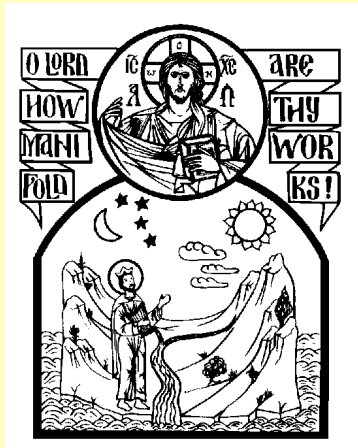


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I. Yellow Pages for Religious Education ***Most current issue.***

II. Fall and Spring Packets

Spring 2003 Packet

- 1. The Spring 2003 Religious Education Newsletter, Vol. IX, No. 2
- 2. Guidelines For Hosting A Workshop or Conference
- 3. SS Peter & Paul Leaflet

Fall 2002 Packet

- 1. The Fall 2002 Religious Education Newsletter, Vol. IX, No. 1
- 2. 2002-2003 YELLOW PAGES FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
- 3. 2002-2003 Planning Calendar
- 4. Oratorical Festival - a letter from Irene Cassis, DRE Metropolis of Denver

Spring 2002 Packet

- 1. The Spring 2002 Religious Education Newsletter, Vol. VIII, No. 2.
- 2. Lenten Resource List
- 3. *Mining the Internet* by Fr. John Touloumes
- 4. Job Description for a Church School Director
- 5. 50 Affirmation Ideas from the Grocery Store

Fall 2001 Packet

- 1. The Fall 2001 Religious Education Newsletter, Vol. VIII, No.1

Spring 2001 Packet

- 1. The Spring 2001 Religious Education Newsletter, Vol VII, No. 2
- 2. 7th-12th Goals & Objectives
- 3. Lesson Template for High School Class
- 4. A sample of *Orthodox Lessons Online*
- 5. Resources for Sexual Abstinence: Marriage & Sexual Education
- 6. *The Sacrament of Penance and the Younger Child* by Dr. Constance Tarasar

Fall 2000 Packet

- 1. The Fall 2000 Religious Education Newsletter, Vol. VII, No. 1
- 2. Celebrating the Major Feast Days at Home - *Directions to make a booklet using the Feast Day Tract Masters #5, available from the DRE.*
- 3. Orthodox Perspectives: The New Age Movement (*Link to the "Southwest Institute of Orthodox Studies" website.*)
- 4. Suggested Books for Adult Education Study Groups (*For the latest update go to the current issue of the Yellow Pages*)

Spring 2000 Packet

- 1. The Spring 2000 Religious Education Newsletter Vol. VI, No. 2
- 2. Are You On Track?
- 3. Recruiting Church Schools Teachers
- 4. High School Curriculum - [1] The Incarnate God and [2] The Way of the Pilgrim
- 5. Hymn to Liberty /The Greek National Anthem (*Greek, English, Phonetics*)
- 6. Our Journey to Pascha *Lenten Board Game*
- 7. A Crib for Pregnancy Care - *filling a baby crib for a pregnancy crisis center*
- 8. Pascha Lesson Cookie Recipe
- 9. Bulletin Board Idea for Pascha/Easter
- 10. *The Orthodox Idea of Creation* by the late Dr. John Booramra

Fall 1999 Packet

- 1. The Fall 1999 Religious Education Newsletter, Vol. VI, No. 1
- 2. Getting to Know You - form
- 3. Student Information Sheet - form
- 4. Church School Volunteer Information - form
- 5. Church School Volunteers - form
- 6. Starting Point: Getting Teens Thinking about Orthodox Marriage
- 7. IOCC Children's Lenten Project
- 8. Preparing to Receive the Body and Blood of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ - booklet
- 9. Christians and Popular Culture
- 10. Souper Bowl Sunday - check the IOCC website in the Fall

III. Adult Education - Study guides for the following books

1. *Beginning to Pray* by Anthony Bloom
2. *Of Life and Salvation* by Stanley Harakas
3. *Our Hearts True Home* edited by Virginia Nieusma
4. *Raising them Right* by Theofan the Recluse
5. *Way of the Ascetic* by Tito Colliander

IV. Articles on the Orthodox Family

Written for Orthodox Family Life from Fall 1995 to Summer 1999.

1. Coming to Holy Confession
2. Celebrating Your Patron Saint's Day
3. Helping Our Children Grow in Faith - *Spanish translation done by the Anglican Theological School in San Salvador, El Salvador, for the Christian Education Class*
4. Raising No-Compromise Kids
5. Creating Family Archives
6. Prospora: An Offering to God
7. A New Year's Evaluation: What does your calendar say about your spiritual life?
8. Why Do We Have Our Homes Blessed?
9. The Story of St. Valentine
10. Getting the Most Out of Lent
11. A Family Lesson: How Will We Prepare for Pascha?
12. Praying for the Dead
13. Holy Unction
14. Pascha vs. Easter, Eggs, Bunnies & Baskets
15. "Summer Liturgies / Some Things You Should Know While in Church
16. Should I Send My Child to Summer Church Camp?
17. What about Halloween?
18. Get Started Now! Make a Family Orthodox Advent Calendar
19. Advent, The Coming of the Lord
20. Families Can Enjoy an Advent Alphabet!
21. An Advent Activity: Decorating the Tree with a Christian Message

V. Christmas Plays - Church School Programs

Adapt the as needed.

1. The Story of Christmas
2. The Nativity Icon
3. The Legend of the Star
4. The King is Coming
5. The Christmas Box
6. Decorating the Tree with a Christian Message

7. The Jesse Tree
8. The Christmas Alphabet
9. The Twelve Days of Christmas *from St. George GO Church Huntington, WV.*

VI. Idea Corner

These are ideas that have been either shared with or developed by me

1. A Father's Day Project
2. Heart of the Week
3. Joy Oratorical Festival (A project of Holy Cross Church/Pittsburgh.)
4. Pre-School Church Bag

VII. Published Articles

in the "Religious Education Notebook" section of the Diocesan Newspaper THE ILLUMINATOR

1. The Greek-Americans According to PBS
2. Changing World Demands Religion be Able to Adapt
3. Children & Faith
4. Religious Education Director and Camp Director Join Forces in the Battle: Summer Camp is an Extension of Church School
5. Where are the Children?
6. Living Our Faith During the Summer
7. When Should We Schedule Church School Classes?
8. Helping Our Children Grow in Faith
9. It's Not Yet Time for Vacation!

VIII. Projects that are Ready to Print

1. *Layout Guide for Reproducing CELEBRATING THE MAJOR FEAST DAYS AT HOME* booklet
2. Getting Ready for Holy Week and Pascha
3. PASCHA EGGS: The Resurrection Story for Orthodox Christian Children
4. Godparents Sunday (*Service for the Renewal of Baptismal Vows.*) 8.5" x11" and Booklet
5. Making a Family Orthodox Advent Calendar

IX. St. Nicholas Day - Day of Gift-Giving

1. The Song of St. Nicholas
2. A St. Nicholas Day Show
3. A Traditional Folk Song to Saint Nicholas
4. Sheet Music for "A Traditional Folk Song to Saint Nicholas

MUST READING FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS

These books can be purchased from Light & Life, DRE & OCPC.

1. **SOWING SEEDS FOR CHRIST** by Elaine Michaels & Mary Hallick is a practical guide for Church School teachers of all grade levels. It includes sample lessons, guidelines for classroom discipline, age characteristics and more.
2. **FOUNDATIONS FOR CHRISTIAN EDUCATION** by John Boojamra is an analysis of Christian education practices and identification of the foundations of Orthodox Christian - education as “community,” “family” and “personhood.”
3. **LITURGY AND LIFE: Christian Development Through Liturgical Experience** Fr. Alexander Schmemmann focuses on the link between education and worship.
4. **OUR CHURCH AND OUR CHILDREN** by Sophie Koulomzin, a classic on the education of children, integrates developmental knowledge with Orthodox education. [Out of print, check parish library]
5. **CHILDREN IN THE ORTHODOX CHURCH TODAY** Sister Magdalen discusses the rearing of children and religious education in and through the family.
6. **CONVERSATIONS WITH CHILDREN** Sister Magdalen shares an extensive series of conversations with children for the benefit of parents, friends, catechists, priests and professional educators interested in communicating the Orthodox Faith to children.
7. **THE INCARNATE GOD: THE FEASTS OF JESUS CHRIST and THE VIRGIN MARY, Vol. 1 & 2** Study of each feast day includes Scripture, Iconography, Hymnology and quotations from the Church Fathers.
8. **ORGANIZING and TEACHING IN A CHURCH SCHOOL: Guide for Priests and Teacher** by Fr. Thomas Kazich. Cost \$10; orders of 5 or more \$5.00 each. Order from **Little Falcons**, PO Box 371, Grayslake, IL 60030, 817-223-1300.
9. **THE ORTHODOX CHURCH 2nd Edition** by Bishop Kallistos (Timothy) Ware includes church history, theology, and current concerns. An Orthodox Classic!
10. **THE ORTHODOX FAITH: An Elementary Handbook on the Orthodox Church, 4 Volumes - Doctrine, Worship, Bible and Church History, Spirituality** by Fr. Thomas Hopko. Basics of the Faith.
11. **THE ORTHODOX STUDY BIBLE** contains useful and informative footnotes, articles, and reference materials that enhance our understanding of the Scriptures.
12. **THE ORTHODOX CHURCH: A WELL-KEPT SECRET** by Fr. George Nicozisin. An overview of basic Church History.
13. **PRAXIS Magazine** published by the Department of Religious Education
14. **ANNUAL RESOURCE COMPANION**, ed. Fr. Frank Marangos
 - Vol. 1: The Liturgical Year*
 - Vol. 2: Holy Tradition*
 - Vol. 3: Holy Fathers*
 - Vol. 4: Theology & Dogma Of The Orthodox Church*
 - Vol. 5: Orthopraxia, The Life of The Orthodox Church*
 - Vol. 6 The Pentecostarion*

RESOURCES FOR THE CHURCH SCHOOL DIRECTOR

ORGANIZING and TEACHING IN A CHURCH SCHOOL: Guide for Priests and Teacher by Fr. Thomas Kazich. [see above]

BOOKS TO HELP THE DIRECTOR

[Both are non-Orthodox sources that offer great ideas. Check out local Christian Bookstores for these.]

