

Sunday School Grade 0

A.G.A.P.E. Curriculum

[Appreciating God-Given Abilities of Persons with Exceptionalities]



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- The A.G.A.P.E. 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 Epiphany

Lessons for the Month of January

- **Lesson Outline: Week 4**

- Epiphany is the events during Jesus' baptism.
- Epiphany is Jesus coming out of the water.
- Epiphany is the Holy Spirit coming down like a Dove.
- Epiphany is God's voice "This is my beloved son...".
- Epiphany feast celebration starts with Water Liturgy.
- Abouna prays three Water Liturgies each year.

Word Bank

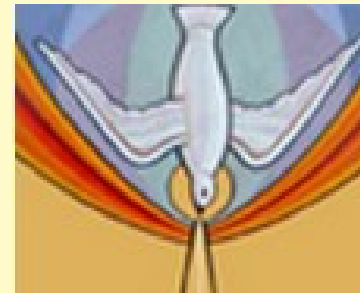
- Epiphany



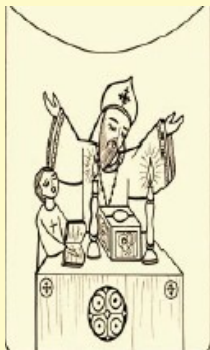
- Baptism



- Holy Spirit



- Liturgy



- Celebration



- Abouna



Objective: To teach the children what is baptism.



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**Memory Verse: *“This is my beloved Son
in whom I am pleased” (Matthew 3: 17)***



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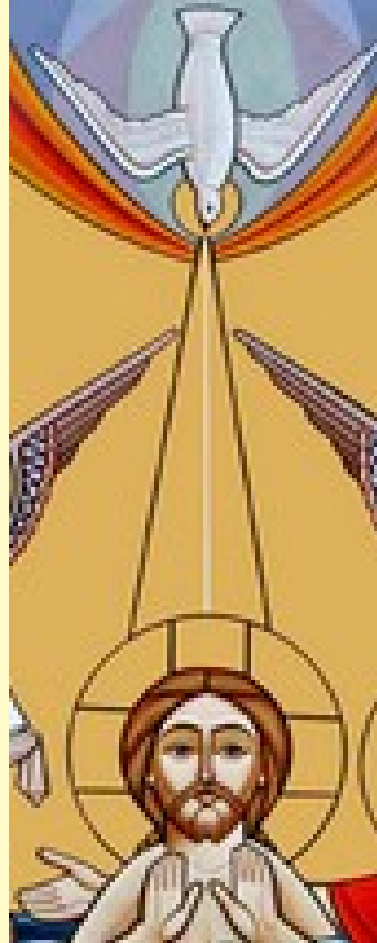
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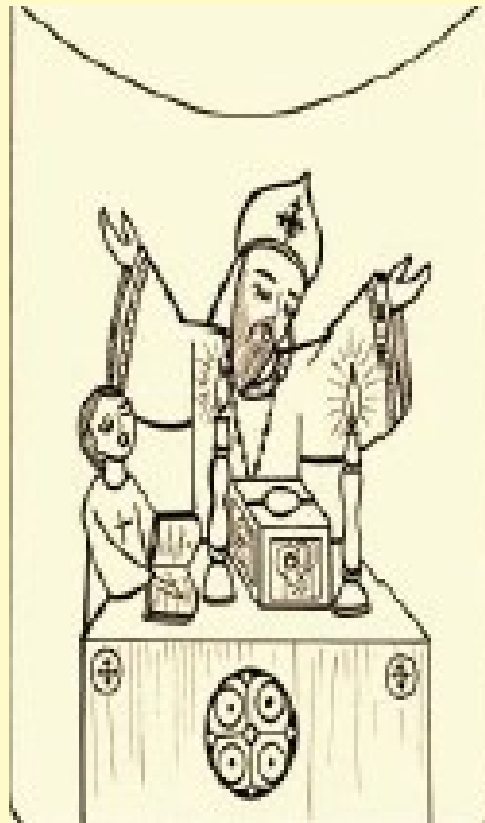
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Epiphany

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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/Grade00.pdf>