Martyrs of Faith" Code: 10/FE / 5

1. General Aims of the unit

To celebrate the feast of Nayroze by having an insight in the life of a category of Martyrs and how they sacrificed their life for the sake of their Beloved Jesus Christ

2. Special aims of the lesson

- 1. To review the establishment of the feast of Nayroze and its history.
- 2. To remind the teens about the meaning of martyrdom and suffering in Christianity and its share of our glory in heavens
- 3. To explore the value of defending the faith even till death
- 4. To detail the life of some of the martyrs of faith (men and women) like St. Paul, St. Peter, St. Stephen; St. Peter the seal of Martyr, St. Dioskoros (confessor); St. Catherin of Alexandria. Anba Macar (one of the 3 Saint Macarii)
- 5. To explore how we may witness our faith in our society

.3. Outcomes:

By the end of this lessons the teens are able to:

- 1. Remember by heart the different persecutors of the Christian Church and the Coptic Church and the timing of each of them (the Jews the Pagan Roman empire , the Christian Roman empire , the Islamic rulers)
- 2. Debate the relation between pure faith and flourishing of Christianity.
- 3. Remember by heart two or more verses said by the Lord Jesus indicating the rewards of persecution
- 4. Remember by heart the story of two or more from the martyrs of faith.
- **4. Verses:** Luke 9:23-25; John 3:19, 15:18-20, 16:33; 2 Cor.4:17; Heb.12:4-6

5. References

Notes: 1. "Martyrdom in Christianity" Late Bishop Youannis

2. USU program – Types of martyrs– Yr.8 Wk. 2 September