

**DOCTRINE
ELEMENTARY COURSE OF STUDY
GRADE 7**

GOD

The students will:

- know that God reveals Himself through nature, people, Scripture, the Church and tradition.

JESUS

The students will:

- know that Jesus is fully human and fully divine.
- identify Jesus as Word of God, the second Person of the Trinity, the One who most fully reveals who God is because he is God.
- know that since Jesus is fully divine he shows us who God is and since he is fully human he shows us what we can become with God's help. (CCC #460)
- know that Jesus is the Christ ("Christ" means "Anointed One") because God anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power.
- know that Jesus came to proclaim and build God's Kingdom on earth and is a model for each person's turning daily to God.
- understand that Jesus is both the New Covenant and the fulfillment of the Old Covenant.
- know that Jesus' passion, death, and resurrection is a saving event (redemption) and is called the Paschal Mystery.
- understand how the resurrection is the foundation of our faith and how it impacts our lives individually and as a Church.
- know that at the Ascension Jesus returned to the Father, preceding us into heaven.

HOLY SPIRIT

The students will:

- know that the Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Jesus and the love between the Father and the Son.
- know that the Holy Spirit is our spiritual guide and dwells within us. We are temples of the Holy Spirit.

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- know that the Spirit remains with the Church and gives gifts to individuals and the Church. (Gifts of the Spirit, Fruits of the Spirit, charisms)

MARY

The students will:

- know that Mary is the Mother of Jesus and Mother of God.
- know the terms Annunciation and Virgin Birth.
- be able to explain the two Marian dogmas of the Immaculate Conception and Assumption.
- know that Mary is the Mother of the Church and Disciple par excellence.

LAST THINGS

The students will:

- understand the concepts of judgment, heaven, hell, and purgatory.
- know that God predestines no one to go to hell.
- know that hell is a state of definitive self-exclusion from communion with God and the blessed. (CCC #1033-1037).
- know that Jesus will come again at the final judgment.

ANGELS

The students will:

- know that the existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Scripture calls “angels” is a truth of faith. (CCC #528)