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RELIGIOUS STUDIES COURSE SYLLABUS

GRADE LEVEL: Kindergarten

SCHOOL YEAR: 2023-2024

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

Welcome to Religious Studies course!

Religious Studies invites kindergartners to learn and experience God's love through simple reflections on scripture and explore its relevance to their life's experiences. They will be able to navigate, in an age-appropriate way, the living tradition of our Catholic faith.

The kindergartners will learn about Jesus, the symbol of God's love and how to model their lives based on the examples of Jesus Christ. They will be provided with specific time of celebrate God's goodness through music and song, a time for prayer and instruction as well as participating in different activities that are linked to a variety of themes of the lesson.

COURSE OBJECTIVES AND CONTENTS: SWBAT discover about:

WORD:

- A.1. I can recognize that God created the world and human beings.
- A.2. I can communicate that all creation is a gift from God, who creates out of a deep and abiding love.

WITNESS:

- B.1. God always sees the good in all His creation.
- B.2. The beauty God created exists everywhere.
- B.3. We are made in God's image and likeness.

WORSHIP:

C.1. We sing and praise to God our Creator.

LITURGICAL FEASTS AND DIFFERENT SEASONS OF THE CHURCH

- *Advent*
- *Christmas*
- *Lent*
- *Holy Week*
- *Easter*
- *Ordinary Time*
- *Holy Days (Dominican/ Saints' Feasts)*
- *Feasts in Honor of Mother Mary*

DOMINICAN PILLARS AND CORE VALUES

- Study= Truth
- Prayer=Joy
- Community=Justice
- Service/Preaching= Compassion

PARAGONS OF VALUES: DOMINICAN SAINTS AND BLESSED

Months	Feasts/Memorials of Dominican Saints
August	02- <i>Bl. Jane of Aza</i> 08- <i>St. Dominic de Guzman</i> 14- <i>St. Dominic Ibañez</i> 17- <i>St. Hyacinth of Poland</i> 18- <i>Bl. Mannes de Guzman</i> 23- <i>Rose of Lima</i>
September	18- <i>St. John Macias</i> 20- <i>St. Francis Posadas</i> 28- <i>St. Lawrence Ruiz</i>
October	09- <i>St. Louis Bertrand</i>
November	03- <i>St. Martin de Porres</i> 15- <i>St. Albert the Great</i> 22- <i>Bl. Cecilia</i>
December	01- <i>Bl. John Vercelli</i> <i>The Holy Family</i>

January	07- St. Raymond of Peñafort 18- St. Margaret of Hungary
February	13- Bl. Jordan of Saxony
March	07- St. Thomas Aquinas
April	05- St. Vincent Ferrer 06/29- St. Peter of Verona 20- St. Agnes of Montepulciano 29/30- St. Catherine of Siena 30- St. Pius V
May	10- St. Anthony of Florence 12- Bl. Imelda Lambertini 20- Bl. Columba of Reiti
Others	June 09- Bl. Diana July 17- Bl. Ceslao

School wide Learning Outcomes (SLO's): D'TORCH: Dominicans are Truthful, Organized, Reflective, Courageous, and Helpful

GRADING SYSTEM:

50% Academic

Section A: Homework, Seatwork, Projects.....16.66%

NOTE: Attendance will be included in the grading.

Section B: Quizzes.....16.67%

Section C. Major Quarterly Exam.....16.67%

Section D: Deportment.....50%

50 % Deportment (Behavior)

- Truthful..... 19 points
- Organized..... 19 points
- Reflective..... 19 points
- Courageous..... 19 points
- Helpful..... 19 points

TOTAL..... 95 points

Note: *The highest possible grade students can get every quarter in Department is 95 points in conformity with the current grading system.*

