

Prayer Resource List

Content Focus

- Pre-K Creation
- 1st Trinity
- 2nd Eucharist/Reconciliation
- 3rd Church
- 4th Commandments/Beatitudes
- 5th Sacraments
- 6th Old Testament
- 7th New Testament
- 8th Church History

Topical sections for each grade:

- Prayer
- Sacraments
- Church
- Scripture
- Creed/Doctrine
- Moral Formation
- Peace & Justice

Diocese of Fall River Prayer List

*This list is designed to note the grade level at which these prayers are to be **known by heart**.*

What is essential is that the texts that are memorized must at the same time be taken in and gradually understood in depth...It should be introduced through a process that, begun early, continues gradually, flexibly, and never slavishly. In this way certain elements of Catholic faith, tradition and practice are learned for a lifetime, form a basis for communication, allow people to pray together in a common language, and contribute to the individual's continued growth in understanding and living the faith. (National Directory for Catechesis, pp102-103)

These basic Catholic prayers may be introduced to the students in the years prior to required memorization. It is expected that these prayers will be used regularly in the prayer life of the school in all grades. Additionally, all students should be exposed to the prayers and devotions found on the supplemental list at a number of points during their elementary/middle school experience.

- By the end of Preschool:
 - Sign of the Cross
 - Our Father
 - Hail Mary
 - Grace before meals
- By the end of Kindergarten:
 - Same as above
 - Glory Be to the Father
 - Guardian Angel Prayer
- By the end of grade 1:
 - Same as above
 - Grace after meals
 - Morning Offering
- By the end of grade 2:
 - Same as above
 - Act of Contrition
 - A Decade of the Rosary
 - Mass Responses/Aclamations
- By the end of grade 3:
 - Same as above
 - Rosary (basic)
 - Apostle's Creed
 - Prayer of St. Francis
- By the end of grade 4:
 - Same as above
 - Angelus
 - Hail Holy Queen
- By the end of grade 5:
 - Same as above
 - Rosary (all mysteries)
 - Prayer for the Dead (Eternal Rest...)
 - Divine Praises
- By the end of grade 6:
 - Same as above
 - Parish Devotional Prayer*
 - Magnificat
- By the end of grade 7:
 - Same as above
 - Prayer to the Holy Spirit
 - Memorare
- By the end of grade 8:
 - Same as above
 - Nicene Creed (able to pray communally)

** Prayer to patron saint of parish (or Mary / Jesus / Holy Spirit under a specific title), or specific parish prayer, depending on local custom.*

Supplemental Prayers and Devotions

- Stations of the Cross
- Divine Mercy Chaplet
- Seven Sorrows
- Litanies
 - Sacred Heart
 - Holy Name
 - Blessed Virgin Mary
- Spiritual Communion
- Anima Christi
- Fatima Prayer
- Act of Faith
- Act of Hope
- Act of Love
- St. Michael
- Prayer of St. Ignatius
- Prayer of St. Richard (Day by day...)
- Prayer of St. Theresa of Avila
- Footprints Prayer
- Mother Theresa's Prayers
- Eucharistic Adoration
- Benediction

Suggested Field Trip/Activity

- Pre-K,K Creation
 - Church Visit
 - Nature walk to identify God's creations

- 1st Trinity
 - Church Visit
 - Stained Glass tour – in church or via web
 - Community Service

- 2nd Eucharist/Reconciliation
 - Vessels and Vestments
 - Priest Q & A
 - Adoration Chapel visit(s)
 - Community Service

- 3rd Church
 - Parish Church Tour
 - Vocation Speakers
 - Religion Fair
 - Community Service

- 4th Commandments/Beatitudes
 - Catholic Social Services – tour/speaker
 - Food Pantries
 - St. Vincent de Paul Speaker
 - Community Service

- 5th Sacraments
 - Matter and Form Presentation
 - Vocation Speakers
 - LaSalette visit – life size rosary
 - Adoration Chapel visit(s)
 - Community Service

- 6th Old Testament
 - Synagogue/Temple Visit
 - AIDS Ministry
 - Community Service

- 7th New Testament
 - Shrine Visit (e.g. St. Anne's, LaSalette)
 - ACTION Program
 - Vocation Speakers
 - Community Service

- 8th
 - Church History
 - Cathedral - St. Mary of the Assumption
 - Maronite Parish Visit
 - Abbey/Monastery visit – Glastonbury
 - Community Service
 - Adoration Chapels(s)

RESOURCES

Programs and Speakers

Beth Mahoney – Fr Peyton Center

Fr. Ed Correia – Diocesan Vocations Director

Marian Desrosiers – Pro Life Apostolate

Steve Gangloff – Catholic Social Services - ACTION Program

Joan Cuttle - AIDS Ministry

Dennis Canulla – Catholic Social Services (Disabilities)

OFFICIAL CHURCH WEBSITES

Vatican Website - This is the official site of the Vatican. These are many resources to explore here, in a variety of languages, about Mary and of course, about Catholicism! Among these are the Vatican Archives, the Vatican Secret Archives, Vatican Museums, World Youth Day, Canon Law, The Bible, Saints and more!

<http://www.vatican.va/>

Vatican Radio Website - Vatican Radio - An awesome site to access LIVE Vatican Radio as well as Vatican Radio Archives and more...The English version has text introductions which feed into MP3 files.

http://www.vaticanradio.org/inglese/105/en_information.html

United State Conference of Catholic Bishops - A vast site including daily readings, the entire Bible, a listing of all US dioceses and all of the recent writings of the US Bishops on a whole host of topics. A great place to start when you are looking for what our bishops are teaching!

