

# RELIGION STANDARDS

Archdiocese of San Antonio Catholic Schools



**CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**  
— ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN ANTONIO —

## GRADE 3

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PILLAR I – CREED

*The student will:*

<p><u>FAITH</u></p> <p>1. Present an understanding of the human need for God based on revelation and faith.</p> <p>3.1. Show how God takes care of us and is always faithful to us. CCC 342 F</p> <p>3.2. Recognize that we believe in the Father, Jesus Christ and Holy Spirit. (CCC:232-234) F</p> <p>3.3. Be aware of God’s presence in ourselves, the community, Scripture and the sacraments. (CCC:1088) F</p>	<p><u>SCRIPTURE</u></p> <p>2. Read, understand, interpret, and apply Scripture to life.</p> <p>3.1.S Locate passages in the Bible according to books, chapters and verses.( CCC:135, 124, 131) C</p> <p>3.2.S Demonstrate how we come to know Jesus in the Word of God. (CCC:85-87) C</p>	<p><u>DOCTRINE &amp; DOGMA</u></p> <p>3. Illustrate basic understanding of Catholic dogma and doctrine in light of the creed. (CCC 199-293)</p> <p>3.1.D Show how God loves us like a parent. (CCC:199, 232, 210, 370) D</p> <p>3.2.D Demonstrate that the Holy Spirit is with us to help us pray.( CCC:683) D</p> <p>3.3.D Explain the marks of the Catholic Church: one, holy, catholic, and apostolic.(CCC:811) D</p>	<p><u>TRINITY</u></p> <p>4. Recognize the Trinity as God.</p> <p>3.1. Identify God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit. (CCC:253) T</p> <p>3.2. Recall that Jesus is a person who lived historically and is alive now. (CCC: 2705-2708) T</p> <p>3.3. Explain that the Holy Spirit is the gift of God and Jesus who enables the life of the Church on earth. (CCC:737-741) T</p>
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PILLAR I – CREED

*The student will:*

CHURCH

5. Illustrate a basic understanding of Church.

- 3.1.C H Point out that Jesus began His new Church on earth and chose twelve apostles to help Him. (CCC:858-860, 1506)
- 3.2.C H Illustrate that the season of Advent prepares us for Christmas and the second coming of Christ, and Lent is a special time for praying, sacrificing and sharing. (CCC:524, 540, 1095)
- 3.3.C H Identify that Christians celebrate Jesus’ rising from the dead on Easter Sunday. (CCC:639-640)

COMMUNITY

6. Demonstrate an appreciation for faith community as a primary way we come to know God.

- 3.1.C O Identify that our church community includes the pope, clergy, and vowed religious and lay people. (CCC936,939,941,944)
- 3.2.C O Demonstrate how the Church continues Jesus’ ministries of community, word, worship and service. (CCC 783-786)
- 3.3.C O Study the lives of the saints. (CCC:2683)
- 3.4.C O Describe the Church as the communion of saints. (CCC:2673-2684)

CREATION

7. Exercise responsible stewardship for the gift of creation.

- 3.1.C R Explain that as Christians we accept responsibility for all of God’s creation and promise to care for it. (CCC: 2415-2418)
- 3.2.C R Emphasize that life is precious in plants, animals and persons. (CCC:2415)

**PILLAR II – SACRAMENTS**

***The student will:***

- 8. Demonstrate the importance of sacraments, with an emphasis on the centrality of the Eucharist, in the life of Catholics.
  
- 3.1. Explain that Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist are sacraments of initiation. (CCC:1212, 1285)
- 3.2. Identify the sacraments of Penance/Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick as sacraments of healing. (CCC: 1421, 1525)
- 3.3. Recognize that Matrimony and Holy Orders are sacraments of service. (CCC: 1534)

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PILLAR III – CHRISTIAN LIVING

*The student will:*

<u>VOCATIONS</u>	<u>HUMAN DIGNITY</u>	<u>HUMAN SEXUALITY</u>	<u>SOCIAL JUSTICE</u>
<p>9. Recognize the call to serve God’s people through the ordained ministries of Holy Orders. (CCC: 1581)</p> <p>3.1.V Explain that Holy Orders is a sacrament of special service and commitment to the Church. (CCC: 1562)</p> <p>3.2.V Illustrate that through Baptism, Jesus calls us to a life of service. (CCC: 1270)</p>	<p>10. Acknowledge and affirm the dignity of the human person and community.</p> <p>3.1.HD Apply respect for humanity to concrete situations. (CCC: 1738)</p> <p>3.2.HD Examine how we are holy when we care about people, especially those different from ourselves. (CCC: 1878)</p>	<p>11. Apply Catholic principles to interpersonal relations.</p> <p>3.1.HS Emphasize that all life is a gift of God which must be respected. (CCC: 2415-2418)</p> <p>3.2.HS Recall that Jesus tells us to love one another through the parables. (CCC: 546)</p>	<p>12. Know, critique and apply social justice principles to personal and societal situations.</p> <p>3.1.SJ Memorize that "whatever we do for people in need we do for Jesus."(CCC: 1932)</p> <p>3.2.SJ Explain that we share in Jesus’ mission to bring the message of love, justice and hope to the poor and victims of injustice. (CCC: 1888, 2820)</p>

**STRAND OBJECTIVES**

**PILLAR III – CHRISTIAN LIVING**

***The student will:***

COMMUNITY SERVICE

13. Engage in service to the community (e.g., family, parish, local, national and global) in response to the Gospel call.

- 3.1.CS Demonstrate how we share in Jesus' ministry by loving and serving others.(CCC: 1888, 2820)
- 3.2.CS Demonstrate our love for God by helping those in need.(CCC:1932, 1937)
- 3.3.CS Indicate how we cooperate in school, church and community projects. (CCC:898-907)

MORAL CONSCIENCE

14. Develop a moral conscience informed by Church teachings.

- 3.1.MC Recognize that the Ten Commandments help us live good lives. (CCC: 205-207, 210-211, 2056-2063)
- 3.2.MC Recall that Jesus sums up the commandments for us in His Law of Love. (CCC: 2055)

**STRAND OBJECTIVES**

**PILLAR IV – PRAYER**

***The student will:***

**CATHOLIC TRADITION OF PRAYER**

15. Know and participate in the Catholic tradition of prayer.

3.1. All previous grade prayers taught

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3.2. Observe that God hears our prayers. (CCC:2664, 2567, 2569)

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3.3. Explain that listening to God’s Word in Scripture is one way God speaks to us today.(CCC: 104)

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3.4. Show the difference between spontaneous prayer and liturgical prayer. (CCC:2625)

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3.5. Explain the Apostles’ Creed. (CCC:194, 196)

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3.6. Pray the Rosary with the Mysteries.

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3.7. Participate in the Liturgy of the Word with Mass responses.

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3.8. Participate in Stations/Way of the Cross

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