Correlation

Archdiocese of Seattle
Religion Curriculum Guidelines

with

RCL Benziger’s
BLEST ARE WE
FAITH & WORD EDITION
Introduction

RCL Benziger thanks you for the opportunity to correlate Blest Are We Faith & Word Edition Pre K through Grades 1 – 8 with your diocesan guidelines. In preparing this correlation, it became clear that the spiral-thematic approach to catechesis that is central to Blest Are We Faith & Word revealed that concepts required by the guidelines were sometimes presented earlier, sometimes presented later, and often appropriately revisited on many grade levels.

To help you understand RCL Benziger’s correlation of your guidelines with the Blest Are We Faith & Word Edition, we would like to point out several unique qualities of the Blest Are We program.

• The structure of Blest Are We Faith & Word Edition is based on presenting a specific doctrinal theme each year and incorporating the four pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. This structure applies to every level of Blest Are We. This spiral-thematic approach enables students, catechists and families to revisit and deepen their understanding of the doctrinal, liturgical and moral concepts and practices of the Catholic faith many times throughout Blest Are We Grades 1–8.

• In addition to the Scripture stories and references found in every chapter of Blest Are We Faith & Word Edition, each grade level features an age-appropriate presentation of Sacred Scripture designed to develop biblical literacy. This special catechetical session enables children to have a basic understanding of the Bible that is cultivated through the introductory lesson and activities.

• A special unit, Feasts & Seasons, provides lessons, activities, and prayerful reflections for teaching the seasons of the liturgical year and select feast days of the Church at every grade level (Grades 1–8) of Blest Are We Faith & Word Edition.

• A special section of each text, “Our Catholic Heritage” presents an age-appropriate summary of basic Catholic beliefs organized according to the four pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. This minicatechism complements the doctrinal content of the chapters of Blest Are We.

• The correlation of Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten guidelines are based on Stories of God’s Love, RCL Benziger’s Early Childhood curriculum. Stories of God’s Love is the foundation for Be My Disciples.

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**Creation, Child of God**

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 1**

*KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH: Students will explore, profess and reflect on our Catholic faith, which is the content of God’s revelation found in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition and lived out in the Creed and Church doctrine.*

**Essential Concepts**

1. **KF-R • REVELATION**

   Begin to understand that God created the world because he loves us. *(creation)*

   Begin to understand that God created me, others and all I see.

   Begin to understand that angels have been created by God and that God has given each of us a **Guardian Angel** to watch over and protect us.*

2. **KF-R.1 • Sacred Scripture**

   Begin to understand the **Bible** is the **holy** book that talks about God and creation.

3. **KF-R.2 • Salvation History**

   Begin to understand the Bible as the book which contains the stories of God’s creation and of **Jesus’** life.

4. **KF-R.3 • Christology**

   Begin to understand that Jesus came to live on earth because He wanted to share God’s love with us.

   Begin to understand that Jesus is God and man, Son of God and Son of Mary.
Listen to the stories of Jesus who died on the Cross for us, rose from the dead, and ascended into Heaven.

KF-T • TRINITY: God the Creator Jesus the Redeemer, and Holy Spirit Sanctifier

Repeat the Sign of the Cross.

Become familiar with and show reverence for the names of the three Divine Persons: God the Father, God the Son (Jesus Christ) and God the Holy Spirit.

KF-C • THE CREED: A Statement of Our Belief

Begin to understand that the word “Creed” means what we believe as Catholics.

TASK OF CATECHESIS 2

LITURGICAL EDUCATION: Students recognize the presence of Christ and enter into communion with Him through active, full and conscious participation in the Liturgical celebrations and Sacraments of the Church.

Essential Concepts

LE-E • EUCHARIST Who, How, When, and Where the Mass is Celebrated

Experience Mass where we worship and thank God.

Associate the parish priest with the Mass and be able to identify what he does within the Church.

Begin to recite grade level Mass responses. (See Task 4: Teaching to Pray.)
Begin to identify the altar, chalice, tabernacle, ciborium, pall, priest’s vestments, crucifix, and ambo in pictures or in person.

LE-S • CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Begin to understand the definition of a Sacrament.

LE-S.1 • Sacraments of Initiation

Begin to understand that Baptism is a sacrament.

LE-S.2 • Sacraments of Healing

Begin to understand that Jesus loves us always and forgives us.

LE-S.3 • Sacraments at the Service of Communion

Begin to recognize that God has given us parents and a pastor to show us how to love others.

LE-LR • LITURGICAL RESOURCES

LE-LR.1 • Liturgical Calendar

Identify the special seasons in the Liturgical Calendar: Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent and Easter and special feasts of Mary and the saints.

Begin to associate the different colors with the different seasons of the Church year.

LE-LR.2 • Liturgical Symbols and Sacramentals

Begin to recognize items in the classroom, church and at home that are “holy” and regard them with reverence.

LE-LR.3 • Divine Office Liturgy of the Hours

Prayerfully listen to Psalm 117 and respond “Halleluiah!”

SOGL Age 4: Ch. 15, 16, 18

SOGL Age 4: Ch. 16

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SOGL Age 4: Ch. 3, 28

SOGL Age 4: Ch. 14, 16

SOGL Age 4: WC: All Saints Day, We Prepare for Christmas, We Celebrate Christmas, We Celebrate Lent, We Celebrate Easter, We Honor Mary

SOGL Age 4: Ch. 1, 15, 16, 18, 19; WC All Saints Day, We Prepare for Christmas, We Honor Mary

SOGL Age 4: WC: We Celebrate Easter
LE-LR.4 • Liturgical Rites: Weddings, Funerals and Blessings

Bow their heads when blessed by the pastor, their parents or teachers.

TASK OF CATECHESIS 3

MORAL EDUCATION: Students develop a moral conscience that is informed by Church teachings and conformed to Christ, as modeled in a personal life of virtue and demonstrated in service of the Gospel’s demands for society.

Essential Concepts

ME-HP • THE HUMAN PERSON

Begin to understand that God made us to know and to love Him.

ME-HP1 • Made in the Image of God – Foundation of Human Dignity

Understand how saying a kind word to someone or doing a good deed is a way to show God’s love.

ME-HP2 • Made for Happiness with God, Beatitudes

Begin to associate happiness with loving and being close to God and other people.

ME-HP3 • Human Freedom and Conscience Formation

Begin to name and distinguish right (good) from wrong (sinful) actions.

Name times when they can ask God to help them obey their parents and to treat others with kindness.

ME-HP4 • Covenant and Ten Commandments

Compare the reason for and the purpose of the Ten Commandments with rules at home and at school.

SOGL Age 4: Ch. 7, 8, 9

SOGL Age 4: Ch. 10; WC: Valentine’s Day

SOGL Age 4: Ch. 2, 3, 6, 8, 10, 14, 16, 21, 22; WC: Valentine’s Day

SOGL Age 4: Ch. 10; WC: We Celebrate Lent

SOGL Age 4: Ch. 2, 6, 10, 14

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ME-HPS • Virtues Cardinal and Theological

Begin to recognize the word *virtue* as a gift from God to do good things.

ME-HC • THE HUMAN COMMUNITY

Demonstrate awareness of the needs and feelings of others.

ME-HC.1 • Personal and Social Sin

Begin to understand the word *sin* referring to when we hurt others and don’t listen to God.

ME-HC.2 • Catholic Social Teaching – Consistent Ethic of Life, Love of Neighbor, and Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy

Begin to understand that God created all people, creatures and the world as a gift for us all.

Show the importance of sharing and respecting classroom materials and school resources.

Begin to understand, participate in and reflect on service to help care for all God’s people, creatures and world.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 4**

**TEACHING TO PRAY:** Students experience and engage in Catholic expressions of prayer to deepen their relationship with God and the Church.

**Essential Concepts**

P-UC • THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO PRAYER, IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER

Begin to understand that *prayer* is talking to God.

Listen to and participate in prayers and recognize that prayer is important.
P-F • FORMS OF PRAYER

Spend time with God in prayer.

Know that through prayer we thank God for our many gifts, and we ask God to help us with our worries.

P-E • EXPRESSIONS OF PRAYER, PROCESS

Recognize that we pray at home, at school and at church.

Experience prayer with music and in short periods of silence.

P-OF • OUR FATHER: SUMMARY OF THE GOSPEL

Begin to recognize the Our Father is a prayer we say at Mass and in our daily lives.

P-DP • DEVOTIONAL PRACTICES (e.g. Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Novenas, Simbang Gabi, etc.)

Begin to participate in devotional practices, short communal prayers related to the Rosary or Stations of the Cross.

P-HES • PRAYERS WE KNOW BY HEART, EXPERIENCE AND SHARE AT MASS

**PRAYERS BY HEART**

• Sign of the Cross

• Prayer to One’s Guardian Angel

**PRAYERS TO EXPERIENCE**

• Prayers of blessing, adoration, praise, intercession, thanksgiving, petition

• Silent prayer

• Prayer with music and gestures

• Our Father

• Hail Mary
• Rosary

• Invitation to Liturgy of the Hours

• Psalm 117

Shared at Mass - Mass Responses

• Amen

• And with your spirit

• Alleluia

• Sign of Peace

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 5**

**EDUCATING FOR THE LIFE, COMMUNITY, AND HISTORY OF THE CHURCH:** Students study and participate in the life and mission of the church, the Body of Christ and the community of believers, as expressed in the Church’s origin, history, ecclesiology, the Communion of Saints and their family, the domestic church.

**Essential Concepts**

**LCH-CH • THE CHURCH IN GOD’S PLAN [748-780] Church History**

Listen to stories about the parish patron saint.

Begin to understand the word history as the story of the past.

**LCH-MC • MODELS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Identify Church as a place where all people join together to worship, to thank God, to serve God, and to serve one another.
**LCH-MC.1 • People of God**

Associate their parish church as the place where their community, God’s family, joins in prayer together.

**LCH-MC.2 • Body of Christ**

Experience “Body of Christ” as who we are when we pray together and use our hands to help others.

**LCH-MC.3 • Temple of the Holy Spirit**

Recognize that God loves us so much that the Holy Spirit lives in each of us.

**LCH-MMC • THE MYSTERY AND MARKS OF THE CHURCH: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic**

Begin to understand “holy” in reference to the Church.

**LCH-CF • CHRIST’S FAITHFUL: HEIRARCHY, LAITY, CONSECRATED LIFE**

**LCH-CE1 • Church Order: The Hierarchy and Magisterium and Infallibility**

Begin to identify the Archbishop and recognize his role as the leader of our Archdiocese, the local Church.

**LCH-CE2 • The Laity: Rights and Responsibilities**

Begin to understand that Sunday is an important day to be with God and to go to Church.

**LCH-CE3 • The Domestic Church**

Understand that Jesus grew up in a loving family.

Begin to understand Mary as part of the Holy Family.

**LCH-CE4 • The Universal Call to Holiness**

Begin to understand the word “holy” as being close to God.

**LCH-CE5 • Vocation: Marriage, priesthood, religious life**

Begin to understand that both the priest and their parents serve God by taking care of others in their roles.
### LCH-CS • COMMUNION OF SAINTS

Listen to stories of **saints** as heroes of our faith who are part of the family of the Church in **heaven**.

### LCH • Mary MARY AS MODEL OF THE CHURCH

Begin to understand that Mary is the Mother of Jesus, Mother of God and our Mother.

### TASK OF CATECHESIS 6

**THE CHURCH’S MISSIONARY LIFE AND SERVICE:** Students acquire and demonstrate skills to recognize their gifts from God and their vocation to share the good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed in the world.

#### Essential Concepts

**CMLS-BCD • BAPTISMAL CALL AND DISCIPLESHIP** *(the mandate to go forth)*

- By **Baptism**, we are given new life as God’s children.

- Begin to understand that the Church has a **mission** given to her by Jesus Christ.

**CMLS-SS • CALL TO STEWARDSHIP AND SERVICE:** Catholic Social Teaching about the common good

- Begin to name our unique gifts that God provides us to help others.

- Participate in and reflect on service and how we can be Jesus for others.

**CMLS-EDNE • CALL TO ECUMENISM, INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND THE NEW EVANGELIZATION**

- Know that God made all people, and we are called to be kind and loving to all people.
Recognize that Jesus calls us to serve God and all God’s people.

Show God’s love for all people through words and actions.
Creation, Jesus and God’s Family

TASK OF CATECHESIS 1

KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH: Students will explore, profess and reflect on our Catholic faith, which is the content of God’s revelation found in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition and lived out in the Creed and Church doctrine.

Essential Concepts

KF-R • REVELATION

State that God created everything freely and out of love for us, and we read about this in the Bible.

Tell in own words the story of creation.

Know that angels were created by God to be his messengers, and that God has given each of us a Guardian Angel to watch over and protect us.

KF-R.1 • Sacred Scripture

Understand the Bible is a holy book and the story of God’s saving love for us, the Church family.

KF-R.2 • Salvation History

Begin to understand the Bible as the book which contains two parts: Old Testament (prepare us for Jesus) and the New Testament (about Jesus and the Church.)

KF-R.3 • Christology

Know that Jesus came to live on earth because He wanted to share God’s love with us.

Begin to understand that Jesus is both God and human.

Know that Jesus’ family is called the Holy Family.
Recall the stories of Jesus who died on the Cross for us, rose from the dead, and ascended into Heaven.

**KF-T • TRINITY: God the Creator Jesus the Redeemer, and Holy Spirit Sanctifier**

Demonstrate ability and respect for the *Sign of the Cross* and the names of the three divine Persons: God the Father, God the Son (Jesus Christ) and God the Holy Spirit.

Recognize God the Father is the first person of the Trinity in the Sign of the Cross and that He created the world, human beings, and all that is good.

Know that Jesus called God, “Abba” which means Daddy.

Recognize that God the Son, Jesus Christ, is the second person of the Trinity.

Recognize that God the Holy Spirit is the third person of the Trinity.

Know that the Holy Spirit lives within us and gives us the gift of grace.

Recognize images of the Holy Spirit, e.g. dove wind.

**KF-C • THE CREED: A Statement of Our Belief**

Begin to understand that sharing our Creed tells others what we believe.

Listen to the Creed as the prayer where we share our belief in God as taught by our Church.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 2**

**LITURGICAL EDUCATION: Students recognize the presence of Christ and enter into communion with Him through active, full and conscious participation in the Liturgical celebrations and Sacraments of the Church.**

**Essential Concepts**

**LE-E • EUCHARIST Who, How, When, and Where the Mass is Celebrated**

Experience Mass where as a community we worship and thank God.
Identify the priest by name and that he was chosen by God to prayerfully lead us as a faith community.

Describe how the community gathers and remembers the words and actions of Jesus at the Last Supper.

Listen to and recognize Jesus’ stories at Mass, i.e. the Gospel.

Name Sunday as the Lord’s Day.

Begin to recite grade level Mass responses. (See Task 4: Teaching to Pray.)

Identify the altar, chalice, tabernacle, ciborium, pall, priest’s vestments, crucifix, and ambo in pictures or in person.

**LE-S • CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS**

Begin to relate Sacraments as gifts of grace that share God’s love for us and bring us closer to Jesus.

Begin to understand that each of the seven Sacraments is celebrated in a special way.

**LE-S.1 • Sacraments of Initiation**

Encounter Baptism’s symbols of water, holy oil, lit candle and the white garment as the sacramental way people celebrate becoming members of the church and Christians.

Identify the Baptismal Font and Paschal Candle in the parish church.

Hear and recognize the words said at Baptism: “I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”

Share stories about their own baptism.

**LE-S.2 • Sacraments of Healing**

Know that Jesus loves us and forgives us always even when we do something wrong.

**LE-S.3 • Sacraments at the Service of Communion**
Understand that God has given us parents and a pastor with unique roles to show us how to love others.

**LE-LR • Liturgical Resources**

**LE-LR.1 • Liturgical Calendar**

Celebrate and associate Jesus’ life with the following: Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Holy Week, Easter and special feasts of Mary and the saints.

Associate the different colors with the different seasons of the Church year.

**LE-LR.2 • Liturgical Symbols and Sacramentals**

Know that sacramentals are holy objects and actions.

Name and recognize several examples of sacramentals: holy water, crucifix, holy oil, tabernacle, sanctuary light, Paschal Candle, Book of the Gospels, statues of saints, images of Mary, Stations of the Cross and holy water fonts in the Church and classroom.

**LE-LR.3 • Divine Office Liturgy of the Hours**

Prayerfully list to Psalm 150 and respond “Praise God!”

**LE-LR.4 • Liturgical Rites: Weddings, Funerals and Blessings**

Recognize holy water is used for Church rites and blessings.

Experience the use of holy water when being blessed by the pastor, parents, and teachers.

SOGL K: Ch. 10, 14, 16

SOGL K: WC: Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, All Saints, St. Valentine’s Day, Mary, Our Mother, Mary’s Birthday

SOGL K: Ch. 14

SOGL K: Ch. 10, 14, 16; WC: Mary’s Birthday, All Saints Day, Mary, Our Mother
TASK OF CATECHESIS 3

MORAL EDUCATION: Students develop a moral conscience that is informed by Church teachings and conformed to Christ, as modeled in a personal life of virtue and demonstrated in service of the Gospel’s demands for society.

Essential Concepts

ME-HP • THE HUMAN PERSON

Begin to understand that God made us to know, love, and serve Him and others.

ME-HP1 • Made in the Image of God – Foundation of Human Dignity

Begin to understand that all are made in the image and likeness of God.

ME-HP2 • Made for Happiness with God, Beatitudes

Recognize that God loves us so much that human beings are made to love and serve others.

ME-HP3 • Human Freedom and Conscience Formation

Know the difference between right and wrong; name and describe actions that illustrate this understanding.

Understand consequences of our actions, and develop an awareness of our need to be sorry when we choose an action that hurts someone or something. (sin)

Talk about actions that we know hurt God, others and ourselves.

Know that God gave us guides to help us know how to live good lives.

ME-HP4 • Covenant and Ten Commandments

Listen to and retell the story of Exodus
Ten Commandments as ways God loves us and invites us to stay close to Him and to one another.

