

Religion – Catholic 7

Time: 1 x 35 minutes per week

Course Description:

The Catholic Religion course is designed to encourage and assist students in their growth to Christian maturity – a growth that will culminate in their free commitment to their faith and relationship with Jesus Christ within the Church. This aim can be achieved by students engaging in learning experiences which will enable them to develop:

- *A knowledge and thoughtful understanding of the Scriptures and a sensitivity to them as the Word of God speaking in their lives;*
- *A knowledge of the Catholic Doctrine understood in the light of its development in tradition and under the teaching authority of the Church;*
- *Knowledge and understanding to make moral judgements and decisions and to see these as a way of realising their relationship with Jesus;*
- *The ability to pray, both formally and reflectively, so that this ability can grow and deepen;*
- *The ability to understand and to share actively and personally in liturgy;*
- *The ability to relate to others in a way that reflects Jesus’ commandment of love;*
- *A sensitivity to and appreciation of the meaning of life, its events and responsibilities;*
- *An appreciation of membership of the Church, initiated at Baptism and leading to active participation in parish life;*
- *An awareness and appreciation of Christian values in life, and to encourage them to act in accordance with them.*

Resources:

Bible (with Deuterocanonical Books).

Foley, Leonard, Believing in Jesus: A Popular Overview of the Catholic Faith, St. Anthony Messenger Press, USA.

The Christ We Proclaim, Catholic Education Office, Diocese of Bathurst.

Main Topics Covered:

Semester 1

Understanding the Bible

- The Bible is the Inspired Word of God
- The Bible is made up of many books
- Formation of the Gospels

Introduction to the Gospel of Mark

- A Gospel for struggling people
- A Gospel for today

Semester 2

Eucharist and the Liturgical Year

- Practices and events of the Church’s Year
- Structure of the Mass
- The meaning and significance of Eucharist

Living as a Community

- Community in the context of Family, the school and the Church

Assessment

| Internal Assessment | Weighting |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continual Assessment (CA1 + CA2 + CA3 + CA4) including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Topic tests - Written and oral assessments - Project work | 30 + 20 + 30 + 20 |
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