

GRADES 3

CHILD PROTECTION CATECHESIS-TEACHING OBJECTIVES

1. God created me and I am unique and unrepeatable. Because I am created in God's image and likeness, I must give and receive respect.
2. Our families and trusted adults and teachers work together to help us grow.
3. Safe touch makes a person feel loved and cared for. Unsafe and unwanted touch makes a person feel uncomfortable and unhappy. Unsafe and unwanted touch must be avoided and immediately reported to a parent or trusted adult.
4. We show respect for ourselves and others by how we talk and how we act and interact. Inappropriate language, jokes, and actions are not acceptable. The privacy of our bodies may never be violated by anyone of any age.
5. We identify good and bad choices and determine how they affect us and others. Sometimes other people make bad choices that affect us, so we must tell and get help.
6. Adults and even children sometimes engage in actions or behaviors that are wrong and sinful. The harmful consequences of these actions and behaviors can damage our bodies, our minds, and our spirits. They must be avoided or reported to a trusted adult.
7. Some secrets can separate us from others and harm us in many ways.
8. Games and play activities with friends should be fun and enjoyable. Some play and games can be wrong and very harmful and must be avoided and reported to a trusted adult.
9. We must learn who is a good friend and who is not. When people misuse our friendship by asking us to do something wrong, they are not friends. It is painful to be mistreated or misused by someone we think is a friend. We must report any misuse or mistreatment to a trusted adult.
10. Even though the world is not always a safe place, my parents and other trusted adults will keep me safe. While there are people who make bad choices and who harm others, there are good and loving people to help me.
11. My parents and family members and other trusted adults will listen to me and help me. I will make a list of three trusted adults I can go to with any problem in addition to my parents and family members. My parents and I will make this list together.