

Sunday School Grade 1

A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The AGAPE curriculum is for exceptional student education [ESE] for Sunday School. It is designed by the Coptic Orthodox Diocese of the Southern United States.
- This is a modified curriculum designed for individuals with special needs.
- This curriculum is intended to be taught alongside with the general Sunday School program for each grade.

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- Inclusion is an important aspect of the social and learning paradigm of individuals with special needs.
- Stewards serving children and youth with special needs should try to integrate the students in the mainstream classes for as much time as can be tolerated by the student with special needs.
- Integration and inclusion foster friendships among the same age peer group.

Preparation for The Baby St. Mary

Lessons for the month of August

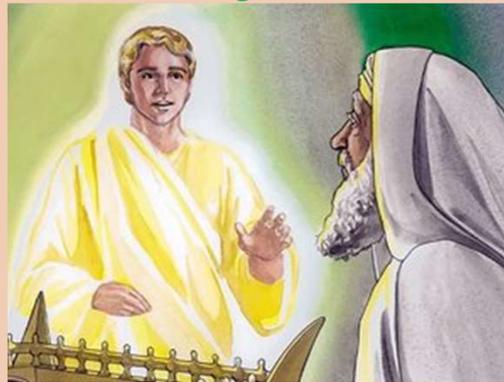
- **Lesson Outline: Week 3**
 - Joachim and Anna didn't have any children.
 - Joachim prayed and saw an angel who told him that he will have a child.
 - Through the child God will give salvation to the world.
 - Anna gave birth to a beautiful baby and called her Mary.
 - St. Mary was sweet, polite, obedient, and humble. She loved God very much.
 - Anna took her and left her in the temple. She was chosen to be the Mother of God.

Word Bank

- **Joachim**



- **Prayed**



- **Salvation**



- **Anna**



- **St. Mary**



- **Mother of God**

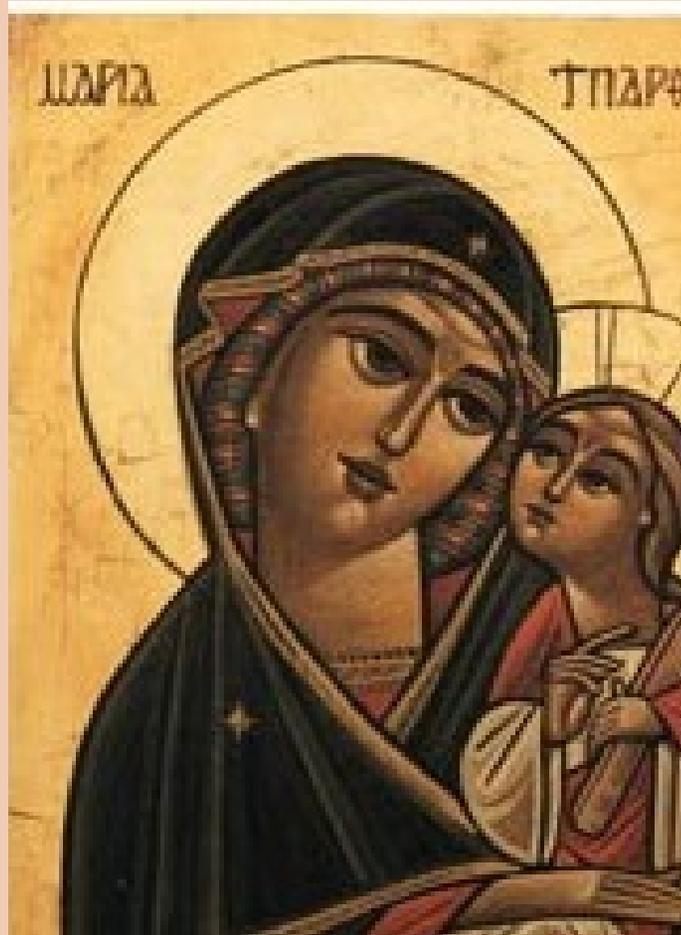


Objective: To know the story of birth of St. Mary. St. Mary was chosen to be the mother of God before her birth



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Memory Verse: “Behold the maidservant of the Lord” (Luke 1:38)

