

Sunday School Grade 7

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 Some Virtues in the Life of the Virgin

Lessons for the Month of August

- **Lesson Outline: Week 3**

- St. Mary lived her life for God. She spent her life in prayer. She is full of grace.
- She was chosen a vessel to carry Christ in her womb. She was obedient. She endured life of poverty without complaints.
- St. Mary devoted her life to God. She lived a life of virginity.
- St. Mary lived a life of contemplation. She had a connection with God through internal prayers and understanding of the scriptures.
- She lived a life of suffering. Joseph suspected her, where to give birth, travels to Egypt and back and the crucifixion of Christ.
- Her purity was not just in the flesh. She had purity of thought, life, heart and conscience.

Word Bank

- St. Mary



- Devotion



- Endure



- Scripture



- Suffering



- Purity



Objective: The Virgin as a model for the humanity.



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



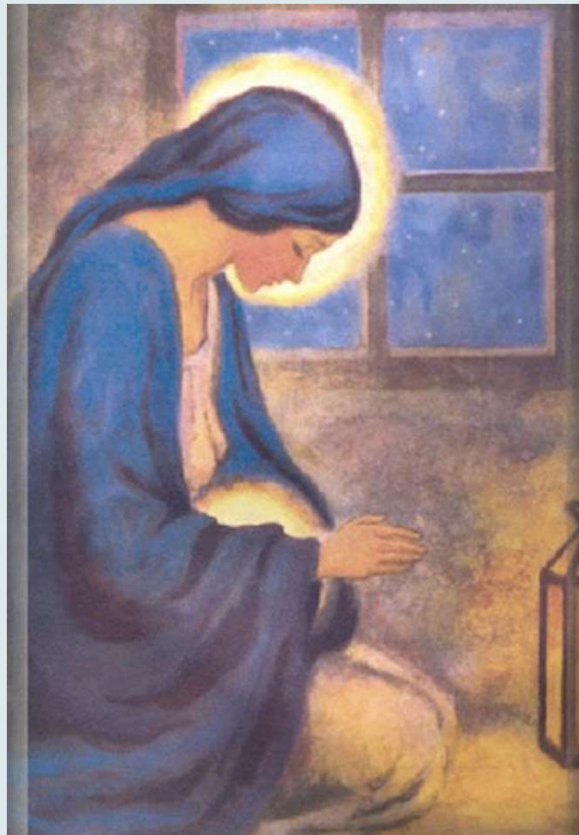
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- **Conclusion**

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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/Grade07.pdf>