## Sixth Grade Religion and Social Studies

#### **Teacher Contact Information:**

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• Weebly website: <a href="http://sixthgradelions.weebly.com/">http://sixthgradelions.weebly.com/</a>

Scan the QR code using a QR reader app to view the sixth grade Weebly webpage. This handout and the PowerPoint slides are provided on my page.

• I arrive at school by 7:15 each morning. Students may visit my classroom early to get extra help or to make-up tests or quizzes. However, please notify me to ensure I am available.

### **Religion Topics:**

- Old Testament
- Liturgy and Sacraments
- Second Step (Guidance)
- Service
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Memory work-Prayers
- Virtues

#### **Social Studies Topics:**

- Ancient civilizations
- Geography
- Comparing cultures
- Government and citizenship
- Medieval cultures
- Interpreting maps

# Format of Religion Class:

- Do Now
- Prayer/Saint of the Day
- Mrs. Smith collects homework
- Introduce new lesson from workbook/Second Step/Virtues
- Classwork and note-taking
- Assign homework

#### Format of Social Studies Class:

- Do Now
- Prayer
- Mrs. Smith collects homework
- Introduce new lesson
- Classwork and note-taking
- Assign homework

### **General Information:**

- See RenWeb for lesson plans, homework, and important dates. Note that RenWeb is subject to change throughout the week. An email will be sent if a change is made to homework, quiz, or test dates.
- Students will be assigned homework on a regular basis. Homework is graded on completion. Late homework assignments will not be accepted.
- There will be a midterm and final. Students need to keep all graded work in order to study for the midterm and final. Midterms and finals count as a regular test grade.
- My classroom offers a diverse learning environment to best meet the needs of all students.
- We will no longer be assigning centers or enrichments. The objectives of these two activities have been incorporated into the curriculum in different ways.
- Service Projects are no longer for a grade. Faith in Action will be a part of our home base activities. This will guide and encourage students to give from their heart.

- If your child is absent, the student is responsible for turning in all missed work within three days. For long illnesses, teachers will be flexible with makeup work. Makeup work not turned in on time will result in a zero.
- For missed work due to absences, the gradebook will reflect a "1" until student work is made up.
- Social Studies challenge work is optional. Students who earn a 100% on challenge work will receive a "5 points on a test" pass. Students who earn a 75% or above on challenge work will receive a "Caught Being Good" pass.
- Religion class includes required memory work that is graded as a quiz grade. Students
  will have approximately one month to memorize and orally recite assigned prayers.
  Written assignments of the Old Testament Books and all Books of the Bible are also
  included. Specific due dates will be assigned each month. Students may work ahead
  and recite all prayers and complete the Books of the Bible assignments at a pace more
  often than monthly.
- See the sixth grade Weebly site for a list of online resources.