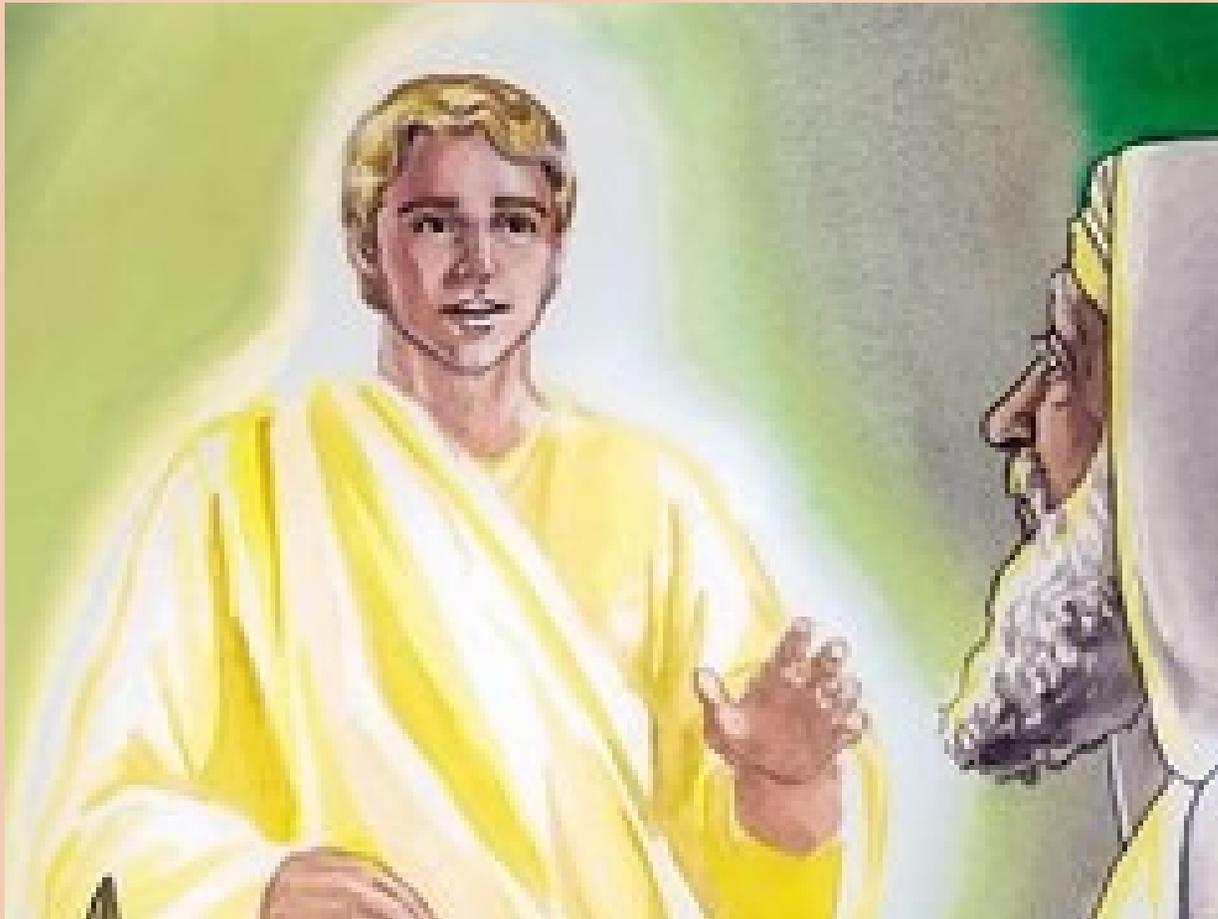


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The Baby St. Mary

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- **Conclusion**

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- To God be the glory, forever, Amen.

Resources

- Application
 - Coordinate a time for A.G.A.P.E. students to interact with non- A.G.A.P.E. students.
- Activities—Customize according to student abilities, speech, and fine and gross motor skills.
 - Coloring/Painting
 - Cut and Paste
 - Music/Games
- References
 - <http://www.suscopts.org/ssc/Grade01.pdf>