

7th Grade Religion students at St. Patrick’s will expand their knowledge of the Catholic faith by studying the Church’s history as well as the sacraments and the life of Jesus Christ. They will increase their faith by having the opportunity to experience Christ through prayer on a regular basis. The students will also increase their knowledge of Catholic prayers through the use of recites. Students will learn how to apply the teachings of the Church to their own lives thereby strengthening their understanding of the Church and creating a better relationship with Christ. Students will have the opportunity to explore vocations within the Church; namely the priesthood, religious life, single life, or marriage. They will come to a better understanding of the Body of Christ and how each member has something very specific to contribute to God’s plan. This will allow the students to understand that each person has dignity and should be treated as such. Students will also learn how to lead lives of Christian leadership/discipleship, thus teaching the students how to have a positive impact on society and continue to lead lives of Christian service.

	Standards/Goals	Instructional Tools	Assessment Tools
7.1 Creed-Belief	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Students will recognize Jesus as Son of God b. Students will recognize that God is one God and three divine persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit c. Students will come to a greater understanding of Salvation History and how we all play a role in it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Religion texts The Bible Teacher-generated handouts Power point presentations Parish Priests 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher Observation Student Work Classroom Dialogue Quizzes/Tests
7.2 Sacraments-Gifts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The students will come to a greater understanding of the importance of regular reception of the sacraments b. Students will come to a greater understanding of Christ’s presence in the Eucharist c. The students will come to a better understanding of the symbolism in various sacraments. d. Students will come to a greater understanding and appreciation of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. e. Students will understand the matter and form that must be present in each of the 7 sacraments. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Religion texts The bible Teacher-generated handouts Power Point presentations Parish priests Attending Mass 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher Observation Student Work Classroom Dialogue Quizzes/Tests
7.3 Christian Living-Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Students will begin to understand they “why” behind the Catholic Church’s moral teachings b. Students will better understand how to apply Christ’s teachings to their lives c. Students will begin to understand what virtues are and how to attain them. d. Students will understand that we are responsible for our actions e. Students will understand the Universal Call to Holiness and how God’s grace helps us on our journey. f. Students will understand that it is their duty to help others in their 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Religion texts The Bible Teacher-generated handouts Power point presentations Parish priests Some of C.S Lewis’s writing school-wide drives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teacher Observation Student Work Classroom Dialogue Quizzes/Tests

	school, the Church, and the community at large (Stewardship)	Circle of Grace lessons	
7.4 Prayer-Relationship	<p>a. Students will understand that God is thirsting for a real relationship with us.</p> <p>b. Students will understand the importance of daily prayer in order to grow in holiness and in our relationship with God.</p> <p>c. Students will understand that prayer is “heart to heart communication with God.”</p> <p>d. Students will have a chance to experience contemplative prayer on a regular basis</p> <p>e. Students will learn traditional Catholic prayers: The Anima Christi, The Angelus, The Memorare, Hail Holy Queen, Regina Coeli, St. Michael, and many others.</p>	<p>Religion texts</p> <p>The Bible</p> <p>Teacher-generated handouts</p> <p>Power point presentations</p> <p>Parish priests</p> <p>Writings of the saints i.e –Teresa of Avila, John of the Cross, Padre Pio, John Paul II</p>	<p>Teacher Observation</p> <p>Student Work</p> <p>Classroom Dialogue</p> <p>Quizzes/Tests</p> <p>Journals</p> <p>Prayer Recites</p>
7.5 Essential Catholic Prayers and Practices	<p>Rosary (mysteries and prayers)</p> <p>Memorare</p> <p>Hail Holy Queen</p> <p>Angelus</p> <p>St. Michael Prayer</p> <p>Anima Christi</p> <p>Apostles Creed</p> <p>Nicene Creed</p> <p>Stations of the Cross</p> <p>Benedictine</p> <p>Precepts of the Church</p> <p>Theological/Cardinal Virtues</p> <p>Guardian Angel Prayer</p> <p>Act of Contrition</p> <p>Order of the Mass</p> <p>Canticle of Mary</p> <p>Canticle of Zechariah</p> <p>Divine Mercy Chaplet</p>		