

Dominican International School Kaohsiung



Course Syllabus

Subject: Religious Studies
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Course Description:

The students of Dominican International School embark on an exciting journey where students will understand and practice Universal and Christian values. They will appreciate love and trust as well as the importance of respecting each other and to be responsible for the environment. They will learn to respond to the signs of the times, be mindful of what is happening in the world, and live a moral life. As Christians and non-Christians alike, students will come to know who God is and learn about God the Creator. Students will understand that God gave us life and that He wants to be our friend as well as He wants us to be friends with others. Students will learn that Jesus' words and actions teach us how to love and serve God and others.

Course Requirements:

- The course will be conducted through lectures, discussions, practice material, projects, and student presentations. Students are strongly encouraged to raise questions and make comments in class. Participation is the key to success.
- Students are required to complete each assignment by the date that it is assigned. Staying on track with assignments will facilitate understanding of the class material.
- Assignment books are available to each student. If there is difficulty in completing the assignments, the teacher must be notified before class the next day.
- Students are encouraged to communicate concerns to teachers and ask for help as needed throughout the school year.
- Students are expected to organize their own class materials and to keep their work neat and tidy. Parents are encouraged to help students by labeling personal items with identification stickers with the student's name in English.
- Students will observe all school policies as outlined in the DISK Handbook. This includes arriving at school on time, abiding by the dress code and speaking only English on the school grounds.
- Students will observe all school policies on Academic Honesty, as outlined in the DISK Handbook. All cases of academic misconduct (such as cheating on tests or plagiarism) will automatically result in a "Fail" grade for the assignment, in addition to any sanctions that may be imposed by the School Discipline office.

Textbook:

Blest Are We: Faith in Action, RCL Benziger, a Kentdall Hunt Company, updated 12/2018

Other References:

- Bible
- The Virtues Project
- The Religion Teacher ([online](#)) by Jared Dees

Classroom Rules and Expectations:

Listen, learn, and practice kindness!

Class Materials Required:

Updated E-Portfolio

Assessment:

- 30% Class Participation & Seatwork, Homework
- 30% Minor Projects, Portfolio, Unit Tests & Major Projects
- 30% Quarter Exam/Assessment
- 10% Department

Quarter One - Pacing Guide	
Week	Content
Week 1	<p>Religious Studies Orientation/Introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of the Subject (<i>What is RS? Course Contents for the Whole quarter and Course Requirements</i>) - Grading System - Rules and Regulations - Review of the DISK Vision-Mission and Philosophy Goals - The Core Values of DISK - Saint Dominic De Guzman
Week 2	<p>Unit 1 - We Answer God's Call</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review of the Basic Prayers - What is your Bible IQ? (fun quiz- pg 17) <p>Chapter 1: Revelation and Response</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Revelation 2. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 3	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Abraham and Sarah 2. Mary Says Yes (The Annunciation) 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)

Week 4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complete Trust (The Virtue of Trust) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prayer Service: A Prayer of Trust - Chapter Review <p>Chapter 2: Sacrifice and Promise</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. The True Meaning of Sacrifice 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 5	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Faith in the Promise 2. The Eucharistic Sacrifice 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Blessing Prayer - Chapter Review
Week 6	<p>Chapter 3: Covenant and Commitment</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is Covenant? What is Commitment? 2. Jacob and the Covenant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Covenant People 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 7	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Noah and the Covenant 2. Saint Paul <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A New Life in the Lord 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prayer: A Family Blessing - Chapter Review
Week 8	<p>Chapter 4: Piety and Prayer</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What is Piety? What is Prayer? 2. Joseph, the Loyal Son <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An Example of Piety 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 9	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Saint Joseph 2. Prayer Service: The Lord Helps the Lowly <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Magnificat - Chapter Review 3. Unit Test and Review for Q1 Exam
Week 10	Q1 Exam Week

