

Religion  
Lawson  
7<sup>th</sup> Grade  
2017-2018 School Year

## Religion: 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Semester 1 Syllabus

*“So I say to you, Ask and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.” – Jesus Christ*

Welcome to 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Religion! Below is a rough guide of the topics we will be covering as well as a breakdown of Assignment types and point values attributed to each assignment. Remember, this is what we will be covering for the **First Semester** only! Mr. Lawson is doing this intentionally to ensure that you understand the concepts we cover in class. The amount of time we spend on each topic will change depending on the classes’ level of comprehension. Finally, this syllabus is not in any way set in stone. Mr. Lawson reserves the right to change or modify the class curriculum as he sees fit.



**Content:** Because we have adopted a new curriculum for Religion this year, Mr. Lawson will be drawing primarily upon the new curriculum and providing some materials outside of the text. Each unit will consist of regular in-class assignment, readings, and assessments designed by Mr. Lawson. Homework will not be a crucial aspect of this class. However, getting your parents involved in what we are doing in class is highly encouraged!

Assessments may range from Tests, Quizzes, Group Projects. Units are divided into chapters and each chapter has roughly four lessons in them.

- i. **Required Materials:** Please bring the following materials to class every day!
  - a. Textbook – The Life of Grace Third Edition
  - b. Activity Book - The Life of Grace Third Edition
  - c. Binder
  - d. Writing utensil (pen, pencil, etc.)
- ii. **Mass:** When our class is responsible for leading the Mass Mr. Lawson will be asking you to participate as a reader or a gift bearer. I will ask that you participate in at least one of these tasks throughout the Semester. Here are the following dates we are responsible for Mass:
  - a. **Wednesday, August 30**
  - b. **Wednesday, October 4**
  - c. **Wednesday, November 15**



- ii. **Religion Buddies:** Throughout the semester we will be taking time out of our Religion class to spend time with the Kindergarten class. This will normally occur once every two weeks, when time permits in our schedule. As students of St. Charles I feel it is important for the 7<sup>th</sup> grade to be leaders in the school. So, what better way to show leadership than to practice aspects of our Faith with the younger grades?

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**Breakdown of Assignments:**

Tests – occur at the end of each Unit  
Quizzes – occur at the end of Chapter  
Homework Assignments – 10 pts. each  
In Class Assignments – 10 pts. each  
Q.O.D.'s – 5 pts. Due at the end of every week.  
Projects – Points will vary  
Extra Credit – Is decided on a case by case basis by Mr. Lawson

**Point Breakdown:**

**Homework/In-Class Assignments:**

+ = 10/10  
V+ = 8-9/10  
V = 6-7/10  
V- = 4-5/10  
- = 0-3/10

**Percent Breakdown:**

- 93 – 100 = A
- 85 – 92 = B
- 75 – 84 = C
- 70 – 74 = D
- 69 – Below = F

**Late Work:** Late homework will receive a 10% deduction each day it is late, with the maximum penalty of 50% for late work. Late Projects/Essays will be penalized one letter grade per day they are late.

For example, if a homework grade is 10 points and it is turned in one day late the highest grade it can receive is a 9/10; if it is turned in two days late 8/10, three days late 7/10, and so on. However further points can be deducted from the maximum score if Mr. Lawson deems the work to be of poor quality or does not meet expectations.



**Miscellaneous:** It is Mr. Lawson's job to prepare you for High School and beyond. Thus, it is his expectation of you to advocate for yourself, first. That means if you have any questions or concerns, please set up a time to meet with him before asking your parents to speak with him. Remember, you are your own best advocate. If you don't stand up for yourself, eventually no one will!