<http://www.nccbuscc.org/>

National Bioethics Website

www.ncbcenter.org

Catholic Relief Services

www.catholicrelief.org

Fall River Diocesan Website

<http://www.fallriverdiocese.org/>

DIOCESAN WEBSITES OF INTEREST:

Fr. Landry – Catholic teaching

<http://www.catholicpreaching.com/index.php>

Vocations

<http://www.FallRiverVocations.com/>

SITES PROVIDED BY TEXTBOOK PUBLISHERS:

[Cyberfaith](http://www.cyberfaith.com/) – This is a site presented by Sadlier. There are a variety of resources : Weblinks, reflections on Sunday and Holy Day readings, weekly prayer activities for the current saints or season, an interactive liturgical calendar, information on Catholic Social Teaching, a Q&A section and more!

<http://www.cyberfaith.com/>

Silver Burdett & Ginn / Blest Are We Resources

<http://www.sbgreligion.com/>

<http://www.blestarewe.com/index.cfm>

Loyola Education Group Resources

http://loyolaeducationgroup.org/index_cate.asp

Benziger Resources

<http://www.mhschool.com/benziger/>

St. Mary's Press

<http://smp.org>

ROSARY RESOURCES:

[Children Pray a Scriptural Rosary](http://www.cptryon.org/prayer/child/rosary/index.html) – This site, by Fr. Victor Hoagland, is a great resource for praying the Rosary with children.

<http://www.cptryon.org/prayer/child/rosary/index.html>

[Holy Cross Family Ministries](http://www.hcfm.org/main/prayer-family.php) – This site has a wealth of information and aides for prayer. Originally founded by Father Patrick Peyton, CSC, this organization has done much to encourage family prayer, especially the Rosary. They are also a great source for wholesome family films.

<http://www.hcfm.org/main/prayer-family.php>

OTHER RESOURCES

Catholic Forum – An extensive site which features an excellent **Patron Saints Index**, Reflections on the Word of God, and E-Pistle, (available also by free e-mail subscription). **E-Pistle** is a great way to focus on faith for a few moments each day. It includes (in a brief and simple format): The Day's Scriptural Readings, Liturgy of the Hours (info), The Saint of the Day, Today in Church History, Quotes from Saints, Prayer Requests, Fact of the day. The Catholic Forum site also links out to **ZENIT**.

<http://www.catholic-forum.com/>

ZENIT – An International News Agency, whose mission is to provide objective coverage of events, documents and issues emanating from or concerning the Catholic Church. ZENIT's articles are reproduced in hundreds of publications worldwide and are used by numerous radio and TV stations. Coverage includes: Activities of John Paul II, The Vatican, including diplomatic activity, humanitarian efforts, and profiles of Church leaders, and interviews with and features about leading lay Catholics, including researchers, politicians, writers and entertainers. This is a great way to stay “on top of” happenings in the Church – and the World – from an international perspective.

<http://www.zenit.org/>

Catholic Jukebox - Contemporary Catholic Music Radio, available on-line.

<http://www.apostlemusic.com/jukebox/>

Internet Padre - A Catholic resource service which indexes the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* and *The New Advent Catholic Encyclopedia*, lists breaking news from across the US and provides a variety of resources and essential links, student resources and an excellent high school catechesis program (complete with more student resources)...all available online.

<http://www.internetpadre.org/>

EWTN – Mother Angelica’s site, from Ironsdale, Alabama. Here you will find a great Q&A section, Church teachings, devotions, access to live and archived programs aired on EWTN , access to live radio, audio morning and evening prayer, a vast audio and document library, and more. There is a great series of mini-sites under “Faith” on a variety of topics.

<http://www.ewtn.com/>

EWTN Kids – This is an awesome site for kids that can be explored as a member, or as a guest. Kids explore a town where each building contains fun and educational activities about our faith.

<http://www.ewtn.com/ewtnkids/>

Life Athletes – This is a site presented by Professional and Olympic athletes who are committed to living lives of virtue, abstinence, and respect for life. A great resource for adolescents, teens and adults. Check out the “Weight Room” for some important virtues to be lived.

<http://www.lifeathletes.org/>

Mother of All Peoples – A Weekly Marian E-zine (on-line magazine which can be accessed directly or e-mailed to you each week via free subscription) Contributing authors are many of the top Mariologists in the Church. This is an awesome resource for anyone who wants to know more about Mary.

<http://motherofallpeoples.com/>

Websites that display beautiful churches, history and other valuable links.

<http://www.christusrex.org/www1/splendors/splendors.html>

<http://www.nationalshrineinteractive.com/About/AboutMain.cfm>

<http://cathedralofmary.org/cathedral/tour/>

http://mikulas.virtual.czecot.com/?id_tema=252

<http://www.faculty.de.gcsu.edu/%7edvess/ids/medieval/tours.html>

<http://stambroserochester.org/360s.php>

http://www.oll.org/virtual_tours.htm

<http://www.st-bernadettes.org.uk/tour/intro.html>

www.spencerabbey.org

www.carmelite monastery.com/tour/tour.html

http://www.lourdes-france.org/index.php?goto_centre=ru&contexte=en&id=405

<http://www.santuario-fatima.pt/portal/index.php?lang=EN>