

**CCD GRADE 4: JESUS OUR GUIDE**

Chapter [28]: [Channels of Grace]

 PREPARATION – How to Get Ready

Teacher’s Manual: pp. 341-347

Materials: paper, crayons, markers

 PROCLAMATION – Main Theme

Grace, a share in God’s life, is normally received through the seven sacraments.

 EXPLANATION – Content of Lesson

* Grace is a gift from God; it is a share in God’s own life; and it helps us love Him and our neighbors and to get to Heaven.
* Make observations about Our Lady of Grace picture
* Define grace; why is grace necessary?
* Discuss nine things to know about grace (on powerpoint); give examples
* Explain two different kinds of grace (on powerpoint)
* The normal way we receive grace is through the sacraments.
* Parallel natural life with supernatural life (sacraments)
* Use diagram to explain how the sacraments are channels of grace
* Review the seven sacraments.
* Watch Seven Sacraments by Outside da Box
* Define sacrament as an outward sign instituted by Christ to give grace
* Overview of categories of sacraments—initiation, healing and vocation
* Review the basics (institution, form, matter, minister, who can receive); if time, review the effects of each sacrament

 APPLICATION – Connecting it to Students

* Why is grace necessary? When have you received grace?
* Draw symbols for each of the seven sacraments
* <http://safeshare.tv/w/GTFVKqEXjL> Seven Sacraments by Outside da Box—gives an overview of the seven sacraments

 CELEBRATION - Conclusion

* Radiating Christ by John Henry Newman (on powerpoint)