From GROUP PUBLISHING [p.2]

- **Why Nobody Learns Anything at Church and How to Fix It** by Thom & Joani Schultz
- **Children’s Ministry Guide for Smaller Churches** by Rick Chromey

From GOSPEL LIGHT, 2300 Knoll Dr., Ventura, CA 93003 / 800-446-7736 / www.gospellight.com

- **Sunday School Promo Pages** by Wes & Sheryl Haystead
- **Sunday School Smart Pages** by Wes & Sheryl Haystead

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TEACHER RESOURCES FOR GREAT LESSONS!

BIBLIOGRAPHY

1. *The Orthodox Study Bible* – a wealth of information in the footnotes and articles
2. *The Orthodox Faith Series* by Fr. Thomas Hopko is a four-volume set (*Doctrine, Worship, Bible and Church History, Spirituality*) of the basics of the Orthodox Faith. OCEC, DRE, Light & Life, OCPC
3. *Sowing Seeds for Christ* by Mary Hallick & Elaine Michaels contains a description of various teaching methods, age characteristics, model lesson plans and guidelines for discipline and communication. DRE, Light & Life
4. *The Year of Grace of the Lord* by a Monk of the Eastern Church explains the Sunday Scripture readings and Feast Day Scripture readings. Light & Life, DRE
5. *A Dictionary of Greek Orthodoxy* by Nicon Patrinos. DRE, Light & Life
6. *Feast Day Tract Master Set #5* published by the Orthodox Christian Publications Center offers a leaflet for each of the Major 12 Feasts plus Pascha. The format includes the hymns of the day, Scripture references, and background information and family activities. You may make as many copies as you want. Each teacher should have a set for reference and classroom use. DRE, OCPC
7. *The Orthodox Church: A Well-Kept Secret* by Fr. George Nicozisin. A brief overview of Church History examining major doctrinal issues. DRE, Light & Life
8. *The Prologue of Ochrid*, a 4-Volume collection of lives of Saints by Bishop Nikolai Velimirovich. Also available online at <http://www.westrbdio.org/prolog/prolog.htm>
9. *God is With Us: Critical Issues in Christian Living and Faith* by Fr. John Breck deals with a variety of issues in short, easy-to-read chapters.
10. *The ARC: Annual Resource Companion - Volume 1: The Liturgical Year, Volume 2: Holy Tradition, Volume 3: Holy Fathers, Volume 4: Theology and Dogma Of The Orthodox Church, Volume 5: Orthopraxis, The Life Of The Orthodox Church.* Includes St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival topics, speaker topic tips, and bibliography. \$5.00 each.

CLASSROOM RESOURCES

1. *Come Bless the Lord Icon Packet* contains 40 color icons (8.5" x 11") of the major Feast Days and popular saints with an explanation of each on the reverse side, plus a companion booklet. Each classroom teacher should have a set to use with the class. Light & Life, DRE, OCEC
2. *The Teaching Pictures* have been reissued by the OCEC. Four sets of 80 color photographs dealing with The Sacraments (Set A), The Feast Day and Special Services (Set B), Great Lent and Pascha (Set C) and the Divine Liturgy (Set D). Indexed and cross-referenced. Lesson Plans and Suggestions for integrating their use into a lesson are on the back side of the pictures. OCEC, DRE
3. *Hymns of the Orthodox Church Music Education Series* produced by the National Forum of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians 12 booklets. Each booklet contains an icon related to the hymn, the music in English, Greek and English phonetics, lesson ideas and vocabulary. A cassette tape features the voices of EIKONA. Tape Alone: \$12.00 per tape. Classroom Packets (20 copies of any one hymn): \$9.00 per packet. Classroom Special (All 12 hymns/20 booklets each and 1 tape): \$110.00. Special Family Packet (1 booklet of each hymn and 1 tape): \$18.00 / DRE
4. *Little Falcons Magazine* [PO Box 371, Grayslake, IL 60030] 4 issues / \$15.00 Each issue focuses on one theme such as Incense, The Cross, etc. Back issues \$5.00 each. Filled with well written, informative and attractively arranged articles for children. Editor Fr. Thomas. For a modest price one can build an "Orthodox Children's Encyclopedia."

CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHER'S NOTEBOOK

As a Church School Director I found it useful to provide each Teacher with a Notebook containing important information for teaching that particular grade. Each year I would collect and update the notebook. When a teacher would change classes or “retire,” the notebook was passed onto his/her replacement. The Director Notebook(s) contained the material for all grade levels. The following outline is offered as a suggestion. Comments and suggestions are always invited. *Phyllis Meshel Onest*

A. CURRENT YEAR

1. Staff Roster: Each Grade, Teacher's Name, Address, Phone Number, and Email address
2. Class Roster: Students' Names, Parents' Names, Addresses, Phone Numbers, Birth dates and Email addresses
3. *Planning Calendar* for that Year which lists the Sundays from beginning to the end of the Church School year, Feast Days, Triodion Sundays, Pascha, Special Events, Workshops, and Meetings. [Updated calendar is available each year at www.phyllisonest.com]
4. The Roster of each Church School class may be helpful in planning for the following year [optional]

B. CURRICULUM AND RESOURCES

1. Listing of Texts for each grade used that year and for previous years
2. List of Resources available to the Teachers
3. Sample Lesson Plans

C. AGE CHARACTERISTICS

1. Information on the Developmental Stage, Concepts that can be taught, and Teaching Methods that work best for that age group [See *Our Church and Our Children* by Sophie Koulomzin.]
2. Magazine (such as *Children's Ministry*) or Newspaper and Magazine Articles that are related to teaching that age group [opt.]
3. The Stages of Faith and Family Skills & Application /OCEC. [Last 2 pages of the Yellow Pages.]

D. REFERENCE MATERIALS

1. Information sheets on the Parish's
 - [a] Feast
 - [b] Identification of Icons on the icon screen and the walls
 - [c] Stain Glass Window layout and identification
 - [d] Troparion [English and Greek where applicable]
2. Other handouts about the Orthodox Church that are informative or educational
3. Copies of the Diocesan Director's Newsletters
4. Workshop Handouts.
5. *A Timeline of the Church History* pamphlet from Conciliar Press

E. Current year's "***YELLOW PAGES***" ***FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION*** by Phyllis Meshel Onest

F. A complete set of the ***FEAST DAY TRACT MASTERS #5***

G. **MEETING MINUTES and HANDOUTS** Teachers add to this section during the school year.

1. Parish Bulletin Articles related to the Church School
2. Flyers for Church School Events

H. ***COME BLESS THE LORD*** Icon Packet (kept in its folder or placed in plastic windows and kept in a notebook)

RESOURCE MATERIALS FOR JR & SR HIGH CLASSES

- ✘ *The Way, The Truth, The Light* is the newest textbook from the OCEC. Grades 8-12.
- ✘ The **Greek Archdiocese Middle School/Teen Series** can be used with Jr. & Sr. High classes. Once used in the middle school grades, though, other options are needed for the upper grades.
- ✘ The **OCEC** offers several choices from its curriculum, as well as suggested **Interim Curriculum**.

The **OCEC's 2003-2004 Interim Curriculum** has new material that we all can use. I have not seen it yet, but the topics are good.

2003 Middle School: Four 7-week units / Refer to the 2003-2004 OCEC Catalog for details. \$6.00 each.

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| 1. <i>The First 800 Years</i> | 3. <i>My Body, My Spirit</i> |
| 2. <i>Orthodox in America</i> | 4. <i>The Work of Salvation</i> |

2002 Interim Curriculum - The Study Guides may still be available. If they are Out-of-print, contact me.

MIDDLE SCHOOL

1. *What Would You Do? Morality & Ethics Unit*
2. *The Earth is the Lord's: : Caring for God's Creation*
3. *God is Calling You: Exploring God's Purpose in Your Life*

HIGH SCHOOL

1. *What's Love Got to Do with It? Everything!*
2. *God is Calling You: Exploring God's Purpose in Your Life*
3. *The Earth is the Lord's: Caring for God's Creation*
4. *Reaching Out: Our Call to Minister*

- ✘ Always keep the **ORTHODOX STUDY BIBLE** handy. It contains many articles and reference materials, as well as footnotes.
- ✘ **THE BIBLE AND THE HOLY FATHERS** by **Johanna Manley** is the best resource for integrating the Church Fathers into a lesson. It contains the daily Epistle and Gospel readings with commentary by Church Fathers. The **Appendices** contain a **Concordance** and **Topical Index** that can be used as a cross-reference to find out which Church Fathers wrote on specific verses or topics. Especially useful in conjunction with non-Orthodox and Orthodox materials that include Bible verses. As Orthodox Christians of true faith, we look to the Fathers for wisdom and guidance.
- ✘ The following texts are listed by Publisher, but may also be available from several sources. Use them with students/classes or as teacher reference material when preparing a lesson on a specific topic.

