



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS *in the* ARCHDIOCESE *of* NEW YORK

Faith-Based.Future-Focused.

GRADE 7

OVERVIEW: The Human Person (Part One)
Jesus and the Gospel Message
Sacraments
Human Sexuality

ROSARY: Review All Mysteries

SAINTS

SEMESTER 1: Ven. Pierre Toussaint

SEMESTER 2: St. Rose of Lima

ANYTIME: Patron Saint of your school & region



A few notes on using the Pacing Guides

“The religion teacher is the key, the vital component, if the educational goals of the school are to be achieved. But the effectiveness of religious instruction is closely tied to the personal witness given by the teacher; this witness is what brings the content of the lessons to life . . . Most of all, students should be able to recognize authentic human qualities in their teachers. They are teachers of the faith; however, like Christ, they must also be teachers of what it means to be human . . . A teacher who has a clear vision of the Christian milieu and lives in accord with it will be able to help young people develop a similar vision, and will give them the inspiration they need to put it into practice” (Congregation for Catholic Education, *The Religious Dimension of Education in a Catholic School*, 1988).

- Passing on the faith to the next generation is a primary mission of the church, and Catholic schools have participated in this evangelizing mission from the very beginning.
- The Religion Pacing Guides are truly *guides* for instruction. They are not the Religion Guidelines, nor are they a curriculum. They are intended to help the teacher in organizing their instruction of the content of the Religion Guidelines.
- There is time allotted for review prior to each semester’s testing window in January and May. Teachers may use time during these weeks for instruction if needed; they may feel they were not able to adequately spend time on certain content in previous weeks.
- The Sadlier and Sophia Institute textbook/resources are not curriculums. Therefore, the Pacing Guides do not follow the order of the Sadlier textbooks, and sometimes in the Resources column, chapters from the Sadlier textbook appear multiple and inconsecutive times. Teachers should engage their experience of the religion content and their experience of teaching their particular students to follow the reality of their classrooms to understand how to best use available resources to teach the content of the Religion Guidelines.
- The liturgical calendar notes are not part of the instructional content; they are included simply so teachers can be aware of celebrations in the life of the Church to inform the life of their classroom and instruction.
- Sadlier Resources refer to the We Believe Catholic Identity textbook editions.



Prayers of the Mass: Simple Responses Noted in the Pacing Guide for Each Month as **MR**

Review in Grade 7

1. And with your Spirit
2. Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy
3. Penitential Rite: I confess to Almighty God
4. Glory to God in the highest
5. Alleluia
6. Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ
7. The Nicene Creed
8. Lord hear our prayer
9. Preface Dialogue Responses
 - The Lord be with you – And with your Spirit*
 - Lift up your hearts – We lift them up to the Lord*
 - Let us give thanks to the Lord our God – It is right and just*
10. Holy, Holy, Holy
11. We proclaim Your death O Lord
12. The Lord's Prayer: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are Yours now and forever,
13. Sign of Peace
14. Lamb of God
15. Lord I am not worthy
16. Dismissal – Thanks be to God



Free Supplemental Online Resources

WeBelieveWeb.com Grade-level support featuring reproducible pages, games, *Lives of the Saints*, and more

Religion.SadlierConnect.com Home to all eBooks, online assessments, and Sadlier's Catholic Identity Links, an online virtues & values program, featuring 52 weeks of lessons and family components

Sadlier.com/religion/we-believe Weekly blog featuring prayers and resources to supplement *We Believe*

Sadlier.com/religion/we-believe-and-share Weekly blog from nationally-known speaker Kathy Hendricks and guests, offering reflections and prayer resources around current events

Sadlier.com/religion/resources Sadlier's Religion Publications Center featuring downloadable lessons, prayer cards, and more

Sadlier.com/religion/ You can shop online and preview programs here, as well as link to all the other sites



Free Supplemental Online Resources

Archdiocese of New York Lesson Plans

- Links to each unit in the Sophia Institute for Teachers **teacher guides** for grades 3-8 that are based on New York religion guidelines and pacing guide can be found at the following link: [ADNY Sophia Institute Religion Lessons](#)

Supplemental Online Resources

- Seasonal lessons for Advent and Lent (and other liturgical seasons) can be found in the free monthly **Joy of the Gospel** lessons. These lessons help you to engage your students with the Sunday Gospels for each month. Each lesson includes readings along with interactive activities such as role-plays, attitude inventories, journal exercises, and more. The **Joy of the Gospel** lessons can be found at the following link: sophiainstituteforteachers.org/elesson/joy-of-the-gospel
- Lessons about the Catholic Faith and other topics taught through the lens of current events can be found in the free monthly **Teaching the Faith with Current Events** lessons. These lessons use today's issues as a means of teaching Faith principles, and provides student-friendly overviews, news links, discussion questions, extension options, and a complete answer key. The **Teaching the Faith with Current Events** lessons can be found at the following link: sophiainstituteforteachers.org/elesson/free-current-events
- Lessons for younger students on the saints can be found in the free monthly **Heavenly Hall of Fame** lessons. These lessons help you to introduce the lives of the saints to your younger students and consider the example of holiness they give to us. Each lesson includes student-friendly biographies of the saints, discussion questions, interactive activities, a coloring page, and extension options. The **Heavenly Hall of Fame** lessons can be found at the following link: sophiainstituteforteachers.org/elesson/heavenly-hall-of-fame

