



ANGEL OF PEACE
ACADEMY

Humanities Booklist



Angel of Peace Academy draws on the Charlotte Mason tradition of education for its humanities program. Rather than through textbooks and worksheets, students learn from living books - well-written works by authors who love their subject - and practice the habit of narration, telling back what they have heard or read in their own words. This trains attention, memory, imagination, and expression from the earliest years.

Students are gathered into four developmental Forms. Beginning in Form II, students move through multi-year rotating historical cycles. Across the arc of the humanities program students encounter:

HISTORY
SACRED SCRIPTURE
LITERATURE
BIOGRAPHY
GEOGRAPHY
MYTH & LEGEND
POETRY
SHAKESPEARE
AESOP
PLUTARCH
ARTIST STUDY
COMPOSER STUDY

The following pages describe the books, periods, and themes students encounter within each Form. Specific selections may change from year to year.

FORM I • KINDERGARTEN

Wonder & Delight

Listen • Delight • Retell

Children encounter Sacred Scripture, lives of the saints, fairy tales, poetry, nature, and beloved stories chosen to awaken wonder and furnish the imagination. Through listening, remembering, and retelling, they begin to develop attention, language, memory, and a love of beautiful and worthy things.

CLASSIC LITERATURE

Aesop's Fables

AESOP

Fairy Tales

CHARLES PERRAULT

Mouse Tales

ARNOLD LOBEL

Fables

ARNOLD LOBEL

Tales of Beatrix Potter

BEATRIX POTTER

Little Bear series

ELSE HOLMELUND MINARIK

Mother Goose Tales and Rhymes

The Velveteen Rabbit

MARGERY WILLIAMS

The Complete Tales of Winnie-the-Pooh

A. A. MILNE

The Clown of God

TOMIE DEPAOLA

Saint George and the Dragon

MARGARET HODGES

Saint Francis and the Friendly Beasts

MARGARET HODGES

Dogger

SHIRLEY HUGHES

A Child's Book of Poems

GYO FUJIKAWA

A Children's Treasury of Nursery Rhymes

ILLUSTRATED BY LINDA BLECK

Corduroy

DON FREEMAN

The Little Red Hen

J. P. MILLER

The Little Engine That Could

WATTY PIPER

Make Way for Ducklings

ROBERT MCCLOSKEY

The Tale of Peter Rabbit

BEATRIX POTTER

The Snowy Day

EZRA JACK KEATS

Whistle for Willie

EZRA JACK KEATS

A Letter to Amy

EZRA JACK KEATS

Hi, Cat!

EZRA JACK KEATS

Goodnight Moon

MARGARET WISE BROWN

Big Red Barn

MARGARET WISE BROWN

Little Fur Family

MARGARET WISE BROWN

Bunny's Noisy Book

MARGARET WISE BROWN

If You Give a Mouse a Cookie

LAURA NUMEROFF

If You Give a Moose a Muffin

LAURA NUMEROFF

Little Blue Truck

ALICE SCHERTLE

Good Night, Gorilla

PEGGY RATHMANN

Various Titles

ERIC CARLE

Various Titles

DR. SEUSS

FAITH & SCRIPTURE

Lives of the Saints -

Illustrated History for Children

BART TESORIERO

Jesus Is With Me

JONI WALKER

Jesus Knows Me

JONI WALKER

Jesus Hears Me

JONI WALKER

Prayers for Children

ELOISE WILKIN

Christmas in the Barn

RICHARD AMMON

Noah's Ark

KATHERINE SULLY

Jonah & the Whale

KATHERINE SULLY

Daniel & the Lions

KATHERINE SULLY

David & Goliath

KATHERINE SULLY

The Birth of Jesus

KATHERINE SULLY

Jesus & the Disciples

KATHERINE SULLY

Baptism of Jesus

KATHERINE SULLY

Miracles of Jesus

KATHERINE SULLY

The Last Supper

KATHERINE SULLY

Easter Story

KATHERINE SULLY

NATURE

Each Living Thing

JOANNE RYDER

Snowballs

LOIS EHLERT

The Amazing Life Cycle of Butterflies

KAY BARNHAM

Getting to Know Nature's Children

VOLUMES 1-29

Stories & Discovery

Hear • Imagine • Narrate

From Adam and Eve to Abraham Lincoln, students encounter the key people and events of salvation history, Christendom, and the American story through Sacred Scripture, history, biography, and literature. They learn to listen and read attentively, narrate what they have learned in their own words, place events in sequence, and begin to recognize character, virtue, consequence, and God's providence in history.

