

# 7th Grade Religion Syllabus

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This 7th grade religion syllabus integrates *Sadlier We Believe* (focused on Jesus Christ and the Church) with *Growing with God: Safe and Sacred* (Loyola Press) in a trimester format. From **August–November**, students study God’s Revelation, the Trinity, and Christ’s mission, while reflecting on human dignity and respect. From **December–February**, they learn about the Church, the Communion of Saints, and the Sacraments of Initiation, alongside lessons on family, friendships, and healthy boundaries. From **March–May**, they explore the Sacraments of Healing and Service, Christian morality, and discipleship, paired with making safe and sacred choices in relationships and digital life. Seasonal prayer services, projects, and reflections deepen faith and connect learning to daily life.

## Trimester 1: August – November

**Theme: God’s Revelation & Christ’s Mission**

- **Unit 1: God’s Word and Revelation**
  - Sadlier Ch. 1 – God’s Revelation
  - Sadlier Ch. 2 – Scripture and Tradition
  - Sadlier Ch. 3 – The Holy Trinity
- **Unit 2: Jesus Christ, Son of God**
  - Sadlier Ch. 4 – God’s Promise of Salvation
  - Sadlier Ch. 5 – The Son of God
  - Sadlier Ch. 6 – Jesus’ Mission
- **Growing with God (Module 1): *Made in God’s Image***
  - Human dignity, self-worth, respect for life
- **Unit 3: The Paschal Mystery**
  - Sadlier Ch. 7 – The Paschal Mystery
  - Sadlier Ch. 8 – The Coming of the Holy Spirit

## Trimester 2: December – February

**Theme: The Church & Sacraments of Initiation**

- **Unit 4: The Church**
  - Sadlier Ch. 9 – The Church: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic
  - Sadlier Ch. 10 – The Communion of Saints
- **Unit 5: Sacraments of Christian Initiation**
  - Sadlier Ch. 11 – Baptism
  - Sadlier Ch. 12 – Confirmation
  - Sadlier Ch. 13 – Eucharist
- **Growing with God (Module 2): *Growing in Relationships***
  - Family, friendship, healthy boundaries
- **Seasonal Focus**
  - Advent reflection & Christmas liturgy
  - Begin Lenten practices in February

# Trimester 3: March – May

Theme: Sacraments, Christian Morality, and Safe Choices

- **Unit 6: Sacraments of Healing**
  - Sadlier Ch. 14 – Penance & Reconciliation
  - Sadlier Ch. 15 – Anointing of the Sick
- **Unit 7: Sacraments at the Service of Communion**
  - Sadlier Ch. 16 – Holy Orders
  - Sadlier Ch. 17 – Matrimony
- **Growing with God (Module 3): *Making Safe and Sacred Choices***
  - Digital safety, peer pressure, virtue, chastity, and decision-making
- **Unit 8: Living as Disciples**
  - Sadlier Ch. 18 – Christian Morality & the Commandments
  - Sadlier Ch. 19 – Living as People of God
  - Sadlier Ch. 20 – Prayer & Discipleship