ME-HPS • Virtues Cardinal and Theological

Recognize the word **virtue** as a gift from God to do good things.

ME-HC • THE HUMAN COMMUNITY

Demonstrate actions that show we have respect for one another and the God-given rights of others.

ME-HC.1 • Personal and Social Sin

Understand when we **sin** through selfish actions, we hurt ourselves and others.

ME-HC.2 • Catholic Social Teaching – Consistent Ethic of Life, Love of Neighbor, and Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy

Explain ways to take care of the gift of God’s creation.

Understand the care of personal belongings, classroom, school building, and parish grounds.

Articulate ways people are different from other creatures – living things.

Explain how every person has Godgiven **rights**.

Participate in and reflect on age appropriate service projects to help other people.
## TASK OF CATECHESIS 4

**TEACHING TO PRAY:** Students experience and engage in Catholic expressions of prayer to deepen their relationship with God and the Church.

### Essential Concepts

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<td>Recite simple prayers.</td>
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<td>Pray that they follow Jesus.</td>
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<td>Practice giving thanks and asking God for help through prayer.</td>
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<td>Articulate the reasons for prayer and experience many prayer opportunities.</td>
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<td>Begin the practice of calling on God at all times and in all places.</td>
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<td>Identify <strong>Church</strong> as a special place to pray – with a community or privately.</td>
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<td>Talk about different ways to pray: alone, with classmates, with family.</td>
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P-HES • PRAYERS WE KNOW BY HEART, EXPERIENCE AND SHARE AT MASS

PRAYERS BY HEART

• Sign of the Cross

• Prayer to One’s Guardian Angel

• Grace before meals

• Grace after meals (optional)

Prayers to Experience

• Prayers of blessing, adoration, praise, intercession, thanksgiving, petition

• Silent prayer

• Prayer with music and gestures

• Our Father

• Hail Mary

• Rosary

• Invitation to Liturgy of the Hours

• Psalm 117

Shared at Mass - Mass Responses

• Amen

• And with your spirit

• Alleluia

• Sign of Peace
TASK OF CATECHESIS 5

EDUCATING FOR THE LIFE, COMMUNITY, AND HISTORY OF THE CHURCH: Students study and participate in the life and mission of the church, the Body of Christ and the community of believers, as expressed in the Church’s origin, history, ecclesiology, the Communion of Saints and their family, the domestic church.

Essential Concepts

LCH-CH • THE CHURCH IN GOD’S PLAN [748-780] Church History

Know why our parish has a special name and is a part of Church history.

LCH-MC • MODELS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Recall Church as a place where all people join together to worship, to thank God, to serve God, and to serve one another.

LCH-MC.1 • People of God

Understand that the Catholic Church is the family of God.

Know that Church is where God’s children/family comes together each Sunday to give thanks to God at Mass.

LCH-MC.2 • Body of Christ

Begin to understand and identify the “Body of Christ” as who we are as we pray together and serve one another.

LCH-MC.3 • Temple of the Holy Spirit

Begin to understand that the Holy Spirit lives in each one of us and helps us make good choices

LCH-MMC • THE MYSTERY AND MARKS OF THE CHURCH: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic

Define “holy” in own words.

Know that they belong to the Catholic Church.
## LCH-CF • CHRIST’S FAITHFUL: HEIRARCHY, LAYITY, CONSECRATED LIFE

### LCH-CE1 • Church Order: The Hierarchy and Magisterium and Infallibility
Identify a picture of the Archbishop and name him as the leader of our Archdiocese, the local Church.

### LCH-CE2 • The Laity: Rights and Responsibilities
Demonstrate awareness of the importance of attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.

Recognize that the parish is the place where God’s people gather to worship and serve others.

### LCH-CE3 • The Domestic Church
Associate the Holy Family with Jesus, Mary, Jesus’ mother, Joseph, Jesus’ father on earth.

Understand that Jesus’ family prayed and worshipped together.

### LCH-CE4 • The Universal Call to Holiness
Recognize that God wants everyone to be holy, because we are all God’s children.

### LCH-CE5 • Vocation: Marriage, priesthood, religious life
Distinguish the parish priest’s role from the role of their parents.

### LCH-CS • COMMUNION OF SAINTS
Know that saints are heroes of our faith and have special days on which the church remembers (memorial) their holy lives.

Know and talk about the patron saint of the parish.

Know the name and story of a favorite saint.

### LCH • Mary MARY AS MODEL OF THE CHURCH
Know that Mary is the Mother of God, who was chosen by God for this unique role and we have special days honoring her.
TASK OF CATECHESIS 6

THE CHURCH’S MISSIONARY LIFE AND SERVICE: Students acquire and demonstrate skills to recognize their gifts from God and their vocation to share the good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed in the world.

Essential Concepts

CMLS-BCD • BAPTISMAL CALL AND DISCIPLESHIP (the mandate to go forth)

Know that by Baptism we are called to join in Jesus’ mission.

Recognize that God has a plan for everyone and provides us with unique gifts to follow the plan He has for us.

CMLS-SS • CALL TO STEWARDSHIP AND SERVICE: Catholic Social Teaching about the common good

Recognize that our talents are gifts from God and that we are called to share with others.

Participate in and reflect on service and how we can be Jesus for others.

CMLS-EDNE • CALL TO ECUMENISM, INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

Know that God made all people, and we are called to respect all people.

Show God’s love for all people through words and actions.

Know that all people belong to God and there are many different ways to pray to God.
Creation, Jesus and the Church

TASK OF CATECHESIS 1

KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH: Students will explore, profess and reflect on our Catholic faith, which is the content of God’s revelation found in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition and lived out in the Creed and Church doctrine.

Essential Concepts

KF-R • REVELATION

Know that creation is a sign of God’s love for us.

State that God reveals Himself in all of creation.

Retell creation stories from the Bible showing God as the Creator of all things (including us, who are made in His image and likeness) and he trusts us to use and take care of these gifts.

Identify signs of death and new life in creation and associate with Jesus’ death and resurrection.

Recall the role of angels as God’s messengers and that we each have a Guardian Angel who watches over and protects us.

KF-R.1 • Sacred Scripture

Recall that the Bible is the sacred book that reveals God’s love for us.

Identify the two main parts of the Bible: Old Testament (prepare us for Jesus) and the New Testament (about Jesus and the Church).

KF-R.2 • Salvation History

Retell a grade level Old Testament story and one New Testament parable and the lesson to be learned. (Resource: Grade Level Scripture Recommendations)
KF-R.3 • Christology

Name and locate the four Gospels in the New Testament that tell the stories of Jesus.

Deepen understanding that Jesus was both fully God and fully human.

Know that Christmas is when Jesus was born to Mary in Bethlehem.

Recognize that Jesus has the power to heal others and to raise them from the dead.

Tell about Jesus’ life on earth as a boy, growing in wisdom, his call to ministry, death and resurrection.

KF-T • TRINITY: God the Creator Jesus the Redeemer, and Holy Spirit Sanctifier

Identify God the Father as the First Person of the Trinity in the Sign of the Cross.

Identify Jesus, God the Son, as the Second Person of the Trinity.

State that Jesus came to save us.

Show understanding that Jesus was filled with God’s Holy Spirit and had a mission to announce the Good News through teaching and healing.

State that God the Holy Spirit is the Third Person of the Trinity.

Identify the Holy Spirit as the helper, guide, one who dwells within us, and helps us live as Jesus’ disciples.

KF-C • THE CREED: A Statement of Our Belief

Understand that the Church helps us know what to believe as stated in the Creed.

Identify key phrases in the Apostles’ Creed: the Father Almighty, Jesus, His only Son, and in the Holy Spirit.

Recognize that the Church believes in one God.
LITURGICAL EDUCATION: Students recognize the presence of Christ and enter into communion with Him through active, full and conscious participation in the Liturgical celebrations and Sacraments of the Church.

**Essential Concepts**

**LE-E • EUCHARIST Who, How, When, and Where the Mass is Celebrated**

Experience Mass as a celebration of God’s love for us.

Identify Sunday as the Lord’s Day when we go to Mass to worship God and thank Him for all his gifts.

Identify the priest as the one who leads the Mass celebration.

Demonstrate reverential gestures during Mass for presence of Jesus in Eucharist, e.g. bowing, genuflecting.

Participate fully in the liturgy by recalling key responses in the Mass and singing liturgical hymns.

State how we pray the “Our Father” at Mass as the entire community.

State that we call Jesus Christ the Lamb of God who takes away sin.

Associate the terms sacrificial meal and Lamb of God with Mass and stories of Jesus’ passion.

Identify the consecration as the moment in the Mass when the priest uses words and actions to make the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ.

Describe the time at Mass when the faithful receive Jesus at Holy Communion.

Ch. 10

F&S: Why Sunday Is a Special Day

Ch. 10; OCH: About the Mass

OCH: About the Mass

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LE-S • CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Know that Sacraments are seven ways we encounter God’s love and grace.

Know that Christ instituted the Sacraments as outward signs of grace and gave them to the Church.

LE-S.1 • Sacraments of Initiation

Identify the Sacraments of Christian Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Describe how when we are baptized we become Christians, disciples of Jesus Christ. Receiving this sacrament leads us to Eucharist.

Know that we receive the Holy Spirit at Baptism.

Describe the Sacrament of Eucharist as a sign of Jesus sharing Himself with us in a special meal called the Mass.

LE-S.2 • Sacraments of Healing

Name the two Sacraments of Healing: Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick.

Identify Reconciliation as a sacrament where the priest helps us experience God’s saving love for us. (mercy)

LE-S.3 • Sacraments at the Service of Communion

Identify the two Sacraments at the Service of Communion: Marriage and Holy Orders.

Distinguish between the roles of parents and parish priests, and how each is called to share God’s love.
LE-LR • LITURGICAL RESOURCES

LE-LR.1 • Liturgical Calendar

Associate Jesus’ life with the celebration of important Holy Days in the Church Calendar.

Identify Holy Week and Easter are the holiest times of the year.

Recognize that on Feast Days and Memorials we pray for the living and the dead.

Recognize the names of other important days in the Easter Season: Ascension, Pentecost.

Identify symbols of the seasons of the Liturgical Calendar.

LE-LR.2 • Liturgical Symbols and Sacramentals

Identify and reverentially engage with sacramentals used by the Church:

- holy water, crucifix, candles, blessed medals, and rosary
- Altar, cross, tabernacle, sanctuary light, Paschal Candle, Book of the Gospels, baptismal font, statues of saints, images of Mary, holy water fonts, Stations of the Cross, in the classroom, at church and at home.

LE-LR.3 • Divine Office Liturgy of the Hours

Prayerfully listen to Psalm 100 and respond “Sing to the Lord, all the world!” after each verse.

LE-LR.4 • Liturgical Rites: Weddings, Funerals and Blessings

Experience blessings as special times asking for God’s grace, power, and care, and know that other people can bless us.
**TASK OF CATECHESIS 3**

**MORAL EDUCATION:** Students develop a moral conscience that is informed by Church teachings and conformed to Christ, as modeled in a personal life of virtue and demonstrated in service of the Gospel’s demands for society.

### Essential Concepts

**ME-HP • THE HUMAN PERSON**

Recall that God created us to know, love, and serve Him and others.

Recall that God loves us so much that human beings are made in God’s image with body and soul.

**ME-HP1 • Made in the Image of God – Foundation of Human Dignity**

Show understanding that people are respected and appreciated for their gifts of culture, race and language.

Express how we have healthy bodies when we take care of them.

**ME-HP2 • Made for Happiness with God, Beatitudes**

Begin to understand that following wise rules and obeying others with legitimate authority helps us stay happy, healthy, and holy.

**ME-HP3 • Human Freedom and Conscience Formation**

Understand that we make choices (free will) to love God and others.

Distinguish between right and wrong thoughts and actions; give examples of how our actions have consequences.

Explain the importance for us to be sorry for our wrongful thoughts and actions.

Distinguish good habits from bad habits.
Explain how Jesus wants them to be kind to others and to share with others.

**ME-HP4 • Covenant and Ten Commandments**

Recall the story of Exodus, and reflect what it means to follow and trust God, and the importance of these rules in our lives.

Identify how the Great Commandment is the fulfillment of the Ten Commandments.

**ME-HP5 • Virtues Cardinal and Theological**

Recall the word virtue as a gift from God to do good things.

**ME-HC • THE HUMAN COMMUNITY**

Recognize that every person has worth and God-given rights. (human dignity)

**ME-HC.1 • Personal and Social Sin**

Recognize the difference between sin as a choice and making a mistake.

Explain that sin is turning away from God.

Articulate how they can express sorrow for certain actions.

Practice apologizing to someone and forgiving someone (instead of saying, “It’s okay.”)

Recognize our need to be forgiven and what it means to be forgiven.

**ME-HC.2 • Catholic Social Teaching – Consistent Ethic of Life, Love of Neighbor, and Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy**

Appreciate creation as a gift from God, and recognize our responsibility to care this gift.
Demonstrate care of personal belongings, classroom, school buildings, and parish grounds.

Begin to understand that every person must have a sense of responsibility for all people.

Explain how work in school is an expression of one of God’s gifts.

Explain what it means to be poor and the ways we can take care of God’s people.

Participate and reflect on age appropriate service stewardship projects calling us to greater discipleship.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 4**

**TEACHING TO PRAY: Students experience and engage in Catholic expressions of prayer to deepen their relationship with God and the Church.**

**Essential Concepts**

**P-UC • THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO PRAYER, IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER**

Develop the practice of prayer – talking, listening and forming a relationship with God.

Explain how prayer helps us know God so that we will choose to love and serve Him.

**P-F • FORMS OF PRAYER**

Identify and participate in different types of prayer: praise, thanksgiving, sorrow, and asking.

Pray in thanksgiving for all the strengths / gifts in themselves and their classmates.

Practice asking God, Mary, angels, and the saints to help others and ourselves during times of need.
P-E • EXPRESSIONS OF PRAYER, PROCESS

Exhibit understanding that we can be quietly aware of God at all times.

List and show the ways to show reverence and respect in Church.

Experience a variety of expressions of Christian prayer: e.g., liturgy, silent meditation on Scripture (Lectio Divina), group recitation, reflection, singing, vocal.

P-OF • OUR FATHER: SUMMARY OF THE GOSPEL

Recite the Our Father from memory.

Read in the New Testament how Jesus prayed and taught his friends to pray, the perfect prayer, the Lord’s Prayer.

P-DP • DEVOTIONAL PRACTICES (e.g. Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Novenas, Simbang Gabi, etc.)

Participate in various prayer expressions including the Jesus prayer and choral prayer.

Explain the fourteen Stations of the Cross and how the Stations represent events from Jesus’ suffering and death.

Experience the stories of the Bible by praying the Rosary.

P-HES • PRAYERS WE KNOW BY HEART, EXPERIENCE AND SHARE AT MASS

PRAYERS BY HEART

- Our Father

- Hail Mary

- Glory Be

- Verse from Liturgy of the Hours

OCH: About Kinds of Prayer
Ch. 2, 10

Ch. 2, 3, 4, 7, 10, 20

LUP

OCH: About the Lord’s Prayer;
Ch. 8

Ch. 12, 15

LUP
LUP; OCH: The Lord’s Prayer

LUP; F&S: Mary

LUP; Ch. 13
PRAYERS TO EXPERIENCE

- Prayers of blessing, adoration, praise, intercession, thanksgiving, petition
- Silent prayer
- Prayer with music and gestures
- Our Father
- Hail Mary
- Rosary
- Invitation to Liturgy of the Hours
- Psalm 117

Shared at Mass - Mass Responses

- Sign of the Cross
- Amen
- And with your spirit
- Alleluia
- Sign of Peace
- Thanks be to God
- Responses after Lectionary reading and before Gospel
- Preface Dialogue
- The Mystery of Faith
- Sanctus
- Agnus Dei/Lamb of God

Ch. 2, 4, 5, 8, 10, 16

OCH: About Kinds of Prayer
Ch. 7, 20

LUP; OCH: The Lord's Prayer
LUP; F&S: Mary

OCH: About Kinds of Prayer
Ch. 1

Ch. 2, 17

Ch. 2

OCH: About the Mass
Ch. 3

Ch. 3; OCH: About the Mass
TASK OF CATECHESIS 5

EDUCATING FOR THE LIFE, COMMUNITY, AND HISTORY OF THE CHURCH: Students study and participate in the life and mission of the church, the Body of Christ and the community of believers, as expressed in the Church’s origin, history, ecclesiology, the Communion of Saints and their family, the domestic church.

Essential Concepts

LCH-CH • THE CHURCH IN GOD’S PLAN [748-780] Church History

Know that their parish is part of the Church’s story, our history.
Church

Find on a map where Jesus lived and grew up.

LCH-MC • MODELS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Understand Church is a building, and it is the people in the building.
Church, About A Visit to Church

LCH-MC.1 • People of God

Understand that through Baptism, we become members of Christians, part of God’s family – the Church.

Share pictures and stories of my Baptism, when I became part of the family of God.

LCH-MC.2 • Body of Christ

Articulate that Jesus is present with us at Mass, and we are asked to be the “Body of Christ” as we pray and serve others.

LCH-MC.3 • Temple of the Holy Spirit

Know that the Holy Spirit lives in each one of us and helps us to respect ourselves and others.
LCH-MMC • THE MYSTERY AND MARKS OF THE CHURCH: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic

Identify catholic as universal.

Know that Jesus Christ established the Church and asked the apostles to share Jesus' story and God's love.

LCH-CF • CHRIST’S FAITHFUL: HEIRARCHY, LAITY, CONSECRATED LIFE

LCH-CE1 • Church Order: The Hierarchy and Magisterium and Infallibility

Identify the Archbishop and recognize his role as the leader of our Archdiocese, the local Church.

Name and recognize the Pope as the visible head of the Church on earth.

LCH-CE2 • The Laity: Rights and Responsibilities

Recognize that the Church/our parish as the community where we come together to worship God and to learn more about Him and how to serve others.

Experience how communities work together to help many people.

LCH-CE3 • The Domestic Church

Know that families are also called to pray together and are a community of faith like their parish, (the domestic church).