PRIMARY TEXTBOOKS AND OTHER RESOURCES

- *Call to Faith Series*
- *Bible for Kids*
- *Online Catholic Resources*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- *The Google Classroom code will be given to all students to access Religious Studies' learning guide and tasks.*
- *There will be NO Homework to be given during the weekend except during major exams or quizzes. It is to give them a chance to spend quality time with their family.*
- *The Project D (Detention) significantly affects the Department Grade of students.*

ON ACADEMIC DISHONESTY:

Academic Dishonesty means employing a method or technique or engaging in conduct in an academic endeavor that contravenes the standards of ethical integrity expected at DIS. Academic dishonesty includes but is not limited to, the following:

- 1. Purposely incorporating the ideas, words of sentences, paragraphs, or parts thereof without appropriate acknowledgment and representing the product as one's own work; and*
- 1. Representing another's intellectual work such as photographs, paintings, drawings, sculpture, or research or the like as one's own, including failure to attribute content to an AI.*
- 2. Employing a tutor, making use of Artificial Intelligence without acknowledgement, getting a parent to write a paper or do an assignment, paying for an essay to be written by someone else and presented as the student's own work.*
- 3. Committing any act that a reasonable person would conclude, when informed of the evidence, to be a*

dishonest means of obtaining or attempting to obtain credit for academic work.

Any act of academic dishonesty will result in an automatic zero on the entire assignment.

First QUARTER – TENTATIVE COURSE CONTENTS

Week / Date	Topic /Learning Tasks/ Assessments
<p>Week 1 Aug 10 to 11</p> <p><i>10 - First Day / Orientation Day</i> <i>14-St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest and martyr</i> <i>15-The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i></p>	<p>Welcome back to school Dominicans!</p> <p><i>August 10: School's Opening and General Orientation Day</i></p>
<p>Week 2 Aug 14 to 18</p> <p><i>17-Saint Hyacinth of Poland</i> <i>18- Blessed Mannes</i></p>	<p>Religious Studies Orientation/ Introduction Continuation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of the Subject (What is RS? Course contents for the whole quarter and subject's requirements) • Grading system (See the syllabus.) • Rules and Regulations • Review: DIS Vision-Mission and Philosophy • D'TORCH values and Dominican Ethos • Basic Prayers • Students' Profile • Practice for the Mass • Review: Parts of the Mass <p><i>August 15: Opening Mass</i> <i>Assumption of Our Lady</i> <i>(Virtual Streaming)</i></p>
<p>Week 3 Aug 21 to 25</p> <p><i>21- St. Pius X, Pope</i> <i>22-The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> <i>23- Saint Rose of Lima</i></p>	<p>Introductory Chapter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduce the Patron Saint of DIST - Saint Dominic de Guzman. - Saint of the class.

24- St. Bartholomew, apostle 27- St. Monica	
Week 4 Aug 28 to Sept 1 28- St. Augustine 03-St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor	<p>Aug 28-Monday Morning Assembly: Creative Play about the Life of St Dominic de Guzman</p> <p>Introduce and Explain the DTORCH values.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Truthful - Organized - Reflective - Courageous - Helpful
Week 5 Sept 4 to 8 05-Anniversary of deceased Dominican friends and benefactors	<p>Sept 08-The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Mass and VIP Induction)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review Sign of the cross. - Understanding of the Basic Prayers.
Week 6 Sep 11 to 15 11- St. Ambrose, Edward Barlow 14-The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 15-Our Lady of Sorrows	<p>Sept 12-14 Pre-Exam Days</p> <p>Unit 1: God creates the world</p> <p>Chapter 1: God creates the Earth and skies</p> <p>Lesson 1: God's gifts of day and night</p> <p>Lesson 2 : God's Creation Storytelling and song</p> <p>Song: The Creation Song</p>
Week 7 Sep 18 to 22 18- Saint Juan Macias 21- St. Matthew, apostle and evangelist	<p>Self-Assessment Student's Department</p> <p>Individual Conference</p> <p>Preparation for the Quarter Exam</p> <p>Completion of the Subject's Requirements for the 1st Quarter</p>

