

**RELIGION SECOND YEAR AFTERNOON
SCHOOL STUDENT WORKLOAD
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Article: I believe in the communion of saints...

Communion- from the latin word "communis"
meaning mutual participation

Sancta – communion in holy things

Sancti – communion among holy people

1. communion in faith- the faith of the people is the faith of the Church; faith is enriched by being shared.
2. communion of the sacraments- the sacraments unite us to God, and link us to one another as the faithful.
3. communion of charism-a special grace given to a person not for his personal benefit but for the benefit of the common good.
4. communion in charity- every act of love or sin either helps or harms others; nobody leaves or dies to himself
5. communion with saints – not just a devotion, but a way to strengthen our union with them and imitate their lives
6. communion with the dead – we pray for them for two reasons: a) to help them in their suffering for their sins b) makes our prayer or request for intercession more effective

3 States of the Church

1. Church Militant – faithful who are still pilgrims here on earth
2. Church Suffering – those who have died and are being purified (souls in purgatory)
3. Church Triumphant – those who are in glory, and contemplating the full light of God.

I. Read the handout on the other side of this page, then, answer the following questions. Write your answer on whole sheets of paper.

1. Give 5 concrete ways that you commune with other Catholics in the world.
2. Explain the relationship of the 3 states of the Church with one another.

II. Memorize the following prayers.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Come, O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. And kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your spirit, O Lord, and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth.

Let us pray,

O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of your faithful; grant that in the same Spirit, we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation.

Through the same Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ANGELUS

The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary:

And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary ...

Behold the handmaid of the Lord:

Be it done unto me according to Thy word.

Hail Mary . . .

And the Word was made Flesh:

And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary . . .

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord.

Amen.