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| **Christian Education 9** Course Outline 2014-15  |

### **General Course Description:** In CE 9 we will be studying the life and mission of Jesus as presented in the synoptic gospels with a specific emphasis on the Gospel of Matthew. There is a definite focus on Jesus as a person, his position as the Son of God, how he was called, his discipleship, and his mission. The course will also develop an appreciation for prayer, the Liturgical Year of the Church, and community service.

**Instruction:** Students will learn through discussions, the course text, handouts, journaling, the Bible, articles based on Church teachings, video clips, movies, documentaries, analysis of great works of art, class notes, online resources, and presentations, with opportunities for both individual study and pair/group work.

**Assessment:** Students will have many opportunities to demonstrate how well they have learned the course material. Students will use traditional assessment methods such as tests and written assignments but will also use their own talents to show classmates how God has graced them.

**Evaluation:**

 1) The Idea of Covenant / Intro to the Liturgical Year + Judeo-Roman (15%)

 Culture at the Time of Jesus

 2) New Testament Gospel & Formation + The Infancy Narrative (10%)

 3) The Call and Mission of Jesus (15%)

 4) The Paschal Mystery (10%)

 5) We Are Called: Discipleship / Jesus, Our Model (10%)

 6) Service Hours (10%)

 7) Term 1 Examination (15%)

 8) Term 2 Exam/Final Project (15%)

 Total: (100%)

**Course Materials:**

* Bible: Our main resource will be the Bible. In the first term please have your Catholic Youth Study Bible stored in your locker: I will let you know when we will use them. In the second term, we will be studying the Gospel of Matthew in depth. We will use a class set of this Gospel.
* Textbook: Our textbook for the course is “A Journey Through the New Testament.” We will use it from time to time in the first term. Please bring it to every class in the first term unless I say otherwise.
* Other Resources: We will also be using the Catechism of Catholic Church (online) and the youth version of it called the YouCat (CE department copies). We will also be studying material from various handouts. Any handouts given to you are expected to be kept as you will need them for assignments, unit and term tests, and projects.

**Community Service Hours:** All Christian Education students must complete twenty (**20**) service hours for the school year. These hours are worth 10% of your final grade. Ten hours are due January 12th, 2015 while the other ten are due May 19th, 2015.

You will need to fill out the ND service hours policy sheet and the ND service hours report sheet. Make sure you understand what work is acceptable or not! You can download these forms from the ND website (type in “service hours” in the search bar).

**Extra Help:** Please feel free to make appointments with me via e-mail **jshin@ndrs.org**

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