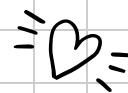


LESSON PLAN



Grade: 4-5

Topic: Holy Orders

Overview

Students will learn about the Sacrament of Holy Orders, the process of ordination, and the significance of the "laying on of hands." Students will also use a Venn Diagram in order to compare and contrast the different roles and special characteristics of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons.

Materials

PowerPoint: [Holy Orders](#)

YouTube Video (also linked in PowerPoint): [What are the degrees of the Sacrament of Holy Orders?](#) (<3 min)

Activity Instructions: [Holy Orders Football Activity](#)

Activity Materials: [Bishop, Priest, Deacon Footballs](#)

PowerPoint

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Plan Ahead!

You will need to print out 2x copies of the Bishop, Priest, Deacon Footballs for the activity.

Procedure

Ask your students if they can name the parish priest(s). Do they know *how* these priests BECAME priests? What about bishops and deacons?

Explain that, after years of studying and discerning, those feeling called to the priesthood will receive a special sacrament called **Holy Orders**.

Power Point: [Holy Orders](#)

Click through the PowerPoint and talk through the role of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons and how they lead the Church much like the Coach, Assistant Coach, and Team Captain of a football team.

When you get to Slide 10, exit Presentation Mode. Quickly explain to the students how a Venn Diagram works, and work with the students to click/drag the different characteristics into the correct location on the diagram.

Activity: [Holy Orders Football Activity](#)

Alternative Activities

[Holy Orders Jeopardy](#)

Laying on of Hands: This activity has students tracing their hands and filling them in with the words that are prayed during the Rite of Ordination as well as symbols of the sacrament.

[Holy Orders Word Search](#)