Sign up to receive each of these free lessons sent directly to you email at the following link:

[Sophia Institute for Teachers - Subscribe](#)

Additional free Sophia Institute for Teachers resources:

- **The Catholic Curriculum Exchange:** This searchable database of lessons enables teachers across the country to share lesson plans and offer reviews and tips about what worked and didn't work in the classroom. Hundreds of lesson plans are available at every grade level and in every subject matter. The Catholic Curriculum Exchange can be found at the following link: sophiainstituteforteachers.org/curriculum
- **Sophia Sketchpad:** Sophia SketchPad is an innovative, engaging, and accessible video series to help young people better understand and live the Catholic Faith. The Sophia Sketchpad videos can be found at the following link: sophiainstituteforteachers.org/sketchpad

SEPTEMBER

DEDICATED TO: The Seven Sorrows (Dolours) of Mary - VALUE: Industriousness		
WEEK	CONTENT	RESOURCES FOR TEACHING
WEEK 1: GL 7.2 MR 1-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experiences of Growth: Physical, Sexual, Emotional, Intellectual, Social and Spiritual 	SADLIER: WBCIE: Resources for the Family, page R40 SOPHIA: Unit 1: Lessons 1-6
WEEK 2: GL 7.3 MR 1-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Growth in Virtues 	SADLIER: Chapter 20 SOPHIA: Unit 1: Lessons 7-8
WEEK 3: GL 7.4 MR 1-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges to Growth During Adolescence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Accepting Ourselves B. Self-Direction 	SADLIER: Chapter 21 SOPHIA: Unit 1: Lesson 9
WEEK 4: GL 7.4,5 MR 1-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges to Growth During Adolescence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> C. Responsibility D. Our Need for Others 	SADLIER: Chapter 21 SOPHIA: Unit 1: Lesson 9

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR	
LITURGICAL SEASON:	Ordinary Time
COLOR KEY:	Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr
September 3:	St. Gregory the Great
September 8:	The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary
September 13:	St. John Chrysostom
September 14:	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
September 15:	Our Lady of Sorrows
September 20:	Sts. Andrew Kim Taegon and Paul Chong Hasang, and their companions
September 21:	St. Matthew
September 27:	St. Vincent de Paul
September 29:	Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, archangels

OCTOBER

DEDICATED TO: The Holy Rosary & Respect Life - VALUE: Respect		
WEEK	CONTENT	RESOURCES FOR TEACHING
WEEK 1: <u>GL 7.5</u> MR 3-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges to Growth During Adolescence E. Our Need for God 	SADLIER: Chapter 21 SOPHIA: Unit 1: Lesson 9
WEEK 2: <u>GL 7.8</u> MR 3-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> JESUS AND THE GOSPEL MESSAGE Introduction to Scripture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Revelation B. Inspiration and Authorship 	SADLIER: Chapter 1, 2, 5 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lessons 1-3
WEEK 3: <u>GL 7.9</u> MR 3-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Scripture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> C. Stages of Gospel Formation D. The Literary Aspects of the Gospels 	SADLIER: Chapter 2 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lessons 4-6
WEEK 4: <u>GL 7.10,11</u> MR 3-4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to Jesus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A. Jesus, Son of Mary B. Jesus, Son of God 	SADLIER: Chapter 8 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lessons 7-8

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR	
LITURGICAL SEASON:	Ordinary Time
COLOR KEY:	Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr
October 1:	St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus
October 4:	St. Francis of Assisi
October 11:	St. John XXIII, Pope
October 14:	St. Callistus, Pope
October 15:	St. Teresa of Ávila
October 17:	St. Ignatius of Antioch
October 18:	St. Luke
October 19:	St. John of Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues
October 22:	St. John Paul II, Pope
October 23:	St. John Capistrano

