

<b>Month</b>	<b>Content</b>	<b>Essential Questions and Catholic Identity</b>	<b>Books/Materials</b>	<b>Standards</b>
<b>September</b>	Jesus gives us life and love  God is the giver of Gifts	How does God show us His love for Us?  What are His gifts to us?	Christ Our Life Loyola Press	1 and 2
<b>October</b>	Jesus is God's Best Gift.  Baptism.  Preparation for Saints Parade	How does the church welcome us?  What is a Christian?	Christ Our Life Loyola Press	1 and 2
<b>November</b>	Saints Parade  Jesus Call us to give Ourselves in Love  Begin Preparation for Reconciliation	How can we act more like the saints?  How can we show our love for Jesus and others by following the Great Commandment?	Christ Our Life Loyola Press  God's Gift Reconciliation – Loyola Press	1, 2 and 3
<b>December</b>	Jesus shows us how to love God our father.  Christmas  Preparation for Reconciliation	How can we show our love for Jesus and others by following the Great Commandment?  How does reconciliation help us grow closer to Jesus?	Christ Our Life Loyola Press  God's Gift Reconciliation – Loyola Press	1,2 and 3
<b>January</b>	Preparation for Reconciliation  Catholic Schools Week Celebrations	What does Jesus do for us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation?  How does God forgive and help us be better?	Christ Our Life Loyola Press  God's Gift Reconciliation – Loyola Press	1, 2 and 3
<b>February</b>	Lent  Jesus promised the gift of himself	Why did Jesus sacrifice his life for us?  How do we remember Jesus's great sacrifice at Mass?	Christ Our Life Loyola Press	1, 2 and 3
<b>March</b>	Preparation for First Eucharist	How do we prepare to receive the body and blood of Christ?	Christ Our Life Loyola Press  God's Gift Eucharist – Loyola Press	1,2 and 3

<b>April</b>	<p>Holy Week and Easter</p> <p>The Stations of the Cross</p> <p>Continue Preparation for first Eucharist</p>	<p>How did Jesus show his love during his life?</p> <p>What do we prepare for Jesus's Resurrection at Easter?</p>	<p>Christ Our Life Loyola Press</p> <p>God's Gift Eucharist – Loyola Press</p>	1, 2, and 3
<b>May</b>	Mary mother of the Church Cares for Us	<p>How can we honor Mary?</p> <p>How can Mary help our family?</p>	<p>Christ Our Life Loyola Press</p> <p>God's Gift Eucharist – Loyola Press</p>	1,2 and 3
<b>June</b>	The Church Celebrates God's Love	<p>What do Christians do?</p> <p>How do we know Jesus is with us?</p>	Christ Our Life Loyola Press	1, 2 and 3