Recognize their parents as faith leaders in their homes (domestic church).

LCH-CE4 • The Universal Call to Holiness

Explain how we are called to holiness, to be close to God who is always good and loving.

LCH-CE5 • Vocation: Marriage, priesthood, religious life

Articulate that God created us to know, love and serve Him by knowing, loving and serving others, and to live with Him in heaven forever.

Recognize that everyone has a vocation and that each person's vocation is lived out in different ways of life.
Name the different vocations: priesthood, marriage, religious and single life.

LCH-CS • COMMUNION OF SAINTS

Describe how the saints are holy people and heroes of the Church.

Celebrate days in honor of special saints, e.g. Saint Patrick, Saint Nicholas.

Name the patron saint and the story of the patron saint of the parish.

Name and describe the saint they are named for or another patron saint.

LCH • Mary MARY AS MODEL OF THE CHURCH

Recognize some titles of Mary: Mother of Jesus, Mother of God, Mother of the Church, Our Lady of Guadalupe and Mary, Our Mother.

Identify that Mary’s cousins were Elizabeth and Zechariah who were parents of John the Baptist.

Identify the Holy Spirit of God at work in the lives of Mary.

Understand we honor Mary with special days.

TASK OF CATECHESIS 6

THE CHURCH’S MISSIONARY LIFE AND SERVICE: Students acquire and demonstrate skills to recognize their gifts from God and their vocation to share the good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed in the world.

Essential Concepts

CMLS-BCD • BAPTISMAL CALL AND DISCIPLESHIP (the mandate to go forth)

Know that through Baptism we are all part of Jesus’ mission to share the “Good News” of Jesus Christ.

Understand that the Church has a mission given to her by Jesus.
**CMLS-SS • CALL TO STEWARDSHIP AND SERVICE: Catholic Social Teaching about the common good**

Grow in understanding of the special Godgiven gifts each has to offer the community.

Understand that we serve God by sharing our gifts, at whatever age we are in life.

Participate in and reflect on service and how we can be Jesus for others.

**CMLS-EDNE • CALL TO ECUMENISM, INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND THE NEW EVANGELIZATION**

Proclaim that God made and loves all people, and we are called to listen to and respect all people.

Understand that people express their belief in God in many different ways.

Begin to understand other Christian communities and show God’s love for all people through words and actions.

Ch. 7, 15, 19

Ch. 7, 15, 17, 19

Ch. 15, 17, 19

Ch. 5, 18, 19

Ch. 18, 19

Ch. 18
Sacraments, Mass

TASK OF CATECHESIS 1

KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH: Students will explore, profess and reflect on our Catholic faith, which is the content of God’s revelation found in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition and lived out in the Creed and Church doctrine.

Essential Concepts

**KF-R • REVELATION**

Recall why God made them.

Recognize that each person is made in the image and likeness of God and meant to live forever with God.

Begin to understand that God reveals Himself fully by sending us his own Divine Son, Jesus Christ.

**KF-R.1 • Sacred Scripture**

Recall that the Bible as a sacred collection of books about God’s love for us and how to live as God’s children.


Identify that stories of Jesus are only found in the New Testament.

Retell Gospel passages illustrating Jesus’ love for all when he was with us on earth.

Retell Jesus’ Great Commandment.

Retell miracle stories of Jesus related to the Eucharist.

Ch. 9; OCH: About the Trinity

Ch. 3; OCH: About New Life Forever

Ch. 13

The Bible; Ch. 9; OCH: About the Bible

The Bible

Ch. 3, 5, 6, 12, 13

OCH: About the Great Commandment

Ch. 12, 14
Retell the Creation and the Fall narrative in own words: e.g. sin, freedom, and grace.)

**KF-R.2 • Salvation History**

Describe God’s “Covenant Relationship.”

Retell stories of Jesus’ birth, Last Supper, death, resurrection and ascension.

Begin to understand that God the Father sent God the Son, Jesus Christ as our Redeemer.

Recognize sacred stories from the Bible where God redeems his people

**KF-R.3 • Christology**

Explain that Jesus is God’s Son and the promised Savior.

Explain Incarnation as Jesus is both the Son of God and Son of Mary; Jesus is truly God and truly man.

Know that Jesus wants to be with us always and gives Himself to us in the Eucharist.

Show understanding of Jesus as the Bread of Life as found in John’s Gospel.

**KF-T • TRINITY: God the Creator Jesus the Redeemer, and Holy Spirit Sanctifier**

Name and explain three persons of the Trinity: three persons in one God.

Name the Trinity as the central Mystery of our faith.

Articulate an understanding that Jesus is God’s Son, the promised Savior.

Recognize God the Holy Spirit lives within us, gives us the gift of grace, and helps us make right choices.

**KF-C • THE CREED: A Statement of Our Belief**

Restate definition of Creed in own words.
Know the Nicene Creed is the one we usually profess at Mass, and the Apostles Creed is recited with the Rosary.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 2**

**LITURGICAL EDUCATION:** Students recognize the presence of Christ and enter into communion with Him through active, full and conscious participation in the Liturgical celebrations and Sacraments of the Church.

**Essential Concepts**

**LE-E • EUCHARIST** Who, How, When, and Where the Mass is Celebrated

- Understand *liturgy* as the public worship of the Church.

- Begin to understand that Sunday is the Lord’s Day, and we participate in Mass to worship, praise and thank God.

- Sing/recite Mass responses with other students.

- Recognize that ministers of the altar (priests, deacons, altar servers) wear vestments.

- Begin to understand the four parts of the Liturgy: Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist, Concluding Rite.

- Identify two high points of the Mass: proclamation of the *Gospel* and the consecration of the Eucharist.

- Understand that at the beginning of Mass, we tell God we are sorry for our sins and ask for God’s forgiveness.

- Demonstrate appropriate *liturgical gestures* when participating in liturgy.

- Explain that the Mass is the celebration of the *Paschal Mystery*, the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
State that the stories of Jesus in the Gospels are proclaimed during the Eucharistic celebration.

State that in the Mass we give thanks for all of God's gifts, especially for the gift of His son, Jesus Christ.

Recognize the difference between bread and wine and the Body and Blood of Christ.

Explain that at the prayer over the gifts of bread and wine we present these gifts to God asking that God be blessed for these gifts.

Recognize the connection with the Last Supper and the celebration of Mass.

Explain that the priest presides at the Eucharistic liturgy, he consecrates the bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Jesus.

Exhibit reverence for Holy Communion as the Real Presence of Jesus Christ present in the bread and wine.

State that the priest ends the Mass by sending us forth to do good works in the world.

Recognize the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.

With guidance from the teacher, as a class, prepare a liturgy based on a chosen theme or feast day. Include in the preparation: readings, intercessory prayers and music.

LE-S • CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Describe the meaning of a sacrament as effective signs of God's grace.

Define grace as a gift from God that helps each of us grow in holiness.

Know there are seven sacraments.

Sacraments
LE-S.1 • Sacraments of Initiation

Identify the Sacraments of Initiation as the foundation of one's participation in the life of the Church.

Explain that Baptism is the first sacrament and it is followed by Holy Communion and Confirmation.

Begin to understand the effects (the change that is the result of receiving the Sacraments) of the Sacrament of Baptism.

LE-S.2 • Sacraments of Healing

Articulate the Sacraments of Healing Penance/Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick as Sacraments in which they encounter Jesus, the Healer.

Identify and explain in own words the essential elements in the Rite of receiving the Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation including examination of conscience, confession of sin, contrition, penance and absolution.

Be able to examine one's conscience.

Explain absolution as God forgiving their sins in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance.

LE-S.3 • Sacraments at the Service of Communion

Identify and describe the two Sacraments in Service of Communion: Marriage and Holy Orders.

Recognize marriage is between one man and one woman, who together make a promise to be partners for life.

State that some are called to serve the Church as ordained deacons, priests, or bishops.

LE-LR • LITURGICAL RESOURCES

LE-LR.1 • Liturgical Calendar

Chart the seasons of the Church year associating the appropriate colors.

Ch. 2, 14; OCH: About the Sacraments
Ch. 2; OCH: About the Sacraments
Ch. 2; OCH: About the Sacraments
Ch. 6; OCH: About the Sacraments
Ch. 6, 7; OCH About Reconciliation
Ch. 7; OCH: About Reconciliation
Ch. 6; OCH: About Reconciliation
Ch. 18; OCH: About the Sacraments
Ch. 18; OCH: About the Sacraments
Ch. 18; OCH: About the Sacraments
F&S; The Church Year
Identify the seasons as celebrations of the life of Jesus, Christ, Mary and the saints.

Identify Holy Week and Easter as the holiest days of the year, when we remember Jesus’ passion, death, and resurrection, the Paschal Mystery.

**LE-LR.2 • Liturgical Symbols and Sacramentals**

Define sacramentals as holy actions and objects.

Identify the difference between a sacrament and a sacramental.

Know that sacramentals are holy actions and holy objects: e.g., laying on of hands, genuflecting, sign of the cross, blessed ashes, blessed medals, and blessed candles.

**LE-LR.3 • Divine Office Liturgy of the Hours**

Recognize the Liturgy of the Hours as the public prayer of the Church.

Make the Sign of the Cross when responding to the invitatory, “Lord open my lips” with “And my mouth will proclaim your praise.”

Prayerfully recite Psalm 23.

Listen to and discuss the grade level recommended psalms during prayer.

**LE-LR.4 • Liturgical Rites: Weddings, Funerals and Blessings**

Understand that Catholic marriage (Holy Matrimony) is a sacrament with special blessings for the couple to love one another as Christ modeled for all.

Understand that Christian funerals are celebration of our life in Christ.

F&S: The Church Year, Mary, Saints

F&S: Holy Week, Easter

F&S: The Church Year

Ch. 2; F&S: The Church Year

F&S: The Church Year; Lent, Ordinary Time; Ch. 2

Ch. 9, 10

Ch. 18
TASK OF CATECHESIS 3

MORAL EDUCATION: Students develop a moral conscience that is informed by Church teachings and conformed to Christ, as modeled in a personal life of virtue and demonstrated in service of the Gospel’s demands for society.

Essential Concepts

ME-HP • THE HUMAN PERSON

Begin to understand that Eucharist offers us a great gift in fulfilling our human desire to be close to God.

Ch. 14

ME-HP1 • Made in the Image of God – Foundation of Human Dignity

Articulate that they are created in God’s image.

Ch. 3, 9

Explain how our bodies are created by God to be respected by ourselves and others.

Ch. 7; FIA: Ch. 15

ME-HP2 • Made for Happiness with God, Beatitudes

Recognize that we are made in God’s image and likeness to know, love and serve God and to be happy with Him forever.

Ch. 3, 9, 11, 15; OCH: About New Life Forever

Understand how following God’s rules help us to be happy, healthy, and holy.

Ch. 11, 15; OCH: About the Beatitudes

ME-HP3 • Human Freedom and Conscience Formation

Understand that God gave us an intellect and free will to choose what is right and avoid what is evil.

Ch. 5, 7

Identify conscience as God’s gift to distinguish between right and wrong.

Ch. 5, 7

Understand and experience the examination of conscience.

Ch. 5, 7; OCH: About Reconciliation
ME-HP4 • Covenant and Ten Commandments

Know the Ten Commandments are laws given to us by God to help us respect and love one another.

Describe God’s “Covenant Relationship” in own words.

ME-HP5 • Virtues Cardinal and Theological

Name a virtue, describe it as a good habit that helps us love as God loves us, and recognize that virtue is a choice.

Recognize that God’s help enables us to grow in virtue and grace.

ME-HC • THE HUMAN COMMUNITY

Understand that responsibilities are responses to our God-given rights.

Identify ways human beings are different from other creatures.

Demonstrate understanding of dignity, respecting the rights of others.

ME-HC.1 • Personal and Social Sin

Distinguish the difference among temptation, accident and sin.

Define sin as choice we make to turn away from God and repentance as turning back to God.

Define venial sin and mortal sin.

Give examples of how sin affects their relationship with God, neighbor, and creation.

State that God forgives our sins no matter how serious they are, and identify ways to make up for sin.

Name how God’s help enables us to avoid sin.

Discuss why the Sacrament of Reconciliation is important to living as a child of God.
Identify the Penitential Rite during the liturgy as a time to show sorrow for sin and to ask God for forgiveness. (Lord, have mercy.)

ME-HC.2 • Catholic Social Teaching – Consistent Ethic of Life, Love of Neighbor, and Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy

Appreciate creation as a gift from God. Recognize the responsibility to care for the gift of creation.

Cultivate an appreciation for all levels of creation.

Practice care of personal belongings, classroom, school building, and parish grounds.

Understand that every person must have a sense of responsibility for all other people.

Describe what it means to be poor.

Know that all work deserves respect.

Understand work in school is an expression of one of God’s gifts.

Participate and reflect on age appropriate service projects.

TASK OF CATECHESIS 4

TEACHING TO PRAY: Students experience and engage in Catholic expressions of prayer to deepen their relationship with God and the Church.

Essential Concepts

P-UC • THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO PRAYER, IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER

Experience prayer as a way to talk and listen to God.

Explain in own words the importance of praying.

Know that prayer is essential to our life with God and part of Christian life.
P-F • FORMS OF PRAYER (Blessing, Adoration Petition, Intercession Thanksgiving, Praise)

Know and experience various forms of prayer: blessing, adoration, petition, intercession, thanksgiving, praise.

Understand that in the Mass we thank God for all the blessings given to us, we offer our lives to God, especially for the gift of his Son.

State that God forgives us when we ask for his mercy in prayer.

“P-EP • EXPRESSIONS OF PRAYER (vocal meditation, contemplation, personal and shared)”

Define and experience spontaneous prayer.

Recognize that we pray alone and with others.

Demonstrate ways to practice being more like Jesus through personal prayer.

Recognize that we pray with the community of the Church especially at Mass on Sunday.

Reflect quietly on a passage from sacred Scripture.

P-OF • OUR FATHER: SUMMARY OF THE GOSPEL

Recite the “Our Father” and explain understanding of the prayer.

Find when the “Our Father” is prayer during the liturgy.

P-DP • DEVOTIONAL PRACTICES (e.g. Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Novenas)

Experience the Rosary as a special prayer using beads and praying about the mysteries of Jesus’ life.

P-HES • PRAYERS WE KNOW BY HEART, EXPERIENCE AND SHARE AT MASS
**PRAYERS BY HEART**

- Morning Offering
- Act of Contrition
- Our Father Prayer
- Hail Mary
- Glory Be/Doxology

**PRAYERS TO EXPERIENCE**

- Silent prayer
- Meditation
- Rosary
- Lectio Divina
- Prayers of blessing, adoration, praise, intercession, thanksgiving, petition
- Creed (Nicene and/or Apostles)
- Our Father
- Hail Mary
- Antiphonally psalms from the Liturgy of the Hours – Psalm 23

**SHARED AT MASS - MASS RESPONSES**

- Sign of the Cross
- And with your spirit
- Alleluia
• Responses after all Lectionary readings and before Gospel

• Preface Dialogue

• Sanctus

• The Mystery of Faith

• Lord’s Prayer

• Sign of Peace

• Agnus Dei/Behold the Lamb of God

• Amen

• Confiteor

• Gloria

• Creed Nicene or Apostles

• Invitation to Prayer

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 5**

**EDUCATING FOR THE LIFE, COMMUNITY, AND HISTORY OF THE CHURCH:** Students study and participate in the life and mission of the church, the Body of Christ and the community of believers, as expressed in the Church’s origin, history, ecclesiology, the Communion of Saints and their family, the domestic church.

**Essential Concepts**

**LCH-CH • THE CHURCH IN GOD’S PLAN [748-780] Church History**

Locate places where Jesus lived using a map of the Holy Land.
LCH-MC • MODELS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Recall that we are part of a Church and a community where we worship God and help others.

LCH-MC.1 • People of God

Recognize family and friends comprise a parish/school community.

Understand that the parish is where the People of God come to worship God and serve others.

LCH-MC.2 • Body of Christ

Identify ways we share God’s gifts as members of the Body of Christ.

LCH-MC.3 • Temple of the Holy Spirit

Understand that all people are made in the image and likeness of God.

Identify that God’s Holy Spirit lives in each person and inspires us to be holy.

LCH-MMC • THE MYSTERY AND MARKS OF THE CHURCH: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic

Recognize that holiness is being close to God.

LCH-CF • CHRIST’S FAITHFUL: HEIRARCHY, LAITY, CONSECRATED LIFE

LCH-CE1 • Church Order: The Hierarchy and Magisterium and Infallibility

Understand that the Pope leads the Catholic Church, a bishop leads a diocese, and the pastor leads the local parish.

Recognize the name of the local parish and that the parish is the gathering of God’s people to worship and serve.

LCH-CE2 • The Laity: Rights and Responsibilities

Recognize that by Baptism, each person is called to be part of the Church.

Explain how regular participation in the sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist help them grow in holiness and virtue.
**LCH-CE3 • The Domestic Church**

Recognize the family as the domestic church.

**LCH-CE4 • The Universal Call to Holiness**

Explain how regular participation in the Sacraments of Eucharist (Sunday and holy days of obligation) and Reconciliation can help them to grow in virtue and holiness.

Identify some “helps” to stay on God’s path: Sacraments, talks with parents and teachers.

Explain how being followers of Jesus means that are to help others.

Identify how we show our love for Jesus by following Him through our actions.

State that God wants all to live forever and be happy with Him in Heaven.

Develop an understanding of the Law of Love.

**LCH-CE5 • Vocation: Marriage, priesthood, religious life**

Know the meaning of vocation.

Know that a vocation is a gift from God.

Know that everyone has a vocation which is lived out in unique ways in life and is a response to God’s plan for us.

Understand that one must pray to know one’s vocation.

Identify the four primary vocational roles: single person, married, priests or consecrated religious.

**LCH-CS • COMMUNION OF SAINTS**

Know some days that celebrate the saints (memorials).

Know and celebrate the parish patron saint.

