

A Glimpse of What your Child Will Be Working on in

FIFTH GRADE



Religion

- Locating and understanding chapters and verses of sacred scripture
- Participating in prayer - public and personal
- Exploring Cardinal Virtues, Beatitudes, Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy and the Seven Sacraments
- Participation in the Liturgy of the Word at Mass
- Growing in faith through exploration of the life of Jesus and his mother, Mary
- Listening to God to learn His plan
- Exploring the lives of the saints as role models

Language Arts

- Summarizing the key details of stories, dramas, poems, and nonfiction materials, including their themes and ideas
- Identifying and judging evidence that supports particular ideas of an author meant to change a reader's point of view
- Integrating information from several print and digital sources to answer questions and solve problems
- Using Six Traits to write stories, real or imaginary, that unfold naturally and developing the plot with dialogue, description, and effective pacing of action
- Expanding, combining, and reducing sentences to improve meaning, interest, and style of writing
- Recognizing purpose of literary devices (i.e. exaggeration, figurative language)
- Applying rules of grammar and mechanics in all writing
- Coming to classroom discussions prepared and engaging fully and thoughtfully with others

Math

- Adding and subtracting fractions with unlike denominators and solving word problems
- Multiplying and dividing fractions and solving related word problems
- Generalizing place-value system to include decimals and calculating with decimals to the hundredths place
- Multiplying and dividing whole numbers quickly and accurately
- Understanding the concept of volume and solving word problems related to volume
- Graphing points in the coordinate plane (2 dimensions) to solve problems
- Analyzing mathematical patterns and relationships

Science

- Exploring Physical Science including physical and chemical properties of matter, atoms and their parts, molecules, compounds, Periodic Table of Elements, Newton's Laws of Motion, forms of energy, fossil fuels and alternate forms of energy

Social Studies

- Western Hemisphere including Mayans, Olmecs and Aztecs; early Civilizations; Canada, United States, Mexico and South America

Specials

- Art, Gym, Music, Computer, Library, Spanish