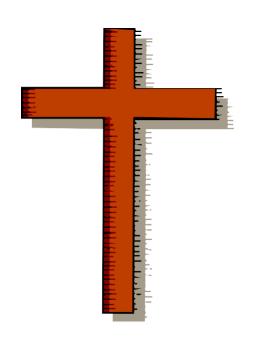


The Creation stories: Children should be able to identify that God is the creator of life and be able to share examples of God's gift of the miracle of life.

Did you know that there are two versions? They are found in Genesis 1:1-2:4a and Genesis 2:4b-25.



## Teach the Sign of the Cross:

In the name of the Father

(right hand touches the forehead)

And of the Son

(right hand touches the chest)

And of the Holy

(right hand touches the left shoulder)

Spirit.

(right hand touches the right shoulder)

Amen

(hands are put together



Children need to be able to understand that every person is a unique child of God.



How does Mary show us how to live as a child of God? "She said "yes" to God.

We as parents need to teach *and model* loving/respectful behaviors and gently point out unloving/disrespectful behaviors.

## Angels are messengers of God and one of God's gifts to His children (that's US).

Be sure to read scripture stories about angels such as Tobias 5:4 about "Raphael" and Luke 1:26-36 about "Gabriel".

St. Gabriel, St. Raphael and St. Michael are three of the seven archangels in the tradition of the Catholic Church.

## Angel of God Prayer:

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



## The BIBLE is the most sacred of all books. Our children



need to know that it contains stories about Jesus, and be able to tell the stories to others or be able to draw them.

Begin with the Birth of Jesus (Luke 2:1-20) and Jesus and the Children (Luke 18:15-17).

Prayers to Know: The Sign of the Cross, Lord's Prayer, Angel of God, Hail Mary and Grace Before Meals.