

Religion Department Curriculum Overview

9th Grade
Required
Religion I
Electives
None

10th Grade
Required
Religion II
Electives
None

11th Grade
Required
Religion III
Electives
Campus Ministry

12th Grade
Required
Religion IV
Electives
Campus Ministry
Prayer Ministry

Course Descriptions (Courses listed by grade level)

Religion I: Catholic Faith & Morality *612* Phase 2 [Year]

This course, Fundamentals of the Catholic Faith and Morality, focuses on two major areas. The first introduces the student to the fundamentals of the Catholic faith - who we are, what our lives mean, whether there is a God who really cares about us, what principles we base decisions on and act on, what happens to us when we die, and what ultimately determines our happiness and destiny. The second part of this course exposes the Catholic adolescent to the major principles of Catholic morality and the traditional church teachings on many important moral issues.

Prerequisite: None

Religion II: Bible History *622* Phase 2 SUS/FBF 2109410 [Year]

Bible History is a two semester course dealing with Sacred Scripture. The Old Testament is studied during the first semester, and the New Testament during the second semester. It is a survey of God's revelation to humankind leading to the ultimate revelation of His Word in the person of Jesus Christ. By studying this faith development, students arrive at an understanding not only of fellow travelers on a biblical pilgrimage but also of themselves. It encourages students to examine the foundations of their own faith and to see in the developing faith-life of the Hebrew people a true parallel to their own. The life of a Christian is guided not only by doctrinal and moral directives, but also by taking as one's own the attitudes and values of Jesus. These are found in Scripture.

Prerequisite: None

Religion III: *634 / 635* * Phase 2 SUS/FBF 2108300/2105310 [Year]
Catholic Social Teachings & World Religions

Religion III is a two-semester course. The first semester summarizes the key themes of Catholic social teaching including the principle of the dignity of the human person, respect for human life, call to family, community and participation. It will expose students to essential principles of social justice so that they can recognize how behavior affects both the individual and society. The second semester is a comparative study of religions of the world. Students will be acquainted with the varied beliefs and practices of these religions while contrasting these with the uniqueness of Catholicism. The religions studied include Primal Religious Traditions, Hinduism, Buddhism, Jainism, Sikhism, Confucianism, Taoism, Zen Buddhism, Shinto, Ancestors of the West, Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.

Prerequisite: None

