

**CCD GRADE 2: JESUS OUR LIFE**

Chapter 33: Jesus is Always Present

 PREPARATION – How to Get Ready

Teacher’s Manual: pp. 399-409

Materials: Bible Mt 18:20 (“I will be with you always”) Mt 19:13 (Jesus blesses the children)

 PROCLAMATION – Main Theme

Jesus promised to remain with us always. When He ascended into Heaven, he keeps His promise by remaining with us in the Blessed Sacrament.

 EXPLANATION – Content of Lesson

1. Jesus is with the Church through the Holy Spirit, in the Sacraments, in the teachings of the Pope and most especially in the Eucharist. L1
   1. Recall Jesus’ promise to remain always with us and brainstorm how He keeps His promise
2. We know Jesus is present in the Church because the sanctuary lamp is lit. L1
   1. Go to Church to look at the Tabernacle and sanctuary lamp
3. During Adoration and Benediction the priest places Jesus in the Monstrance. The rest of the time Jesus is in the Tabernacle in the Church. L1
   1. Describe or participate in Adoration and Benediction
4. Jesus waits for us to visit Him in the Blessed Sacrament; graces can be received by such visits. L2
5. We are called to be reverent in the presence of the Lord. Such reverence includes church etiquette, such as genuflecting, silence in church, and devotion and attention at Mass. L4
   1. Model and practice showing reverence in Church

 APPLICATION – Connecting it to Students

* Take a tour of the Church and point out the special items especially the Tabernacle and sanctuary lamp
* Read the Scripture passages and connect them to Jesus in the Eucharist
* Write a song or poem encouraging people to come to Adoration
* Spend time with Jesus in adoration
* Practice showing reverence in Church
* Make a chart illustrating the ways Jesus is with us always (see activity)
* View video of adoration and people praying in Jesus’ presence <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fobBXDhVz-8>

 CELEBRATION - Conclusion

* Visit Jesus and thank Him for being with us always!