CONCILIAR PRESS [p.1]

AGAIN Magazine / 4 issues \$16.00

TOPICAL BOOKLETS \$.95 @ / Sampler pack

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Abortion: What does the Church Teach?</i> • <i>Building a Habit of Prayer</i> • <i>Call No Man Father</i> • <i>Confession: the Healing Sacrament</i> • <i>Communion – a Family Affair</i> • <i>Cultist at My Door</i> • <i>Dealing with Grief</i> • <i>Entering God's Kingdom</i> • <i>Facing Up to Mary</i> • <i>Finding the New Testament Church</i> • <i>Finishing the Race</i> • <i>A Guide to Spiritual Life</i> • <i>Heavenly Worship</i> • <i>How to Read Your Bible</i> • <i>The Nation of Israel in Prophecy</i> [NEW] | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No Graven Images</i> • <i>Orthodoxy: Jewish & Christian</i> • <i>Practical Prayer</i> • <i>Prayer & the Departed Saints</i> • <i>Scripture & Tradition</i> • <i>The Mission of Orthodoxy</i> • <i>Tithing</i> • <i>What about the Non-Orthodox?</i> • <i>What Orthodox Christians Believe</i> • <i>When You Fast</i> [NEW] • <i>Which Came First: the Church or the New Testament?</i> • <i>Why We Worship on Sundays</i> [NEW] |
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BROCHURES \$.25@ / 8 for \$1.50 / 100 for \$15.00

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Are You Looking?</i> • <i>Committing Our Lives to Christ</i> • <i>Jesus is Lord! Christianity's Life-Changing Confession of Faith</i> • <i>Thank You for Attending Our Festival</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>A Timeline of Church History</i> • <i>12 Things I Wish I Had Known</i> • <i>Welcome!</i> • <i>What on Earth Is the Orthodox Church?</i> |
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BOOKS

1. *Apostolic Succession* by Fr. Gregory Rogers \$3.95
2. *Bodily Resurrection* by the Sisters of the Orthodox Monastery of the Transfiguration \$2.95
3. *Holy Relics* by Fr. T.L. Frazier \$2.95
4. *Orthodox Answers to Frequently Asked Questions* \$3.95
5. *Orthodoxy & Catholicism: What are the Differences?* by Fr. Theodore Pulcini \$3.50
6. *What Is the Orthodox Church?* by Fr. Marc Dunaway \$2.95
7. *Ascending the Heights: A layman's guide to The Ladder of Divine Ascent* by Fr. John Mack \$14.95
8. *Sola Scriptura* by Fr. John Whiteford \$3.95

DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION / DRE [p.1]

1. *A Year of the Lord: Liturgical Bible Studies* by Fr. Theodore Stylianopoulos, 5 volumes, prices range from \$ 6.50-6.95, \$25 for the set / Light & Life \$8.95-9.95@, \$45.75 set
2. *About Being Orthodox* \$1.23 / Light & Life (published by Scriptographic)
3. *About Jesus Christ* \$1.25 (published by Scriptographic)
4. *About the Apostles & St. Paul* \$1.25 (published by Scriptographic)
5. *Come Receive the Light* (NT) \$4.00 [Suggestion: use only the section on the Church Fathers found in the back. Otherwise use the *Orthodox Study Bible*.]
6. *Cults in America* by Fr. George Papademetriou \$1.00
7. *How the Bible Came to Be* \$.95 (published by Scriptographic)
8. *Repentance & Confession* by Fr. Dn. John Chryssavgis [Holy Cross Press] \$5.95 / Light & Life \$5.95
9. *The Bible and You* \$1.25 (published by Scriptographic)
10. *Treasures of Orthodoxy* by Fr. Thomas FitzGerald \$3.50 [Set of 10 pamphlets introducing the Orthodox Church]
11. *When You Intermarry* by Fr. Charles Joanides \$14.95
12. *LOGOS – The Orthodox Word Game* \$24.95
13. *Orthodox Church: A Well-Kept Secret* by Fr. George Nicozisin \$12.95 [Church History]
14. *The Orthodox Faith* 4 Volumes: Doctrine, Worship, Bible & Church History, Spirituality by Fr. Thomas Hopko [OCPC] \$7.50@ (Published by OCPC)

FAMILY RESEARCH COUNCIL / Sexual Education [p.5]

[Some of their printed materials on abstinence could be useful. Use with caution.]

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY [p.4] [Non-Orthodox. Use with caution.]

1. *Plugged In* Magazine 12 issues for \$20 [Review of movies, music, video games, TV programs. Archived reviews available online.]

GOTelecom [p.5]

1. *History of the Church*, \$29.95@, 3-video set & Study Guide \$79.95 / DRE \$30@, Set \$80, Study Guide \$2.00
2. *The Holy Sacraments of Orthodox Christianity*, 7-part video series. Baptism & Chrismation, Unction, Matrimony, Penance are done thus far. \$29.95@ / DRE \$30@

GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH MINISTRIES [p.6]

1. *The Way It Really Is* Video, Leader's Guide & Resource Book, \$35 +\$5 SH
2. *Sexual Purity: Mind, Body and Soul*, Video, Leader's Guide & Resource Book, \$35 +\$5 SH
3. *Substance Abuse: Our Kids are not Immune*, Video, Leader's Guide & Resource Book, \$35 +\$5 SH

GROUP [p.2] [Non-Orthodox. Use with caution. Also available from some Christian Bookstores.]

1. *Group Magazine* 6 issues \$29.95 per year
2. *The Youth Bible*, Softcover \$19.99 [for use by the teacher only]
3. *Youth Bible Leaders Guide*, \$16.99 [\$8.49 if ordered online at www.grouputlet.com]
4. *Blockbuster Movie Illustrations*, \$15.99 [NEW]
5. *Blockbuster Movie Illustrations – The Sequel*, \$15.99 [NEW]

LIGHT & LIFE PUBLISHING [p.1] (May also be available from DRE.)

1. *Am I Saved: An Orthodox Interpretation* by Fr. Theodore Bobosh \$4.95
2. *Beyond the Shattered Image: Insights into an Orthodox Ecological World-View* by Dn. John Chryssavgis, \$13.95
3. *Challenge Questions on Orthodoxy for Students, Vol. 1.* by Gayle Woloschak \$10.95
4. *Challenge Questions on Orthodoxy for Students, Vol. 2* by Gayle Woloschak & Tatijana Paunesko \$10.95
5. *Christian Living Tracts* [OCPC] \$.25@/ set of 6 for \$1.50
 - *On Controlling Conception*
 - *The Married Life*
 - *The Christian Father*
 - *The Single Life*
 - *The Homosexual Christian*
 - *Why Wait Until Marriage*

6. *Encyclopedia of the Major Saints and Fathers of the Orthodox Church, Vol. 1* by B. Eleftheriou \$12.95
 7. *Encyclopedia of the Major Saints and Fathers of the Orthodox Church, Vol. 2* \$14.95
 8. *The Evidence of Things Not Seen: Orthodoxy & Modern Physics* (Synaxis Press) by Archbishop Lazar Puhalo, \$10.00 [NEW to this listing]
 9. *How are we Saved? The Understanding of Salvation in the Orthodox Tradition* by Bishop Kallistos Ware \$9.95
 10. *Jesus Prayer: A Monk of the Eastern Church*, \$9.95 (Revised Edition)
 11. *Living the Faith: The Praxis of Eastern Orthodox Ethics* by Fr. Stanley Harakas, \$19.95
 12. *Love Sexuality and the Sacrament of Marriage* [Holy Cross Press] by Fr. Dn. John Chryssavgis \$7.95
 13. *Orthodoxy a Creed for Today* by Fr. Anthony Coniaris \$12.95
 14. *Pearls From The Prologue* compiled & edited by Johanna Manley \$15.99
 15. *The Power of the Name* by Bishop Kallistos Ware (Jesus Prayer), \$5.95 [New to this Listing]
 16. *Preparing for Confession* by Fr. L. Joseph Letendre \$2.95
 17. *Preparing to Receive Communion* by Fr Tom Avramis, \$2.95
 18. *What the Church Fathers say about... Vol. I* Ed. George Grube \$12.95
 19. *What the Church Fathers say about... Vol. II* Ed. George Grube \$12.95
- BOOKS BY FR. STANLEY HARAKAS**
20. *Contemporary Moral Issues* by Fr. Stanley Harakas \$11.95
 21. *Guidelines for Marriage in the Orthodox Church* by Fr. Stanley Harakas \$3.95
 22. *Health and Medicine in the Eastern Orthodox Tradition* By Fr. Stanley Harakas, \$17.95
 23. *Orthodox Christian Beliefs: Real Answers to Real Questions from Real People* by Fr. Stanley Harakas \$16.95
 24. *The Orthodox Church: 455 Questions & Answers* by Fr. Stanley Harakas \$16.
 25. *Toward a Transfigured Life* by Fr. Stanley Harakas \$15.95

MISH – MEDICAL INSITUTE FOR SEXUAL HEALTH [p.5] [Non-Orthodox. Use with caution.]

