

## CTKCS SUMMER READING 2019

### **Grade 1- Suggested Reading**

*Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good Day \* If You Give a Mouse a Cookie \* The Little Engine That Could \* Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse \* Caps for Sale \* Sylvester and the Magic Pebble \* Books from the Arthur series by Marc Brown \* Amelia Bedelia series by Peggy Parish \* and Dr. Seuss Books*

SUGGESTED CATHOLIC: *Acts of the Apostles for Children* by Kieffer/Ponsard\*\* *The Adventures of LouPio* by Kieffer\*\* *The Holy Twins* by DePaola\*\* *Little Acts of Grace* by Gortler/Piscitelli\*\* *Joseph and Chico: The Life of Pope Benedict XVI as Told by a Cat* by Perego

### **Grade 2 – Suggested Reading**

*A Chair for My Mother \* Anansi and the Talking Melon \* The Art Lesson \* Ira Says Goodbye \* Officer Buckle and Gloria \* Grandfather's Journey*

*Arthur* series by Marc Brown, *Frog and Toad* series by Arnold Lobel, *Magic Tree House* series by Mary Pope Osborne, *Boxcar Children Mysteries* by Gertrude Warner, *Jake Drake* series by Andrew Clements, *Judy Moody* series by Megan McDonald, and the *Nate the Great* series by Marjorie Weinman Sharmat. Books by Mike Thayer, Steven Kellogg, and Jan Brett.

SUGGESTED CATHOLIC: *The Weight of A Mass* by Nobisso\*\* *Little Nellie of Holy God* by Sister Mary Dominic\*\* *A Child's Guide to Reconciliation, A Child's Guide to First Holy Communion, and A Child's Guide to the Seven Sacraments* by Ficocelli \*\* and books in the Father Lovasik series – many titles to choose from!

### **Grade 3 – Required: Choose at least two from the five below (We have listed book level to help with your selection) An Accelerated Reading Test will be required on the selected books.**

*Freckle Juice* by Judy Blume (Book level 3.1, ½ point)

One of the *Jigsaw Jones Mysteries* by James Preller (All are AR testable and range from book level 2.8-3.2)

*Ribsy* by Beverly Clearly (Book level 5.0, 4pts.)

*Sarah, Plain and Tall* by Patricia MacLachlan (Book level 3.4, 1 pt.)

SUGGESTED CATHOLIC: *The Adventures of Sister Philomena, Special Agent to the Pope* series by Dianne Ahern: *Secrets of Sienna, Curse of the Coins, Lost in Peter's Tomb, and Break-In at the Basilica*\*\* *Catholic Tales for Boys and Girls* by Houselander

### **Grade 4 - Choose 2 books to read from the choices below. The 1st week of school, students will be required to take a comprehension quiz on his/her book choices and complete an in-class project assignment.**

- *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* by Judy Blume (Book Level: 3.3, 3 pts.)
- *The Indian in the Cupboard* by Lynne Reid Banks (Book Level: 4.6, 6 pts.)
- *Pippi Longstocking* by Astrid Lindgren (Book Level: 5.2, 4 pts.)
- *Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great* by Judy Blume (Book Level: 3.5, 4 pts.)

SUGGESTED CATHOLIC: *A Book of Angels* by Marigold Hunt\*\* *The First Christians: The Acts of the Apostles for Children* by Marigold Hunt\*\* *Encounter the Saints Series* by Pauline Books and Media-many saints to choose from!

**Grade 5 - Required to read the following two books**

Students will AR test if they'd like and we will do graded activities based on the books below.

*Because of Winn Dixie* by Kate DiCamillo \*Required

*How to Steal a Dog* by Barbara O'Connor \*Required

SUGGESTED CATHOLIC: *Stories of the Child Jesus from Many Lands* by Lutz\*\* *Encounter the Saints Series* by Pauline Books and Media-many saints to choose from!

**\*\* GRADES 6-8 - See Plus Portal for required assignments to be completed over the summer \*\***

Students must read **3** books before the start of school: **one** Religious selection (for Religion class, **one** Historical Fiction selection (for Social Studies) and **one** student selected novel for Literature class.

**8th Grade:**

Choose 1:

Did Adam and Eve Have Belly Buttons? by Matthew Pinto

Did Jesus Have a Last Name? by Matthew Pinto

Liked by Kari Kampakis

All Things Girl: Truth for Teens by Cheryl Dickow and Peggy Bowes

All Things Guy: A Guide to Becoming a Man that Matters by Cheryl Dickow and Teresa Tomeo

**An essay will be assigned the first week of school for the students' book choice.**

**7th Grade:**

Choose 1:

Encounter the Saints Series (Pauline Books and Media)

**Choose a book about any saint in this series. An in-class graphic book report will be completed the first weeks of school.**

**6th Grade:**

Choose 1:

Will Wilder 1: The Relic of Perilous Falls

Will Wilder 2: The Lost Staff of Wonders

Will Wilder 3: The Amulet of Power

Christians Courageous by Aloysius Roche

**An in-class graphic book report will be completed the first weeks of school.**

**1. Social Studies Book:**

- 6<sup>th</sup> *Projekt 1065: A Novel of World War II* by Alan Gratz
- 7<sup>th</sup> *A Long Walk to Water* by Linda Sue Park
- 8<sup>th</sup> *Red Pyramid* by Rick Riordan

**2. Literature Novel: (grades 6,7,8)**

There is no recommended list of books from which to choose. Students may select the book they want to read. However the following criteria must be applied: parent approval required, must be on grade level, and no graphic novels allowed. There are lots of lists of books for middle school students online.

The Summer Literature Novel Activity will be posted on Plus Portal. This activity will be introduced in class during the last weeks of school to ensure that each student understands what is expected.