Circle of Grace Grade Level Goals:

1st Grade

- Children will come to understand and describe the concept of a Circle of Grace.
- Children will be better able to understand safe and unsafe situations
- Children will demonstrate how to take action if their circle of grace boundaries are threatened or crossed

2nd Grade:

- Children will come to understand and describe the concept of a Circle of Grace.
- Children will be better able to understand safe and unsafe situations
- Children will demonstrate how to take action if their circle of grace boundaries are threatened or crossed

3rd Grade:

- The concept of Circle of Grace will be reinforced
- Children will be better able to understand safe and unsafe situations
- Children will understand how to take action if boundaries are crossed

4th Grade:

• Children will come to understand the concept of a *Circle of Grace* in relation to the use of the internet on computers, phones, etc.

5th Grade:

• Children will be able to recognize the influence of the media on their Circle of Grace.

6th Grade:

- Understand and describe their Circle of Grace.
- Recognize the key elements of behavior that are consistent with Catholic teaching.
- Understand that living a Christian life requires appropriate boundaries.
- Recognize ways that young people are pressured to ignore appropriate boundaries.
- Develop a strategy to resist pressure to ignore appropriate boundaries.

Jr. High:

- Understand the difference between stress and pressure
- Understand that stress usually comes from within, It can be healthy or unhealthy.
- Understand the pressure is usually applied from an external source. It can be healthy or unhealthy.
- Define priorities and manage healthy boundaries.
- Recognize that a prayer-filled life is an antidote for stress.
- Identify a trusted adult they can talk to if someone is pressuring them to ignore their conscience.