

GRADE EIGHT
MONDAY EVENINGS 7:30 - 9:00 PM

In the eighth grade, students will explore Jesus' life in greater depth and deepen their understanding of how his life plays an important part in theirs. Our textbook will be *Be My Disciple: Our Life in Christ Jesus*.

Jesus invites us to be his disciples. He wants us to know him better, to understand his message, and to follow his way of life. While studying *Our Life in Christ Jesus*, students will explore the principles of Catholic morality. They will learn how the Ten Commandments and the Beatitudes provide foundations for successful moral living. Above all, students will learn more about the model for the moral life in the person of Jesus. In him, they will find a perfect blueprint for combining love of God and love of neighbor in life by tempering moral actions with prayer and catechesis.

Our book is divided into two units. During the first semester, the students will focus on Unit 1: Our Call to Moral Living. During the second semester, the focus will be on Unit 2: The Way to Moral Living.

**Please note that if a student is absent from class, all work for that date is to be done at home.*

<u>Schedule of Classes</u>	<u>First Semester: Our Call to Moral Living</u>	<u>Second Semester: The Way to Moral Living</u>
October 30	<i>The Universal Mission</i> Chapter 1, pgs. 9-20	February 26 <i>A Pilgrim Church</i> Chapter 7, pgs. 85-96
November 6	<i>Human Dignity</i> Chapter 2, pgs. 21-32	March 5 <i>To Love God Above All</i> Chapter 8, pgs. 97-108
November 13	Reconciliation <i>To Follow Jesus</i> Chapter 3, pgs. 33-44	March 12 Reconciliation <i>A Community of Life</i> Chapter 9, pgs. 109-120
November 20	<i>Guided by Conscience</i> Chapter 4, pgs. 45-56	March 19 <i>Integrity of Heart</i> Chapter 10, pgs. 121-132
November 27	<i>The Exercise of Virtue</i> Chapter 5, pgs. 57-68 UNIT ONE ASSESSMENT EMAILED	March 26 No Classes Holy Week
December 4	<i>Grace of the Holy Spirit</i> Chapter 6, pgs. 69-80 RETURN UNIT ONE	April 2 No Classes Spring Break
December 11	ACRE ASSESSMENT	April 9 IN HOUSE RETREAT By Peer Leaders
First Semester Ends		April 14 Gr. 8 Class Mass 4:30 Lesson (Parish Center) 5:30 Mass (Church)
		April 16 <i>People of Truth</i> Chapter 11, pgs. 133-144 UNIT TWO EMAILED Mandatory Parent Meeting – 8pm
		April 23 <i>The Lord's Prayer</i> Chapter 12, pgs. 145-156 RETURN UNIT TWO
		Religious Education Classes End