Know that each of us is called by God and equipped to be a saint.
LCH • Mary MARY AS MODEL OF THE CHURCH

Know titles of Mary: e.g., Mother of God, Mary Our Mother, and Mother of the Church. (Resource: Litany of Loreto)

Identify feast days that honor Our Lady.

Understand devotions honoring Mary.

Relate the story of the Annunciation and its importance for us as followers of Jesus.

TASK OF CATECHESIS 6

THE CHURCH’S MISSIONARY LIFE AND SERVICE: Students acquire and demonstrate skills to recognize their gifts from God and their vocation to share the good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed in the world.

Essential Concepts

CMLS-BCD • BAPTISMAL CALL AND DISCIPLESHIP (the mandate to go forth)

State and understand the Church has a mission given to her by Jesus Christ and we are all called by Baptism to participate in this mission.

Explore ways that we live this mission of the Church in our own lives.

State that God calls each of us to serve in special ways.

Identify how we show our love for Jesus by following Him through our actions.

Demonstrate an understanding of being sent from Mass to share God’s love with others.

CMLS-SS • CALL TO STEWARDSHIP AND SERVICE: Catholic Social Teaching about the common good

We serve God by sharing our gifts with the community, at whatever age we are in life.

Recognize and use personal gifts and talents to help others.
Identify each one’s responsibility to share their time, talent and treasure with the Church.

**CMLS-EDNE • CALL TO ECUMENISM, INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND THE NEW EVANGELIZATION**

Identify some of the ways that Jesus showed compassion during his life on Earth.

Understand that all people belong to God.

Understand that Jesus calls all to live the values he gave us in the Gospels.

FIA: Ch. 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20

Ch. 6, 15

Ch. 1, 19

Ch. 3, 4, 9, 11, 12
The Catholic Church

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 1**

**KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH:** Students will explore, profess and reflect on our Catholic faith, which is the content of God’s revelation found in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition and lived out in the Creed and Church doctrine.

**Essential Concepts**

**KF-R • REVELATION**

Know that Catholics learn about God through both Scripture and Tradition.

Understand that God creates freely and out of love.

Articulate that God reveals Himself fully by sending us his own Divine Son, Jesus Christ.

**KF-R.1 • Sacred Scripture**

Identify Scripture and Tradition as ways God revealed Himself to us.

Articulate why the Bible is special to the Church.

State that the Holy Spirit inspired people to write the Bible. (See inspiration.)

**KF-R.2 • Salvation History**

Describe Old Testament books that reveal God as Creator and Protector.

Describe New Testament books that reveal the teachings of Jesus.

Listen to the stories of the early Church in the Acts of the Apostles.

Identify sacred stories from the Bible where God redeems his people.
Articulate understanding that God the Father sent God the Son, Jesus Christ as our Redeemer.

**KF-R.3 • Christology**


Know that Incarnation refers to God entering our world with a human nature.

Know the name Jesus means Savior, Jesus died to save us.

Know various names given to Jesus: e.g. Savior, Redeemer, Son of God.

Understand that the Paschal Mystery relates to Jesus’ passion, death, Resurrection, and Ascension.

**KF-T • TRINITY: God the Creator Jesus the Redeemer, and Holy Spirit Sanctifier**

Identify the Holy Trinity in the Apostles Creed.

Identify some characteristics of God: e.g., almighty, all knowing, all merciful, all just, all present.

Know the Holy Spirit is the Paraclete (advocate or counselor) promised by Jesus.

Know the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles at Pentecost.

Identify Christian symbols of the Holy Spirit: fire; dove, and wind.

Identify liturgical moments when we reverence the Trinity (i.e. Holy Spirit called down upon the gifts of bread and wine.

**KF-C • THE CREED: A Statement of Our Belief**

State understanding of, “I believe in one God.”

OCH: About the Trinity; Ch. 1, 7; F&S: Holy Week

Ch. 7, 9, 13, 15, 17, 19, 20; F&S: Lent, Easter

F&S: Advent, Mary

Ch. 9

Ch. 1, 9

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Ch. 16, LUP

Ch. 16; OCH: About the Trinity; LUP

Ch. 1, 16

Ch. 12; F&S: Mary

Ch. 8, 12

Ch. 10; OCH: About the Sacraments of Initiation, About the Sacraments of Healing

OCH: About the Trinity; Ch. 16, Take Home
Understand the promise of eternal life after death as stated in the Creed.

Pray the Creed as a profession of our Church beliefs.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 2**

**LITURGICAL EDUCATION: Students recognize the presence of Christ and enter into communion with Him through active, full and conscious participation in the Liturgical celebrations and Sacraments of the Church.**

**Essential Concepts**

**LE-E • EUCHARIST Who, How, When, and Where the Mass is Celebrated**

Exhibit understanding that liturgy as a form of communal prayer in which we thank God, and ask God for whatever we need.

Understand that Sunday is the Lord’s Day, the “Sabbath” and we participate in Mass to worship, praise and thank God.

Sequence the composition of the Liturgy: Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist, Concluding Rite.

State that during the Introductory Rite of the Mass we ask for forgiveness and praise of God.

Understand the Liturgy of the Word includes readings from the Old Testament, the Responsorial Psalm, the Gospel from the New Testament.

Understand the Holy Spirit is called upon during Eucharistic Prayer to make the gifts and the people holy.

Know that Christ is present in the mass with the worshipping assembly, the priest, the Word of God and most especially in the Eucharist.

Introduce the term and concept of transubstantiation and associate it with the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.

State that in the Concluding Rite we are blessed and sent forth to serve others in the world.
Describe the roles of the priest, deacon, lector, ministers of Communion and acolytes in the Mass.

With guidance from the teacher, as a class, prepare a liturgy based on a chosen theme or feast day. Include in the preparation: readings, intercessory prayers and music.

**LE-S • CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS**

Define Sacrament as an outward sign instituted by Christ to give grace.

Understand grace as the free and undeserved gift God gives us to respond to our vocation.

**LE-S.1 • Sacraments of Initiation**

Explain why we identify the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation as “Sacraments of Initiation.”

Explain the meaning of “welcoming and initiating” and why this is important in a Eucharistic assembly.

Define the effects (the change that is the result of receiving the Sacraments) of the Sacrament of Baptism. of Initiation

Develop an understanding of how participation in the Eucharist builds up the Church, the Body of Christ.

Identify the Sacrament of Eucharist as the sacrament of Christ’s presence in the Church.

Connect the Blessed Sacrament with Christ’s living presence under the forms of bread and wine reserved in the tabernacle for adoration or for the sick.

**LE-S.2 • Sacraments of Healing**

Identify the process and the importance of God’s healing in the Sacraments of Healing: Reconciliation (Penance), and Anointing of the Sick.
Know and articulate the effects, symbols, the minister, and how the sacraments are celebrated for those receiving the Sacraments of Healing.

**LE-S.3 • Sacraments at the Service of Communion**

Understand that those who receive the Sacraments in Service of Communion through *Marriage* and *Holy Orders* help others through serving and loving all people.

State that God created man and woman to love one another as husband and wife; God’s love is unlimited.

Recognize that some men are called to serve the Church as *ordained deacons, priests, or bishops*.

**LE-LR • LITURGICAL RESOURCES**

**LE-LR.1 • Liturgical Calendar**

Know and understand the seasons and feasts of the *Liturgical Year*, their significance, and the liturgical color.

Know that *Advent* is the beginning of the Liturgical Year.

Recognize the *Holy Days of Obligation* in the United States.

Connect the *Paschal Triduum*, the three day remembrance of Jesus’ passion, death and resurrection, and the Paschal Mystery with the ministry and life of Jesus.

Identify and differentiate among *Holy Days of Obligation, Solemnities, Feast Days and Memorials* in the Liturgical calendar.

**LE-LR.2 • Liturgical Symbols and Sacramentals**

State the meaning of a sacramental, and how *sacramentals* can be incorporated into daily life.
View and explain the purpose of different art forms found in the parish church: e.g., statues, baptismal font, Paschal Candle, Tabernacle.

Name and recognize the symbolism of the different parts of the church: narthex, nave, sacristy, sanctuary.

**LE-LR.3 • Divine Office Liturgy of the Hours**

Recognize the Liturgy of the Hours as the public prayer of the Church that is prayed everyday across the earth.

Make the Sign of the Cross when responding to the invitatory, “Lord open my lips” with “And my mouth will proclaim your praise.”

With teacher and classmates, antiphonally recite and pray Psalm 67.

Listen to and discuss the grade level recommended psalms during prayer.

**LE-LR.4 • Liturgical Rites: Weddings, Funerals and Blessings**

Understand that Catholic marriage (Holy Matrimony) is a sacrament that takes place in a church and there are special blessings for the couple.

Recall that Christian funerals are a celebration of our life in Christ.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 3**

**MORAL EDUCATION: Students develop a moral conscience that is informed by Church teachings and conformed to Christ, as modeled in a personal life of virtue and demonstrated in service of the Gospel’s demands for society.**

**Essential Concepts**

**ME-HP • THE HUMAN PERSON**

Understand that the Church offers us many gifts in fulfilling our human desire to be close to God.
ME-HP1 • Made in the Image of God – Foundation of Human Dignity

Realize what it means to be made in God’s image – body and immortal soul.

Describe how God made our bodies as sacred.

ME-HP2 • Made for Happiness with God, Beatitudes

Exhibit understanding that God created us as naturally good destined for union with Him.

Read and find examples of the Beatitudes.

Explain how following God’s rules help us to be happy, healthy, and holy.

ME-HP3 • Human Freedom and Conscience Formation

Describe how God gives us our feelings and our imaginations to help us communicate, think, imagine and choose.

State meaning of morality.

Show understanding that God gives us a free will so that we might freely love, honor, and obey God.

Describe ways to form one’s conscience.

ME-HP4 • Covenant and Ten Commandments

Know the Scripture story of God and Moses.

Recognize that the Ten Commandments as a covenant with God’s people given by God to Moses.

Demonstrate an understanding that the Ten Commandments serve as a guide to living as disciples of Jesus.

Ch. 3; OCH: About the Commandments, About Life Everlasting

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Ch. 3; OCH: About the Commandments

OCH: About the Beatitudes

Ch. 7; OCH: About the Beatitudes

Ch. 14, 15

OCH: How Catholics Live, About Conscience, About Beatitudes, About Commandments

Ch. 3, 4

OCH: About Conscience

Ch. 16

Ch. 10, 16; OCH: About the Commandments

Ch. 10; OCH: About the Commandments
Explain how following God’s rules helps us to be holy and happy.

Understand the Great Commandment of Love given by Jesus is a guide for making good choices and a summary of all commandments.

**ME-HPS • Virtues Cardinal and Theological**

State meaning of virtue in relationship to the Christian life.

Recognize the Theological Virtues given at Baptism: faith, hope and love.

Describe how the Church helps them grow in virtue and holiness.

**ME-HC • THE HUMAN COMMUNITY**

Demonstrate awareness and show respect for the community in which we live, a community of many races and cultures.

Demonstrate understanding that we are responsible stewards of creation.

**ME-HC.1 • Personal and Social Sin**

Define sin as a decision we make to follow our way and not God’s way and repentance as turning back to God’s way.

Give examples of venial and mortal sins.

Exhibit understanding that we experience God’s forgiveness when we are sorry for our sins.

Provide examples of how we forgive and experience healing.

**ME-HC.2 • Catholic Social Teaching – Consistent Ethic of Life, Love of Neighbor, and Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy**
Explain the call to community and the common good as it is expressed in the Church's Social Teachings.

Appreciate and respect creation as a gift from God.

Practice care of personal belongings, classrooms, school building, and parish grounds.

Demonstrate how families, schools, parishes express responsibility for each other.

Recognize that individuals and groups have rights.

Identify some causes for poverty and ways in which we can help others.

Identify different types of work in a community and that all work deserves respect.

Explain that the Church continues the work of Christ on earth.

Participate in age-appropriate service projects and share reflections on why service is part of what it means to be “church”.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 4**

**TEACHING TO PRAY: Students experience and engage in Catholic expressions of prayer to deepen their relationship with God and the Church.**

**Essential Concepts**

P-UC • THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO PRAYER, IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER

Experience prayer as a way to talk and listen to God.

Explain why prayer is essential to our Christian life with God.

Demonstrate ways to pray for the Holy Spirit’s continued guidance of the Church.
P-F • FORMS OF PRAYER (Blessing, Adoration Petition, Intercession Thanksgiving, Praise)

Demonstrate ability to participate in various forms of prayer with blessing, adoration, petition, intercession, thanksgiving, praise.

Demonstrate ways to pray for the Holy Spirit’s continued guidance of the Church.

Understand and write simple Prayers of the Faithful asking God for needs in the Church, the world, and their lives.

Pray as a family (domestic church).

Show understanding of how use of Scripture leads to prayer.

“P-EP • EXPRESSIONS OF PRAYER (vocal meditation, contemplation, personal and shared)”

Develop capacity of silence as a form of listening to God within.

Differentiate between private and communal prayer.

Understand and experience adoration as an expression of prayer.

Understand and experience spontaneous prayer.

Read and reflect on a passage from sacred Scripture.

P-OF • OUR FATHER: SUMMARY OF THE GOSPEL

Recite the “Our Father” and identify the requests we are making through the Lord’s Prayer.

P-DP • DEVOTIONAL PRACTICES (e.g. Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Novenas)

State that we pray with Mary and the saints.

Recognize the Rosary as a prayer to Our Lady.

Know how to pray the Mysteries of the Rosary and participate in praying the special prayer using beads and praying about the mysteries of Jesus’ life.
Experience a form of the Stations of the Cross.

P-HES • PRAYERS WE KNOW BY HEART, EXPERIENCE AND SHARE AT MASS

PRAYERS BY HEART

• Come Holy Spirit

• Apostles Creed

Prayers to Experience

• Silent prayer

• Meditation

• Lectio Divina

• Rosary

• Stations of the Cross

• Prayers of blessing, adoration, praise, intercession, thanksgiving, petition

• Creed (Nicene and/or Apostles)

• Our Father

• Hail Mary

• Antiphonally psalms from the Liturgy of the Hours – Psalm 67

SHARED AT MASS - MASS RESPONSES

• Sign of the Cross

• And with your spirit

OCH: About the Stations of the Cross

LUP

Ch. 3, 4; OCH: About Kinds of Prayer

Ch. 3

Ch. 12; OCH: About the Rosary

OCH: About the Stations of the Cross

Ch. 1, 4, 7, 11, 17, 18, 20

LUP; Ch. 16

Ch. 4; LUP; OCH: About the Lord’s Prayer

Ch. 12; LUP; OCH: About the Rosary

Ch. 4, 20

LUP; OCH: About the Mass

OCH: About the Mass
TASK OF CATECHESIS 5

**EDUCATING FOR THE LIFE, COMMUNITY, AND HISTORY OF THE CHURCH:** Students study and participate in the life and mission of the church, the Body of Christ and the community of believers, as expressed in the Church’s origin, history, ecclesiology, the Communion of Saints and their family, the domestic church.

**Essential Concepts**

LCH-CH • THE CHURCH IN GOD’S PLAN [748-780] Church History
Identify the birthday of the Church as the Feast of Pentecost wherein Jesus Christ established the Church and we are the body as His disciples today.

Identify important men and women in the Early Church from the Acts of Apostles.

**LCH-MC • MODELS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Begin to understand Church as it refers to a building, a community and individuals who serve God and one another.

**LCH-MC.1 • People of God**

Understand that through our Baptism we are all united in common as People of God.

Articulate the different roles and different ways of sharing the Gospel message in the Church.

Recognize how Christ is the Light of the World and through our baptism, we are all called to bring the Light of Christ into the world.

Express how the gifts present in the Church community reflect God's love, goodness, and the interdependency characterizing the People of God.

**LCH-MC.2 • Body of Christ**

Identify how Christ is the Light of the World and as members of the Body of Christ, we are called to bring the light of Christ into the world.

Articulate attitudes needed to live in a community.

Give examples of how they are learning to express their faith within their parish community.

Recognize that the parish is our Church home where we celebrate Mass, participate in the sacraments, and enjoy the companionship of other believers.

Engage with parish ministries that help those in need, who are the hands and feet of Christ (i.e. St. Vincent de Paul, funeral ministry, communion for the homebound.)

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LCH-MC.3 • Temple of the Holy Spirit

Identify ways the Church is the Temple of the Holy Spirit and is guided by the Holy Spirit.

Identify that God’s Holy Spirit lives in me and inspires me to be holy as Jesus’ disciple.

LCH-MMC • THE MYSTERY AND MARKS OF THE CHURCH: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic

List and explain the four Marks of the Church: one, holy, catholic and apostolic.

LCH-CF • CHRIST’S FAITHFUL: HEIRARCHY, LAITY, CONSECRATED LIFE

LCH-CE1 • Church Order: The Hierarchy and Magisterium and Infallibility

Identify the college of bishops as the successors to the Apostles through the laying on of hands.

Identify the name of the current Holy Father, Pope, and understand that he is the visible head of the Catholic Church on earth.

Provide the name and role of the Archbishop in the Archdiocese of Seattle.

Understand the composition of the Church today: family, parish, diocese, universal church, communion of saints.

LCH-CE2 • The Laity: Rights and Responsibilities

Learn the Precepts of the Church as Laws of Church and help us grow in love of others and guide community.

Understand membership in the Catholic Church, through Sacraments of initiation, (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) and living lives of service as disciples of Jesus.

LCH-CE3 • The Domestic Church

Identify ways that families live as a domestic church.

LCH-CE4 • The Universal Call to Holiness

Articulate how practicing their Catholic faith helps them to lead holy lives.

Recognize the need to act responsibly.
Give examples of how to work for justice and peace.

**LCH-CE5 • Vocation: Marriage, priesthood, religious life**

Know that all vocations are a gift from God and each calls us to a particular way of holiness.

Understand that one’s vocation is revealed through prayer.

Identify the four main vocational calls in life: single, married, priests or consecrated religious.

Show understanding that parents have a vocation to serve God and the Church by helping their children to grow close to God.

**LCH-CS • COMMUNION OF SAINTS**

Recognize belonging to the Communion of Saints in the Church.

Know the feast of the parish patron saint.

