

COURSE PLAN METHODOLOGY: The books are abbreviated as follows: *Jesus Our Life*, **JOL**, the *Jesus Our Life Activity Book*, **AB** and the *St. Joseph First Communion*, **SJFCC**. Each weekly assignment is summarized in the first column of the weekly course plan. Teacher’s notes, hints, and other commentary are located next to the corresponding assignments.

Kolbe Academy has worked diligently to create the best possible course plans with the home schooling family in mind. Remember, however, that our program is intended to be flexible. Per the principle of subsidiarity, these course plans are a **suggested** course of study. As the teacher, you should adapt and modify these course plans to meet the individual learning needs of your child. **Do not feel obligated to follow these course plans exactly.**

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WEEK 1	
<p>JOL Chapter 1</p>	<p>Goal: To learn about God the Father and his love for each of us, why he created us, and the gifts he gave us, i.e. family, friends, pets, and most importantly, our soul. To learn that God is everywhere and He watches over all He created and the Bible is God’s word. JOL page 8. Assign memorization of the answers. Discuss the questions and answers making sure the student understands them. Explain that God Who is all-good and all-holy loves us very much. We have been given special gifts by our loving Father, God. JOL read pages 7 – 8. Discussion: We are made in the image and likeness of God. It is our soul that is like Him. We can’t see it—like the air in a balloon—but without it, we are not alive. Our soul gives us the ability to think and choose, especially to choose to do good or bad. God is everywhere. He is all knowing and He watches over all of us. He is our Father in Heaven and we are His children. He made each of us different and each of us has a job to do that no one else can do. JOL oral quiz on the questions on page 8; read pages 9 – 10. Explain that the Bible is the written word of God in which we can learn to know Him. It is separated into the Old Testament and the New Testament. SJFCC read Lesson 1 and discuss it. Assign questions on page 11.</p>
<p>AB Pages 1 – 4</p>	
<p>SJFCC Lesson 1</p>	
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WEEK 2	
<p>JOL Chapter 2</p>	<p>Goal: To make sure the child says the Sign of the Cross correctly and using all of the words, i.e., “and of the”. The Sign of the Cross reminds us of the Blessed Trinity so we should say it carefully, with respect, and often. To know that God has always existed, the mystery of the Trinity, and the three Persons of the Trinity. JOL page 14. Assign memorization of the answers. Discuss the questions and answers making sure the student understands them. Discuss the Blessed Trinity. It is a mystery that we will never fully understand, but believe because God has said it is true. Explain that God the Father, the First Person of the Trinity, is the Creator. God the Son, Jesus, the</p>