NOVEMBER

DEDICATED TO: The Poor Souls in Purgatory - VALUE: Docility		
WEEK	CONTENT	RESOURCES FOR TEACHING
WEEK 1: GL 7.11 MR 5-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mass for the Feast of All Saints • In depth study of Ven. Pierre Toussaint and the patron saint of the school. • Special activities based on saints. 	
WEEK 2: GL 7.11 MR 5-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gospel of Matthew 	SADLIER: Chapter 5 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lessons 9 &10 CATHOLICISM: LP 6
WEEK 3: GL 7.12 MR 5-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gospel of Mark 	SADLIER: Chapter 5 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lesson 11
WEEK 4: GL 7.12 MR 5-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Season of Advent • Gospel of Mark, continued 	SADLIER: Chapter 5, p. 277-280 SOPHIA: See Sophia Institute free online supplemental resources; Unit 2: Lesson 12

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR	
LITURGICAL SEASON:	Ordinary Time, Advent
COLOR KEY:	Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr
November 1:	All Saints (Holy Day of Obligation)
November 2:	All Souls
November 10:	St. Leo the Great
November 15:	St. Albert the Great
November 17:	St. Elizabeth of Hungary
November 21:	The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
November 22:	St. Cecilia
November 23:	Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro
November 30:	St. Andrew

DECEMBER

DEDICATED TO: The Immaculate Conception - VALUE: Patience		
WEEK	CONTENT	RESOURCES FOR TEACHING
WEEK 1: <u>GL 7.13</u> MR 7-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gospel of Luke 	SADLIER: Chapter 5 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lesson 13
WEEK 2: <u>GL 7.14</u> MR 7-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gospel of John 	SADLIER: Chapter 5 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lesson 15
WEEK 3: <u>GL 7.13,14</u> MR 7-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding the Christmas Season within a Catholic context Gospel of Luke & John, continued 	SADLIER: Chapter 5, p. 281-284 SOPHIA: See Sophia Institute free online supplemental resources; Unit 2: Lessons 14, 16
WEEK 4:	Christmas Break	--

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR	
LITURGICAL SEASON:	Advent, Christmas
COLOR KEY:	Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr
December 2:	First Sunday of Advent
December 6:	St. Nicholas
December 8:	The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
December 12:	Our Lady of Guadalupe
December 13:	St. Lucy
December 16:	Gaudéte (Rejoice!) Sunday
December 25:	Christmas
December 26:	St. Stephen
December 27:	St. John
December 28:	Holy Innocents
December 30:	The Holy Family

JANUARY

DEDICATED TO: The Holy Name and Childhood of Jesus - VALUE: Circumspection		
WEEK	CONTENT	RESOURCES FOR TEACHING
WEEK 1:	Review/Re-teach lessons from the First Semester as needed (based on teacher discretion)	Refer to Resources for Teaching in this Pacing Guide
WEEK 2:	Review/Re-teach lessons from the First Semester as needed (based on teacher discretion)	Refer to Resources for Teaching in this Pacing Guide
WEEK 3:	Respect Life Week (Jan. 14-18 or Jan. 21-25) Review/Re-teach lessons from the First Semester as needed (based on teacher discretion)	RLW: HTTPS://WWW.LIFEOFFICENYC.ORG/TEACHERS Refer to Resources for Teaching in this Pacing Guide
WEEK 4:	Review/Re-teach lessons from the First Semester as needed (based on teacher discretion)	Refer to Resources for Teaching in this Pacing Guide

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR	
LITURGICAL SEASON:	Christmas, Ordinary Time
COLOR KEY:	Ordinary Time , Advent , Lent , Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr
January 1:	Mary, Mother of God
January 4:	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
January 6:	The Epiphany of the Lord
January 13:	The Baptism of the Lord
January 21:	St. Agnes
January 24:	St. Francis de Sales
January 25:	The Conversion of St. Paul
January 26:	Sts. Timothy and Titus
January 28:	St. Thomas Aquinas
January 31:	St. John Bosco

FEBRUARY

DEDICATED TO: The Holy Family - VALUE: Trustworthiness		
WEEK	CONTENT	RESOURCES FOR TEACHING
WEEK 1: GL 7.16- 17 MR 9-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> THE SACRAMENTS I. In General 	SADLIER: Chapter 13 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lesson 1-2 CATHOLICISM: LP1
WEEK 2: GL 7.16- 21 MR 9-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baptism 	SADLIER: Chapter 13-14 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lesson 3-4
WEEK 3: GL 7.16- 21 MR 9-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmation 	SADLIER: Chapter 13, 15 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lesson 5-6
WEEK 4: GL 7.21- 24 MR 9-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eucharist 	SADLIER: Chapter 13, 16 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lesson 7-8

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR	
LITURGICAL SEASON:	Ordinary Time
COLOR KEY:	Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr
February 2:	The Presentation of the Lord
February 5:	St. Agatha
February 6:	St. Paul Miki and his Companions
February 8:	St. Josephine Bakhita
February 11:	Our Lady of Lourdes
February 14:	Sts. Cyril and Methodius
February 17:	The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
February 21:	St. Peter Damian
February 22:	St. Peter's Chair
February 23:	St. Polycarp