1. *Abstinence Because* pamphlet / 25 for \$7.50, 50 for \$13.00, 100 for \$24.00

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMISION - OCEC [p.1]

1. *Celebration: Feasts and Holy Days* Pupil-\$8.75; Teacher-\$10
2. *Film and Values* supplement to *Focus on You* by John Boojamra\$9.00
3. *Focus on You* by John Boojamra\$40.00
4. *Him Again* supplement to *Focus on You* by John Boojamra\$11.00
5. *Reruns, Reruns* \$4.00
6. *Second Helpings I & II* \$8.00 for the set
7. *The Way, The Truth, The Life*, Teacher's Manual \$19.95, Student's Book \$15.95 [NEW TEXTBOOK]

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN PUBLICATION CENTER - OCPC [p.2]

1. *The Earth Is the Lord's: Caring for God's Creation Stewardship* \$5.00 / DRE, OCEC
2. *God is Calling You: Exploring, God's Purpose for Your Life* \$5.00 / DRE, OCEC
3. *Hidden Treasures: Discovering God's Gifts* \$5.00 / DRE
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2. *Come Bless the Lord* Icon Packet - Light & Life, DRE, OCEC
3. A **Nativity Set** available in many stores during the Advent season.
4. *Divine Liturgy* Flip Chart OCEC
5. *Build Your Own Church* – DRE, OCEC, Light & Life
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7. *Build Your Own Bishop, Priest, and Deacon* – DRE, OCEC, Light & Life
8. *Teaching Pictures* – DRE, OCEC, Light & Life
9. *Come Bless the Lord Icon Packet* – DRE, OCEC, Light & Life
10. Check the Resource Cabinet for the out-of-- print *Orthodox Children's Puzzles* produced by Ecumenical Productions in the 1970's. If you have them, keep them in separate bags, and use them only with teacher supervision. [Palm Sunday, Nativity, Boy taking Communion, Child being Baptized, Church Interior, and Pascha.]
11. Check the Resource Cabinet for 2 out-of-print *Colorform* kits: Liturgy & Altar; Iconostasion & Utensils
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2. *Christina Goes to Church* by Maria Khoury - Light & Life, DRE
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4. *I Go To Church* by Ann Marie Gidus-Mecera - Light & Life, DRE
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6. *In Church I Visit With God* by Mary Jane Milligan - Light & Life
7. *Let's Take a Walk Through Our Orthodox Church* by Fr. A. Coniaris - Light & Life, DRE, Conciliar
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15. **The Adventures of Spero, the Orthodox Church Mouse Series** by Jane Fontana, DRE, LL
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 - *Spero Learns of Palm Sunday & Jesus' Love*
16. Lives of Saints books that are colorful. For this age group, tell the story rather than read it.
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- ✧ **OCEC:** PO Box 1051, Syracuse, NY 13201-1051/800-464-2744 or 315-428-1566/FAX: 315-422-1893
www.orthodoxed.org
- ✧ **OCPC:** PO Box 588, Wayne, NJ 07474-0588 / 973-331-9101 / FAX: 973-331-9502
http://www.oca.org/pages/min_orgs/units/ocpc.html
- ✧ **St. Ignatius of Antioch Press** 442 St. Charles St. Lima, OH 45805-3365 / 419-222-2029
Email: presbytera@juno.com / <http://home.surge.net/orthodox/stignatius/index.html>
- ✧ **St. Tikhon's Bookstore:** St. Tikhon's Rd. PO Box "B" , S. Canaan, PA 18459-0130 /888-454-6678 / 570-937-4390
FAX: 570-937-3100 /Email: bookstore@stots.edu / www.stots.edu/bookstore/htm
- ✧ **SVS-St. Vladimir Seminary Bookstore:** 575 Scarsdale Road, Crestwood, NY 10707-1699 / 800-204-2665
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RESOURCES FOR PARENTS & FAMILIES

Little Falcons Magazine, PO Box 371, Grayslake, IL 60030 / 847-223-4300 / FAX: 847-223-4305 / Email: littlefalcons@owc.net. \$15.00 per year, 4 issues [Back issues \$5.00.] Each issue has one theme: ex. Oil, Water, Bread, and Wine. Collect them all and form a "Children's Orthodox Encyclopedia."

Orthodox Family Life - archived articles are available at <http://www.theologic.com/oflweb>

3 Suggested Websites for Movie Reviews: www.screenit.com / www.moviemom.com / www.family.org

BOOKS ON CHRISTIAN PARENTING

1. *On the Upbringing of Children* by Bishop Irenaeus / Light & Life
2. *Raising Them Right* by St. Theophan the Recluse / Light & Life, Conciliar Press, DRE
3. *A Way of Life: Introducing Your Child to the Orthodox Faith* by Ann-Marie Gidus-Mecera / Light & Life, DRE, OCEC, OCPC
4. *Your Baby's Baptism in the Orthodox Church* by Fr. Anthony Coniaris / Light & Life

BOOKS RELATED TO EDUCATION and THE HOME

1. *A Guide for the Domestic Church* by the Diocese of Newton (Melkite source) / Conciliar Press
2. *Building to Last: Stories for Families to Read Together in Their Daily Prayer Time* by Isabel Anderson / Light & Life
3. *Children in the Church Today: An Orthodox Perspective* by Sister Magdalen / Light & Life, DRE
4. *Children's Literature: A Guide for the Christian Home and Parish* / Light & Life, OCEC
5. *Conversations with Children: Communicating Our Faith* by Sister Magdalen / Light & Life
6. *Family Life: Christian Family in Today's World*, ed. by Constance Tarasar / OCPC
7. *Guide to Greek Traditions and Customs in America* by Marilyn Rouvelas / Light & Life, DRE
8. *Liturgy and Life: Christian Development Through Liturgical Experience* by Fr. Alexander Schmemmann / Light & Life, DRE
9. *Making God Real in an Orthodox Christian Home* by Fr. Anthony Coniaris / Light & Life, DRE
10. *Making Things Right* [preparing a child for first confession; ages 7-10; pupil, pupil Activity book, teachers' -parents' manual / OCEC & DRE
11. *Our Church and Our Children* by Sophie Koulomzin [out of print; check parish library]
12. *Television in the Christian Home* by Kevin Perotta / Light & Life, DRE

RESOURCES FOR HOME USE

1. *The Biggest Birthday Party* (Advent) by John Boojamra / Light & Life, OCEC, DRE
2. *Challenge Questions on Orthodoxy for Students* by Gayle Woloschak / Light & Life, DRE
3. *More Challenge Questions on Orthodoxy for Students* by Gayle Woloschak
4. *Come Bless the Lord* Icon Packet / Light & Life, DRE, OCEC
5. *Daily Prayers for Orthodox Christians* / St. Ignatius Press
6. *Feast and Families: The Season of Christmas* (Advent) by C. Tarasar/Light & Life, OCEC, DRE, OCPC
7. *How About Advent! An Advent Program for the Orthodox Christian Family* by Fr. Kurt Speier, Dn. John Finley / Light & Life, OCEC, DRE
8. *Hymns of the Orthodox Church Music Education* 12 booklets. Each contains an icon related to the hymn, the music in English, Greek & English phonetics, lesson ideas and vocabulary. A cassette tape features the voices of EIKONA. Family Packet (1 booklet of each hymn & 1 tape) DRE
9. *Meal Blessing Cards* (set of 16 cards containing blessings for both before and after meals, together with the troparia and kontakia of the major feasts) Holy Myrrhbearers Monastery
10. *My Lenten Journey (Poster & Activity)* / Light & Life, OCEC
11. *Plugged In* Magazine [Non-Orthodox guide to movies, music, TV programs, video games, etc. Use with caution.] 12 issues \$20 from Focus on the Family, Colorado Springs, CO 80995/800-A-FAMILY FAX: 719-531-3424 / <http://www.family.org>
12. *How to Pray with Icons: an Activity Book for Children* by M. Tataryn / Light & Life

