



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 and Region

The Religion Teacher

“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)

A few notes on using the Pacing Guides...

- 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 teachers in organizing their instruction of the content of the Religion Guidelines.
- The **Sadlier** and **Sophia Institute** textbooks/resources are not curriculums. Therefore, the Pacing Guides do not follow the order of any textbook. Hence, in the **Resources** column of the Pacing Guides, chapter numbers from the Sadlier* textbook appear inconsecutively and multiple times. (***We Believe** Catholic Identity editions)
- There is time allotted for review prior to each semester’s testing window in January and June.
- 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.



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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

Available Resources

Sadlier Religion - 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 blogs 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.

Sophia Institute for Teachers - Free Supplemental Online Resources

Archdiocese of New York Lesson Plans

- <https://sophiainstituteforteachers.org/nylessons> Links teacher guides for lessons for grades 3-8 to each unit in the *Sophia Institute for Teachers*. (based on ADNY religion guidelines and pacing guides)

Supplemental Online Resources

- sophiainstituteforteachers.org/elesson/joy-of-the-gospel Seasonal lessons for Advent and Lent (and other liturgical seasons) can be found in the free monthly **Joy of the Gospel** elessons. 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.
- sophiainstituteforteachers.org/elesson/free-current-events 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** elessons. These lessons use today's issues as a means of teaching Faith principles, and provides student-friendly overviews, news links, discussion questions, etc.
- sophiainstituteforteachers.org/elesson/heavenly-hall-of-fame Lessons for younger students on the saints can be found in the free monthly **Heavenly Hall of Fame** elessons. These lessons help you to introduce the lives of the saints to 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.

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 what 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

VALUE: Cooperation

| WEEK | CONTENT | RESOURCES FOR TEACHING |
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| 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: Resources for the Family p. 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: Chapters 20, 21, 22 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: Chapters 10, 19, 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: Chapters 3, 4, 21 SOPHIA: Unit 1: Lesson 9 |

| THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR | |
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| LITURGICAL SEASON: | Ordinary Time |
| COLOR KEY: | Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter and Christmas), Martyr |
| September 3 | St. Gregory the Great |
| September 8 | The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary |
| September 9 | St. Peter Claver |
| September 14 | Exaltation of the Holy Cross |
| September 15 | Our Lady of Sorrows |
| September 16 | Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian |
| September 21 | St. Matthew |
| September 23 | St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) |
| September 26 | Sts. Cosmos and Damien |
| September 29 | Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels |
| September 30 | St. Jerome |

OCTOBER

VALUE: Respect

| WEEK | CONTENT | RESOURCES FOR TEACHING |
|---|---|---|
| WEEK 1 GL 7.5 MR 3-4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Challenges to Growth During Adolescence E. Our Need for God | SADLIER: Chapters 4, 21 SOPHIA: Unit 1: Lesson 9 |
| WEEK 2 GL 7.8 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 GL 7.9 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 GL 7.10,11 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: Chapters 8, 9, 11 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lessons 7-8 |

| THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR | |
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| LITURGICAL SEASON: | Ordinary Time |
| COLOR KEY: | Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter and Christmas), Martyr |
| October 1 | St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus |
| October 2 | The Holy Guardian Angels |
| October 7 | Our Lady of the Rosary |
| October 9 | St. Denis |
| October 15 | St. Teresa of Ávila |
| October 17 | St. Ignatius of Antioch |
| October 19 | Sts. John of Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues |
| October 20 | St. Paul of the Cross |
| October 22 | St. John Paul II, Pope |
| October 23 | St. John of Capistrano |
| October 28 | Sts. Simon and Jude |

NOVEMBER

VALUE: Goodness

| WEEK | CONTENT | RESOURCES FOR TEACHING |
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| WEEK 1 GL 7.11 MR 5-6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Feast of All Saints In depth study of Ven. Pierre Toussaint and the patron saint of the school. Special activities based on saints | SADLIER: Chapters 23, 24 |
| 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 |
| 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: p. 277-280, Chapter 5 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lesson 12 See Sophia Institute free online supplemental resources |

| THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR | |
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| LITURGICAL SEASON: | Ordinary Time/ Advent |
| COLOR KEY: | Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter and Christmas), Martyr |
| November 1 | All Saints |
| November 2 | All Souls |
| November 3 | St. Martin de Porres |
| November 4 | St. Charles Borromeo |
| November 10 | St. Leo the Great |
| November 11 | St. Martin of Tours |
| November 12 | St. Josaphat |
| November 13 | St. Frances Xavier Cabrini |
| November 17 | St. Elizabeth of Hungary |
| November 21 | The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary |
| November 29 | First Sunday of Advent |
| November 30 | St. Andrew, Apostle |

