

3rd Grade Study Guide

What is the name of our Pastor?

- **Fr. Richard**

What is the name of our Pope?

- **Pope Leo XIV**

Definitions

- **Tabernacle:** The special place in the Church where Jesus (The Eucharist) is put after Mass.
- **Bible:** The word of God written in human words.
- **Prayer:** Talking and Listening to God.
- **Creation:** Everything created by God.
- **Mary:** The mother of Jesus.
- **Holy Trinity:** One God in three divine persons.
- **Church:** The community of all baptized people who believe in God.
- **Last Supper:** The meal Jesus shared with his apostles on the night before he died.
- **Seven Sacraments:** Special signs and celebrations that Jesus gave his Church.
- **The Lord's Prayer:** The Prayer that Jesus taught us.

Living as a Christian Community Topics – These will be open ended questions on the test.

Core Themes to Talk About:

- **The Tabernacle & Reverence:** The Tabernacle is the locked, sacred box in the church where the Eucharist (Jesus) is kept after Mass. We know Jesus is there because a red sanctuary lamp is always burning next to it. We show Him respect by genuflecting (bending our right knee to the floor and making the sign of the cross) and keeping a quiet, prayerful heart when we walk past.
- **The True Meaning of Prayer:** Prayer is a two-way conversation, both talking *and* listening to God. God always hears our prayers, but His answers aren't always a "yes" to exactly what we want. Sometimes His answer is comfort, patience, or a different plan because He knows what is best for us.
- **Caring for Creation:** Everything in the world was made by God out of love. We show gratitude to God by being good stewards, meaning we take care of animals, nature, and the environment.

- **Mass as a Community:** The Church isn't a building made of stone; it is the *People of God*. Jesus invites us to Mass on Sundays because He wants us to worship as a family, supporting and praying for one another, instead of just staying isolated.
- **Mary's "Yes":** Mary is Jesus' mother and our mother. Her trust in God (her *Fiat*) is our model. We can say "yes" to God by obeying our parents and treating others with kindness, even when it's hard.
- **The Greatest Commandment:** Jesus summarized all the rules into two parts: Love God with all your heart, and love your neighbor as yourself.

Practice Scenario to Discuss at Home: *If you see someone sitting all alone at lunch or being left out of a game at recess, what is the "Jesus choice" to make? How does welcoming them show love for both your neighbor and God?*

The Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Hail Mary

Hail, Mary, full of Grace, the Lord is with thee.

Blessed art thou among women

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,

now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be they name;

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not

into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

***Assessments will take place on the last day of class.**