

## 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE RELIGION

This year in Religion we are working out of the *We Live Our Faith* and *Confirmed in the Spirit* texts, learning more about how to navigate and interpret the Bible, and we are also working on team building. Class will be run according to the following guidelines:

**Materials:** *We Live Our Faith* workbook, *Confirmed in the Spirit* workbook, Bible, folder/binder

**Assignments:** All assignments are to be typed unless otherwise stated. There are a few standing assignments that you are required to complete throughout the school year. Keep in mind that these are not the only assignments that you will have, as other assignments may come up related to what we're covering in class.

- **Gospel Reflections:** One Friday each month questions are assigned relating to Sunday's gospel. These will always be due on the following Monday. Gospel Reflection answers must be written in complete sentences according to the requirements stated on the Gospel Reflection handout. Bibles are necessary in order to complete this weekly assignment. This assignment is a homework grade and is worth 20 points.
- **Homily Evaluations:** Twice a month you are required to write an evaluation of the homily given at Mass. Please see the Homily Evaluation handout for more specific information. Homily Evaluations are considered tests, are worth 35 points, and are due at the beginning of Religion class on Tuesday morning following the weekend of the homily that you evaluate. Remember, there are at least four weekends each month in which you can complete one of your two Homily Evaluations. Make sure you plan accordingly.
- **Workbook Assignments:** Occasionally you will have homework to complete in your workbook. You will also be required to complete Chapter Reviews before Chapter Tests. These assignments will be counted as homework grades.
- **Chapter Tests:** Following the completion of a chapter, you will have a Chapter Test. This is an assessment grade. We will have time in class to review before each test, and all of the information covered on your tests is information taken directly from your workbook and our class discussions.
- **Confirmation Assignments:** These include selecting a sponsor, completing 20 service hours (note due to COVID, this year only 10 hours of service are required), writing a letter to the Bishop, choosing a Confirmation Saint including a paper/presentation, and a Confirmation Test.

### Grading:

Grades are weighted according to the following percentages:

- Tests, projects, and Homily Evaluations: 60%
- Homework, classwork, and Gospel Reflections: 40%

*If a student is absent from class, it is his/her responsibility to make up any work missed.*