

## **Formal Prayers by Grade**

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### **Grade 1**

#### **The Sign of the Cross**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### **The Our Father**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name. Thy Kingdom com;  
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread  
and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

#### **Hail Mary**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among  
women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of  
God, pray for us sinners now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

#### **Glory Be**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the  
beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### **Prayer to a Guardian Angel**

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here. Ever  
this day be at my side to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

#### **Jesus Prayer**

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner. Amen.

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### **Grade 2**

*Students are to know all 1<sup>st</sup>-grade prayers, plus the following:*

#### **Prayer of Sorrow**

Dear God, I am sorry for doing wrong. I know you love me very much. Help  
me to be a caring person. Help me to change and grow in your love. Amen.

#### **Act of Faith, Hope and Love**

My God, I believe in You, I hope in You, I love You above all things, with all  
my mind and heart and strength. Amen.

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## **Formal Prayers by Grade, Continued**

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### **Grade 3**

*Students are to know all 1<sup>st</sup>-grade and 2<sup>nd</sup>-grade prayers, plus the following:*

#### **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.

He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

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### **Grade 4**

*Students are to know all prayers from preceding years, plus the following:*

#### **Act of Contrition**

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong, and failing to do good, I have sinned against You whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin.

Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us.

In His name, my God, have mercy. Amen.

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### **Grade 5**

*Students are to know all prayers from preceding years, plus the following:*

#### **Hail Holy Queen**

Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, hail our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To you we cry, the children of Eve; to you we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this land of exile. Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us; lead us home at last and show us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus: O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Pray for us, O holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

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## **Formal Prayers by Grade, Continued**

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**Grade 5**  
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**Fatima Prayer**

*(This is to be said after each decade of the Rosary)*

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, and lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Your mercy. Amen.

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**Grade 6**

*Students are to know all prayers from preceding years, plus the following:*

**Prayer to the Holy Spirit**

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. And kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you will renew the face of the earth. Lord, by the light of the Holy Spirit you have taught the hearts of your faithful. In the same Spirit help us choose what is right and always rejoice in your consolation.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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**Grades 7 & 8**

*Students are to know all prayers from the previous years.*

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**Important Note  
to Parents**

All children are expected to learn their prayers before promotion to the next grade can be considered.

The easiest and most effective way for the children to learn their prayers is for you to pray with them every day.

If a child has been identified as disabled by the school district, individual criteria can be set by the CRE. Registration forms must indicate a disability; otherwise the child will be expected to perform commensurate with his/her peers.

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