

**St. Aloysius Religious Education 2017-2018**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade**

4:00pm Welcome (*To ensure accuracy, **class attendance must be accurately recorded by a catechist and not another student - class attendance is an official document retained by the parish and the diocese***)

4:05pm We Gather - in Prayer at the prayer table  
(*use colored table covering for appropriate liturgical season*)  
Use the Gospel Reading “Hearing the Word” from the previous Sunday in Celebrating Sunday for Catholic Families book in the prayer box

4:10pm Review previous lesson using Sharing Faith (*chapter test in student book*)

4:15pm        **Chapter # 3**                      **Christ Will Come Again**

**At the Last Supper Jesus promised his friends that he would come again and take them to Himself. -John 14:3.** The second coming (Last Judgment) will follow a period of terrible trial in which many believers’ faith will be tested! Jesus prepares us for the Last Judgment by telling us that believers who follow his example of mercy will inherit the Kingdom of God. The Works of Mercy are the criteria upon which we will be judged. The followers of Jesus will always be distinguished by their love for others. ..”I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” *John 13:34-35.* We need to “**be prepared**” for the time when Jesus will come at the end of time...*how can we be prepared? Discuss the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy.* **Jesus has power over life and death!**

- *We Believe* –  
**Second Coming** = Jesus’ coming at the end of time.  
**Last Judgment** = Jesus Christ coming at the end of time to judge all people.  
**Heaven** = life with God forever.
  
- *We Respond* – DVD – “*Miracles of Jesus*” approx. 30 minutes

*This animated video tells the story of the miracles of Christ; healing the sick, raising the dead, casting out demons and calming the storm. “All things are possible to those who believe,” Jesus tells us. Learn character-building virtues such as dedication, charity and temperance—in addition to faith.*

4:55pm        Closing Prayer –

*“Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.  
Amen”*

Ask the children to say a petition aloud for someone or something they would like to pray for.

***“When you hear the words “Christ will come again,” what images come to mind?”***

# Works of Mercy

## Corporal

Feed the Hungry  
Give Drink to the Thirsty  
Clothe the Naked  
Help the imprisoned  
Shelter the Homeless  
Care for the Sick  
Bury the Dead

## Spiritual

Share Your Knowledge with Others  
Give Advice to those who need it  
Comfort those who Suffer  
Be Patient with People  
Forgive those who Hurt us  
Give Correction to those who need it  
Pray for the Living and the Dead