity
6.1.1 To express our love for our family.
6.1.2 To show that we care for all things and model that we care for others and our world as Jesus did.

7.0 TERMINOLOGY:
Advent, create, Lent, All Saints' Day, Easter liturgy, Alleluia, Eucharist, Lord's Prayer
Altar, Good Friday, Mary, angel, Great Commandment, Mass, Ascension Thursday,
Hail Mary, parish, baptism, hallowed, pope, Bethlehem, Holy Family, prayer, Bible, Holy Spirit, priests, bishops, host, saints, Blessed Trinity, Jesus, Savior, Catholics, Jesus' Law of Love, Sign of the Cross, chalice, Joseph, sin, Christmas, Kingdom of God,
vestments, church, Last Supper, Word of God

8.0 SCRIPTURE REFERENCES to be used to develop the themes of the religion standards.
Genesis 1:1-31 Creation
Genesis 3: 1-19 The fall
Genesis 12ff Story of Abraham; we are part of God’s family of faith
Exodus 3 God reveals himself to Moses; God cares for his people
1 Samuel 16: 4-13 Samuel chooses the boy David; God sees into his heart
1 Kings 17: 7-24 Elijah and the widow; looks ahead to God's care through Jesus
Psalm 23 God cares for us
Psalm 104 Praise of God the Creator
Psalm 139 God knows us
Psalm 145: 9 God is good to all
Isaiah 43: 1 God calls us by name
Matthew 5: 14-16 Jesus, Light of the World
Matthew 6: 7-15 Lord’s Prayer
Matthew 6: 25-34 Seeking the Kingdom
Luke 10: 25-34 Good Samaritan
Luke 18: 15-17 Blessing of the Children
1 John 4: 7-12 God is Source of Love