Review the names and stories of the Saints whose images are represented in their parish church.

Articulate how the saints model the holiness of the Church.

**LCH • Mary MARY AS MODEL OF THE CHURCH**

Recall various titles of Mary. (Resource: Litany of Loreto)

Celebrate days in honor of Mary.

Know the Rosary is a prayer to God the Father through the intercession of Our Lady.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 6**

**THE CHURCH’S MISSIONARY LIFE AND SERVICE:** Students acquire and demonstrate skills to recognize their gifts from God and their vocation to share the good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed in the world.
Essential Concepts

CMLS-BCD • BAPTISMAL CALL AND DISCIPLESHIP (the mandate to go forth)

State the Church’s mission as given to her by Jesus Christ.

Ch. 1, 9, 13, 17, 19, 20

Understand that we are all called to be disciples of Christ.

Ch. 1, 2

Articulate ways to live as disciples in our lives.

Ch. 3, 4, 5, 7, 11, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20

Explain how the Church helps them realize their own purpose as part of God’s creation.

Ch. 2, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13

CMLS-SS • CALL TO STEWARDSHIP AND SERVICE: Catholic Social Teaching about the common good

Identify a steward as one who uses God’s gifts with wisdom and love.

FIA: Ch. 16

Explain how the Church helps us realize our unique purpose as part of God’s creation.

Ch. 7, 14

Recognize each person has the responsibility to share time, talents and treasure with their parish church.

Ch. 15

CMLS-EDNE • CALL TO ECUMENISM, INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

Understand that all people are made in the image and likeness of God.

Ch. 3

Grow in understanding that the Catholic Church works for the unity of all people to live in peace and justice.

Ch. 19, 20

Understand that God’s grace calls and strengthens us to be disciples of Christ.

Ch. 11

Recognize that Baptism unites us with those of other Christian faiths.

Ch. 2; FIA: Ch. 17

Recognize different Christian and non-Christian traditions.

Ch. 4; FIA: Ch. 17

Identify Judaism as Jesus’ faith.

Ch. 4, 7, 17, 18

Show awareness that we respect all faiths because God loves all people.

Ch. 9
Morality, Catholic Doctrine

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 1**

**KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH:** Students will explore, profess and reflect on our Catholic faith, which is the content of God’s revelation found in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition and lived out in the Creed and Church doctrine.

### Essential Concepts

**KF-R • REVELATION**

Recognize that God’s revelation includes natural law, which is written in the hearts of every person to help them to do good and avoid evil.

Recall how God desires to reveal Himself to us in Scripture and Tradition.

Know that all creation is a gift from God, the Creator.

Recall that God reveals Himself fully by sending us his own Divine Son, Jesus Christ.

**KF-R.1 • Sacred Scripture**

Identify the first five books of the Old Testament as the Pentateuch, the Jewish Torah.

Recognize the psalms as the prayers of Jewish and Christian people.

Identify psalms that speak of God’s mercy and forgiveness of sin.

Define evangelist and know the names of the four evangelists who wrote the Gospels.

Locate selected Biblical passages that have become guidelines for living a moral life.

Show understanding that Christians receive the blessings of the covenant through Christ who showed us how to live.

Ch. 1, 3, 15

Ch. 1; OCH: About Revelation

Ch. 1

Ch. 5

OCH: About the Mass

F&S: Holy Days, Saints

Ch. 18; The Bible

The Bible; Ch. 7, 16

Ch. 3, 19
Locate stories in the New Testament in which Jesus forgave someone.

**KF-R.2 • Salvation History**

Understand God’s covenants across salvation history and how God has always been faithful: e.g. Noah, Abraham, Moses and David.

Identify God’s chosen people as the descendants of Abraham, which is the common heritage of Jews, Christians and Muslims.

Identify Jesus within the Jewish tradition, including the connection between the Paschal meal (Passover) and the Paschal mystery.

Recall that God the Father sent God the Son, Jesus Christ as our Redeemer.

**KF-R.3 • Christology**

Show understanding that Christians receive the blessings of the New Covenant through Christ; Jesus showed us how to live.

Locate stories in the New Testament in which Jesus forgave someone.

Recall that Jesus died to save us from sin and death.

**KF-T • TRINITY: God the Creator Jesus the Redeemer, and Holy Spirit Sanctifier**

Name God as Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit and distinguish the roles of the Holy Trinity as Creator, Redeemer and Sanctifier.

Identify Christian faith as Trinitarian, and that this is unique to Christian faith.

Know that Trinity is a model of relationship with God and for us.

**KF-C • THE CREED: A Statement of Our Belief**

Know how the creed helps maintain the essential concepts of our faith.
**TASK OF CATECHESIS 2**

**LITURGICAL EDUCATION:** Students recognize the presence of Christ and enter into communion with Him through active, full and conscious participation in the Liturgical celebrations and Sacraments of the Church.

### Essential Concepts

#### LE-E • EUCHARIST Who, How, When, and Where the Mass is Celebrated

Understand **liturgy** as the public **worship** of the Church and calls everyone to active participation.

Identify Sunday as the Lord’s Day, the “**Sabbath**” and we participate in Mass to worship, praise and thank God.

Recognize that **Mass** is a time to hear **Scriptures** proclaimed and lived out **mysteries** of our faith.

Recognize the **Eucharistic Prayers** used at Mass.

Understand how to create prayers of **intercession** for the **Eucharistic liturgy**.

Understand the term and concept of transubstantiation and associate it with the **Real Presence** of Christ in the Eucharist.

Describe the roles of the **priest**, **deacon**, **lector**, ministers of Communion and **acolytes** in the Mass.

With guidance from the teacher, as a class, prepare a liturgy based on a chosen theme or feast day. Include in the preparation: readings, intercessory prayers and music.

#### LE-S • CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Articulate the meaning of **Sacrament**.

Identify the ways we encounter God through the sacraments.

Explain in own words how God’s gift of **grace** will help them live a moral life.”
LE-S.1 • Sacraments of Initiation

List and describe the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation.

Connect their Baptism with the call to live a moral life.

Demonstrate understanding that the Eucharist is the source and summit of Christian life.

Recognize that participation in the Mass through the Penitential Act and in reception of the Holy Eucharist is the ordinary means of the forgiveness of venial sins.


LE-S.2 • Sacraments of Healing

Understand the Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation as Sacraments of Healing.

Name the essential components of the Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation.

Examine and articulate God's forgiveness and hope for reconciliation through the reading of a parable and from their own experience. (Prodigal Son)

Explain why it is important to participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Penance frequently.

Understand that contrition is a gift from God and a prompting of the Holy Spirit to acknowledge sorrow for our sins with the intention of sinning no more.

Explain the importance of performing penance as part of the Sacrament of Penance / Reconciliation

Perform an examination of conscience.
LE-S.3 • Sacraments at the Service of Communion
Identify sacraments in service of communion: Marriage and Holy Orders; people who receive these sacraments help others.

OCH: About the Sacraments at the Service of Communion

LE-LR • LITURGICAL RESOURCES

LE-LR.1 • Liturgical Calendar
Recall the seasons of the Liturgical Year, their significance, and the liturgical color.

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Identify the holy days of the Church Calendar.

F&S: The Liturgical Year

Recognize the significance of liturgical celebrations including: Trinity Sunday, Corpus Christi - the Feast of Body and Blood of Christ, and the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart.

F&S: The Liturgical Year

Describe the relationship of the Liturgical Year with the life of Jesus Christ.

F&S: The Liturgical Year

Review the concept of Ordinary Time, and associate it with the teachings and public life of Jesus.

F&S: The Liturgical Year, Ordinary Time

Know the celebrations of Holy Week identifying the important days of the Triduum.

F&S: Holy Week

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LE-LR.2 • Liturgical Symbols and Sacramentals
State the meaning of a sacramental, and incorporate sacramentals into daily life

LE-LR.3 • Divine Office Liturgy of the Hours
Locate psalms found in the Liturgy of the Hours.

Recall the response to the invitatory with the Sign of the Cross and “Lord open my lips” and “And my mouth will proclaim your praise.

With the teacher and classmates, antiphonally recite and pray Psalm 51.

Pray psalms from the Liturgy of the Hours and explain how they can deepen our relationship with God.
LE-LR.4 • Liturgical Rites: Weddings, Funerals and Blessings

Recall that Holy Matrimony is a sacrament that takes place in a church with special blessings for the couple.

Recall that Christian funerals are a celebration of our life in Christ.

Connect the symbols of eternal life in Christ with Baptism and Christian funerals.

TASK OF CATECHESIS 3

MORAL EDUCATION: Students develop a moral conscience that is informed by Church teachings and conformed to Christ, as modeled in a personal life of virtue and demonstrated in service of the Gospel’s demands for society.

Essential Concepts

ME-HP • THE HUMAN PERSON

Describe how God created us naturally good with a desire and a capacity to know Him and love Him.

ME-HP.1 • Made in the Image of God – Foundation of Human Dignity

Understand that God created us in His image with a unique body and unique soul, therefore all human life is sacred.

ME-HP.2 • Made for Happiness with God, Beatitudes

Understand that God created us as naturally good and destined for union with Him.

Locate the Beatitudes in Scripture and explain how to practice them in our lives.

Explain how the Beatitudes fulfill the Ten Commandments.

OCH: About The Sacraments at the Service of Communion

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Ch. 1; OCH About Mary and the Saints

Ch. 7; OCH: About the Beatitudes

Ch. 7, OCH: About the Beatitudes, About the Commandments
Apply the Beatitudes to moral vignettes and to the way they are living their lives.

List and define the fruits of the Holy Spirit: charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, long suffering, mildness, faith, modesty, continency and chastity.

**ME-HP3 • Human Freedom and Conscience Formation**

Recognize that God creates human beings: body and soul having intellect and free will.

Identify three sources of human choice: object, intention and circumstances.

Explain how living a moral life means that they take into account how their actions/thoughts/words affect others.

Demonstrate a moral decision making process, and how we can ask God to help us make moral choices.

Define conscience, and explain how throughout our lives, it is formed and developed through the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Demonstrate how to examine one’s conscience using the Ten Commandments, Beatitudes and Works of Mercy.

**ME-HP4 • Covenant and Ten Commandments**

Define covenant in own words.

Know God revealed the covenant to Moses on Mount Sinai.

Recite the Ten Commandments and be able to rephrase with examples from our lives.

Understand that the first three Commandments are about our relationship with God and the last seven are about our relationship with other people.

Define Decalogue.
**ME-HPS • Virtues Cardinal and Theological**

Name and define the **Cardinal Virtues** as ways of living as disciples of Jesus: **prudence, justice, fortitude and temperance**.

Define what it means to be a “disciple,” building on the **Theological Virtues** of Faith, Hope and Charity (love).

**ME-HC • THE HUMAN COMMUNITY**

Acknowledge the unique importance of each person.

Articulate why we have a duty to treat others as we wish to be treated.

Make connections between the terms justice and human dignity.

**ME-HC.1 • Personal and Social Sin**

Define sin in relation to our thoughts, words and actions.

Identify and understand the origins of sin, **Original Sin**, as given in the Old Testament creation accounts.

Recall that personal sin can have different degrees such as **venial or mortal**

Show understanding of the reality of sin and its consequences in the world.

Understand God’s forgiveness and describe ways we have experienced this healing.

Understand purgatory a process after death for a person who has sinned; those experiencing purgatory are certain of heaven.

Understand the concept of hell as the state of self exclusion from God because of the lack of contrition for and absolution from mortal sin.

**ME-HC.2 • Catholic Social Teaching – Consistent Ethic of Life, Love of Neighbor, and Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy**

Describe and demonstrate how not to waste God’s gifts of food and natural resources.

Demonstrate care of personal belongings, classroom, school building, and parish grounds.
Develop awareness of the needs of the poor in local areas.

Distinguish between the terms poor and vulnerable.

Recognize that individuals and groups have rights.

Describe the importance of work and how it is a participation in God’s life.

Articulate respect for the dignity of all work.

Know and provide examples of the Seven Spiritual works of Mercy.

Know and provide examples of the Seven Corporal Works of Mercy.

Participate in age-appropriate service projects and share reflections on our call to discipleship and building God’s Kingdom.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 4**

**TEACHING TO PRAY:** Students experience and engage in Catholic expressions of prayer to deepen their relationship with God and the Church.

**Essential Concepts**

**P-UC • THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO PRAYER, IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER**

Know that prayer is essential to our life with God and part of Christian life.

Describe prayer as raising our hearts and minds to God.

Articulate the importance of praying.

**P-F • FORMS OF PRAYER (Blessing, Adoration Petition, Intercession Thanksgiving, Praise)**

Experience and participate in a number of different prayer forms: prayers of blessing, adoration, petition, intercession, thanksgiving, praise.
Articulate how and when to pray.

Explain why it is important to pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance in making moral decisions.

State that God is faithful and loving no matter the circumstances of human life.

Know and use aspirations with the common response of “pray for us.”

“P-EP • EXPRESSIONS OF PRAYER (vocal meditation, contemplation, personal and shared)”

Exhibit capacity for silent prayer.

Experience how personal prayer can help them in making moral decisions.

Lead a communal prayer service.

Participate in a variety of traditional devotions.

Know various prayer expressions including the Jesus prayer and choral prayer.

Engage in the four stages of Lectio Divina. (See resources.)

P-OF • OUR FATHER: SUMMARY OF THE GOSPEL

Identify the Seven Petitions in the Our Father.

P-DP • DEVOTIONAL PRACTICES (e.g. Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Novenas)

Identify the four different sets of the mysteries of the rosary.

State how we pray with Mary and the Saints.

P-HES • PRAYERS WE KNOW BY HEART, EXPERIENCE AND SHARE AT MASS
### PRAYERS BY HEART

- Memorare
- Prayer for Peace

Prayers to Experience
- Silent prayer
- Meditation
- Lectio Divina
- Rosary
- Stations of the Cross
- Prayers of blessing, adoration, praise, intercession, thanksgiving, petition
- Our Father
- Hail Mary
- Come Holy Spirit
- Apostles Creed

“Invitatory, Psalm(s) antiphonal style and Doxology from the Liturgy of the Hours – Psalm 51”

### SHARED AT MASS - MASS RESPONSES

- Sign of the Cross
- And with your spirit
- Alleluia
- Responses after all Lectionary readings and before Gospel
• Preface Dialogue

• Sanctus

• The Mystery of Faith

• Lord’s Prayer

• Sign of Peace

• Agnus Dei/Behold the Lamb of God

• Amen

• Confiteor

• Gloria

• Creed Nicene

• Invitation to Prayer

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TASK OF CATECHESIS 5

EDUCATING FOR THE LIFE, COMMUNITY, AND HISTORY OF THE CHURCH: Students study and participate in the life and mission of the church, the Body of Christ and the community of believers, as expressed in the Church’s origin, history, ecclesiology, the Communion of Saints and their family, the domestic church.

Essential Concepts

LCH-CH • THE CHURCH IN GOD’S PLAN [748-780] Church History

Recall how Jesus Christ established the Church and remains its head on heaven and earth.

Ch. 13; OCH: About the Catholic Church
**LCH-MC • MODELS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Understand that the Church helps us grow in our relationship with God and as a community committed to serving others.

**LCH-MC.1 • People of God**

Identify the Church community as the People of God who commit to leading holy and moral lives.

**LCH-MC.2 • Body of Christ**

Articulate how their parish helps those in need as the Body of Christ.

Explain the Body of Christ as the Church in heaven and on earth.

Recognize and understand the purpose of Catholic Charities as reaching out to serve and support all the members of the Body of Christ.

**LCH-MC.3 • Temple of the Holy Spirit**

Describe the Temple of the Holy Spirit as God’s Holy Spirit living in me and inspiring me to do what is good.

Realize the obligation of being made in God’s image by taking care of my body as the “Temple of the Holy Spirit.”

**LCH-MMC • THE MYSTERY AND MARKS OF THE CHURCH: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic**

Locate and share the four Marks of the Church within the Nicene Creed.

**LCH-CF • CHRIST’S FAITHFUL: HEIRARCHY, LAITY, CONSECRATED LIFE**

**LCH-CF.1 • Church Order: The Hierarchy and Magisterium and Infallibility**

Recognize that the Church is hierarchical.

Name the current Holy Father, Pope, as head of the Catholic Church and the archbishop who leads the archdiocese.

Identify a pastor as the head of the parish.
Recognize that the Church teaches through bishops, pastors, teachers, and catechists.

**LCH-CF2 • The Laity: Rights and Responsibilities**

Explain how the parish is part of the Catholic Church and that as members of the Catholic Church we belong to a parish.

Recognize that as members of a parish we have responsibilities that we call stewardship.

Understand that the role of the Church is a guide for the formation of one's conscience throughout life.

Associate ways the Precepts of the Church help one grow in holiness and awareness of the needs of others.

**LCH-CF3 • The Domestic Church**

Recall the definition and give examples of family as the domestic church.

**LCH-CF4 • The Universal Call to Holiness**

Name and explain why the Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit helps us become closer to God and grow in holiness.

Define Gifts of the Holy Spirit. (Gift – freely given to those in a state of grace.)

Define Fruits of the Holy Spirit. (Fruits of the Holy Spirit are developed over time as we live out the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.)

Explain in own words how God’s gift of grace will help them live a moral, holy life.

**LCH-CF5 • Vocation: Marriage, priesthood, religious life**

Define vocations as a call to serve God and one another.

Pray for faithfulness in one’s vocation.

Articulate how living a moral life prepares them to hear God’s vocational call.
Identify ways each can be a witness to God’s love and also serve others.

Show understanding that vocations are ways to holiness in life.

**LCH-CS • COMMUNION OF SAINTS**

Recognize and tell the stories of some of the Saints of the Church who model the Beatitudes.

Celebrate the feast day of the parish patron saint.

Know the stories of holy men and women who were active in the Pacific Northwest Church.

Know that each of us is called to be a saint and to be a part of the Communion of Saints.

**LCH • Mary MARY AS MODEL OF THE CHURCH**

Review and articulate titles of Mary: e.g., The Immaculate Conception, Our Lady of Guadalupe, example of faith, example of holiness, Our Lady of Notre Dame. (Resource: Litany of Loreto)

Know the solemnity and feast days in honor of Our Lady.