BOOKS ON THE ORTHODOX FAITH

1. *God With Us: Critical Issues in the Christian Living and Faith* by Fr. John Breck / SVS
2. *The Bible in the Liturgy* by Fr. Constantine Nasr / Light & Life
3. *Contemporary Moral Issues Facing the Orthodox Christian* by Fr. S. Harakas / DRE, Light & Life
4. *Encyclopedia of Major Saints and Fathers of the Orthodox Church, Vol. 1* by Basil Eleftheriou / Light & Life
5. *The Faith We Hold* by Archbishop Paul of Finland / Light & Life
6. *Feast of Faith* (Divine Liturgy) by Archbishop Paul of Finland & / Light & Life
7. *The Incarnate God: The Feasts of Jesus Christ and the Virgin Mary* 2 Volumes / Light & Life, DRE
8. *The Living God: a Catechism for the Christian Faith 2 Volumes* / DRE, Light & Life
9. *Journey Through the Divine Liturgy* by Fr. Constantine Nasr / Light & Life
10. *The Orthodox Church* [2nd Edition] by Bishop Kallistos Ware / DRE, Light & Life [An Orthodox classic.]
11. *The Orthodox Church: A Well-Kept Secret [A Journey Through Church History]* by Fr. George Nicozisin / DRE, Light & Life
12. *The Orthodox Church: 455 Questions & Answers* by Fr. Stanley Harakas/ Light & Life & DRE
13. *The Orthodox Faith: An Elementary Handbook on the Orthodox Church* by Fr. Thomas Hopko: *Vol. 1 Doctrine; Vol. 2 Worship; Vol. 3 Bible and Church History, Vol. 4 Spirituality* / Light & Life, DRE, & OCPC [EXCELLENT, Easy to Read.]
14. *Orthodox Mysteries Sacraments and Worship of the Orthodox Church* / Light & Life, Conciliar Press
15. *The Orthodox Way* by Bishop Kallistos Ware / Light Life & DRE
16. *Our Faith, A Popular Presentation of Orthodox Christianity* by Fr. John Matusiak / Light & Life & OCPC
17. *When You Intermarry* by Fr. Charles Joanides / Light & Life, DRE

Conciliar Press publishes the following **topical booklets**. Available from Conciliar or Light & Life for \$95

- *Abortion: What does the Church Teach?*
- *Building a Habit of Prayer*
- *Call No Man Father*
- *Confession: the Healing Sacrament*
- *Communion – a Family Affair*
- *Cultist at My Door*
- *Dealing with Grief*
- *Entering God's Kingdom*
- *Facing Up to Mary*
- *Finding the New Testament Church*
- *Finishing the Race*
- *A Guide to Spiritual Life*
- *Heavenly Worship*
- *How to Read Your Bible*
- *The Nation of Israel in Prophecy [NEW]*
- *No Graven Images*
- *Orthodoxy: Jewish and Christian*
- *Practical Prayer*
- *Prayer and the Departed Saints*
- *Scripture and Tradition*
- *The Mission of Orthodoxy*
- *Tithing*
- *What about the Non-Orthodox?*
- *What Orthodox Christians Believe*
- *When You Fast*
- *Which Came First: the Church or the New Testament?*
- *Why We Worship on Sunday [NEW]*

Contact the following publishers to place an order, for catalogues, or for more information.

- ✘ **Conciliar Press:** PO Box 76 / Ben Lomond, CA 95005-0076 / 800-967-7377 or 831-336-8882/ FAX: 831-336-8882 / Email: marketing@conciliarpress.com / <http://www.christianity.com/conciliarpress>
- ✘ **DRE – Department of Religious Education:** 50 Goddard Ave., Brookline, MA 02445-7415 / 800-566-1088 or 617-850-1218 / FAX: 617-850-1489 / Email: religioused@goarch.org / www.religioused.goarch.org
- ✘ **Holy Myrrhbearers Monastery:** 144 Bert Washburn Rd., Otego, NY 13825-9650 / 607-432-3179
- ✘ **Light & Life Publishing:** 4808 Park Glen Rd., Minneapolis, MN 55416 / 952-925-3888 / FAX: 888-925-3918 / Email: info@light-n-life.com / <http://www.light-n-life.com>
- ✘ **OCEC – Orthodox Christian Education Committee:** PO Box 1051, Syracuse, NY 13201-1051 / 800-464-2744 or 315-428-1566/ FAX: 315-422-1893 / www.orthodoxed.org
- ✘ **OCPC – Orthodox Christian Publication Center** PO Box 588, Wayne, NJ 07474-0588 / 973-331-9101/ FAX: 973-331-9502 / www.oca.org/pages/min_orgs/units/ocpc.html

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RESOURCES FOR THE SMALL CHURCH SCHOOL

When a Church School cannot use the regular curriculum, try a different format – the "One Room School House." Have the entire Church School focus on one theme. Gather all the students for the main presentation, then break up into 2 or 3 groups for age-appropriate activities. Books 2 – 5 offer 3 levels of activity.

1. **LITTLE FALCONS Magazine** [PO Box 371, Grayslake, IL 60030/ 847-223-4300 / FAX: 847-223-4305 / Email: littlefalcons@owc.net] \$15.00 per year, 4 issues. Each issue focuses on one theme such as Candles, Incense, The Cross, Bells, Oil, Water, Bread, Wine and more. Back issues are \$5.00 each. For a modest price one can compile an "Orthodox Children's Encyclopedia."
2. **THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S: Caring for God's Creation** 5-part study unit, pre-school through high school; packet reproduced locally for each teacher. This program is designed to help students understand creation as a gift of God and their role as good stewards of God's gift. Includes many practical ideas and resources for home and parish use. / DRE, OCEC \$5.00
3. **GOD IS CALLING YOU: Exploring God's Purpose for Your Life** [\$5.00] 7-part study unit focusing on Vocations, both ordained and non-ordained ministries; geared for students ages 7-18; packet reproduced locally for each teacher. This program hopes to foster a desire in participants to explore and pursue their personal vocation within the Church and community. / DRE, OCEC \$5.00
4. **HIDDEN TREASURES: Discovering God's Gifts** 5-part study unit; lessons may be used with a wide range of students, but activities are geared to elementary grades, packet reproduced locally for each teacher. This program is designed to offer students a sense of their uniqueness as individuals created in the Image and Likeness of God, while emphasizing their membership within the Christian community. DRE \$5.00
5. **TEACH ALL NATIONS!** 9-part study unit, ages 4-13; packet to be reproduced locally for each teacher. Students have their "passports" validated when they "visit" Armenia, Ireland, Antioch, Athens, Rome, Romania, and the Slavic lands. Suggests ethnic costumes and craft projects. Students write and present a play. This unit on Mission in the Church tells the story of how the Good News delivered by Jesus has been proclaimed for 2,000 years by His disciples and apostles, from Jerusalem to the local parishes of which we are members. / DRE, OCEC \$5.00

GROUP PUBLISHING / CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

As always, use non-Orthodox materials with caution.

GROUP Publishing offers several resources that can be used in small church schools. 30-day satisfaction guarantee. Available at some local Christian Bookstores. Although Group Publishing is a Protestant firm, their teaching methods are tried and true and can be adapted to an Orthodox Church School. The teacher needs to add the festal cycle and Orthodox practices. GROUP publishes a variety of craft books, idea books, snip and tell Bible stories, interactive Bible stories for children, and more that can be adapted for use by Orthodox Church Schools. [PO Box 481 Loveland, CO 80539 / 800-447-1070 or 800-747-6060 x1509 / FAX 970-292-4374 / Email: info@grouppublishing.com / www.grouppublishing.com

1. **Children's Ministry Guide for Smaller Churches** by Rick Chromey offers ideas on a variety of topics listed as chapters in the Contents: Small Advantages; Getting Focused; Balanced Ministry; Finding Help; Finding Money; Teaching to Produce Learning; Effective Programs; Reaching Out. The chapter "Children & Worship" offers some ideas that Orthodox can use.
2. **Bible-Time Crafts Your Kids Will Love [NEW in 2003]**
3. **Extra-Special Bible Adventures** by Christine Yount, geared for upper elementary students, takes them on journeys through Genesis and Exodus, with Daniel, Jesus and St. Paul.
4. **Sunday School Specials 1, 2, & 3** by Lois Keffer are geared for students ages 4-12. The combined-class lessons include Old and New Testament stories and lessons to help celebrate special times. All lessons involve active-learning experiences, interactive Bible stories, life applications, and take-home handouts. [I have only examined #3.]

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ORTHODOX VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL PROGRAMS

