UNIT #1 Big Idea – Who is Jesus Christ? [5/15/18]

**Unit #1 - Essential Question #1: Who is God?**

[Focused Theme/Topic: *Divine Love/ God is love!*]

UNDERSTANDINGS: Learners will understand that…

Key Targets -

* A4.1.3.1 – God lives in heaven. (CCC#1023-24)
* A4.1.2.4 – God is one’s heavenly Father. (CCC#261; 1279; 2786-87; 2794-95)
* A3.1.3.1 (& A3.3.5.1) – God is good. (CCC#231; 339; 385; 2052)
* K.6.4.1 (A3.1.2.4 & A3.6.3.1 & K.5.6.1) – God loves all people…. (CCC#342; 851)
* A3.3.2.1 – God teaches people how to love. (CCC-none)

Supporting Targets -

* A3.1.2.3 – God is love. (CCC#68; 214; 221; 231; 257; 315; 733; 2331)
* K.1.3.1 – God is Lord. (CCC#201-202; 228)

**Unit #1 - Essential Question #2: Why did God make you and me?**

[Focused Theme/Topic: *Divine Love; Creation of Mankind*]

UNDERSTANDINGS: Learners will understand that…

Key Targets -

* A4.1.2.2 – God created all people good. (CCC#289; 299; 315; 384)
* A3.3.6.1 – God made each person special. (CCC#2319)
* A3.1.4.1 – God wants all people to love and care for others. (CCC#459; 1713; 1823; 1926; 1944; 1970-71; 2074; 2319; 2822; 2842)
* A4.3.1.1 – Loving others makes God and oneself happy. (CCC#1725; 1829)
* K.5.1.1 (A3.5.1.1) – God wants people to keep learning and sharing about him. (CCC#44; 46-47; 50-53; 831; 849; 852; 868) – hint of our faith journey & discipleship as mission

Supporting Targets -

* A3.1.2.2 – All people belong to the one family created by God. (CCC#1996; 2021)
* A4.2.4.2 – God gives each person different gifts. (CCC-none)

**Unit #1 - Essential Question #3: Why did God make everything?**

[Focused Theme/Topic: *Creation*]

UNDERSTANDINGS: Learners will understand that…

Key Targets -

* A3.1.2.1 – God made all things. (CCC#295-97; 315; 317)
* A4.1.2.1 – God created all things good. (CCC#289 299;315)
* K.1.2.1 – All of creation is a gift from God. (CCC#299; 315) [Also in Unit #3/*Circle of Grace*]
* A4.1.2.3 – God loves all creation. (CCC#301; 315)
* K.1.4.2 (& A4.1.4.2) – God wants all people to care for his creation. (CCC#2415-2416; 2456)

Supporting Targets -

* K.1.4.3 – People who take care of God’s creation are called “good stewards.” (CCC-none)
* K.1.2.5 – God made the world out of nothing. (CCC# 297-298; 327)

**Unit #1 - Essential Question #4: Why do we pray?**

[Focused Theme/Topic: *Introduction to Prayer*]

UNDERSTANDINGS: Learners will understand that…

Key Targets -

* A3.4.1.1 – Prayer is a way to talk to God. (CCC#2559; 2590)
* K.4.3.2 (& K.4.3.1) – God hears the prayers in one’s heart. (CCC#2567)
* A4.4.3.1 (& A3.4.3.1) – It is good to pray to God often. (CCC#2590; 2659; 2720)
* A3.4.1.2 – People pray to give God thanks and ask for God’s help. (CCC#2634-37; 2644)
* K.4.1.1 (& A4.4.1.1 & A4.2.6.1) – Prayer can be used to show love and give thanks to God for his blessings. (CCC#2626-2628; 2644; 2737)

Supporting Targets –

* A4.4.4.1 - Families show their love for God and each other by praying together. (CCC#2205; 2226; 2694)
* K.4.1.2 – Prayer can be used to ask for God’s help and forgiveness. (CCC#2629; 2631; 2644)

**Unit #1 - Essential Question #5: Who is Jesus Christ?**

[Focused Theme/Topic: *Holy Family*]

UNDERSTANDINGS: Learners will understand that…

Key Targets -

* A3.1.1.1 – Jesus is God’s Son. (CCC#441-44; 479; 620-21; 629)
* K.1.1.3 - Jesus was a real person and the story of his life is in the Bible. (CCC#125; 452; 525)
* K.1.1.4 – When Jesus was born, Jesus, Mary and Joseph became known as the Holy Family. (CCC#1655)
* A4.1.1.2 – Joseph raised Jesus as his own son. (CCC#437; 532; 564; 583; 1655)
* K.1.1.12 – Jesus (now) lives in heaven with God, his Father. (CCC#659-667)
* K.1.1.1 – Jesus loves all people. (CCC#342; 561; 851) [Also in Unit #3/*Circle of Grace*]
* A4.1.1.4 – Jesus teaches people about God, his Father. (CCC#73; 240; 458; 561; 2780; 2798)

Support Targets -

* A4.1.1.3 – Jesus teaches people with stories. (CCC#561; 2607; 2613; 2813)
* K.1.1.10 - Jesus teaches everyone to love and care for others. (CCC#459; 561; 1823; 2055; 2822; 2842) [Also in Unit #3/*Circle of Grace*]

**Unit #1 - Flexible Essential Question: Why do we celebrate (Advent and) Christmas?**

[Focused Theme/Topic: *Liturgical Seasons of Advent & Christmas*]

UNDERSTANDINGS: Learners will understand that…

Key Targets -

* [Pause to review and reflect/connect Learning Targets in EQ #5 – Who is Jesus Christ?]
* A4.2.3.7 – Christmas is the celebration of Jesus’ birth. (CCC#526)
* A4.1.1.1 (& A3.1.1.2) – God chose Mary to be the Mother of Jesus. (CCC#484; 488-89; 492; 508)
* A3.1.1.3 – Jesus was born in Bethlehem. (CCC#437; 525)
* K.1.1.2 – Jesus is called Emmanuel (God with us). (CCC#744)
* K.4.5.2 – Catholics view Mary as their heavenly Mother. (CCC#968-70)

Supporting Targets –

* A4.2.3.6 – The Church has different seasons. (CCC#1163; 1168; 1171-73; 1194)
* K.2.3.4 – The Church year celebrates the seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, Triduum, Easter, Ordinary Time and special feasts of Jesus Christ, Mary and the saints. (CCC#1163; 1168; 1171-73; 1194)
* K.4.5.3 (& A3.4.5.1) – There are prayers, songs, and customs for different seasons of the Church. (CCC#2663; 2720)