DECEMBER

VALUE: Joy

| WEEK | CONTENT | RESOURCES FOR TEACHING |
|---|---|---|
| WEEK 1 GL 7.13 MR 7-8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gospel of Luke | SADLIER: Chapter 5 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lesson 13 |
| WEEK 2 GL 7.14 MR 7-8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gospel of John | SADLIER: Chapter 5 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lesson 15 |
| WEEK 3 GL 7.13,14 MR 7-8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understanding the Christmas Season within a Catholic context Gospel of Luke and John (continued) | SADLIER: Chapter 5, p. 281-284 SOPHIA: Unit 2: Lessons 14, 16 See Sophia Institute free online supplemental resources |
| WEEK 4 | Christmas Recess | |

| THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR | |
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| LITURGICAL SEASON: | Advent, Christmas |
| COLOR KEY: | Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr |
| December 3 | St. Francis Xavier |
| December 7 | St. Ambrose |
| December 8 | The Immaculate Conception of the BVM (Holyday of Obligation) |
| December 9 | St. Juan Diego |
| December 12 | Our Lady of Guadalupe |
| December 14 | St. John of the Cross |
| December 25 | Christmas |
| December 26 | St. Stephen |
| December 27 | The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph |
| December 28 | Holy Innocents |

JANUARY

VALUE: Honesty

| WEEK | CONTENT | RESOURCES FOR TEACHING |
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| WEEK 1 | Review/Re-teach lessons from the First Semester as needed (based on teacher discretion) | Refer to <i>Resources for Teaching</i> in this Pacing Guide (page 4) |
| WEEK 2 | Review/Re-teach lessons from the First Semester as needed (based on teacher discretion) | Refer to <i>Resources for Teaching</i> in this Pacing Guide (page 4) |
| WEEK 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respect Life Week (Week of Jan. 17, 2021) • Respect Life Lessons (see link in next column) | RESPECT LIFE WEEK: HTTPS://RESPECTLIFEWEEK.COM/NEW-YORK/ Refer to <i>Resources for Teaching</i> in this Pacing Guide (page 4) |
| WEEK 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Sacraments (in general) | SADLIER: Chapter 13 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lessons 1-2 |

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| LITURGICAL SEASON: | Christmas, Ordinary Time |
| COLOR KEY: | Ordinary Time , Advent , Lent , Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr |
| January 1 | Mary, The Holy Mother of God (Holyday of Obligation) |
| January 2 | Sts. Basil and Gregory |
| January 3 | The Epiphany of the Lord |
| January 4 | St. Elizabeth Ann Seton |
| January 5 | St. John Neumann |
| January 10 | The Baptism of the Lord |
| January 21 | St. Agnes |
| January 22 | Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children |
| January 25 | The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle |
| January 26 | Sts. Timothy and Titus |
| January 28 | St. Thomas Aquinas |

FEBRUARY

VALUE: Service

| WEEK | CONTENT | RESOURCES FOR TEACHING |
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| WEEK 1 GL 7.16- 17 MR 9-10 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Sacraments (continued) | SADLIER: Chapter 13 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lessons 1-2 |
| WEEK 2 GL 7.16- 21 MR 9-10 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baptism | SADLIER: Chapter 13, 14 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lessons 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: Lessons 5-6 |
| WEEK 4 GL 7.21- 24 MR 9-10 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eucharist Lent - Season of Renewal: Prayer, Penance and Fasting | SADLIER: p. 285-288 Chapters 12, 13, 16 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lessons 7-8 SOPHIA: FREE ONLINE RESOURCES |

| THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR | |
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| LITURGICAL SEASON: | Ordinary Time, Lent |
| COLOR KEY: | Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr |
| February 2 | The Presentation of the Lord |
| February 3 | St. Blaise |
| February 5 | St. Agatha |
| February 6 | St. Paul Miki and Companions |
| February 8 | St. Josephine Bakhita |
| February 10 | St. Scholastica |
| February 11 | Our Lady of Lourdes |
| February 17 | Ash Wednesday |
| February 22 | The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle |
| February 23 | St. Polycarp |