1. ***THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S: Caring for God's Creation*** A 5-part study unit for VCS, weekly Church School, or Summer Camping Programs; preschool through high school; packet reproduced locally for each teacher. This program is designed to help students understand creation as a gift of God and their role as good stewards of God's gift. Includes many practical ideas and resources for home and parish use. / DRE, OCPC, OCEC
2. ***GOD IS CALLING YOU: Exploring God's Purpose for Your Life*** A 7-part study unit for Church Schools, Youth Groups, Summer Camps, and VCS focusing on Vocations both ordained and non-ordained ministries. Geared for students ages 7-18. This program hopes to foster a desire in participants to explore and pursue their personal vocation within the Church and community. / DRE, OCPC, OCEC
3. ***HIDDEN TREASURES: Discovering God's Gifts*** A 5-part study unit for VCS, weekly Church School, and Summer Camps. Lessons may be used by a wide range of students, but activities are geared to elementary grades; packet reproduced locally for each teacher. This program is designed to offer students a sense of their uniqueness as individuals created in the Image and Likeness of God, while emphasizing their membership within the Christian community. / DRE, OCPC
4. ***"LIVING IN AN ORTHODOX WORLD"*** by Fr. Michael Shanbour focuses on centering one's life on the liturgical and personal prayer of the Church. Six of the eight songs from his sing-a-long CD/Audio Cassette by the same name are integrated into the lessons. The program includes lesson plans, sheet music, cassette, nametag, and certificate. 5day; half-day, preschool- grade 6 / DRE Additional tapes, and CD's, and a Companion Booklet can be purchased.
5. ***TEACH ALL NATIONS!: The Church Grows Around the World*** A 9-part study unit for weekly Church School or VCS; half or full day; ages 4-13; packet to be reproduced locally for each teacher. Students will have their "passports" validated when they visit Armenia, Ireland, Antioch, Athens, Rome, Romania and the Slavic lands. Suggests ethnic costumes. Craft/art project. Students write and present a play. This unit on Mission in the Church tells the story of how the Good News delivered by Jesus has been proclaimed for 2,000 years by His disciples and apostles, from Jerusalem to the local parishes of which we are members. / DRE, OCPC, OCEC
6. ***WE ARE: THE CHURCH*** 5-day; half-day, preschool - junior high. All materials - director's manual, worship service, lesson plans for each grade level, supplemental materials for students and more - comes in a 3-ring notebook. Reproducible to meet local needs. / DRE, Light & Life
7. ***REACHING FOR THE FRUITS: HELPING CHILDREN GROW SPIRITUALLY*** by Angeline Eliakopoulos. Sibling dealing with life's challenges provides material for discussing the fruits of the Holy Spirit. Eight chapters can be the basis for discussion and 6 plays can be dramatized in class. Ages 6-12. / Light & Life, DRE
8. ***MIRACLES and MORE: Exercises For The Church School*** by Angeline Eliakopoulos / DRE Themes: Miracles, Resurrection, and Jesus reveals Himself to us. Contains lesson plans, discussion questions, plays, directions and recipes for children to prepare Kollyva, Prosporo, Artoklasia; Church Treasure hunt game, worksheets, 45 arts and crafts projects, sample VCS forms and more. 136 pages / Light & Life, DRE



**VCS PROGRAMS DEVELOPED BY
HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH, Pittsburgh, PA**

123 Gilkeson Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15228 / 412-833-3355. \$50.00 each. Proceeds benefit the Orthodox Christian Mission Center in St. Augustine, Florida. Reproduced at the local level. I have first-hand experience with SAINTS ALIVE!, PARABLES, MIRACLES OF JESUS & Journey to the Promised Land and have found them to be user-friendly.

1. **MIRACLES OF JESUS** [Developed in 1993] 5-day; half-day; age 3 - grade 8; divided into three levels. Daily lesson includes a skit, music and craft. Worksheets for each level. [1] Jesus Feeds 5000 People, [2] Jesus Walks on Water; [3] Jesus Heals 10 Lepers; [4] The Healing of the Canaanite Woman's Daughter; [5] The Raising of Lazarus.
2. **PARABLES** [Developed in 1992] 5-day; half-day; pre-Kindergarten - grade 6; three levels. Daily lesson includes a skit, craft project, music and recreation ideas. [1] Prodigal Son; [2] The Good Samaritan; [3] The Hidden Treasure; [4] The Wise and Foolish Builders; [5] The Cruel and Unforgiving Debtor.
3. **SAINTS ALIVE!** [Developed in 1990] 5-day; half-day; age 3 - 7th grade divided into three levels. Daily lesson includes a skit and background material about the saint of the day, craft project and music. [1] St. Nicholas; [2] SS. Peter and Paul; [3] St. John the Almsgiver; [4] Ss. Julitta and Kyrikos, [5] Virgin Mary.
4. **SUMMER PASCHA** [Developed in 1994] 5-day; half-day; preschool - grade 8; three levels. Daily lesson includes a skit, Bible Verse, activity book and craft. [1] Jesus Goes to Jerusalem; [2] Last Supper, Betrayal, Arrest; [3] Crucifixion; [4] Resurrection; [5] Doubting Thomas.
5. **JOURNEY TO THE PROMISED LAND** [Old Testament] [Developed in 1995] 5-day; half-day. Three levels: Preschool - grade 8. Includes Lesson Plans, Student Activity Books, Skits, Crafts and Music. [1] Creation, [2] Noah, [3] Moses and the Burning Bush; [4] Crossing the Red Sea; [5] 10 Commandments.



The following programs are out-of-print, but a nearby Romanian Orthodox [OCA] parish may have a file copy that you can reproduce. If that is not an option, contact me.

1. **SAINTS & CELEBRATIONS** 5-Day; full-day program; Preschool - teens; four levels. Detailed lesson plans, activity directions and patterns, plus supplementary information and bibliographic references for teacher/student use. Summer feast days: Ascension, Pentecost, Transfiguration, Dormition and Nativity of the Theotokos. Saints: St. George, SS. Constantine and Helen, Archangel Gabriel, Holy Apostles, St. Herman, St. John the Baptist, St. Juliana the Merciful.
2. **AND JESUS SAID...** 5-day; full day program, ages 4-12 divided into four levels. Detailed lessons include art/craft projects. Lessons include: [1] The Good Samaritan and Elisha and the Widow; [2] The Prodigal Son and Jonah and the Whale; [3] The Parable of the Talents and Noah and the Ark; [4] The Unforgiving Servant and Joseph and His Brothers; [5] Parable of the Wedding Feast and Story of Baby Moses.

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ADULT EDUCATION / ENRICHMENT GROUPS

From my experience, study groups work especially well when there is a Leader's Guide and/or Participants' Study Guide. The following texts offer either (1) a study guide or reflection questions at the end of each chapter or within the text, or (2) reflection questions have been written by individuals leading a group through the text. Books can be ordered from Light & Life, DRE, Conciliar Press, Seminary Bookstores.

1. ***Partakers of Divine Nature*** by Arch. Christoforos Stavropoulos; translated by Fr. Dr. Stanley Harakas. #
2. ***Study of the Book of Ephesians*** ?
3. ***Growing in the Christian Life*** ?
4. ***Beginning to Pray*** by Archbishop Anthony Bloom. *
5. ***Happy in the Lord*** by Kyriaki & Thomas FitzGerald (Study Guide to be on website in near future.)
6. ***Of Life and Salvation*** by Fr. Stanley Harakas *
7. ***Our Hearts True Home*** edited by Virginia Nieuwsma *
8. ***Raising Them Right*** by Theofan the Recluse *
9. ***Way of the Ascetics*** by Tito Colliander *
10. ***A Year of the Lord*** [5 volumes] by Fr. Ted Stylianopoulos. This Bible Study covers the Sunday gospel readings of the year. Questions are integrated with text.
11. ***Victory in the Unseen Warfare*** by Fr. Jack Sparks +
12. ***Virtue in the Unseen Warfare*** by Fr. Jack Sparks +
13. ***Prayer in the Unseen Warfare*** by Fr. Jack Sparks +

The book, Leader's Guide and Participants Study Guide are available from Light & Life Publishing. The Study Guide for *Partakers of Divine Nature* offers guidelines that can be used with subsequent Study Groups.

? I can provide the Leader's Guide, the Study Guides and the booklet.

* Reflection Questions for these books are available on my Website www.phyllisonest.com

+ These books have study questions at the end of each chapter.

Fr. Dan Swires adapted the weekend "Antioch Day Retreat" to a one-day retreat used to "Kick-Off" an adult education/enrichment program. The "Kick-Off" is a superb way to begin adult study groups. I have reworked the retreat.

TREASURY OF BLESSINGS SERIES - Each lesson of the first three books consists of a set of questions for preliminary exploration and discussion of the subject, followed by explanatory notes. Available from St. Vladimir's Bookstore. Inquiries and Orders, contact PERICOPE PRESS 287 Bay Road, Menlo Park, CA 94025-1730 /Phone and Fax: 650-322-7941 / Email: jmanley11@earthlink.net. Sample lessons are available at <http://www.best.com/~jmanley/>

14. ***The Book of Isaiah as Taught by the Holy Fathers*** 170 pages, 26 lessons. The Holy Fathers' explanations are excerpted, edited and simplified from the book *Isaiah through the Ages*.
15. ***The Book of Job as Taught by the Church and the Holy Fathers*** 92 pages, 11 lessons. The Holy Fathers' explanations are excerpted, edited and simplified from *Wisdom, Let us Attend: Job, the Fathers and the Old Testament*.
16. ***The Epistle to the Hebrews*** 94 pages, 13 lessons with liturgical links and Old Testament references.
17. ***Liturgy & Scripture*** by Frs. Peter Salmas, Christopher Flesoras and Johanna Manley. This volume has 8 lessons; Short studies for special occasions throughout the Orthodox liturgical calendar followed by questions. Brings together Scripture with hymnology, hagiography, iconography, doctrines, liturgics, festal cycles, the Holy Fathers, and orthopraxis.

I have learned from experience to begin with a basic book on the Orthodox Faith so that group members are on common ground regarding the Faith. Then the group(s) continue(s) with #1,2,3, which is the core study. When the group completes the core study, it continues with studies # 4-13. I also suggest that the group take a break during the holidays. I have learned from experience that people are willing to make a commitment to a 6-8-10 week study more easily than an ongoing program. The Core Study has been used successfully in Greek and OCA parishes in Ohio.

