

Religion IV Syllabus

Weeks 1-6 **Apologetics** Students will explore and develop their skills in defending their Catholic faith. Topics include the origin of the Bible, Marian Doctrines, Communion of Saints, Confession and other dogmas and doctrines that make up the Sacred Deposit of Faith.

Weeks 7-12 **Christian Vocations** Students will explore Christian Vocations with an emphasis on the Generous Single Life. Communication techniques, compatibility issues and contemporary relationship expectations are examined within the light and teaching of our Catholic Faith.

Weeks 13-18 **The Mystery of Suffering and Dying** Students will explore suffering and death as it relates to the Paschal Mystery. Attitudes toward death in various cultures are examined as well as social and religious customs for Catholics. Emphasis is placed on understanding redemptive suffering as it relates to the struggles of life.

Grading: Student grades will be weighted as follows:

Test/quiz 35.7%

Class/Mass Participation 10.0%

Daily work 40.0%

Semester Final 14.3%

What Mrs. Engeman Expects

- Respectful attitude to all persons and points of view in the classroom
- Appropriate behavior and language at all time (nothing stronger than heard on the Disney Channel)
- Full attention to classroom speaker(s)
- Homework turned in at the **beginning** of class. Any assignments received after is considered late and will receive point deductions according to policies outlined in the student handbook.
- Full compliance with all school policies as outlined in the student handbook, especially uniform, cell phone and cheating.
- **Active participation** in Mass each week. **Mass attendance is mandatory and graded each week. If you do not attend school Mass on Wednesday, you MUST attend daily Mass within the next six calendar days to receive credit. Your Sunday obligation DOES NOT fulfill this requirement.**

If you have questions or concerns, please contact me at school via phone (428-5591 ext 218) or email kengeman@sfcss.org. My prep time is fourth block, and that is the best time to contact me. I look forward to a terrific year!