Know some approved apparitions of Blessed Virgin: Our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady of Fatima, and Our Lady of Guadalupe.

Articulate how Mary can be an example of a life of virtue and discipleship.

Know the meaning of the Immaculate Conception.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 6**

**THE CHURCH’S MISSIONARY LIFE AND SERVICE:** Students acquire and demonstrate skills to recognize their gifts from God and their vocation to share the good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed in the world.
Essential Concepts

CMLS-BCD • BAPTISMAL CALL AND DISCIPLESHIP (the mandate to go forth)

Realize we are all called to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ by the way we live and act.

Articulate our Baptismal call to serve God and our community by sharing our gifts.

Ch. 5, 10, 17

Ch. 6, 17

CMLS-SS • CALL TO STEWARDSHIP AND SERVICE: Catholic Social Teaching about the common good

Define the role of steward as one who receives and shares God’s gifts wisely.

Practice in age-appropriate ways.

Reflect on service and stewardship as each relates to justice.

Identify the many ways that each person has the responsibility to share time, talents and treasure with the Church.

Describe the ways that the Archdiocese and the parish serves the poor and vulnerable, e.g. CRS.

FIA: Ch. 1

Ch. 7, 8, 17, 20

Ch. 10, 13, 17

CMLS-EDNE • CALL TO ECUMENISM, INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

Understand that the mission of the Church is evangelization

Define ecumenism as the call for Christian unity.

State the importance of respecting the religious beliefs of others.

Recognize that Jews and Muslims share our belief in one God (Monotheism).

Recognize Muslims as those who reverence God and who adhere to the religion of Islam.

Identify God’s chosen people as the descendants of Abraham, which is the common heritage of Jews, Christians and Muslims.

Realize we are all called to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ by the way we live and act.

Ch. 10, 17, 20

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Sacraments

TASK OF CATECHESIS 1

KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH: Students will explore, profess and reflect on our Catholic faith, which is the content of God’s revelation found in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition and lived out in the Creed and Church doctrine.

Essential Concepts

**KF-R • REVELATION**

Define natural law and explain why all people are bound to observe the natural law.

Identify ways God desires to reveal Himself to us in Scripture and Tradition.

Recognize that faith is a gift from God that calls us to respond to His plan for us.

Recognize God continues to reveal Himself through apostolic tradition.

**KF-R.1 • Sacred Scripture**

List the outward signs of each Sacrament and locate stories from Scripture that refer to these liturgical elements, e.g. water, manna, oil, laying on of hands, light.

Articulate how frequent participation in the Sacraments strengthens their Covenant relationship with God.

Identify psalms that are part of the Liturgy of the Hours, mornings and evenings.

**KF-R.2 • Salvation History**

Associate God’s saving love throughout Salvation History with our sacramental life.
Retell events from Salvation History that form the basis of our sacramental life: Exodus Story, Passion and Death of Jesus

**KF-R.3 • Christology**

Identify and develop an understanding of Christ as portrayed in the Sunday Gospel.

Describe the power of Jesus to heal and to forgive in the Sunday Gospel.

Articulate the significance of the miracle of the loaves and fishes.

Explain how Jesus, the Bread of Life, nourishes them in the Eucharist.

Articulate how each Sacrament helps them to see, celebrate and live as Christ taught.

**KF-T • TRINITY: God the Creator Jesus the Redeemer, and Holy Spirit Sanctifier**

Recognize that all three persons of the Trinity are present in all of the Sacraments.

Identify Trinity in the Nicene and Apostles Creed.

Name Jesus as God the Son and Savior who is both human and divine.

Pray for guidance to God the Holy Spirit.

Articulate how the Church calls upon the Holy Spirit in each of the Sacraments.

Identify liturgical moments when they reverence the Trinity (i.e. Holy Spirit called down upon the gifts of bread and wine.)

**KF-C • THE CREED: A Statement of Our Belief**

Define the term “creed” as professions of belief and recall that the Nicene Creed is recited at Mass and the Apostles Creed is part of the rosary.
Recognize faith is a gift that calls us to believe and to follow the teaching of our Church as stated in the creeds.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 2**

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**Essential Concepts**

**LE-E • EUCHARIST Who, How, When, and Where the Mass is Celebrated**

Understand liturgy as the public worship central to the life of the Church and has four parts: Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of the Eucharist, Concluding Rites.

Articulate how participating in the prayer of the church (liturgy) opens us to hear God’s voice.

Identify the two central parts of the Mass: Liturgy of the Word and Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Describe the Eucharistic Prayers used at Mass.

Recall the term and concept of transubstantiation and associate it with the Real Presence of Christ in the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

Explain how the Body and Blood of Christ nourish us in the Eucharist.

Explain the “sending forth” segment of the Mass.

Appreciate and participate in worship of Eucharist at Mass and devotions outside Mass such as Exposition and Benediction.

Explain how, Jesus the Bread of Life, nourishes them in the Eucharist.
Recognize the Eucharist as the source and summit of our Catholic faith.

Participate fully in the Eucharist with liturgical gestures and responses.

As a class, with guidance from the teacher, prepare a liturgy based on a chosen theme or feast day, including choice of readings, creation of intercessory prayers, and music.

**LE-S • CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS**

Recognize Christ’s great gift of the seven sacraments he has given to the Catholic Church.

Define sacrament in own words, rephrasing the CCC definition.

Define the Seven Sacraments and categorize them into Sacraments of Initiation, Healing, and the Sacraments at the Service of Communion.

Know the outward signs, symbols, rite, ministers and effects of each sacrament.

Understand how God’s sanctifying grace is revealed in the sacraments.

Explain why the sacraments are important to Catholics.

Explain how regular participation in the Sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation help us grow in virtue and holiness.

Articulate how the Sacraments draw each closer to Jesus and prepares each for life everlasting.
Recognize that while sanctifying the individual person through the sacraments, the communal celebration sanctifies all members of the Church through God’s action and grace.

Explain how each sacrament helps us to live as Christ taught.

**LE-S.1 • Sacraments of Initiation**

Explain the symbolism of the Baptismal Font and the Altar.

Demonstrate awareness of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) process and terms such as candidate and catechumenate.

Know and articulate the effects, symbols, minister, how the sacraments are celebrated and responsibilities flowing from receiving the Sacraments of Initiation.

**LE-S.2 • Sacraments of Healing**

Describe the order and the essential elements and participate in the sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation: examination of conscience, confession, act of sorrow, resolution to not sin again, and absolution by a priest.

Identify the two Sacraments of Healing and connect each with healing stories in the Gospels and from own experience.

**LE-S.3 • Sacraments at the Service of Communion**

Articulate how the Sacraments at the Service of Communion are ways to serve God, the Church, and the broader human community.

Articulate how the Sacrament of Marriage calls each spouse to model the love of the Trinity.
Recognize and list the **degrees of Holy Orders**.

**LE-LR • LITURGICAL RESOURCES**

**LE-LR.1 • Liturgical Calendar**

Articulate the names and colors of the **liturgical year**.

Celebrate and participate in various seasons of the liturgical year.

Explain the liturgical calendar in own words.

**LE-LR.2 • Liturgical Symbols and Sacramentals**

Know the definition and effects of **sacramental** – holy objects and actions.

Recognize and name the liturgical symbols and sacramentals associated with each of the sacraments.

Know and define sacred vessels, vestments, liturgical books, liturgical environment and ministers used at Mass.

Incorporate **sacramentals** into daily life: rosaries, medals, crucifixes, blessed ashes, blessed palms, and use of holy water.

**LE-LR.3 • Divine Office Liturgy of the Hours**

As the teacher says, “God, come to my assistance,” make the **Sign of the Cross** and respond, “Lord, make haste to help me.” Offer the Glory Be/ Doxology for the Liturgy of the Hours. (See Prayers)

With the teacher and classmates, **antiphonally** recite and pray Psalm 51.

Experience the Liturgy of the Hours.
LE-LR.4 • Liturgical Rites: Weddings, Funerals and Blessings

Associate the Paschal Mystery with Christian funerals as dying and rising to new life.

Know the Sacrament of Matrimony signifies the union of Christ and the Church, giving the spouses the grace to love one another with the love with which Christ loved His Church.

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TASK OF CATECHESIS 3

MORAL EDUCATION: Students develop a moral conscience that is informed by Church teachings and conformed to Christ, as modeled in a personal life of virtue and demonstrated in service of the Gospel’s demands for society.

Essential Concepts

ME-HP • THE HUMAN PERSON

Recognize that all people are created by God with a capacity to know and respond to His will for our lives.

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Recognize that faith is a life-long journey where we are strengthened by the grace of the Sacraments to fulfill God’s will for our lives.

Ch. 2, 13

ME-HP1 • Made in the Image of God – Foundation of Human Dignity

Understand to love is to will the good of another.

Ch. 15, 19; OCH: About The Commandments

Recognize that the grace we receive in the sacraments prepares our souls for eternal life with God. (sanctifying grace).

Ch. 2, 11, 13

Articulate that each human person has a soul that will live forever.”

Ch. 11, 13

Recognize that moral life is a spiritual worship.

Ch. 15, 19; OCH: About The Commandments
ME-HP2 • Made for Happiness with God, Beatitudes

Name the Beatitudes and describe how to practice them in daily life.

Identify the Eight Beatitudes as Jesus’ teaching about the Kingdom and moral goodness.

Identify the four levels of happiness and how the Beatitudes help us achieve happiness through the grace of God.

ME-HP3 • Human Freedom and Conscience Formation

Describe why and how formation of conscience is a vital part of celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Demonstrate their knowledge of a method to examine their conscience.

Identify the part in the Mass where we are asked to examine our conscience.

Describe why sin offends God and neighbor and is a failure to love

Explain consequences of making sinful choices.

Recognize the necessary conditions for sin and its consequences.

Understand and explain how Reconciliation, received with the right disposition, frees us from sins committed after Baptism.

Participate in Sacrament of Reconciliation.

ME-HP4 • Covenant and Ten Commandments

Name the Ten Commandments and describe situations that would break a commandment.

State the two Great Commandments and identify how each of the sacraments assists us following the Commandments.

Explain the implications of God's covenant with the People of God.
### ME-HPS • Virtues Cardinal and Theological

List the **Cardinal Virtues** and explain their effects on the life of a Christian.

Recite and demonstrate ways to practice **Theological Virtues**.

### ME-HC • THE HUMAN COMMUNITY

Experience the sacraments as both a personal and communal way of deepening our life in Christ.

Show respect and care for the sacramental presence in each person.

Identify current events that illustrate an injustice and lack of respect for the sacramental presence in each person.

### ME-HC.1 • Personal and Social Sin

Recall examples of sinful actions and explain the consequences of choosing to sin.

Understand the importance of praying for the “souls of the faithfully departed. (See prayers.)

Identify and explain the similarities and differences in the concepts of hell and purgatory.

Explore the terms **social** sin and associate this term with a problem in our society.

Identify ways to alleviate problems of hunger, disease, poverty due to social sin.

Define **solidarity** and identify challenges to achieving this in our society.

### ME-HC.2 • Catholic Social Teaching – Consistent Ethic of Life, Love of Neighbor, and Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy

Understand what it means to be good **stewards** of God’s creation.

Define **Catholic Social Teachings** and how living these teachings can reduce social sin.
Relate Catholic Social Teachings with Jesus’ life and teachings.

Associate every right with a corresponding responsibility.

Identify ways to show respect for the work of others.

Evaluate how homework and home/classroom responsibilities help build respect for the value of work.

Determine ways to show appreciation for jobs of those in local community.

Participate in service projects and reflect on how service continues in building the Kingdom of God on earth.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 4**

**TEACHING TO PRAY: Students experience and engage in Catholic expressions of prayer to deepen their relationship with God and the Church.**

**Essential Concepts**

**P-UC • THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO PRAYER, IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER**

Describe what it means to pray.

Demonstrate a reverential attitude for prayer and the value of silence in prayer.

Describe ways to prepare for prayer.

**P-FP • FORMS OF PRAYER (Blessing, Adoration Petition, Intercession Thanksgiving, Praise)**

Demonstrate the ability to identify the various forms of prayer, blessing, adoration, petition, intercession, thanksgiving, and praise.

Write an original prayer.

Understand the Psalms as prayers that formed part of the prayer life of Jesus and the Apostles.
Know the **Liturgy of the Hours** is comprised of Psalms from the Old Testament.

**P-EP • EXPRESSIONS OF PRAYER (vocal meditation, contemplation, personal and shared)**

Describe how the Jesus prayer can help them in their daily lives.

Participate in a variety of traditional devotions.

Engage in four stages of **Lectio Divina**.

**P-OF • OUR FATHER: SUMMARY OF THE GOSPEL**

Recite and illustrate understanding of the “Our Father.”

Explain when and why the “Our Father” is prayed during the liturgy.

**P-DP • DEVOTIONAL PRACTICES (e.g. Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Novenas)**

Know by heart and find references for the **Joyful Mysteries**: Baptism of Jesus, Marriage Feast at Cana, Jesus Announces the Kingdom of God, Last Supper.

Articulate the history and purpose of the Rosary.

**P-HES • PRAYERS WE KNOW BY HEART, EXPERIENCE AND SHARE AT MASS**

**PRAYERS BY HEART**

- Joyful Mysteries
- Jesus Prayer
- Prayer for Souls of the Faithful Departed
- Act of Faith

**Prayers to Experience**

- Silent prayer
- Meditation

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• Agnus Dei/Behold the Lamb of God

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• Creed Nicene or Apostles

• Invitation to Prayer

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 5**

**EDUCATING FOR THE LIFE, COMMUNITY, AND HISTORY OF THE CHURCH:** Students study and participate in the life and mission of the church, the Body of Christ and the community of believers, as expressed in the Church’s origin, history, ecclesiology, the Communion of Saints and their family, the domestic church.

**Essential Concepts**

**LCH-CH • THE CHURCH IN GOD’S PLAN [748-780] Church History**

Explain how the Sacraments tie us to the History of the Church; the Kingdom of God is both here and yet to come.

Ch. 2, 3

**LCH-MC • MODELS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Identify ways that the Sacraments offer grace filled opportunities and encouragement to join together, worship God, and serve God’s people.

Ch. 6, 10, 14, 18

**LCH-MC.1 • People of God**

Identify ways to show respect for all members of a community.

Ch. 5

**LCH-MC.2 • Body of Christ**

Identify the church as the Mystical Body of Christ on earth.

Ch. 5
Recognize we are all members of the **Body of Christ** and are called to work together to build the **Kingdom of God**.

**LCH-MC.3 • Temple of the Holy Spirit**

Associate the presence of the Holy Spirit within us and the importance of chastity.

**LCH-MMC • THE MYSTERY AND MARKS OF THE CHURCH: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic**

Explain how the **four marks of the Church** help us build the **Kingdom of God**.

Associate the Sacraments as special events in the life of the Church that help identify her as one, holy, catholic and apostolic.

**LCH-CF • CHRIST’S FAITHFUL: HEIRARCHY, LAITY, CONSECRATED LIFE**

**LCH-CF.1 • Church Order: The Hierarchy and Magisterium and Infallibility**

Define the terms "magisterium" and "infallibility."  

**LCH-CF.2 • The Laity: Rights and Responsibilities**

Explain how the **Precepts of the Church** can encourage us to worship more fully as a community.

Define how we share in the priestly, prophetic and kingly offices of the Church.

**LCH-CF.3 • The Domestic Church**

Explain the concept of the **domestic church** as the place where children receive the first proclamation of the faith."

Identify how the Kingdom of God is lived out in families (domestic church), their parish, the local Church, Archdiocese and the universal Church.

**LCH-CF.4 • The Universal Call to Holiness**

Describe how participation in the sacraments help us lead a **holy life**.

**LCH-CF.5 • Vocation: Marriage, priesthood, religious life**

Identify qualities of people who joyfully live out the vocation of Marriage.
Identify the Sacraments of Vocation/Service and explain how ordained and married persons are called to proclaim, serve, and witness.

Recognize the vocation to consecrated life and provide examples of this calling.

Recognize God’s call to be ordained: deacon, priest, bishop.

Pray for the diocesan (archdiocesan) seminarians by name.

**LCH-CS • COMMUNION OF SAINTS**

Be familiar with the story of the parish patron saint and celebrate the feast day.

Realize that saints come from all walks of life.

Recognize the particular charism of religious communities within a parish.

Identify several Saints who devoted themselves to the sacramental life of the Church and inspire us to lead good lives.

Identify, research and describe several selected Saints from different historical periods in the Church, share how their lives are examples of God’s call to service, explain their appreciation for the sacraments and reflect on how their lives fostered the growth of the Church.

**LCH • Mary MARY AS MODEL OF THE CHURCH**

Articulate the titles and symbols of Mary. (Resource: Litany of Loreto)

Understand the implications of Mary’s “Yes!” to God’s will as a model for our lives.

Celebrate days in honor of Mary; pray Marian prayers.
### TASK OF CATECHESIS 6

**THE CHURCH’S MISSIONARY LIFE AND SERVICE:** Students acquire and demonstrate skills to recognize their gifts from God and their vocation to share the good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed in the world.

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OCH: About the Commandments
Share faith with others.

Recognize that the Sacraments are key moments that give us grace to witness to our faith.”

Ch. 2; OCH: The Sacraments
## Old Testament

### TASK OF CATECHESIS 1

**KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH:** Students will explore, profess and reflect on our Catholic faith, which is the content of God’s revelation found in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition and lived out in the Creed and Church doctrine.

### Essential Concepts

**KF-R • REVELATION**

Recall and explain the concept of natural law.

Locate and cite passages in the *Old Testament* that highlight God’s desire to reveal Himself to us.

Recall the transmission of divine revelation that continues through apostolic tradition.

**KF-R.1 • Sacred Scripture**

Understand that by apostolic tradition the Church discerned which books are included in the Bible.

Understand inspiration of Scripture, development of the Canon of the Bible.

