

Home Lessons for Sunday, January 9 - January 30, 2022

Dear Grade 9 Students and Families,

Blessings to each of you. I am praying that you are well and having a good week! I am having a bit of déjà vu as we head back into home lessons these next four weeks. Our hope is to be back to in-person classes the week of February 6. Please find below the outline to this week and next week's lesson for your child. Do not hesitate to reach out if you are having difficulty with anything or need clarification.

- All lessons correspond to the weekly Mass readings and Gospel, as well as a section of reading from the 9th grade text: ***Called to Be Catholic*** which can be found on our website holyfamilyrockland.org under Faith Formation Grade 9 Called to Be Catholic.
- The complete lesson can be found by going to the Holy Family website at ***holyfamilyrockland.org***. Hover over the Menu button on the right corner of the main landing page and then Click on Faith Formation. Then choose your child's grade level, **Grade 9 Called to Be Catholic**. Everything you need for the week is found there:
 - Lesson Plan
 - A digital Missal of the Mass readings and Gospel for the week.
 - Video clips and activities to support the lesson.
 - Chapter Reading assignment for your text: *Called to Be Catholic*

Week of January 9, 2022

- **Reading assignment from your textbook, *Called to Be Catholic: Begin Chapter 3 – Source of Our Redemption (Pages 17-20)***. This chapter focuses on the Original Sin of Adam and Eve and how that affects us today in the choices we make. We will learn about redemption and the fact the Jesus died for all of us so that we can live forever with God in Heaven. But we are faced daily with hard choices, and we must be spiritually strong so that we make the right choice, remembering always that our HOPE is in God. We are only going to read the first half of the chapter this week so please stop at the end of the first section on page 20. Happy Reading! Let me know if you have questions on anything you have read. And always feel free to email me or call with any questions you might have.

Week of January 16, 2022

- **Reading assignment from your textbook, *Called to Be Catholic: Continue Chapter 3 – Source of Our Redemption (Pages 20-24)***. This chapter focuses on the Original Sin of Adam and Eve and how that affects us today in the choices we make. We will learn about redemption and the fact the Jesus died for all of us so that we can live forever with God in Heaven. God's rescue mission for us is still underway. Jesus taught us several ways to walk on the right path. You will read about four of them: living in service to others, receiving the Eucharist at Mass, being Baptized into the Church, and calling on the Holy Spirit to guide your day-to-day choices. Look at pages 22-23 carefully. Happy Reading! Let me know if you have questions on anything you have read. And always feel free to email me or call with any questions you might have.
- **Complete the Online Assessment for Chapter 3** Called to Be Catholic. You can find the link to it on your webpage. You can either print it out and complete it or answer the questions on loose leaf paper. You will be bringing the assessment in to class when we meet in person on Monday, February 7.

Week of January 23, 2022

- **NEW Reading assignment from your textbook, *Called to Be Catholic: Chapter 4 – One Body, One Family pages 25-28***. We are reading about what and who is the Catholic Church and what it means to

belong to the community of the Church. We learn about the 4 Marks of the Church – That we are One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. These four adjectives are the ideas that make our church what it is. We say this every time we say the Nicene Creed at Church..." I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic church. "The readings on these pages will help explain what each Mark means.

Week of January 30, 2022

- **NEW Reading assignment from your textbook, *Called to Be Catholic: Chapter 4 – One Body, One Family* pages 29-32.** We are reading about what and who is the Church and what it means to belong to the community of the Church. This week we take a special look at the Saints and at Mary, the mother of Jesus and our Mother.
- **Complete the Online Assessment for Chapter 4** Called to Be Catholic. You can find the link to it on your webpage. You can either print it out and complete it or answer the questions on loose leaf paper. You will be bringing the assessment in to class when we meet in person on Monday, February 7.

Lastly, and most important: If you are unable to attend Mass in person due to illness make sure that you watch Mass on Sunday. The easiest way to access the Mass recording is on our website. It is also showing on local cable WRPS. And as always, I will email the link to you on Saturday evening. **Make sure to turn in your Mass Tickets to Father Hickey or Father O'Driscoll each weekend when you attend Mass.** Thank you to those who are attending Mass each week. I met with Father Hickey this week and he is concerned about those of you who are not attending Mass. It is a requirement to be Confirmed, but more importantly it is required to be a good disciple of Christ. We can not have a relationship with someone if we do not spend any time with them.

Please let us know if we can help in any way to make this process as smooth as possible for you and your family for the next four weeks. We continue to pray for the health and safety of all our families and offer prayers of gratitude for all those that are working here in our area and around the world to aid those affected by this latest surge of the virus.

Yours in Christ,
Mrs. Liz Davis