	<p>Unit 1: God creates the world</p> <p>Chapter 2: God creates the animals</p> <p>Lesson 1: God loves all the animals</p> <p>Lesson 2 : God gives us animals to love</p>
<p>Week 8 Sep 25 to 29</p> <p>28-Saint Dominic Ibanez, Friar and Priest, Saint James Kyushei Tomonaga, Friar and Priest, Saint Lawrence Ruiz, Layman And Companions, Members of the Dominican Family, Martyrs of Nagasaki, Japan 29-Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, archangels 30-St. Jerome, priest and doctor</p>	<p>Sept 25-28 Teacher's Conference <i>(No classes for students)</i></p> <p>Sept 29-Moon Festival (No classes)</p>
<p>Week 9 Oct 2 to 6</p> <p>5-6 First Quarter Exam 04-Our Holy Father Francis of Assisi 05-Blessed Raymond of Capua 06-Blessed Bartolo Longo 07-Our Lady of the Rosary</p>	<p>Oct 02- Launching of the Month of the Most Holy Rosary/World Mental Health and Bullying Prevention</p> <p>Oct 5-6 First Quarter Exam Record Day</p> <p>Oct 10 Double Ten – Public Holiday (No Classes)</p> <p>Unit 1: God creates the world</p> <p>Chapter 3: God creates People</p> <p>Lesson 1: God loves us</p> <p>Lesson 2 : People show love</p>

Second QUARTER – TENTATIVE COURSE CONTENTS

Week / Date	Topic /Learning Tasks/ Assessments
<p>Week 1 (10) Oct 11 to 13</p> <p>12-Our Lady of Pillar 13-St. Theophilus 15-St. Teresa of Jesus, virgin and doctor 09-Saint Luis Bertran</p>	<p><i>Oct 13-14 Catholic Students' Integration Day (Overnight Camping at DIS Ground)</i></p> <p>Unit 2: God's love makes me who I am</p> <p>Chapter 4: God creates Me</p> <p>Lesson 1: God creates me special</p> <p>Lesson 2 : I can praise the Lord with my talents</p>
<p>Week 2 (11) Oct 16 to 20</p> <p>22-Anniversary of the Dedication of the Church 22-St. John Paul II, Pope</p>	<p>Unit 2: God's love makes me who I am</p> <p>Chapter 5: God gives me feelings</p> <p>Lesson 1: God knows how we feel</p> <p>Lesson 2 : We can share our feelings</p>
<p>Week 3 (12) Oct 23 to Oct 27</p> <p>28- Sts. Simon and Jude, apostles</p>	<p><i>Oct 27 Masquerade Night</i></p> <p>Unit 2: God's love makes me who I am</p> <p>Chapter 6: God gives us senses</p> <p>Lesson 1: My senses help me enjoy God's world</p> <p>Lesson 2 : Thank God for my senses</p>
<p>Week 4 (13) Oct 30 to Nov 03</p> <p>01- Solemnity of All Saints 02-The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day) 03-Saint Martin de Porres</p>	<p><i>Nov 1 All Saints Day Mass</i></p> <p><i>Nov 3 Feast of St. Martin de Porres and Lay Dominican Profession</i></p> <p>Unit 3: God gives us loving people</p> <p>Chapter 7: God gives us families</p>

