

LESSON 8

Mary, The Mother Of God

I. What children should understand:

1. Conviction

- Mary is the mother of Jesus, the Son of God.
- Jesus mother is our mother as well.
- Mother Mary helps us when we are in need.

2. Attitude

- We should see Mother Mary as our own mother and seek her intercession.

3. Habit

- I will pray- ‘ O my Mother, I trust in thee’.

II. Teaching aids:

- A picture of Mother Mary
- Rosary

III. Presentation of the lesson:

Introduce Mary, the mother of Jesus to the children. Jesus’ mother is our mother as well. We call Mary as our mother. Explain to children about the Annunciation. Then teach the children the prayer- Hail Mary. The children should understand the significance and the power of this prayer. The rosary can be introduced. It will be appropriate to share with the children about blessings received through the intercession of Blessed Virgin Mary.

IV. Activities related to the lesson:

1. Let us pray

The children should learn the Hail Mary prayer. The children should be made aware of the significance of this prayer.

2. Will you colour?

The children can use any colour. Tell the children that these flowers are a gift to Mother Mary.

3. The Rosary

Ensure that children are praying- O my Mother, I trust in thee, while colouring the rosary.

4. Let us memorise

Explain to the children St. Luke 1: 38.

V. Correlated Activities:

1. Rosary

Ask children to have a rosary of their own. Also teach them how to recite a rosary.

2. Let us see pictures

Familiarise children with different pictures of Mother Mary.

3. Tell a story

Tell children stories related to Mother Mary like those of Jacinta, Lucy and Francis etc.

4. Questions

1. What is the name of the angel who appeared to Mother Mary?
2. What do we call Mary the mother of Jesus?
3. Who is our heavenly mother?