

We are the Church

GRADE THREE SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

1. Jesus started our church
 - a. Jesus started his public life at age 30
 - b. Role of the apostles and disciples
 - c. The Gospels tell us about Jesus
 - d. The Birthday of the church is Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came to the apostles
 - e. Jesus Christ will come again
2. We are members of the church Jesus began
 - a. We are Christians
 - b. We have responsibilities as church members
 - c. The church guides us in what to do in our daily lives
 - d. SJA is our church home
3. We belong to the Catholic Church
 - a. The Four Marks of the church are One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic
 - b. The Nicene Creed states what we believe
 - c. The Church is a sign of God's Kingdom on earth
4. The Communion of Saints concept
 - a. Learn the life of at least one saint
 - b. We honor the saints on special days
5. The Sacraments help us to be better people
 - a. Re-emphasize the three sacraments studied in depth in grade two: Baptism, Eucharist and Reconciliation
 - b. Confirmation
 1. Calls us to live our faith
 2. Administered by a bishop usually in Grade 8
 - c. Anointing of the Sick strengthens us with the Holy Spirit
 - d. Sacrament of Matrimony
 - e. Holy Orders
6. Re-examine the three main parts of the Church year
7. Explore the different roles of religious life in the life of the Church: priest, bishop, cardinal, sister, brother, pope
8. The Church respects and loves all people
 - a. Church is world-wide
 - b. People of other faiths
 - c. We are called to continue the work of Jesus
 - d. Role of missionaries and evangelization
 - e. Pope's role in the church
9. Role and kinds of prayer in the church
 - a. Liturgical Prayer
 - b. Traditional Prayer
 - c. We can pray with others (Mass) or by ourselves
 - d. The rosary
 - e. Introduce Adoration of the Holy Eucharist