THREE-YEAR ROTATION

YEAR A

Ancient & Legendary World

A Child's History of the World

VIRGIL HILLYER

The Aesop for Children

The Blue Fairy Book

ANDREW LANG

Fifty Famous Stories Retold

JAMES BALDWIN

Parables from Nature

MARGARET GATTY

Saint George and the Dragon

MARGARET HODGES

Winnie-the-Pooh

A. A. MILNE

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

C. S. LEWIS

Charlotte's Web

E. B. WHITE

The Wind in the Willows

KENNETH GRAHAME

Just So Stories

RUDYARD KIPLING

Beautiful Stories from Shakespeare

E. NESBIT

The Great Adventure

Catholic Bible for Young

Beginners - Genesis &

Exodus

YEAR B

Medieval & Renaissance World

The Little Duke

CHARLOTTE M. YONGE

Saint Joan: The Girl Soldier

LOUIS DE WOHL

Leonardo da Vinci

EMILY HAHN

Michelangelo

DIANE STANLEY

Robin Hood

HOWARD PYLE

Marco Polo: His Travels and Adventures

GEORGE MAKEPEACE TOWLE (ADAPTATION)

Francis: The Poor Man of Assisi

TOMIE DEPAOLA

The Clown of God

TOMIE DEPAOLA

The Princess and the Goblin

GEORGE MACDONALD

The Princess and Curdie

GEORGE MACDONALD

Heidi

JOHANNA SPYRI

Peter Pan

J. M. BARRIE

The Jungle Book

RUDYARD KIPLING

A Little Princess

FRANCES HODGSON BURNETT

Song of the Swallows

LEO POLITI

The Prince and the Pauper

MARK TWAIN

Beautiful Stories from Shakespeare

E. NESBIT

The Great Adventure

Catholic Bible for Young

Beginners - The Gospels

YEAR C

America & the Modern World

Catholic Stories for Boys & Girls, Volume 1

CATHOLIC NUNS IN AMERICA

George Washington

INGRI & EDGAR PARIN D'AULAIRE

Abraham Lincoln

INGRI & EDGAR PARIN D'AULAIRE

Paddle-to-the-Sea

HOLLING C. HOLLING

Selections from the Little House series

LAURA INGALLS WILDER

Understood Betsy

DOROTHY CANFIELD FISHER

The Weight of a Mass

JOSEPHINE NOBISSE

American Tall Tales

MARY POPE OSBORNE

All-of-a-Kind Family

SYDNEY TAYLOR

At the Back of the North Wind

GEORGE MACDONALD

Five Children and It

E. NESBIT

The King of the Golden River

JOHN RUSKIN

The Little Lame Prince

DINAH MARIA MULOCK CRAIK

Beautiful Stories from Shakespeare

E. NESBIT

The Great Adventure

Catholic Bible for Young

Beginners - Joshua, Judges,

Ruth, Samuel, Kings, Esther,

Psalms & Proverbs

History & Adventure

Narrate • Connect • Explore

Already familiar with the major narrative of Sacred Scripture and history, students revisit the past with greater depth, encountering the ancient world, medieval Christendom, the early Church, exploration, and the development of America. Narration becomes more independent as students connect people and events, trace causes and consequences, compare choices and character, and begin to recognize the relationships among Sacred Scripture, Sacred Tradition, doctrine, and history.

