

8REL Newsletter – 10.26.20

Hello 8th Grade Families,

Today, the students began studying Chapter 3, Witnesses to the Faith. The earliest Christians believed in Jesus Christ and his message. They were often persecuted and martyred - killed for their faith - because of their love for Jesus. We praise the martyrs and other saints through a devotion called the Litany of the Saints.

The students will then move onto Chapter 6, We Believe. Young people will learn how the Church teachings that were affirmed at the early ecumenical councils continue to shape our understanding of the Person of Jesus. We profess our faith in Jesus through prayers such as the Nicene Creed, and we entrust that our prayers are heard by God when we pray Amen. Students will also have an opportunity to learn about the religious laws and practices of other countries, while reflecting on their own ability to practice religious freedom.

In Second Step, the students will be finishing up the unit on Empathy and Communication with a lesson on Negotiating and Compromise. Students will be able to identify a problem from the perspectives of those involved and generate solutions using the strategies of negotiation and compromise.

Finally, the students will complete Confirmation Lesson 9, The Church, the week before Thanksgiving Break. This lesson will demonstrate that there are lots of reasons to be proud to be Catholic. It will also teach candidates that the Church is part of God's plan for humanity, and help candidates recognize that the Church can play a powerful role in their lives, and that they play a unique and vital role in the mission of the Church

All materials and assignments are on the Religion Google Classroom. Please let us know if you have any questions.

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