Learn and articulate how the “Word of God” is revealed in Scripture and through Jesus in the *Incarnation*, “Word made flesh”.

Identify psalms that are part of the *Liturgy of the Hours*, morning and evening prayers.

**KF-R.2 • Salvation History**

Know the names of the 46 books and categories of the Old Testament.
Name the categories of the Old Testament as Pentateuch, Historic, Wisdom, or Prophets and locate where each can be found in the Bible.

Explain the covenant relationship of Old Testament is foundational to the Christian faith.

Identify instances of suffering and the promise of a redeemer in the Old Testament: e.g. Moses, Joseph.

Recount the story and theme of the Journey to the Promised Land; describe the importance of Moses, the Law – the Ten Commandments, and the Covenant as guidelines to moral living and freedom.

Compare, contrast the Exodus events to the readings and blessing of the Baptismal water during the Easter Vigil.

Describe the meaning behind the facts in the Historic Books.

Describe the Wisdom Books and the theme of human life.

Understand that the prophets formed God’s people in the hope of salvation of a new and everlasting Covenant.

Examine Old Testament scripture passages where the Israelites chose or failed to choose to be in right relationship with God, e.g. Exodus, Joshua, Judges, Ruth.

KF-R.3 • Christology

Trace God’s promise of a Savior, from the Fall of Adam and Eve to King David.

Describe how Jesus fulfills the promises made in the Old Testament (typology).

Retell stories from the Old Testament in which God interacts with people to bring them to new life.

KF-T • TRINITY: God the Creator Jesus the Redeemer, and Holy Spirit Sanctifier

Identify the Three Persons of the Trinity in the creation story of the Old Testament, Genesis 1: 1-5.

A Great Bible Expedition

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Ch. 5, 10, 17; OCH: About the Trinity
Describe how Jesus fulfills the promises made in the Old Testament.

Describe how Jesus is always present with the Father.

Articulate how the Holy Spirit helps us understand God’s presence within each person.

**KF-C • THE CREED: A Statement of Our Belief**

Understand our core belief in the Trinity, the One God of the Old and the New Testament and Jesus, as the promised Messiah/redeemer as core beliefs expressed in the Creed.

Recall that faith is a gift that calls us to believe and to follow the teaching of our Church.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 2**

**LITURGICAL EDUCATION: Students recognize the presence of Christ and enter into communion with Him through active, full and conscious participation in the Liturgical celebrations and Sacraments of the Church.**

**Essential Concepts**

**LE-E • EUCHARIST Who, How, When, and Where the Mass is Celebrated**

Participate actively and prayerfully in Eucharistic liturgies.

Identify the principal parts of the Mass as well as prayers and actions in each part.

Understand the Liturgy of the Word and Liturgy of the Eucharist as central parts of the Mass.

Explain the concept of transubstantiation and associate it with the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.
Recall when passages from the Old Testament are read during Mass (Liturgy of the Word).

Recognize the cycle of readings in the Lectionary that is used at Mass.

Recognize Psalms as liturgical prayers.

Connect Lamb of God themes from the Passover story in Exodus, the Last Supper and the Eucharist.

Connect the themes from the Last Supper and the Eucharist to the sacrifices of Abraham, Melchisedek, and Moses.

As a class, with guidance from the teacher, prepare a liturgy based on a chosen theme or feast day, including choice of readings, creation of intercessory prayers, and music.

LE-S • CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Explain what it means to live a life based on the sacraments.

Articulate how the Sacraments strengthen their relationship with the Triune God.

Review Old Testament stories that provide the foundations to the Sacraments today.

LE-S.1 • Sacraments of Initiation

Connect Baptism to Noah’s Ark and the Crossing of the Red Sea.

Connect the Passover to Eucharist and the anointing of the Kings of Israel to Confirmation.

LE-S.2 • Sacraments of Healing

Participate fully in the sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation: examination of conscience, confession, act of sorrow, resolution to not sin again, and absolution by a priest.
Relate and apply Old Testament events to the Sacraments of Healing – Penance/Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick.

Describe how the story of Nathaniel challenging King David is a model of God’s mercy. (2 Sam.)

Identify psalms that express a desire for forgiveness of God’s mercy.

**LE-S.3 • Sacraments at the Service of Communion**

Relate and apply Old Testament events to the Sacraments at the Service of Communion – marriage and holy orders.

Connect the sacrament of marriage to the second story of creation.

Locate and cite stories describing marital fidelity that model God’s faithfulness in the Old Testament: e.g., Sarah and Abraham, Song of Songs 2:6.

**LE-LR • LITURGICAL RESOURCES**

**LE-LR.1 • Liturgical Calendar**

Understand the liturgical year as a call to repentance, reflection and conversion, which are also expressed in the books of the Old Testament.

Understand how the date for Easter is determined.

Compare, contrast, and apply the Exodus event to the events in the readings and blessing of the baptismal water at the Easter Vigil Liturgy and the blessing of the baptismal water at every baptism.

**LE-LR.2 • Liturgical Symbols and Sacramentals**

Know the definition and effects of sacramental – holy objects and actions.

Research symbols and rituals of the Jewish tradition found in the Old Testament and compare and contrast with our Catholic symbols and rituals.

Recognize several examples of sacramentals: holy water, crucifix, blessed candles, Sign of the Cross, anointing with oil.
LE-LR.3 • Divine Office Liturgy of the Hours

Know the invitatory and opening refrains for Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer and the Doxology used with the Liturgy of the Hours.

Antiphonally pray psalms from the Liturgy of the Hours including those learned in previous grades, Psalm 95, and Canticle of Daniel.

Chs. 8, 12

LE-LR.4 • Liturgical Rites: Weddings, Funerals and Blessings

Locate and cite passages from the Old Testament found in the Book of Catholic Household Blessings. (See Resources)

Ch. 8, 12

TASK OF CATECHESIS 3

MORAL EDUCATION: Students develop a moral conscience that is informed by Church teachings and conformed to Christ, as modeled in a personal life of virtue and demonstrated in service of the Gospel’s demands for society.

Essential Concepts

ME-HP • THE HUMAN PERSON

Locate and cite passages from the Old Testament where people expressed a capacity and desire (longing) for God

Ch. 3, 4, 5, 10, 12

ME-HP1 • Made in the Image of God – Foundation of Human Dignity

Articulate the message of the creation stories in the Bible.

Ch. 5, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15

Associate the creation stories of humanity to the concept of human dignity.

Ch. 7, 12, 19

Give examples of treating yourself and others with respect.

Ch. 15, 19; OCH: About the Commandments

Understand that we are called to reflect on our moral choices.

Ch. 18, 19
ME-HP2 • Made for Happiness with God, Beatitudes

Compare and relate the Ten Commandments to the Beatitudes in the New Testament.

Describe Old Testament people who found authentic happiness when following God, e.g. Daniel in Lion’s Den; Joseph in Genesis; Noah; Abraham and Sarah.

ME-HP3 • Human Freedom and Conscience Formation

Practice an examination of conscience.

State components of morally good: the desired action, the purpose or intention for doing the action, and the circumstances for making the choices.

Articulate how the development of conscience as an informed inner voice that helps to distinguish between a morally good act or bad act.

Practice making good moral decisions.

Describe the Fall and the sinfulness of humanity as Original Sin: a reality of human existence.

Give examples of suffering and promise in the Old Testament and in the world today and understand how sin damages our ability to live within a covenant.

Explain how the story of Cain and Abel demonstrates the wounded nature of humanity and its effects.

Describe Old Testament passages where people chose to follow God or chose to sin, e.g. Cain and Abel; Tower of Babel; Golden Calf; Ruth; Esther.

Locate Old Testament passages demonstrating the mercy of God.

Experience the Examen to deepen our awareness of how we follow Christ in our daily lives. (See Resources.)
## ME-HP4 • Covenant and Ten Commandments

Compare and contrast covenant with civil law.

Explore the stories of a covenant people who sometimes chose or failed to choose the right relationship with God.

Locate the Ten Commandments in the Old Testament and explain how these apply to living a moral life.

Apply the Ten Commandments to situations in our lives.

Identify which of the Ten Commandments are examples of natural law and which are God-given.

### Ch. 3

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## ME-HP5 • Virtues Cardinal and Theological

Explain how leading a virtuous/moral life has a communal impact.

Describe concrete ways to practice the Beatitudes.

Be able to raise and share questions about suffering and promise in the Old Testament and in the world today.

Connect each of the Cardinal and Theological Virtues with people from the Old Testament.

### Ch. 15

### OCH: About the Beatitudes

### Ch. 1, 5, 11, 13, 19; FIA: 9, 13, 16, 19

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## ME-HC • THE HUMAN COMMUNITY

Reflect on the story of Cain and Abel to understand that we are our brother’s keeper.

Explain why leaders in the Old Testament had a responsibility to act morally.

### Ch. 6, 10, 12

## ME-HC.1 • Personal and Social Sin

Identify and describe Old Testament passages that are examples of personal and social sin.

### Ch. 11, 13, 14
Reflect on the second story of creation and understand that sin separates us from God and one another.

Recognize the importance of praying for those who have died.

Describe how Original Sin continues to affect us personally and in society today.

**ME-HC.2 • Catholic Social Teaching – Consistent Ethic of Life, Love of Neighbor, and Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy**

Explain the special place of human beings have as stewards of God’s creation.

Identify how the prophets called people to live with God given rights and responsibilities.

Using Scripture stories from the Old Testament (e.g. Ruth and Naomi) students identify examples of those who lived out their responsibility to care for God’s creation, the poor and vulnerable.

Recognize while reading Sacred Scripture, that we are called to encounter, consider how we are called to change, and how we may respond to the encounter.

Practice care of personal belongings, classroom, school building, and parish grounds.

Relate the sacredness of all creation with the concept of stewardship in their classroom, school, and parish.

Explain how the Works of Mercy are actions that answer God’s call to a loving relationship with Him.
TASK OF CATECHESIS 4

TEACHING TO PRAY: Students experience and engage in Catholic expressions of prayer to deepen their relationship with God and the Church.

Essential Concepts

**P-UC • THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO PRAYER, IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER**

Students prepare for prayer using the **Psalms**, the same prayer of Jesus and his **Apostles**.

Experience **Lectio Divina** as a model for praying the psalms, and prayed by Catholics across the globe. (See Resources.)

Demonstrate ways to prepare for prayer.

**P-FP • FORMS OF PRAYER (Blessing, Adoration Petition, Intercession Thanksgiving, Praise)**

Identify forms of prayer in the Old Testament: blessing, adoration, petition, intercession, thanksgiving, and praise.

Describe Moses as a great intercessor.

Recognize **canticles** in the Bible, e.g. Magnificat, Luke 1.46-55, A Song of the Blessed, Matthew 5.3-1

Identify how prayer is a covenant relationship with God.

Know the **Liturgy of the Hours** is comprised of Psalms from the Old Testament.

Locate Old Testament passages which reference personal prayer.

**P-EP • EXPRESSIONS OF PRAYER (vocal meditation, contemplation, personal and shared)**

Engage in four stages of **Lectio Divina**.

Participate in a variety of traditional devotions.
P-OF • OUR FATHER: SUMMARY OF THE GOSPEL

Recite the “Our Father” and write about the requests we are making through the prayer.

Identify instances of temptation in the Old Testament and how praying the Our Father helps us when we are tempted.

P-DP • DEVOTIONAL PRACTICES (e.g. Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Novenas)

Know and explain the Luminous Mysteries: Baptism of Jesus, Marriage Feast at Cana, Jesus Announces the Kingdom of God, Last Supper. Find Scriptural references to each.

P-HES • PRAYERS WE KNOW BY HEART, EXPERIENCE AND SHARE AT MASS

PRAYERS BY HEART

• Vocation Prayer

• Glorious Mysteries

• Act of Hope

Prayers to Experience

• Silent prayer

• Meditation

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Essential Concepts

LCH-CH • THE CHURCH IN GOD’S PLAN [748-780] Church History

Review that we are called to be part of the Church.

Associate how Jewish traditions from the Old Testament provide the foundation for Christianity.

LCH-MC • MODELS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH


LCH-MC.1 • People of God

Explore the meaning of family and community in the Old Testament.

Review the Catholic Church as a worldwide, apostolic community.

LCH-MC.2 • Body of Christ

Name and describe selected Old Testament women who inspire us to lead holy lives: Deborah, Ruth, Esther.
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**LCH-MC.3 • Temple of the Holy Spirit**

Explain why we respect our body and the bodies of others because we are all temples of the Holy Spirit.

**LCH-MMC • THE MYSTERY AND MARKS OF THE CHURCH: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic**

Review that we are called to be part of the Church that is one, holy, catholic and apostolic.

Find the relationship between the development of faith in the Old Testament and the concept of apostolic tradition.

**LCH-CF • CHRIST’S FAITHFUL: HIERARCHY, LAITY, CONSECRATED LIFE**

**LCH-CF.1 • Church Order: The Hierarchy and Magisterium and Infallibility**

Identify roles of Old Testament leaders and associate them with the roles of the Hierarchy/Magisterium, e.g. Abraham, Moses, Isaac.

**LCH-CF.2 • The Laity: Rights and Responsibilities**

Name and explain how to follow the Precepts of the Church.

Identify priest, prophet and king leaders in the Old Testament and associate them with lay ministries today.

**LCH-CF.3 • The Domestic Church**

Identify and examine examples of the domestic church in Old Testament stories.

**LCH-CF.4 • The Universal Call to Holiness**

Identify and describe qualities of holy people from the Old Testament as models for our lives.

**LCH-CF.5 • Vocation: Marriage, priesthood, religious life**

Understand and explain how prayer helps us discern our vocation and connect with calling stories from the Old Testament.

Define the following types of vocations: ordained; consecrated; lay faithful.
LCH-CS • COMMUNION OF SAINTS

Celebrate the feast day of the parish patron saint.

Give examples of saints who lived out their covenant relationship with God.

LCH • Mary MARY AS MODEL OF THE CHURCH

Understand Mary as the first disciple and model of the Church.

Recognize titles of Mary as she is celebrated throughout the liturgical calendar.

Name and describe some Old Testament people who modeled some of the same qualities of Mary, e.g. Deborah, Hannah, Ruth, Esther, Sarah, Hannah, Noah, Abraham, Moses, Joseph in Genesis. (See Scripture Recommendations.)

TASK OF CATECHESIS 6

THE CHURCH’S MISSIONARY LIFE AND SERVICE: Students acquire and demonstrate skills to recognize their gifts from God and their vocation to share the good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed in the world.

Essential Concepts

CMLS-BCD • BAPTISMAL CALL AND DISCIPLESHIP (the mandate to go forth)

Explore how Old Testament prophets resisted and then responded to God’s call.

CMLS-SS • CALL TO STEWARDSHIP AND SERVICE: Catholic Social Teaching about the common good

Reflect and pray to make good decisions that care for God’s gifts.

Locate Old Testament people who worked for justice and the common good.

Participate in service projects inspired from the Old Testament people who demonstrated stewardship of creation.
Give examples of how Christians can be “prophets” in society.

**CMLS-EDNE • CALL TO ECUMENISM, INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND THE NEW EVANGELIZATION**

Understand that people express their belief in God in different ways.

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Recognize different Christian and non-Christian traditions.

Ch. 9

Identify ways to show respect for the various faith traditions and show awareness that we respect others because God loves us all.

Ch. 9

Name some of the communions of the Christian church that share the belief of Baptism in the Triune God.

Ch. 19

Identify Judaism as Jesus’ faith and culture, and understand that those responsible for Jesus’ death are those who rejected his teachings.

OCH: About the Trinity

Understand the meaning of **monotheism** and know which religions share this belief.
New Testament

TASK OF CATECHESIS 1

KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH: Students will explore, profess and reflect on our Catholic faith, which is the content of God’s revelation found in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition and lived out in the Creed and Church doctrine.

Essential Concepts

KF-R • REVELATION

Locate and cite passages in the New Testament that highlight God’s desire to reveal Himself to us.

State the meaning of divine inspiration, magisterium, authentic interpretation of Scripture, canon and inerrancy.

Understand that God reveals Himself over time and in human history.

Describe how God’s Natural Law helps us listen to our own sacred story to follow Jesus Christ.

KF-R.1 • Sacred Scripture

Understand and explain the structure and organization of the New Testament.

List the twenty-seven books in the New Testament and where to find them.


Differentiate between divinely inspired truth and literal fact when interpreting Sacred Scripture.

Find characteristics of God’s Kingdom in the New Testament.
Cite different teachings from the New Testament concerning the Paschal Mystery and discipleship.


Identify the “Catholic Letters” in the New Testament: Letter of James, Peter 1 and 2, John 1, 2, and 3, Jude.

Define the term “tradition” as it is used in the Catholic Church.

KF-R.2 • Salvation History

Locate and cite passages in the New Testament related to key events in Salvation History.

Define the Incarnation.

KF-R.3 • Christology

Exhibit an understanding that Jesus fulfills the promises made in the Old Testament. (typology)

Understand the importance of the genealogy of Jesus found in Matthew 1.

Understand the role of John the Baptist as precursor to Jesus.

Compare the accounts of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus found in the Gospels.

Retell stories from the New Testament in which Jesus is acknowledged as both divine and human. (hypostatic union)

Explain the meaning of “synoptic” and how the synoptic Gospels differ from the Gospel of John.

Trace and compare the stories of the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus found in the Synoptic Gospels.
Review and understand the appearances of Jesus after his resurrection found in the Gospels and in Acts.

Understand the purpose of parables in the ministry of Jesus.

Use the Gospels to understand Jesus’ ministry as one who teaches, forgives, and heals in the name of the Father.

**KF-T • TRINITY: God the Creator Jesus the Redeemer, and Holy Spirit Sanctifier**

Articulate that the central mystery of the Christian faith is the **Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit**.

Begin to recognize we can know characteristics of God, but our understanding of God will always be limited as our human words can never explain the mystery of God.

Recall that although God is named Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, each is wholly and entirely God.

Describe how through the love and life of Jesus Christ we have been **redeemed** by God’s mercy and love of the Holy Spirit.

Name and define the characteristics of God: eternal, omniscient, omnipotent, and omnipresent.