THREE-YEAR ROTATION

YEAR A

Ancient & Classical World

The Story of the Greeks

H. A. GUERBER

Augustus Caesar's World

GENEVIEVE FOSTER

D'Aulaires' Book of Greek

Myths

INGRI & EDGAR PARIN D'AULAIRE

The Heroes of Asgard

ANNIE & ELIZA KEARY

Plutarch's Lives

SELECTED LIVES

The Chronicles of Narnia

C. S. LEWIS

Gregor Mendel: The Friar

Who Grew Peas

CHERYL BARDOE

Tales from Shakespeare

CHARLES & MARY LAMB

The Great Adventure

Catholic Bible for Beginners -

Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah,

Tobit, Judith, Maccabees &

the Prophets

YEAR B

Medieval Christendom & Exploration

The Door in the Wall

MARGUERITE DE ANGELI

Adam of the Road

ELIZABETH JANET GRAY

Otto of the Silver Hand

HOWARD PYLE

The Trumpeter of Krakow

ERIC P. KELLY

King Arthur and His Knights

of the Round Table

GWEN GROSS / ROGER LANCELYN GREEN

Nordic Gods and Heroes

PADRAIC COLUM

Treasure Island

ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON

Captains Courageous

RUDYARD KIPLING

Anne of Green Gables

L. M. MONTGOMERY

Minn of the Mississippi

HOLLING C. HOLLING

Kon-Tiki

THOR HEYERDAHL

Tales from Shakespeare

CHARLES & MARY LAMB

The Great Adventure

Catholic Bible for Beginners -

Acts & the Epistles

YEAR C

America & the Modern World

George Washington's World

GENEVIEVE FOSTER

Poor Richard

JAMES DAUGHERTY

Charles Carroll of Carrollton:

Faithful Revolutionary

SCOTT MCDERMOTT

Johnny Tremain

ESTHER FORBES

The Sign of the Beaver

ELIZABETH GEORGE SPEARE

Amos Fortune, Free Man

ELIZABETH YATES

Calico Captive

ELIZABETH GEORGE SPEARE

Rip Van Winkle

WASHINGTON IRVING

The Legend of Sleepy Hollow

WASHINGTON IRVING

The Adventures of Tom

Sawyer

MARK TWAIN

Little Women

LOUISA MAY ALCOTT

Oliver Twist

CHARLES DICKENS

Around the World in Eighty

Days

JULES VERNE

Where the Red Fern Grows

WILSON RAWLS

Carry On, Mr. Bowditch

JEAN LEE LATHAM

My Side of the Mountain

JEAN CRAIGHEAD GEORGE

Little Britches

RALPH MOODY

The Twenty-One Balloons

WILLIAM PÈNE DU BOIS

Tales from Shakespeare

CHARLES & MARY LAMB

The Great Adventure

Catholic Bible for Beginners -

Job, Ecclesiastes, Song of

Songs, Wisdom, Sirach &

Revelation

Ideas & Civilization

Encounter · Compare · Discern

Students now move from knowing the great stories of salvation history and Western civilization to interpreting and judging the ideas within them. The traditions and teachings of the Catholic Church are linked to their historical references in Sacred Scripture, while great works of literature, history, and theology invite students to compare arguments, examine motives, weigh competing ideas, and consider enduring questions of truth, justice, virtue, suffering, freedom, and faith.

TWO-YEAR ROTATION

YEAR A

Classical & Medieval World

The Odyssey

GERALDINE MCCAUGHREAN / ROBERT FAGLES

The Aeneid

VIRGIL

Selections from The Confessions

ST. AUGUSTINE

Beowulf

TRANS. BURTON RAFFEL

The Age of Chivalry

THOMAS BULFINCH

Sir Gawain and the Green Knight

ANONYMOUS

The Divine Comedy - Selected Cantos

DANTE ALIGHIERI

The Ballad of the White Horse

G. K. CHESTERTON

The Hobbit

J. R. R. TOLKIEN

The Quiet Light

LOUIS DE WOHL

Plutarch's Lives

SELECTED LIVES

A Father Who Keeps His Promises

SCOTT HAHN

The Lamb's Supper: The Bible and the Mass

SCOTT HAHN

Where Is That in the Bible?

PATRICK MADRID

The Great Adventure Catholic Bible

YEAR B

Renaissance, Counter-Reformation & Modern World

Utopia

ST. THOMAS MORE

Come Rack! Come Rope!

ROBERT HUGH BENSON

Macbeth

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

Julius Caesar

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

Much Ado About Nothing

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE

I Promessi Sposi (The Betrothed)

ALESSANDRO MANZONI

A Tale of Two Cities

CHARLES DICKENS

The Song at the Scaffold

GERTRUD VON LE FORT

The Screwtape Letters

C. S. LEWIS

A Good Man Is Hard to Find

FLANNERY O'CONNOR

The River

FLANNERY O'CONNOR

Typology for Beginners

JOBY PROVIDO

The Bible and the Mass

PETER STRAVINSKAS

100 Things Every Catholic Teen Should Know

MARK HART & TODD LEMIEUX

The Great Adventure Catholic Bible