

## Greek Archdiocese Curriculum & Other Approved Orthodox Teaching Materials- 2010

1. The Greek Archdiocese publishes the following titles unless otherwise noted.  
[www.religioused.goarch.org](http://www.religioused.goarch.org)
2. There are many Orthodox resources online. Refer to my website for the most recent listing of websites.
3. If you still need Orthodox reference and resource material, please contact me.

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### Pre-School 2-year-olds

***Beginning to Know Jesus, His Church and Special People from the Old Testament*** by Heather Dukakis Nicolozakes. Phyllis Meshel Onest served as Technical Editor.

Original Curriculum for 2-year-olds. *Program available at this time only for Pittsburgh Metropolis parishes.*

### Pre-School 3-year-olds

***God Loves Us*** - Preschool Teacher's Kit (\$27.00) Notebook for the teacher or ***Reaching for Jesus***.

**For a Preschool class of 3 & 4-year-olds**, alternate between ***God Loves Us*** and ***What We See and Do in Church*** or ***Reaching for Jesus***.

**For a Preschool class of 4-year-olds** or if the parish offers a **Preschool for 4-year-olds and 5-year-olds** not ready for public school, use ***What We See and Do in Church*** or ***Happy with God***.

**Kindergarten** - Students in this class are also in Kindergarten in public school. This will be important for reading levels in upper grades.

- ✘ ***Happy with God*** - Depending on how a parish has grouped students to form classes, this text may have been already been used.
- ✘ ***Together with God*** from the *Orthodox Christian Education Commission* (a SCOBA agency) recently reprinted the Kindergarten Student Manual in color and with updated pictures. This is a good substitute.

**Grade 1**      ***Me and My World***      **Alternate texts if combining classes.**  
**Grade 2**      ***Loving God***

**Grade 3**      ***Sharing God's World***      **Alternate texts if combining classes.**  
**Grade 4**      ***Growing with God***

**Grade 5**      ***God Calls Us***      **Alternate texts if combine class with Grade 6.**

**Grade 6 or Middle School**      **Four-book series – *Serving in God's World***  
1. ***Honesty***  
2. ***Stewardship***  
3. ***Facing Up to Peer Pressure***  
4. ***Stewardship: Serving in God's World***

**Middle School**      ***The Scribe: Searching for Jesus Christ in the Old Testament***  
Pupil's Text & Teacher's Manual available online. Download at no charge.  
<http://www.antiochian.org/christianeducation/thescribe>

**Middle School** 8 Units developed by the OCEC – Orthodox Christian Education Commission

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

1. *The Earth is the Lord's: Caring for God's Creation*
2. *The First 800 Years*
3. *God is Calling You!*
4. *My Body, My Spirit*
5. *To Teach All Nations*
6. *What's Love Got to Do with It? Everything!*
7. *What Would You Do? Ethics Unit*
8. *The Work of Salvation*

**Grades 7-8** Alternate between

1. Lessons on the *Divine Liturgy* & *Church Architecture* are online at *Orthodox Christian Sunday School Lessons* <http://www.synaxis.org/catechist/index.htm>
2. *Parables of the Lord* can be used when the Gospel matches one of the parables in the book

**Jr High** Greek Archdiocese

1. *A Lamp to My Feet: An Introduction to the Bible* [Jr High School 2010] Zine, Student & Teacher guide released at 2010 Clergy-Laity
2. *Heaven on Earth: The Divine Liturgy* [Jr High 2010] – Zine, Student & Teacher guide
3. *For to Us a Child is Born* (The Incarnation) [Jr High 2008] – Zine, Student & Teacher guide
4. *Journey through Holy Week* [Jr High 2008] – Zine, Student & Teacher guide

**Sr High** Greek Archdiocese

1. *Rejoicing in One Lord, Jesus Christ*
2. *Of Your Mystical Supper: The Eucharist* [Sr High 2010] - Zine Student & Teacher guide
3. All the Jr High Zines

OCEC – Orthodox Christian Education Commission

1. *The Way The Truth The Life* (Everything one should know after the 8<sup>th</sup> grade.) published by the OCEC
2. **6 High School Curriculum Units developed by the OCEC**
  - a. *The Earth is the Lord's*
  - b. *Getting along with Parents*
  - c. *God is Calling You!*
  - d. *International Orthodoxy*
  - e. *Reaching Out: Our Call to Minister*
  - f. *What's Love Got to Do with It? Everything!*

Multiple-Age-Level Teaching Units

1. *Learning Opportunities for Middle School & High School Summary & Guide Sheet. Antiochian Archdiocese*  
<http://www.antiochian.org/christianeducation> Click onto *Curriculum*, scroll down.
2. *The Focus Units - Department of Christian Education, Orthodox Church in America* <http://dce.oca.org> Click onto *Focus* tab.