	<p>Lesson 1: God makes my family special</p> <p>Introducing your family.</p>
<p>Week 5 (14) Nov 06 to 10</p> <p><i>06-Blessed Bonaventura Gracia Paredes, Friar, Priest and Master of the Order</i> <i>Blessed Josefina Sauleda Paulis, Virgin and Nun</i> <i>Blessed Ramona Fossas Roman, Virgin and Sister</i> <i>Blessed Antero Mateo, Married Man and Lay Dominican</i> <i>And Companions, Members of the Dominican Family martyrs of the Spanish Persecutions of the XX Century</i> <i>07- All Saints of the Order of Preachers</i> <i>09- The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i> <i>10-St. Leo the Great, pope and doctor</i> <i>11- St. Martin of Tours, Bishop</i> <i>13- St. Frances Xavier Cabrini</i></p>	<p><i>Unit 3: God gives us loving people</i></p> <p><i>Chapter 7: God gives us families</i></p> <p>Lesson 1: God makes my family special</p> <p>- Introducing your family.</p> <p>Lesson 2 : Loving my family</p>
<p>Week 6 (15) Nov 13 to 17</p> <p><i>15- Saint Albert the Great</i> <i>16-St. Margaret of Scotland, queen</i> <i>St. Gertrude, virgin</i> <i>17-St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious</i> <i>18- Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, apostles</i></p>	<p><i>Unit 3: God gives us loving people</i></p> <p><i>Chapter 8: God gives us friends</i></p> <p>Lesson 1: Our wonderful friends</p> <p>Lesson 2 : God gives us teachers</p>

<p>Week 7 (16) Nov 20 to 24 21- Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 25-Saint Ignatius Delgado, Friar and Bishop Saint Vincent Liem De La Paz, Friar and Priest Saint Dominic Pham Trong An Kham, Lay Dominican And Companions Martyrs of Vietnam</p>	<p>Nov 23 House Family Day/ Thanksgiving Mass and Potluck (Teachers and staff)</p> <p>Nov 24-27 Second Quarter Exam (G12 Graduating)</p> <p>Lesson 1: We give thanks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Thanksgiving Story <p>Lesson 2 : Introducing Advent</p> <p>Advent wreath</p>
<p>Week 8 (17) Nov 27 to Dec 01 30-St. Andrew, apostle 03-St. Francis Xavier</p>	<p>Lesson 1 : We celebrate Christmas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Christmas ornaments
<p>Week 9 (18) Dec 04 to 8 07- St. Ambrose, bishop and doctor</p>	<p>Dec 04 First Week of Advent/ Lighting of the Christmas Tree in the afternoon</p> <p>Dec 08 - The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, principal Patroness of the Philippines DIS 66th Foundation Day Celebrations</p> <p>Self-Assessment Student's Department</p> <p>Individual Conference</p> <p>Preparation for the Quarter Exam</p> <p>Completion of the Subject's Requirements for the 2nd Quarter</p> <p>Review/ Christmas Ornaments</p>
<p>Week 10 (19) Dec 11 to 115</p>	<p>Dec 14-15 Second Quarter Exam Record Day</p>

12- Our Lady of Guadalupe 14- St. John of the Cross, priest and doctor	Quarter Exam
Dec 18 to Jan 02	Christmas Break

Third QUARTER – TENTATIVE COURSE CONTENTS

Week / Date	Topic /Learning Tasks/ Assessments
Week 1 (20) Jan 02 to 05 <i>04-Saint Zdislava of Lemberk, lay Dominican and Wife</i> <i>Jan. 04, New Year's Mass, Epiphany of the Lord</i>	<i>Jan 02 – Record Day (Teachers only)</i> <i>Jan 04 – New Year's Mass</i> Lesson 1: My Winter break
Week 2 (21) Jan 08 to 12	<i>Unit 3: God gives us loving people</i> <i>Chapter 9: God gives us neighbors</i> Lesson 1: Neighbors help us. Lesson 2 : Storytelling- The Good Samaritan
Week 3 (22) Jan 15 to 19	<i>Jan 15 – Visit of the Master of the Order of Preachers</i> <i>Unit 4: Jesus comes to us</i> <i>Chapter 10: Jesus is born</i> Lesson 1: Signs of God's love Lesson 2 : Jesus is God's son

