Handout 2-A

**Redemption and the New Testament**

*Look up the Scripture passages below. Fill in the following chart. Summarize the passage; then explain what it means to you in your own words. Be prepared to share your work with the class.*

1. Romans 5:12–21

Summary:

What this means to me:

2. John 3:16–21

Summary:

What this means to me:

3. Ephesians 2:1–10

Summary:

What this means to me:

4. Galatians 4:1–7

Summary:

What this means to me:

5. Hebrews 9:11–14

Summary:

What this means to me:

Handout 2-B

**Chapter 2 SAT Practice: Critical Reading**

*Read the Chapter 2 Introduction, “Celebrating Redemption” (pages 37–38). Then indicate the correct answer to each question.*

1. How did Christ redeem the world? A. Through his birth as a human

B. By instituting the Eucharist at his Last Supper

C. Through his Paschal Mystery

D. Through his parables

2. In the chapter, redemption means: A. Cashing in coupons or favors

B. Becoming free to do whatever we like whenever we like

C. Never sinning again

D. Jesus Christ’s act of paying the price of his own Death to save humans from sin

3. What did Dom Columba Marmion mean by the term “divine adoption?” A. God communicates to us particularly in the Eucharist.

B. In the Eucharist we receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

C. Because God became human, we can become adopted children of God. D. God wills our complete joy.

4. How does the Church’s liturgy transform us?

A. It gives us enough grace that we can buy our way into heaven. B. Our entire life becomes patterned after the life of Christ.

C. It helps us become rich and famous.

D. Our lives become perfect.

5. What does Dom Columba Marmion mean by the term “divine current”? A. Our steadfast orientation toward the Father

B. Holiness

C. Giving Jesus full power to act in our lives

D. All of the above

Handout 2-C

**Journal Reflection:**

A World without Celebrations

*Answer both of these questions thoughtfully.*

1. What do you think the world would be like if there were no celebrations? Describe this kind of world. How would you feel about this kind of world?

2. Do you think humans have a natural need to celebrate? Do celebrations, in any way, make us more human? More like God? Explain.

Handout 2-D

**Research Activity: The Advent and Christmas Calendar**

*Put the dates from the current liturgical calendar in this chart. Using the clues given in the text, pages 54–55, deter- mine the dates of these feasts in the Church Year.*

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| **Advent and Christmas Calendar** | **Dates for this Liturgical Year** |
| 1. First Sunday of Advent  (Beginning of new Church Year) |  |
| 2. Second Sunday of Advent |  |
| 3. Third Sunday of Advent |  |
| 4. Fourth Sunday of Advent |  |
| 5. Christmas |  |
| 6. Holy Family |  |
| 7. Epiphany |  |
| 8. Baptism of Jesus Christ |  |

Handout 2-E

**Research Activity: The Lent and Easter Calendar**

*Suppose the following calendar is for this year. Find out when the full moons occur. Using the clues given in the text, pages 55–57, determine the dates of these feasts in the Church Year.*

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| **Lent and Easter Calendar** | **Dates for this Liturgical or Calendar Year** |
| 1. Ash Wednesday |  |
| 2. First Sunday in Lent |  |
| 3. Second Sunday in Lent |  |
| 4. Third Sunday in Lent |  |
| 5. Fourth Sunday in Lent |  |
| 6. Fifth Sunday in Lent |  |
| 7. Passion (Palm) Sunday |  |
| 8. Holy Thursday |  |
| 9. Good Friday |  |
| 10. Holy Saturday |  |
| 11. Easter |  |