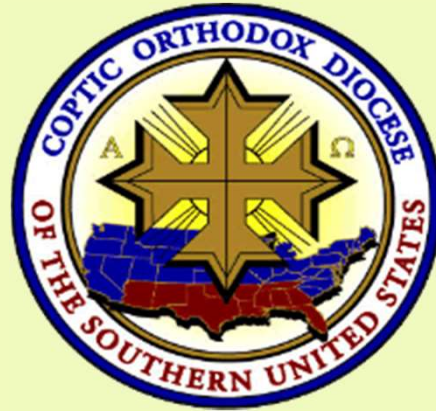


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A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The A.G.A.P.E. 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 Virgin Mary in the Coptic Church

Lessons for the Month of August

- **Lesson Outline: Week 3**
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 - The Church resembles the Virgin. The church carries the Word announcing salvation and God's message to mankind.
 - St. Augustine wrote "She is a virgin while she is pregnant, a virgin though a mother, and a virgin at her death."
 - The Church is like a virgin honored by God and His commandments. She is as a spotless bride.
 - The Church is like a virgin for she turns all the feelings of Her children towards Her Redeemer.
 - The Coptic Church refers to St. Mary by many names such as: True Queen, the Ever Virgin and many more.

Word Bank

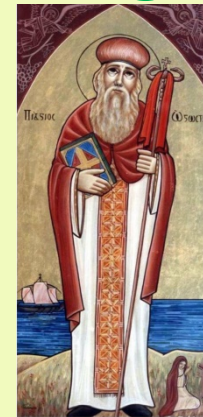
- Good news



- God's Message



- St. Augustine



- True Queen

- Spotless Bride



- Redeemer



Objective: Giving honor and praise to the holy Virgin according to the commandments of divine inspiration.



Memory Verse: “Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word” (Luke 1:38).



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The Virgin Mary in the Coptic Church

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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/Grade12.pdf>