

Recognition Programs Grades 3-6

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha (3rd through 5th grade)

The Kateri program is an archdiocesan program that acquaints children with Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha's life, how they can follow her Christian example, and gives each youth an opportunity to strengthen his or her commitment to a Christian lifestyle. The task of the advisor is to share with the youth an understanding of Kateri's life of faith. The group investigates life in an early Christian Native American Society and comes to understand their culture and customs, and the beauty of Kateri's innocence. This is accomplished by using a workbook, storybook, and special programs to reinforce what is learned throughout the program. The program takes a minimum of two months to complete or as long as five months. Program materials consist of an advisor's guide and a copyable workbook for each youth.

Child of Mary II (4th through 6th grade)

This is the second level of the Archdiocesan Child of Mary program. The purpose of this program is to help children see Mary as a real and believable person, not just as the Mother of God. There are five sections that help them learn about Mary: Mary as a child; Mary through prayer and devotion; Mary's love for children; Mary, Mother and friend; How to follow Mary. Program activities include using readings, prayers, visiting shrines or special churches, learning the Mysteries of the Rosary, and a service project to learn how we can follow Mary in our daily lives. The program takes a minimum of two months to complete or as long as five months. Program materials consist of an advisor's guide and a copyable workbook for each youth.

Holy Family (4th through 6th grade)

This archdiocesan program promotes advancement in religious knowledge and spiritual formation. The youth become more aware of God's presence in their lives through home and community experiences. The program consists of five chapters, each involving parts of the Bible, discussions with parents, advisors, and their group, visits to Shrines or Special Churches, attendance at Mass, community service, and prayer. The program takes a minimum of two months to complete or as long as six months. Program materials consist of an advisor's guide and a copyable workbook for each youth.