MARCH

DEDICATED TO: St. Joseph - VALUE: Prudence		
WEEK	CONTENT	RESOURCES FOR TEACHING
WEEK 1: MR 11-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lent - Season of Renewal: Prayer, Penance and Fasting 	SADLIER: p. 285-288 SOPHIA: See Sophia Institute free online supplemental resources.
WEEK 2: GL 7.24-27 MR 11-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Penance/Reconciliation 	SADLIER: Chapter 13, 17 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lesson 9-10 CATHOLICISM: LP 2
WEEK 3: GL 7.28-31 MR 11-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anointing of the Sick 	SADLIER: Chapter 13, 17 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lesson 11-12 CATHOLICISM: LP3
WEEK 4: GL 7.32-37 MR 11-13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy Orders 	SADLIER: Chapter 13, 18 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lesson 15-16

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR	
LITURGICAL SEASON:	Lent
COLOR KEY:	Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr
March 4:	St. Casimir
March 6:	Ash Wednesday
March 7:	St. Perpetua and Felicity (optional commemoration)
March 8:	St. John of God (optional commemoration)
March 9:	St. Frances of Rome (optional commemoration)
March 18:	St. Cyril of Jerusalem (optional commemoration)
March 19:	St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary
March 23:	St. Turibus of Mongrovejo
March 25:	The Annunciation of the Lord
March 31:	Laetare (Be joyful!) Sunday

APRIL

DEDICATED TO: The Holy Eucharist - VALUE: Courtesy		
WEEK	CONTENT	RESOURCES FOR TEACHING
WEEK 1: <u>GL 7.37-40</u> MR 14-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marriage 	SADLIER: Chapter 13, 18 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lessons 13-14 CATHOLICISM: LP 8
WEEK 2: <u>GL 7.34-37</u> MR 14-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sexuality in the Plan of God (Gift) 	SADLIER: None. SOPHIA: Unit 4: Lessons 1-2
WEEK 3:	Easter Break	--
WEEK 4: <u>GL 7.43</u> MR 14-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sexuality and the Dignity of the Human Person 	SADLIER: None. SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lesson 3-4 CATHOLICISM: LP 7

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR	
LITURGICAL SEASON:	Lent, Easter
COLOR KEY:	Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr
April 5:	St. Vincent Ferrer (optional commemoration)
April 11:	St. Stanislaus (optional commemoration)
April 13:	St. Martin I (optional commemoration)
April 14:	Palm Sunday
April 18:	Holy Thursday
April 19:	Good Friday
April 20:	Holy Saturday
April 21:	Easter Sunday
April 28:	Divine Mercy Sunday
April 29:	St. Catherine of Siena

MAY

DEDICATED TO: The Blessed Virgin Mary - VALUE: Orderliness		
WEEK	CONTENT	RESOURCES FOR TEACHING
WEEK 1: GL 7.44-48 MR 14-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Proper Use of & Abuses of Human Sexuality 	SADLIER: None. SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lessons 5-7
WEEK 2: GL 7.50-51 MR 14-16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ways to Foster Sexual Maturity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Developing Friendships - Seeking Advice - Responding to God's Gift 	SADLIER: None. SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lessons 8-9
WEEK 3:	Review	Refer to Resources for Teaching in this Pacing Guide
WEEK 4:	Review	Refer to Resources for Teaching in this Pacing Guide

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR	
LITURGICAL SEASON:	Easter
COLOR KEY:	Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr
May 1:	St. Joseph the Worker
May 2:	St. Athanasius
May 3:	Sts. Philip and James
May 10:	St. Damien of Molokai
May 13:	Our Lady of Fatima
May 14:	St. Matthias
May 15:	St. Isidore the Farmer
May 22:	St. Rita of Cascia
May 27:	St. Augustine of Canterbury
May 31:	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

JUNE

DEDICATED TO: The Sacred Heart of Jesus - VALUE: Foresight		
WEEK	CONTENT	RESOURCES FOR TEACHING
WEEK 1:	ADNY End Year Religion Assessment Testing Window	--
WEEK 2:	ADNY End Year Religion Assessment Testing Window	--

THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR	
LITURGICAL SEASON:	Easter, Ordinary Time
COLOR KEY:	Ordinary Time , Advent , Lent , Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr
June 1:	St. Justin
June 2:	The Ascension of the Lord
June 3:	St. Charles Lwanga and his Companions
June 9:	Pentecost
June 11:	St. Barnabas
June 13:	St. Anthony of Padua
June 16:	The Most Holy Trinity
June 22:	Sts. John Fisher and Thomas More
June 23:	Corpus Christi
June 24:	The Birthday of St. John the Baptist
June 28:	The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus