

## Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School 2nd Grade Curricular Syllabus

*Our Lady Star of the Sea 2nd grade studies the “Roman Year” from rise to fall. This time period follows 1st grade’s study of Greek History. The year begins with Virgil’s Aeneid and concludes with the fall of the empire. During the year, students explore the deeper questions of virtue, honor, and sacrifice. Within their studies, the students learn about the lives of the Roman people and Rome’s lasting impact on society and the world. Most importantly, however, they learn about the incarnation of Jesus and birth of Christianity, which are at the heart of Roman history.*

### Religion

Resources: The Holy Bible  
Word of Life: 2nd Grade Edition, Augustine Institute  
Virtues in Practice - Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia  
Ruah Woods Institute: Theology of the Body

### Math

Resources: Dimensions Singapore Math

### Nature Science

Resources: Topics: Marine Biology, Botany, Anatomy, Geology

### History: The Roman Year

Resources: The Story of the World  
The Story of Civilization  
Core Knowledge: Ancient Rome

### Literature

Resources: *Roman Diary: The Journal of Iliona Young Slave*, Richard Platt  
*Magic Tree House: Ancient Rome and Pompeii*, Mary Pope Osborne and Natalie Pope Boyce  
*Magic Tree House: Vacation Under the Volcano*, Mary Pope Osborne  
*Step Into Reading: Pompeii...Buried Alive!*, Edith Kunhardt  
*The Dauntless Christian: A Story of Saint Sebastian and the Roman Martyrs*, Carolyn Cooney  
*Ready to Read: Romulus and Remus*, Anne Rockwell  
*A Triumph for Flavius*, Caroline Dale Snedeker  
*Pippi Longstocking*, Astrid Lindgren  
*In Search of a Homeland: The Story of the Aeneid*, Penelope Lively

### Language Arts

#### Composition

Resources: Excellence in Writing

#### Grammar

Resources: Shurley Grammar  
Easy Grammar: Daily Grams

#### Handwriting

Resources: D’Nealian Handwriting

## Phonics & Spelling

Resources: Saxon Phonics

## Latin

Resources: Latin Through Stories  
Songs from the University of Dallas  
Mass Parts in Latin

## Music

Resources: St. Michael Hymnal  
Music Enrichment: Kindergarten- 2nd Grade by Memoria Press  
Rhythm Menagerie by Wendy Stevens  
First Steps in Music

## Art

Resources: Artwork from various artists  
Personal sketchbook  
Medium used: colored pencils  
watercolors  
decoupage

## OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

*Under the patronage of our Blessed Mother, the mission of Our Lady Star of the Sea Catholic School is to support parents in their role as the primary educators of their children. Our classical training nourishes the students' natural sense of wonder and guides them to know and love what is genuinely good, true, and beautiful. Faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church, we form our students to be virtuous disciples of Jesus Christ and joyful witnesses to the Gospel.*