

**ASSUMPTION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
SECOND GRADE CALENDAR OF LESSONS 2018-2019
FRIDAYS, FAITH & FAMILY**

TEXT: Signs of Grace

The Faith of a Second Grader: On a journey of faith, second graders especially enjoy learning through Bible stories. They interpret stories literally with little symbolic meaning. They embody a natural sense of wonder, which fosters sensitivity to the sacred. Their hearts are touched through prayer experiences. They have a strong spiritual sense about God and imagine God as a human person. This is an exciting time to watch children grow in their relationship with God as they learn to answer Jesus' call to *Be My Disciples*. You can expect your second grader to:

- Delight in Bible stories and interpret stories literally
- Appreciate prayer experiences, ritual, and ceremony
- Experience life with wonder and awe
- Grow in their understanding of community
- Grow in their religious imagination
- Imagine God as human

This calendar of lessons is being provided to you so you will know what will be discussed each month. It will also guide you in completing lessons at home if your son or daughter is absent.

DATE: TOGETHER TONIGHT: AT HOME, BEFORE NEXT MONTH: FOCUS:

9/14/18	Welcome Session 1: God is Our Loving Father	Student & Family Take Home Pages	Relationship with God the Father and our happiness.
10/12/18	Session 3: Jesus Comes to Save Us	Student & Family Take Home Pages	Christ dies for us to save us from our sins
Sunday 10/21/18	Session 2: God Reveals His Saving Plan Parent Orientation for First Reconciliation in cafeteria while children are in class. <i>Forgiven, pt. 1</i>	<i>10:00-11:30 a.m. Assumption School Cafeteria. 2nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom.</i> Student & Family Take Home Pages	God's commands/laws are intended to show us the ways to be happy.
11/2/18	Session 4: The Church Continues	Student & Family Take Home Pages	The Church continues Jesus's mission.
Sunday 11/18/18	Session 5: Life in Christ Parent Meeting in cafeteria while children are in class. <i>Forgiven, pt. 2</i>	<i>10:00-11:30 a.m. Assumption School Cafeteria. 2nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom.</i> Student & Family Take Home Pages	To discover why it is important to make wise choices.

11/30/18	Pizza, Crèche Display, Reflection		
12/14/18	Session 6: The Sacrament of Reconciliation	Student & Family Take Home Pages	Christ forgives us.
1/11/19	Session 7: Celebrating Reconciliation	Student & Family Take Home Pages	How to make a good confession.
Sunday 1/13/19	Review of session 4-7 Parent meeting in cafeteria while children are in class. <i>Forgiven, pt. 3</i>	<i>10:00-11:30 a.m.</i> <i>Assumption School Cafeteria. 2nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom.</i> Student & Family Take Home Pages	Continuing preparation to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
Wed. 1/16/19	<i>First Reconciliation</i>		<i>7:00 p.m. Church</i>
2/1/19	Session 1: Preparing the Way for Christ Session 2: The Last Supper	Student & Family Take Home Pages	God saves his people. Christ can do anything.
Sunday 2/10/19	Session 3: The Death and Resurrection of Jesus Parent Orientation for First Communion in cafeteria while children are in class. <i>Presence, pt. 1</i>	<i>10:00-11:30 a.m.</i> <i>Assumption School Cafeteria. 2nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom.</i> Student & Family Take Home Pages	Jesus's Death, Resurrection, and Ascension into Heaven opened the gates of Heaven for the salvation of all God's children.
2/22/19	<i>FFF goes to the Interfaith Food Pantry, Morris Plains</i>		
2/23/19	<i>Pasta Supper & Basket Raffle Religious Education Fundraiser</i>		Cafeteria. Seatings at 5:00 & 7:00 p.m. Take out is available. Purchase tickets or make a donation on the parish website.

3/6/19	Attend Ash Wednesday Mass or Prayer Service		All children and youth are expected to attend one of our Ash Wednesday Masses (7:00 a.m., 12:05 p.m., 7:30 p.m.) or the 4:00 p.m. Prayer Service with their families.
3/24/19	Session 7: The Liturgy of the Word Parent meeting in cafeteria while children are in class. Presence, pt. 2 Ceramic Chalices	10:00-11:30 a.m. Assumption School Cafeteria. 2 nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom. Student & Family Take Home Pages	The Mass is one act of worship with two parts: the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist.
3/29/19	Session 4: The Sacrament of the Eucharist Session 5: Receiving Holy Communion Unconsecrated Hosts	Student & Family Take Home Pages	The Real Presence is the teaching that Jesus is really and fully present in the Eucharist. Receiving the Eucharist at Mass is so important that we should do some special things to prepare our bodies and our souls.
Weekend 4/6-7/19	<i>Bread Prayer and Share</i>	<i>Refer to handout/email attachment.</i>	<i>For All 2nd Graders of the Parish. At all weekend Masses.</i>
4/7/19	Session 8: The Liturgy of the Eucharist Parent meeting in cafeteria while children are in class. Presence, pt. 3	10:00-11:30 a.m. Assumption School Cafeteria. 2 nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom	The second part of the Mass is called the Liturgy of the Eucharist.
4/12/19	Session 6: The Liturgy of the Mass	Student & Family Take Home Pages	The Liturgy of the Mass is our public worship and participation in the work of God.
4/14/19	<i>Palm Sunday</i>		
4/21/19	<i>Easter Sunday</i>		
5/3/19	Review of Sessions 1-8		
Sunday 5/5/19	Final Preparation Parent/Child Session	10:00-11:30 a.m. Assumption School Cafeteria. 2 nd graders will go to Mrs. Grilli's classroom.	2 nd graders arrive at 10; parents return at 11. All are dismissed at 11:30.

5/8/19 Wednesday	First Communion Rehearsal for Mrs. Grilli's, Mrs. West's, & FFF classes	4:00-5:30 p.m.	Children Only. Church.
5/11/19	First Communion Mass for Mrs. Grilli's, Mrs. West's, & FFF classes	10:00 a.m.	
5/12/19	May Crowning	10:00 a.m. Mass	All 2nd graders of the parish are invited to participate. Bring a flower for Mary.

Please Note: As participants in Fridays, Faith and Family, it is expected that your family will make every effort to attend every session and will keep up with the assigned lessons to be completed "at home, before next month." If not, a large portion of information necessary for continuing faith formation is lost. Irregular attendance and assignments that are left incomplete will automatically prevent your family from participating in FFF next year. If you find this too difficult to adhere to, please speak with Linda as soon as possible.

Fridays, Faith and Family 2nd graders are invited to join Mrs. Christine Grilli's class when attending the Sunday Parent/Child sessions. Please be sure to bring your activity book.