MARCH

VALUE: Forgiveness

| WEEK | CONTENT | RESOURCES FOR TEACHING |
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| WEEK 1 MR 11-13 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lent - Season of Renewal: Prayer, Penance and Fasting (continued) | 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 |
| 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 |
| 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 | |
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| LITURGICAL SEASON: | Lent |
| COLOR KEY: | Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr |
| March 3 | St. Katharine Drexel |
| March 4 | St. Casimir |
| March 8 | St. John of God |
| March 9 | St. Frances of Rome |
| March 17 | St. Patrick |
| March 18 | St. Cyril of Jerusalem |
| March 19 | St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary |
| March 23 | St. Turibius |
| March 25 | The Annunciation of the Lord |
| March 28 | Palm Sunday |

APRIL

VALUE: Patience

| WEEK | CONTENT | RESOURCES FOR TEACHING |
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| WEEK 1 GL 7.37- 40 MR 14-16 | Easter Recess | |
| WEEK 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Marriage | SADLIER: Chapter 13, 18 SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lessons 13-14 |
| WEEK 3 GL 7.34- 37 MR 14-16 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In depth study of St. Rose of Lima Sexuality in the Plan of God (Gift) | SOPHIA: Unit 4: Lessons 1-2 |
| WEEK 4 GL 7.43 MR 14-16 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sexuality and the Dignity of the Human Person | SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lesson 3 |

| THE LITURGICAL CALENDAR | |
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| LITURGICAL SEASON: | (Triduum) Easter |
| COLOR KEY: | Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr |
| April 1 | Holy Thursday |
| April 2 | Good Friday |
| April 3 | Holy Saturday |
| April 4 | Easter Sunday |
| April 11 | Divine Mercy Sunday |
| April 13 | St. Martin I, Pope |
| April 21 | St. Anselm |
| April 23 | Sts. Adalbert and George |
| April 24 | St. Fidelis |
| April 28 | St. Peter Chanel |
| April 29 | St. Catherine of Siena |
| April 30 | St. Pius V |

MAY

VALUE: Grace

| WEEK | CONTENT | RESOURCES FOR TEACHING |
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| WEEK 1 GL 7.44-48 MR 14-16 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Proper Use of & Abuses of Human Sexuality | SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lessons 4-7 |
| 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 | SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lessons 8-9 |
| WEEK 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ways to Foster Sexual Maturity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Responding to God's Gift | SOPHIA: Unit 3: Lessons 8-9 |
| WEEK 4 | Review | Refer to <i>Resources for Teaching</i> in this Pacing Guide (page 4) |

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| LITURGICAL SEASON: | Easter/ Ordinary Time |
| COLOR KEY: | Ordinary Time , Advent , Lent , Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr |
| May 1 | St. Joseph the Worker |
| May 3 | Sts. Philip and James, Apostles |
| May 13 | The Ascension of the Lord (Holy Day of Obligation) |
| May 14 | St. Matthias |
| May 22 | St. Rita of Cascia |
| May 23 | Pentecost |
| May 24 | The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church |
| May 25 | St. Mary Magdalene |
| May 26 | St. Philip Neri |
| May 27 | St. Augustine of Canterbury |
| May 29 | St. Paul VI, Pope |
| May 30 | The Most Holy Trinity |
| May 31 | The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary |

JUNE

VALUE: Unity

| WEEK | CONTENT | RESOURCES FOR TEACHING |
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| WEEK 1 | ADNY End Year Religion Assessment Testing Window | |
| WEEK 2 | ADNY End Year Religion Assessment Testing Window | |

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| LITURGICAL SEASON: | Ordinary Time |
| COLOR KEY: | Ordinary Time, Advent, Lent, Feast (including Easter & Christmas), Martyr |
| June 1 | St. Justin |
| June 2 | Sts. Marcellinus and Peter |
| June 3 | St. Charles Lwanga and Companions |
| June 5 | St. Boniface |
| June 6 | The Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus (Corpus Christi) |
| June 11 | The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus |
| June 12 | The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary |
| June 21 | St. Aloysius Gonzaga |
| June 22 | Sts. John Fisher and Thomas More |
| June 24 | The Birthday of St. John the Baptist |
| June 28 | St. Irenaeus |
| June 29 | Sts. Peter and Paul |