<p>Week 4 (23) Jan 22 to 26</p>	<p><i>Jan 26-27 – SUA0 Recollection</i> Unit 4: Jesus comes to us Chapter 11: Jesus gathers friends Lesson 1: Friends of Jesus follow him Lesson 2 : Jesus is our friend</p>
<p>Week 5 (24) Jan 29 to Feb 02</p>	<p><i>Jan 29 – Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas-Para liturgy/ Lecture/Conference/ Symposium</i> Unit 4: Jesus comes to us Chapter 12: Jesus tells stories Lesson 1: The Bible is God’s special book Lesson 2 : A story about being found</p>
<p>Week 6 (25) Feb 05 to 9</p> <p><i>14- Valentine’s Day/ Ash Wednesday</i></p>	<p><i>Feb 05 – Chinese New Year Celebration</i> Unit 4: Jesus comes to us Chapter 13: Jesus gives thanks Lesson 1: Healing the blind beggar Lesson 2 : Jesus thank God the Father</p>
<p>Week 7 (26) Feb 19 to 23</p>	<p><i>Feb 19 – Lenten Mass Feb 21 to 23 – Pre-Exam Days</i> Unit 4: Jesus comes to us Chapter 14: Jesus celebrates Lesson 1: We celebrate Lesson 2 : Jesus celebrates with all his friends</p>
<p>Week 8 (27) Feb 26 to March 01</p>	<p><i>Feb 26 to 29 – IOWA Assessments Feb 28- Memorial Day (No Classes)</i></p>

	<i>Unit 4: Jesus comes to us</i> <i>Chapter 15: Jesus lives God's love</i> Lesson 1: We can show love Lesson 2 : We know how to love
Week 9 (28) March 04 to 08	<i>Self-Assessment Student's Department</i> <i>Individual Conference</i> <i>Preparation for the Quarter Exam</i> <i>Completion of the Subject's Requirements for the 3rd Quarter</i> <i>Unit 4: Jesus comes to us</i> <i>Chapter 15: Jesus lives God's love</i> Lesson 1: Ways to show love by helping
Week 10 (29) March 11	March 8 and 11- Third Quarter Exam <i>Unit 5: Jesus shares God's love</i> <i>Chapter 16: God loves us</i> Lesson 1: Water is important Lesson 2 : Take care of God's natural gifts

Fourth QUARTER – TENTATIVE COURSE CONTENTS

Week / Date	Topic /Learning Tasks/ Assessments
Week 01 (29) March 12 to 15	<i>Unit 5: Jesus shares God's love</i> <i>Chapter 17: We are God's children</i> Lesson 1: Jesus loves children

	Lesson 2 : We are all God's children
Week 02 (30) March 18 to 22	<i>March 19- Feast of St. Joseph</i> <i>Chapter 19: Jesus helps us say we are sorry</i> Lesson 1: Jesus forgive us Lesson 2 : God wants us to be kind
<i>March 25 to April 5</i>	<i>Easter/Spring Break</i> <i>Tomb Sweeping Day/ Children's Day</i>
Week 03 (31) April 08 to 12	<i>April 10- Easter Mass and Egg Hunting</i> Lesson 1: The story of Easter Lesson 2 : He is alive
Week 04 (32) Apr 15 to 19	Review for quarter exam
Week 05 (33) Apr 22 to Apr 26	<i>April 22 to 26- Laudato Si Week/ Earth Day Week</i> Review for quarter exam
Week 06 (34) April 29 to May 03	<i>May 1 to 10- Final Exams (K2, Gr 5, 8 and 12) Exam</i>
Week 07 (35) May 06 to 11	<i>4th Quarter Exam</i>
Week 08 (36) May 13 to 17	<i>May 13 Post Mother's Day Celebration Integrated in the Prayer</i>

	15-16 Undergraduate 4th Quarter
Week 09 (37) May 20 to 24	<i>May 20 May Crowning/ Santacruzán May 21 May Baccalaureate Mass for grades 8 and 12 (Graduating classes)</i>
Week 10 (38) May 27 to 31	Completion

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