### Sunday School Grade 11 A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



# Coptic Orthodox Diocese of the Southern United States Under the Auspices of His Grace Bishop Youssef

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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 St. Maurice and St. Verena Lessons for Filler Lessons

#### • Lesson Outline: # 3

- St. Maurice was a captain in the Theban legion. He was martyred for not offering sacrifices to idols.
- St. Maurice Strengthen the Christians who are being persecuted. He has always been one of the most popular saints in Western Europe.
- St. Verena joined the Theban legion in its mission to Switzerland. She used to fast and pray continuously.
- St. Verena led a lonely and hermit's life. She was interested in serving the poor and used to offer them food.
- She was particularly concerned over young girls. She used to look after them spiritually and physically. She was a nurse.
- Pope Shenouda III consecrated St. Maurice and St. Verena's Church. It is in the Building of the Bishopric of Public Services at Anba Rewiss Basilica, Cairo.

#### Word Bank

• St. Maurice



Serving



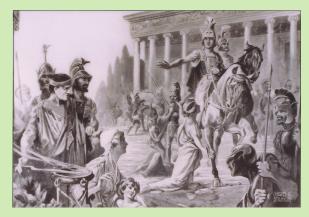
St. Verena



• Nurse



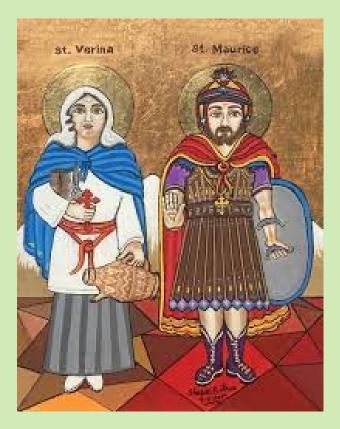
• Theban Legion



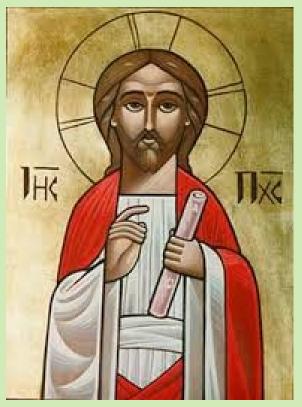
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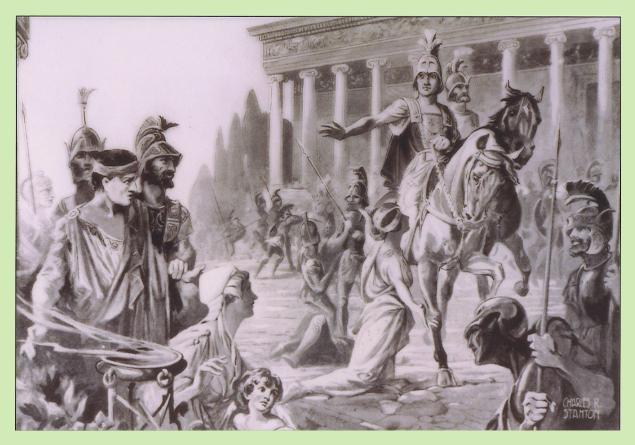
Objective: To know the story of The Theban Legion and to learn from their strong faith. To know the role of our saints in spreading Christianity and witnessing to the Lord in foreign lands.



Memory Verse: "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your father in heaven" (Matthew 5:16).



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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/Grade11.pdf