

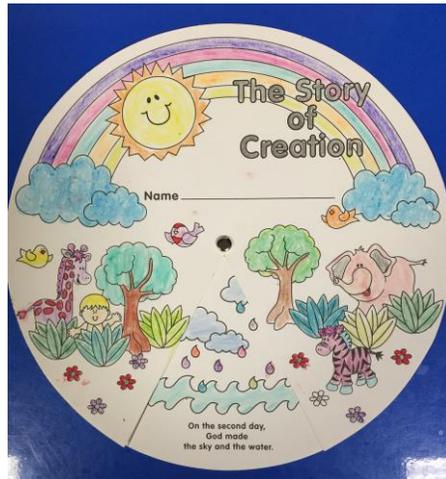
St. Aloysius Religious Education 2017-2018

1st Grade

- 4:00pm Welcome (Adam and Eve coloring page and *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 Story time at the Prayer Table – a prime time to share our faith teaching children the Word of God. Read aloud the true story of God's amazing love for us in “*Catholic Book of Bible Stories*” written in reverent tone just for young children. Start at the beginning with “*God’s Wonderful Creation*” read a new story each week and use *God’s Blessing* to end the story.
- 4:15pm Review previous lesson using one of the pages from the Activity Book.
- 4:20pm **Chapter # 5** “**Adam and Eve**”
Chapter # 6 “**A Sad Story**”

God is everywhere; God knows everything; God is THE Creator! God created out of nothing. God has given each of us physical and spiritual gifts to know, love and serve him. God created both a body and soul for Adam and Eve. Because of these two parts humans are greater than all the other creatures on earth. At Baptism we receive grace from God. With God’s grace we can know, love and serve God in this world ... leading to happiness with God forever in Heaven! Adam and Eve committed the first sin on earth and lost the special gifts God had given them – immortality and grace. ***God promised to send a Savior.*** The Savior would win back God’s grace and open the gates of Heaven once more.

- *We Believe* -
Adam – first man created by God
Eve – first woman created by God
Grace – gift of God, our soul shares in the life of God.
Obey – pleasing to God, the sacrifice of our will.
Sin – saying NO to God!
Original Sin – the first sin on our soul and Baptism takes it away.
Promise – pledge that something will happen or be done.
Savior – a person who rescues = Jesus Christ
- *We Respond* – DVD – “The Beginners Bible - The Story of Creation” 30 min.
The story of God's creation of heaven and earth, as found in the Bible.
- *We Respond* – distribute and color the “Creation wheel” in class
(*or at home if not enough time*).



Long ago, before the earth and all things in it, there was only God.
 On day **one**, God said, "Let there be light." God called the light day, and the darkness He called night.
 On day **two**, God made the sky.
 On day **three**, God separated the land from the waters and created flowers, trees, and grass.
 On day **four**, God made the sun, moon, and stars.
 On day **five**, the birds and fish were created.
 On day **six**, God made animals and then He made people to be like Him. He named the man Adam, and Adam named his wife, Eve.
 God rested on day **seven**. **He saw everything He had made and said that it was good.**

God made a garden home for the man and woman. It was called the Garden of Eden. He told them they could eat fruit from all the trees in the garden except the tree of knowledge of good and evil. The serpent lied to Eve and she ate of the fruit. She gave some to Adam and he also ate of it. They had not been obedient and they had to leave their beautiful home. After that, they had to work hard and had many troubles.

When we read about the creation of the world, we can see how wonderful God really is. When we look at a beautiful flower, it is as if God is saying to us, "Look at this amazing plant that I have made for you to enjoy." When we look at the clouds and the sky, we see God as the most wonderful artist, using just the right colors. And He made us, His people; able to appreciate all that He has created. How good He is! God created our beautiful world for us to use and enjoy. He showed His great love for us in the things and promises He made. He created man to live in His New World. God's most wonderful creation was man. He gave us the choice to choose between right and wrong. Think about what you would do if someone tells you it is okay to do something wrong because it is fun or you won't get caught. Can you have the courage to stand up for what is right? It is always best to listen to God and do as He says.

4:55pm Closing Prayer –

“Thank You God
 for giving us
 senses to enjoy
 Your creation
 Amen.”

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

How can we show our gratitude to our Heavenly Father?

Catechist Background:

<http://www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/activities/view.cfm?id=655>

http://www.iccreligiouseducation.com/the_bible.cfm?subpage=216219