

Lesson Plan

Subject/Course: Religious Education – Primary

Topic: Saints and Heroes

Lesson Title: Living our Faith as Catholics

Lesson Objectives

To understand the importance of living our faith in our daily lives

To enable students to have a deeper understanding of developing faith through role models who live their faith and conviction, such as traditional and modern day saints and heroes

To develop critical inquiry into the process of canonisation of saints, including the popes, Pope John XXIII and Pope John Paul II, recently canonised (April 27, 2014).

To identify sources of prayer from scripture, church leaders, with emphasis on favourite saints' prayers and reflections

To deepen understanding of our role as heroes and models of our Catholic faith through initiation rites and sacraments of the church, using visual literacy, audio and dramatic play, debate, creative activities, historical research

Summary of Tasks/Actions (from template)

Theme Prayers: Traditional prayers and reflection from Prayer Journals and Bible

Biblical Literacy: Verses from the Gospel

Activity Sheet: narrative text, visual literacy, creative activities, research assignment.

Material/Equipment

Internet for research
CD player or Mp3 for music
Magazines for collage and large art sheets, scissors, glue, pencils/textas
Dress up clothes for role playing and drama
Permission slips for hero visits or excursions
Symbols for Mary MacKillop prayer service

References

Breakthrough Bible
Becoming Catholic Sacramental Program, Garratt Publishing
The Story of Mary MacKillop (and teacher text), B. Doyle, L. El-Hage, A. Walsh
Gift of...series (includes Mary Ward and others), Garratt Publishing
25 Questions about Saints and Heroes, L. Miller
Learning Links to Saints & Heroes, M. Ryan
Patron Saints Handbook, M. Finley
Mary MacKillop Prayerbook, L. Muir
Loyola Book of Saints, A. Welborn
Learning Centers Saints, C. Stewart