Quarter Two - Pacing Guide

Week	Content
Week 1	<p>Unit 2 - God Saves and Deliver Us</p> <p>Chapter 5: Slavery and Deliverance</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Exodus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - God's Love Delivers Us 2. A Question About Everlasting Life 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bound by Faith 2. Prayer Service : A Prayer of Praise <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chapter Review 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 3	<p>Chapter 6: Passover and Eucharistic Celebration</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Passover and Eucharistic Celebration 2. Mass of the Lord's Supper 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Feeding of the Five Thousand 2. The Election of Pope Francis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Nicene Creed 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chapter Review
Week 5	<p>Chapter 7: Commandment and Fulfillment</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Covenant at Sinai 2. Jesus Teaches About the Law 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 6	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Saint Teresa of Jesus 2. Praying with the Scripture <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chapter Review 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 7	<p>Chapter 8: Our Journey and God's Presence</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Conquest of the Promised Land (Listening for God's Voice) 2. A Man of Prayer: Saint Juan Diego

	3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 8	1. Celebrating the Lord's Wonders - The Canticle of Zechariah 2. Chapter Review 3. Unit Test / Review for Q2 Exam
Week 9	Q2 Exam Week
Week 10	Nativity Mass Dec Christmas concert (½ day) End Semester 1

Quarter Three - Pacing Guide	
Week	Content
Week 1	Unit 3 - God Invites Us into His Kingdom Chapter 9: Our Land and God's Kingdom 1. Before the Time of Jesus 2. The First Leaders of Israel - Kingdom on Earth 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 2	1. The Franciscans in the Holy Land 2. Prayer Service: A Prayer of Praise - Chapter Review 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 3	Chapter 10: The Ark and the Temple 1. The Ark and the Temple 2. The Blessing of Water - Signs of God 4. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 4	1. A Place of God's Presence 2. The Rite of Ordination 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly) - A Prayer for Guidance

	- Chapter Review
Week 5	Chapter 11: David's Sin and the Story of the Fall 1. King David and the Sin of Humanity - True Freedom 2. The Parable of the Lost Son - Conscience - Guidance 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 6	1. Sacramental Grace 2. Saint Helena 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly) - Chapter Review
Week 7	Chapter 12: Psalm of Praise and Works of Wonder 1. The Psalms 2. David's Songs 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly) - Psalm 23: The Lord, Shepherd and Host
Week 8	1. Psalm 8 , Psalm 27 2. Prayer Service : A Psalm Prayer - Chapter Review 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 9	1. Unit Review, Unit Test 2. Task Completion 3. Q3 Exam Prep.
Week 10	Q3 Quarterly Exams

Quarter Four- Pacing Guide	
Week	Content

Week 1	<p>Unit 4 - God Reminds Us to Do His Will</p> <p>Chapter 13: Disobedience and Guidance</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Virtue of Obedience 2. The Rule of King Solomon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Guidance from the Lord 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 2	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A Special Gift <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Original Sin 2. Saint Francis Xavier 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chapter Review
Week 3	<p>Chapter 14: Exile and Remembrance</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Exile and Remembrance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Call to Repentance 2. Celebration of the Lord's Passion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Saving Grace 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 4	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Good Shepherd 2. Saint Maximilian Kolbe 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Praying in Jesus' Words - Chapter Review
Week 5	<p>Chapter 15: Hope and Faithfulness</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hope and Faithfulness 2. The Vision of Dry Bones 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 6	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Celebration of the Lord's Day <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Precepts of the Church - Theological Virtues - Moral Virtues 2. Faith and Charity 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An Act of Hope - Chapter Review
Week 7	<p>Chapter 16: Trust and Prayer</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Trust and Prayer 2. Faith and Prayer

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Trials of Job 3. SEL or Lectio Divina (Gospel Readings and Reflection for Monday Assembly)
Week 8	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Parable of the Persistent Widow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dayenu 2. Chapter Review 3. Unit Review / Unit Test <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Exam Prep
Week 9	Q4 Exam Week
Week 10	<p>May Honors Assembly May Closing Mass May Graduation (½ day) End Semester 2</p>