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A RESOURCE LIST FOR TEACHING THE FEAST DAYS OF THE ORTHODOX CHURCH

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2. *Festival Icons for the Christian Year* by John Baggley / SVS, DRE
3. *Great Lent* by Fr. Alexander Schmemman / DRE, Light & Life
4. *The Incarnate God: The Feasts of Jesus Christ and the Virgin Mary* / SVS Press
5. *The Living God: a Catechism, Vol. 1&2,* / SVS Press
6. *The Orthodox Faith Series: Volume on Worship* by Fr. Thomas Hopko / OCEC, DRE, Light & Life
7. *The Year of Grace of the Lord* by a Monk of the Eastern Church provides a guide to the liturgical year./ LL, DRE
8. *A Year of the Lord Bible Study, Vol. 1-5,* by Fr. Theodore Stylianopoulos / DRE
9. *A Way of Life: Introducing Your Child to the Orthodox Faith* by Ann Marie Gidus-Mecera/ DRE, LL, OCEC
10. *Praying with Icons* by Jim Forest / Light& Life
11. *How to Pray with Icons: an Activity Book for Children* by M. Tataryn / Light & Life

CLASSROOM RESOURCES

1. *Come Bless the Lord Icon Packet* contains 40 color icons (8 1" x 11") plus a companion booklet. LL, DRE, OCEC
2. *The Teaching Pictures* Four sets of 80 color photographs. *The Feast Day and Special Services (Set B)* Lesson Plans on the back side with suggestions for integrating into a lesson. / OCEC & DRE
3. *Celebration: Feasts and Holy Days* /OCEC Pupil and Teacher10 (Teen textbook)
4. *The Biggest Birthday Party* (Advent) by John Boojamra /Light & Life, OCEC, DRE
5. *Feast Day Tract Master Set #5* Hymns of the day, Scripture references, background information and family activities. You may make as many copies as you want./DRE, OCPC
6. *Icons of the Major Feast Days* (3.5"x5") coated; laminated; discounts for multiple orders /DRE
7. *The Lenten Workbook* / OCEC, DRE
8. *Praise the Lord Christmas Workbook* / OCEC, DRE
9. *Weekly Sunday Bulletins* by Vestal Publishing

CD-ROM: *The Royal Road: A Journey through Great Lent* / DRE

WEBSITES: Greek Archdiocese, Antiochian Archdiocese, OCA, www.monachos.net/great_lent ,
www.oca.org/focusededucation/index.html

CHILDREN'S BOOKS:

The Baptism of Our Lord by Euphemia Briere / Light & Life, DRE [ages 7-10]

1. **BYZANTINE COLORING BOOKS: Feast Days** / Light & Life, Conciliar Press
2. *Esther's Easter Dress* by Katherine Kafarakis / Light & Life , DRE [ages 7-12]
3. *Holy Nativity of Our Lord* by Euphemia Briere / Light & Life , DRE [ages 7-10]
4. *How to Pray with Icons: An Activity Book for Children* by M. Tataryn / Light & Life, DRE, Conciliar Press
5. *Icon Book* by Fr. John Matusiak / Light & Life , OCEC, DRE
6. *Icon Coloring Book The Nativity* / Light & Life , DRE, OCEC [ages 6-10]
7. *Icon Coloring Book Journey to Pascha* / Light & Life, OCEC [ages 6-10]
8. *Lives of the Saints and Major Feast Days* by Fr. George Poulos / Light & Life , DRE
9. *Prepare O Bethlehem! The Feast of the Nativity* by Niko Chocheli / Light & Life , SVS [ages 6-10]
10. *The Twelve Great Feast Days for Young People* by Bishop Lazar Puhalo / Light & Life , DRE
11. *What You Should Know About Holy Week in the Orthodox Church* [older children] (may be out of print)

The Adventures of Spero, the Orthodox Church Mouse Series [ages 4-7]

12. *Spero Learns of Palm Sunday and Jesus' Love* by Jane Fontana / DRE
13. *The Nativity of Our Lord - Christ's Birth* by Jane Fontana / DRE

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LENTEN RESOURCE LIST

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2. ***The Orthodox Study Bible*** - icons, footnotes, articles
3. ***The Year of Grace of the Lord*** by a Monk of the Eastern Church; guide to the liturgical year. [LL, DRE]
4. ***Great Lent*** by Fr. Alexander Schmemmann. [DRE, Light & Life]
5. ***The Lenten Spring*** by Fr. Thomas Hopko. [DRE, Light & Life]
6. ***The Triodion***
7. ***The Holy Week Book*** by Fr. George Papadeas
8. ***Great Week and Pascha in the Greek Orthodox Church*** by Fr. Alkiviadis Calivas [DRE, Light & Life]
9. ***A Resource Handbook for Great Lent and Pascha*** published by the Diocese Religious Education Committee and compiled by PMO for Pittsburgh Diocese in 1989. [Out-of-print; check the Resource Cabinet at church]
7. ***The Sacrament of Penance and the Younger Child*** by Dr. Constance Tarasar [See Spring 2001 Packet on my website.]

CLASSROOM RESOURCES

1. ***Come Bless the Lord Icon Packet*** - 40 icon prints (8.5" x 11") of the major Feast Days and popular saints with an explanation of each on the reverse side, plus a companion booklet. [Light & Life, DRE, OCEC]
2. ***The Teaching Pictures*** - (Set B), Great Lent and Pascha. Lesson Plans. [OCEC & DRE]
3. ***Feast Day Tract Master Set #5*** published by the Orthodox Christian Publications Center. Format: hymns of the day, Scripture references, background information and family activities. Permission to make multiple copies. [DRE, OCEC, Light & Life]
4. ***Getting Ready for Holy Week and Pascha Booklet*** - Same format at the *Feast Day Tract Masters*. Permission to make multiple copies. [On website under Spring 1997 Packet "Ready to Print Projects."]
5. ***Lenten Lotto*** [grades K,1,2,3] Matching game. Liturgical services of Great Lent and Holy Week with basic Biblical and historical events. [OCEC]
6. ***Lenten Workbook*** [grades 3,4,5,6] 16-page workbook that explains and reviews the themes services and practices of Great Lent and Holy Week. Illustrations, text, puzzles, activities. [DRE, OCEC]
7. ***My Lenten Journey, an Interactive Poster for Kids*** - Large full-color poster plus 40 colorful stickers and a "How-to Guide for Creative Projects." K-5. [OCEC, DRE]
8. ***Our Journey Begins*** activity (Young Life Magazine March 1989, pp. 9-11) is a puzzle that can be used especially with younger children to mark off the days until Holy Week and Pascha. [Not on website, part of the Spring 1999 Packet]
9. ***Our Journey to Pascha Lenten Board Game*** includes a game board plus 80 questions. Game board can be enlarged to 11"x17" format. [On website under Spring 2000 Packet, "Ready to Print Projects"]
10. ***PASCHA EGGS: The Resurrection Story for Orthodox Christian Children*** is a hands-on activity for class and home. Each plastic egg contains a small item related to the Pascha Story. The directions to make your own set of eggs and the booklet are included. [On website under Spring 1998 Packet, "Ready to Print Projects"]
11. ***Pascha Lesson Cookie Recipe*** helps younger children with the concept of the empty Tomb [On website under Spring 2000 Packet]
12. ***Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem*** - One-page play. [Not on website. Refer to Spring 1991 Packet.]
13. ***We Return to God*** - [grades 2,3,4] pamphlet introducing the Sacrament of Confession, examination of conscience at the child's level. Prayers for before and after Communion. [OCEC, Light & Life]
14. ***IOCC Children's Lenten Project*** developed by Fr. Irinij Dobrijevic [On website under Fall 1999 Packet]

Coloring Books

1. ***The Icon Book*** by Fr. John Matusiak
2. ***Journey to Pascha – Icon Coloring Book*** includes the Prodigal Son, Resurrection of Christ, the Crucifixion, St. Mary of Egypt, The Myrrhbearing Women, Jesus' Prayer in the Garden, St. Thomas Believes, Palm Sunday, Washing the Feet, the Bridegroom.
3. ***Parables of Christ Byzantine Coloring Book***

Selected Children's Books

1. ***Spero Learns of Palm Sunday and Jesus' Love*** by Jane Fontana. Spero learns that Holy Week has a happy ending.
2. ***Esther's Easter Dress*** by Katherine Kafarakis [ages 7-12] A young girl's adventure through Orthodox Holy Week. 24 Illustrations.
3. ***What You Should Know about Holy Week in the Orthodox Church*** is out-of-print, but may be in your parish's Church School Resources. For older students. [Published by Scriptographic for the Orthodox Church.]

VIDEOS

1. ***Holy Unction*** [Light & Life]
2. ***Holy Week*** [Light & Life]

A HOLY FRIDAY RETREAT GUIDEBOOK by the National Forum of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians. Students go from station to station in small groups for about 7-8 minutes. Each station has a theme. Adults or older students prepare a short explanation of their stations. Lesson tips, alternate station ideas, and additional information included. [DRE]

If you have already used the retreat, do it a second time using the same format but choose other topics. Some are listed in the guidebook. Descriptions of topics can be found in ***A Resource Handbook for Great Lent and Pascha***, (see #13).

LENTEN BULLETIN BOARD IDEAS

Does your parish use the Weekly Bulletins from Vestal (the ones with the icons)? Each week I toss mine in a box marked "Bulletins" and sorted by "Men Saints," "Women Saints," "Feast Days," "Holy Week," "Pre-Lenten Sundays," "Sundays of Lent," "Angels," etc. When I need icons, I sort through the box and trim them to size. If you don't have these icons, use the ones from the ***Come Bless the Lord Icon Packet***.

1. ***Sundays of the Triodion and the Events of Holy Week in Icons*** Cover the board with colored paper. Start in the bottom right corner and place the icons in a clockwise spiral in order by date so that Pascha ends in the center. Add the dates and titles below each icon. Connect them with purple crepe paper. Add a title such as "Marking Our Path to Pascha."
2. ***Paschal Greeting in Various Languages*** [On website under Spring 2000 Packet, "Bulletin Board Ideas for Pascha /Easter"]
3. ***Pascha Eggs: The Resurrection Story for Orthodox Christian Children***: This egg carton project can also be used as a basis for a bulletin board. Each page can be enlarged and placed on the bulletin board. Add the item itself (if possible), or a picture of the item, or an icon, or drawing and you have a teaching tool! [On website under Spring 1998 Packet, "Ready to Print Projects."]

CD-ROM

THE ROYAL ROAD CD-ROM centers on the Triodion period. Includes 36 Lenten hymns in Greek and English, 8 hymns, 32 gospel, epistle and other readings, 12 video clips, 75 Lenten recipes, 85 Quiz Questions, dozens of articles, patristic quotations and more. From the 'Publican and the Pharisee' to Pascha! For home or church school class. Mac/Windows operating systems compatible. [DRE, \$39.95]

SELECTED WEBSITES OF INTEREST:

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STAGES OF FAITH and FAMILY and APPLICATION (OCEC)

STAGES OF FAITH

Birth to Toddler

- The quality of mutuality and strength of trust, autonomy, hope and courage developed at this time underlies all that comes later in faith development.
- Transition to next stage begins with convergence of language and thought.

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Early Childhood (Age 2-6)

This is the fantasy filled imitative phase in which the child can be powerfully influenced by examples, moods, actions and stories of visible faith of significant adults.

- Relative fluidity of thought patterns.
- Stage of first self-awareness.
- Child is egocentric.
- First awareness of death and sex differences.
- Preoccupying fear of death around 3rd or 4th year
- Strength at this stage is birth of imagination and ability to unify and grasp world in powerful images and as presented in stories.
- Appreciate long stories but have limited ability to retell them.
- Useful realism of biblical narratives provides indirect yet effective ways for children to externalize inner anxieties and order images and stories by which to begin to shape their lives.
- Literal-minded.
- Sense of community.

Transition to next stage begins with emergence of concrete operational thinking.

Childhood (Age 7-12)

This stage gives way to the rise of narrative and the forming of stories of faith. The child begins to take on the stories, beliefs and observances that symbolize belonging to his/her community. Their spiritual development will be largely determined by making sense out of actions around them.

- Beliefs are appropriated with literal interpretations, as are moral rules and attitudes. Symbols are taken as one-dimensional and literal in meaning.
- Story becomes major way of giving unity and value to experience.

FAMILY SKILLS & APPLICATION

Birth to Toddler

- Focus on the adult around the child as meeting his need and being present to him. Single parents should seek special assistance, associating with a larger community such as a Christian parish.
- Begin in the crib with religious behavior and symbolism. Make the sign of the cross on the children as you would on yourself. Say your evening prayers in their room as they go to sleep. As they develop verbal skills, 12-18 months, begin to say their evening prayers with them.

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Early Childhood

- Teach the prayers by rote, without trying to explain meaning. The important thing is to have them go into behavior and experiences that they will later come to understand.
- Use bible stories and personal stories to provide models of courage and virtue as well as "conviction-awakening" stories showing that goodness and resourcefulness triumph over evil and sloth.
- Provide a variety of activities to reinforce story and encourage imagination and creativity of child.
- Answer questions simply and clearly and use words that mean what they say.
- Child should attend Divine Liturgy each Sunday; amount of participation increases with age; i.e., saying prayers, sign of cross, signing, standing at Little and Great Entrance and censing, etc.
- Add the Creed to evening prayers to make it easier to memorize when they enter church school. Add seasonal prayers, such as the Prayer of St. Simeon, "Christ is Risen," and the troparion of their name's day.
- They look for reliable and predictable behavior.
- They play by rules and are particularly attuned to the rules of the church.
- They learn to play socially and this enables them to begin to 'think about' their relationships with others. Begin to learn sharing and develop a sense of community.
- Morality still primitive, avoiding punishment, achieving satisfaction but moving into the stage of trying to please others as a 'good boy' or 'nice girl.' They can begin to go to confession and moral development becomes more formal with the ability to role project.
- Sense of presence of parents is important whom they look to as role models copying what parents do and say.

Childhood (Age 7-12)

- Use bible stories, lives of the saints and church history stories to give "unity and value" to experience. (For example, use story of *Restoration of Icons* to explain Orthodoxy Sunday procession; relation of Entrance into Jerusalem to Palm Sunday, etc.).
- Use bible stories, especially parables, to teach moral rules and attitudes. Choose stories that say what they mean. (Good Samaritan vs. Sower and the Seed. Children will remember details of the Sower and the seed but will not see the meaning behind it.)

STAGES OF FAITH

Childhood (Age 7-12) cont'd

- Increasingly able to take perspective of others and compose a world based on reciprocal fairness.
- Can be affected deeply and powerfully by symbolic and dramatic material.
- Can describe in endless detail what has occurred but cannot form reflective, conceptual meanings.
- Actors in their stories are often anthropomorphic.
- Strength - rise of narrative and emergence of story, drama and myth as ways of finding and giving coherence to experience.
- Gender identification.

Later childhood is still dependent on family as adolescence approaches. They also learn that other people affect their lives in addition to parents. It is a transition period that carries its own excitement and difficulties.

Transition - Implicit clash or contradictions in stories that lead to reflection on meanings. The transition to "formal operational" thought makes reflection possible and necessary. This leads to disillusionment with previous teachers and teachings (for e.g. Genesis vs. Evolution). The emergence of mutual interpersonal perspective taking creates the need for a more personal relationship with God.

Adolescence - (Age 13-21)

A person's experience of the world now extends beyond the family. Faith must provide a coherent orientation in the midst of that more complex range of involvement. Faith must synthesize values and information; it must provide a basis for identity and outlook.

- Abstract reasoning, introspection, idealism, and empathy make them ideally suited to a flexible curriculum.
- It is believed that the adolescents should be expected to behave as the Gospel expects (feed the hungry, visit the sick clothe the naked) even if they are questioning the faith. Emotional emphasis should focus on their doing the *right* thing, which will appeal to their growing sense of idealism, introspection and abstract reasoning.
- Structures the environment in interpersonal terms.
- Acutely tuned to the expectations and judgments of significant others.
- Beliefs and values deeply felt but typically tacitly held.
- Possesses ideology but has not objectified it for examination and in a sense unaware of having it - clustering of values and beliefs.
- Strength -forming of identity and shaping of personal faith.
- Danger - expectations and evaluations of others can be so compellingly internalized that later autonomy of judgment and action can be jeopardized, etc.
- Differences of outlook with others experienced as differences in "kind" of person - question and evaluate different parts of view in search of own convictions.
- Need a sense of belonging.

FAMILY SKILLS & APPLICATION

Childhood cont'd

- Involve child in retelling of the story.
- Lessons and stories should allow child to take perspectives of others as in role-playing and making choices.
- Increase discussion of and participation in worship, i.e. expect child to begin to recite prayers, participate and observe more during Divine Liturgy.
- When making points, be sure to make them as concrete as possible and related to their experience.
- Use bible stories carefully since many are not understood by the child in the way adults are feeling them.
- Gender identification: girls identify with mothers and boys with fathers. Here accessibility is important.
- Ready to understand "intention," role projection, and the affects of their actions on other people. Here use a copy of *Children's Literature for the Christian Home* from the Department of Christian Education of the Antiochian Archdiocese for secular books that correlate with the curriculum material.
- Games, social play and, for Christian developmental purposes, confession.

Adolescence (Age 13-21)

- Family should expect that the adolescent is primed for rebellion, devotion to peer group, rejection of adults, moodiness and isolation. It is a period of searching for independence and identity.
- Provide interesting activities in learning and interpreting the faith.
- Allow freedom to question and doubt; help them seek answers to questions.
- Provide experiences in which they can discover the relevance of Scripture and beliefs to their decisions.
- Provide historical background and cultural setting for events and people in the story of Christian faith.
- Provide an atmosphere of trust, understanding, and acceptance in which they feel free to express problems and concerns; listen.
- Provide opportunities for interpersonal interaction; group activities.
- Continue to expect Christian behavior from the adolescent, even if they question their faith. Their sense of idealism will allow you to involve them in the church's social services, shopping for neighbor, and so forth.
- Peer group takes on importance and this can be positive or negative, depending on nature of group. The Church School or Church youth group will play a greater or lesser role depending on leadership and ability to meet needs.
- Parents must begin to let go and encourage responsible behavior.
- Values conflicts are common as they experiment with different roles and belief systems.
- Clearly defined moral standards must be available and mirrored in the parent's own integrity.