Describe the resurrection of the dead as essential to Christianity: We have risen with Christ in Baptism and participate in the life of the Risen Christ.

Identify the actions of the Holy Spirit in the prayer of the Early Church.

Locate and cite passages in the New Testament that include all the person(s) of the Holy Trinity, e.g. Baptism of Christ; sending of the Paraclete.

**KF-C • THE CREED: A Statement of Our Belief**

Cite New Testament verses that are included in the **Apostles** and **Nicene Creeds**.

Recognize the statement, “He descended into hell,” confesses that Jesus did really die and through his death for us conquered death and the devil “who has the power of death” (Heb 2:14).
Articulate as a statement in the creeds the belief in the Trinity, the One God of the Old and New Testament, Father, as the creator of all; Jesus, as living, dying and rising to save us from our sins, and the Holy Spirit as the ongoing presence of God living in the Church and each of us.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 2**

**LITURGICAL EDUCATION:** Students recognize the presence of Christ and enter into communion with Him through active, full and conscious participation in the Liturgical celebrations and Sacraments of the Church.

**Essential Concepts**

**LE-E • EUCHARIST Who, How, When, and Where the Mass is Celebrated**

Articulate and demonstrate the meaning of full, active and conscious participation in the liturgy.

Review and understand that the synoptic Gospels makeup the Cycles A, B and C of the readings during Sunday Mass and the use of John’s Gospel annually.

Define Lectionary, Sacramentary and Book of Blessings.

Experience the different Eucharistic prayers and cite New Testament scripture passages that pertain to the Eucharist.

Associate transubstantiation to the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

Associate the Last Supper with the Mass.

**LE-S • CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS**

Articulate how sacraments help us live a life of faith.

Recognize and give examples of how the Sacraments are rooted in the New Testament.
### LE-S.1 • Sacraments of Initiation

Locate a New Testament passage that describes the Sacraments of Initiation.

Recognize Jesus’ baptism wherein the Holy Spirit anoints and God the Father proclaims Jesus as the “beloved” who will fulfill the mission of salvation.

### LE-S.2 • Sacraments of Healing


Prepare and participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and relate the importance of this sacrament now and throughout life.

### LE-S.3 • Sacraments at the Service of Communion

Understand and explain that Catholic marriages are called to witness to the Trinitarian love of Christ.

Recall the Sacrament of Holy Orders as a vocation through the Sacrament at the Service of Communion for God and his people.

Cite and explain the passage in the Acts of the Apostles describing the ordination of the first deacons.

### LE-LR • LITURGICAL RESOURCES

#### LE-LR.1 • Liturgical Calendar

Identify the liturgical seasons and the cycle of readings in the Catholic Church.

Make connections between New Testament events and the Liturgical Calendar.

Explain how the Triduum liturgies deepen their understanding of the Passion of our Lord.

Identify some of the solemnity, feasts and memorials in the Liturgical Calendar.

#### LE-LR.2 • Liturgical Symbols and Sacramentals

Understand the meaning of sacramentals.
Identify and use sacramentals to encourage faith in Jesus.

Recognize the scriptural roots of some sacramentals we use today.

**LE-LR.3 • Divine Office Liturgy of the Hours**

Describe the Liturgy of the Hours as the public prayer of the Church and know that it is prayed across the globe every day.

Antiphonally pray psalms from the Liturgy of the Hours including those learned in previous grades and Psalm 8. Pray and reflect on the Canticle of Zachariah from the Liturgy of the Hours.

Experience the Liturgy of the Hours using Shorter Christian Prayer format for morning prayer, lauds or evening prayer, vespers.

**LE-LR.4 • Liturgical Rites: Weddings, Funerals and Blessings**

Compare the funeral rite with the Paschal mystery.

Associate New Testament passages with Jesus blessing people, weddings and dying people.

Identify and use prayers from the Book of Blessings.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 3**

**MORAL EDUCATION: Students develop a moral conscience that is informed by Church teachings and conformed to Christ, as modeled in a personal life of virtue and demonstrated in service of the Gospel’s demands for society.**

**Essential Concepts**

**ME-HP • THE HUMAN PERSON**

Locate and cite passages from the New Testament where people expressed a capacity and desire for God.
Understand how God’s Natural Law is perfected in the Sermon on the Mount and leads us to what we must do and what we must avoid.

**ME-HP1 • Made in the Image of God – Foundation of Human Dignity**

Identify how we are created in God’s image.

Identify how we are called to know God and proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ by the way we live and act.

Explore ways of being models of Christian love in everyday life.

Name New Testament people who demonstrated authentic love – to will the good of other people.

Cite New Testament passages that demonstrate the importance of human dignity.

**ME-HP2 • Made for Happiness with God, Beatitudes**

Name the characteristics of God’s Kingdom found in the Beatitudes as the fulfillment of the Ten Commandments.

Associate the Beatitudes with current events and people in society who are building and discovering God’s Kingdom.

Use the Beatitudes as a tool for conscience formation.

**ME-HP3 • Human Freedom and Conscience Formation**

Define conscience and provide examples of how your conscience helps guide moral decision making.

Define morality and understand the three sources of the morality of human acts: object, intention, and circumstances.

Locate New Testament passages that provide examples of Jesus helping to form the consciences of believers: Matthew 5.

Identify and cite examples of Jesus’ reaction to sin and sinners in the Gospels.

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Cite New Testament examples of sin and forgiveness, and explain how turning away from God affects their lives and relationships.

Understand the belief that the Church has the power to forgive sins through the Sacraments.

Identify the communal impact of sin and explain how sin can be both commission and omission.

Integrate the meaning of the Christian morality with Jesus’ teaching, the dignity of the human person and the Incarnation.

State the meaning of the maxim that the end does not justify the means.

Describe and use a moral decision making process that reference both Scripture and the Church’s moral teaching.

**ME-HP4 • Covenant and Ten Commandments**

Identify how the Ten Commandments are a guide for moral living.

Review how the Old Testament covenant between God and Abraham is fulfilled in Jesus as He institutes the New Covenant.

**ME-HR5 • Virtues Cardinal and Theological**

Define and find scriptural examples of the Cardinal and Theological Virtues as modeled by Jesus and others in the New Testament.

**ME-HC • THE HUMAN COMMUNITY**

Understand one’s responsibility and ways to serve other people, especially those in most need.

Find New Testament examples of persons responding to God’s call to serve God and others.

**ME-HC.1 • Personal and Social Sin**

Describe the effects of Original Sin.
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#### Identify society causes of hunger, disease, poverty.

#### State how personal sins have social consequences.

#### Associate and explain heaven, hell and purgatory with states after death.

#### Retell a Gospel account in which Jesus’ teaching confronted the current culture such as the Woman at the Well or the Good Samaritan.

**OCH: Social Justice**

Ch. 3; OCH: Sin and Mercy

OCH: Life Everlasting

F&S: Lent; Ch. 7

**ME-HC.2 • Catholic Social Teaching – Consistent Ethic of Life, Love of Neighbor, and Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy**

Using scripture stories from the New Testament, identify rights and responsibilities to care for God’s creation, the poor and vulnerable (the right to life and the preferential option for the poor.)

State the importance of Christians taking an active part in public life building the Kingdom of God and promoting the common good.

Give examples of stewardship from their own lives.

Participate in service projects that involve giving of time and talent to others, articulate how service is essential to being a disciple of Christ.

Find scriptural examples of Jesus practicing the Works of Mercy.

Identify faith responses to questions about suffering and promise in the New Testament and in the world today.

Use their study of the New Testament to develop an awareness of current events regarding human suffering and actions that promote social justice.

Retell a Gospel account in which Jesus’ teaching confronted his current culture.

Locate and explain New Testament passages which contain Jesus’ command to love.

Identify Scripture that reflects themes of Catholic Social Teaching, and reflect on the Scripture using the model of encounter, disturbance and
response. (Resource: Maryknoll Missionaries)

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 4**

**TEACHING TO PRAY: Students experience and engage in Catholic expressions of prayer to deepen their relationship with God and the Church.**

**Essential Concepts**

**P-UC • THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO PRAYER, IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER**

Describe how and when Jesus prayed by citing passages from the New Testament.

Know Jesus hears our prayers.

Experience *Lectio Divina* as a way of praying the *Gospels*.

Explain how prayer can help express their deepest needs, in times of temptation, and as an act of self-surrender to God.

**P-FP • FORMS OF PRAYER (Blessing, Adoration Petition, Intercession Thanksgiving, Praise)**

Understand how and when Jesus prayed.

Identify forms of prayer in the New Testament and understand their relationship with our Church prayers today.

Engage in and/or lead a prayer service incorporating one or more of the forms of prayer using the “You, who, do, through” model.

**P-EP • EXPRESSIONS OF PRAYER (vocal meditation, contemplation, personal and shared)**

Identify expressions of prayer in the New Testament and understand their relationship with our Church prayers today.

Explain how prayer expresses their relationship to God.

| Ch. 4, 8 | Ch. 4, 8; OCH: Prayer, The Lord’s Prayer |
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| OCH: Prayer, The Lord’s Prayer; Ch. 1, 4, 8 |
Recognize meditation as important form of prayer.

Engage in and/or lead a prayer service incorporating one or more expressions of prayer.

**P-OF • OUR FATHER: SUMMARY OF THE GOSPEL**

Explain how the Our Father is a summary of faith and a model for Christian prayer.

Connect the Seven Petitions in the Our Father with other passages from the New Testament, making connections between Gospel themes and Jesus’ actions.

**P-DP • DEVOTIONAL PRACTICES (e.g. Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Novenas)**

Know, identify in the New Testament, and explain the Sorrowful Mysteries: Agony in the Garden, Scourging at the Pillar, Crowning with Thorns, Carrying the Cross, Crucifixion and Death.

Describe that the Church prays the Liturgy of the Hours at special times of the morning and evening.

Participate in a variety of traditional devotions, and experience different prayer forms.

Identify the four movements of Lectio Divina.

Employ the Lectio Divina model for reflection using: the Letter of James, Peter 1-2, John 1-3 and Jude.

**P-HES • PRAYERS WE KNOW BY HEART, EXPERIENCE AND SHARE AT MASS**

**PRAYERS BY HEART**

- Sorrowful Mysteries

- Angelus

- Hail, Holy Queen
• Act of Love

Prayers to Experience

• Silent prayer

• Meditation

• Lectio Divina

• Rosary

• Stations of the Cross

• The Examen

PRAYERS TO RECITE AND LEAD:

• Prayers of blessing, adoration, praise, intercession, thanksgiving, petition

• One or more decades from the Rosary

• Invitatory, Psalm(s) antiphonal style, Doxology - Psalm 8 and Canticle of Zechariah (Lk 1:68-79) from Liturgy of the Hours

• Spontaneous Prayer using “You, Who, Do, Through” sequence

SHARED AT MASS - MASS RESPONSES

• Sign of the Cross

• And with your spirit

• Confiteor

• Gloria

• Alleluia

• Responses after Scripture: Readings and Gospel

OCH: Prayer

Ch. 4; OCH: Prayer

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Ch. 1, 6, 8, 9, 10; F&S: Saints, Easter

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• Creed (Nicene and/or Apostles)
• Invitation to Prayer
• Preface Dialogue
• Sanctus
• The Mystery of Faith
• Sign of Peace
• Agnus Dei/Behold the Lamb of God

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 5**

**EDUCATING FOR THE LIFE, COMMUNITY, AND HISTORY OF THE CHURCH:** Students study and participate in the life and mission of the church, the Body of Christ and the community of believers, as expressed in the Church’s origin, history, ecclesiology, the Communion of Saints and their family, the domestic church.

**Essential Concepts**

**LCH-CH • THE CHURCH IN GOD’S PLAN (748-780) Church History**

Review the structure of the Church and identify how this structure originates through Jesus with the Apostles.

OCH: The Church

Explain how and why the Apostles had a special responsibility to the Church.

OCH: The Church; Ch. 17

Identify the significant role of St. Peter as the first Pope.

Ch. 8, 17; OCH: The Church

Explore the lives and describe the special responsibilities of the apostles and early Church Fathers.

Ch. 8, 14, 17, 19; F&S: Saints

Understand and explain how the Catholic Church is worldwide and includes many cultures and ethnic groups.

OCH The Church, The Church’s Mission; Ch. 10, 16
Cite examples from the New Testament in which the Early Church acted as a model community, catalyst, and support for its members.

Locate the Epistles and explain New Testament passages that describe the gifts given in the Early Church.

**LCH-MC.1 • People of God**

Recognize how People of God represent people throughout the world who are united with God.

Identify gifts present in the Church today.

**LCH-MC.2 • Body of Christ**

Read the Pauline passages and identify themes of the early Church in building the Body of Christ.

**LCH-MC.3 • Temple of the Holy Spirit**

Name and explain situations that do and do not honor chaste living – honoring our bodies as Temples of the Holy Spirit.

**LCH-MMC • THE MYSTERY AND MARKS OF THE CHURCH: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic**

Review the structure of the Church and identify how this structure originates through Jesus with the Apostles.

State that the Rites of the Catholic Church derive from one profession of faith, celebration of the seven sacraments and one hierarchy.

**LCH-CF • CHRIST’S FAITHFUL: HEIRARCHY, LAITY, CONSECRATED LIFE**

**LCH-CE1 • Church Order: The Hierarchy and Magisterium and Infallibility**

Identify New Testament leaders and describe Apostolic Succession as it was established in the New Testament.

Describe the organizational structure of the parish including bishop, pastor/canonical leader, principal, teacher/catechist.
LCH-CF2 • The Laity: Rights and Responsibilities

Identify the roles of the laity in the Precepts of the Church.

Articulate how the life of Jesus calls us to live in community and how membership in the parish is important to my life.

Identify how Jesus was Priest, Prophet and King in the New Testament and associate this with lay ministries today.

LCH-CF3 • The Domestic Church

Identify the important components of the domestic church in Jesus’ family and in our families.

Identify qualities and explain how the Holy Family is the model for all families.

LCH-CF4 • The Universal Call to Holiness

Identify and describe qualities of holy people from the New Testament as models for our lives.

LCH-CF5 • Vocation: Marriage, priesthood, religious life

Pray to discern one’s life vocation and how their parents, parish priests, deacons, and vowed religious can help them to discern about their vocation.

Name people in the New Testament who chose to follow God’s call (vocation) in their lives (e.g. Apostles, Paul, Timothy.)

Describe how apostolic religious orders provided teachers and catechists for parishes in the United States for over 150 years.

State the call to religious life in the Church is identified in two forms - active and contemplative.
LCH-CS • COMMUNION OF SAINTS

Celebrate the feast day of the parish patron saint.

State the belief that all the faithful in Christ, living and dead, form the Communion of Saints.

Give examples of saints in the early Church who lived out their covenant relationship with God.

LCH • Mary MARY AS MODEL OF THE CHURCH

Locate and cite passages about Mary in the New Testament, share how Mary is a model for prayer and discipleship.

Describe how the Holy Spirit worked through Mary to prepare the way for the incarnation.

Explain the titles of Mary, the New Eve, Handmaid of the Lord, Mother of Christ.

Recognize Mary as a model of prayer and faith for today.

State how the Magnificat shows God’s power and justice.

TASK OF CATECHESIS 6

THE CHURCH’S MISSIONARY LIFE AND SERVICE: Students acquire and demonstrate skills to recognize their gifts from God and their vocation to share the good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed in the world.

Essential Concepts

CMLS-BCD • BAPTISMAL CALL AND DISCIPLESHIP (the mandate to go forth)

Identify people in the New Testament who both resisted and answered God’s calling to discipleship.

Recognize the Church is missionary by nature. (See mission.)
Identify in Scripture, recite and understand the implications of the great commission given us by Jesus “Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations…”

CMLS-SS • CALL TO STEWARDSHIP AND SERVICE: Catholic Social Teaching about the common good

State how stewardship is important to the spiritual life of the parish.

“Name talents and gifts from God that holy people in the New Testament used to serve God’s people, and identify ways to serve God using the principles of the common good and peace.

CMLS-EDNE • CALL TO ECUMENISM, INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

Understand the call and the implications of the New Evangelization.

State the importance of respecting the religious beliefs of others, while also sharing our beliefs with them in word and action.

Identify Islam as a religion that shares the Jewish and Christian belief in one God, monotheism.
Church History, Morality

TASK OF CATECHESIS 1

KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH: Students will explore, profess and reflect on our Catholic faith, which is the content of God’s revelation found in Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition and lived out in the Creed and Church doctrine.

Essential Concepts

KF-R • REVELATION

Trace God’s revelation over time and human history as the foundation of our faith as Christians.

Define faith as a gift we receive from God through the Church that helps us to believe in and respond to God’s on-going revelation.

Describe how faith is both a personal relationship with God and a free assent to the truth God has revealed.

Experience how God’s revelation includes the Natural Law, which is written in the hearts of every person and helps us discern good and evil as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Understand that revelation ended with the death of the last apostle, but continues to be transmitted through Apostolic Tradition.

KF-R.1 • Sacred Scripture

Understand how the Bible came to be written from the oral tradition to the canon of Scripture.

Describe the connection between Scripture and Tradition and the true faith we find in both that make up a single deposit of the Word of God.

Explain the role of the Holy Spirit in the writing and preaching of Sacred Scripture.
Describe how Catholics read the Bible within the living Tradition of the Church.

**KF-R.2 • Salvation History**

Demonstrate an understanding of Salvation History and identify how the Acts of the Apostles, the epistles, and our lives today are a continuation of Salvation History.

Explain the importance of Pentecost in the history of the Church.

**KF-R.3 • Christology**

List and explain the ways the Church continues to teach as Jesus did.

Use the Gospels to understand Jesus’ ministry as one who teaches, forgives, and heals in the name of the Father.

Explain the concept and importance of the Incarnation, the Paschal Mystery, the Resurrection and Ascension of Jesus Christ.

Describe how, inspired by the Holy Spirit, the Church continues the mission of Jesus and continues showing God’s everlasting love through living out the Paschal Mystery.

**KF-T • TRINITY: God the Creator Jesus the Redeemer, and Holy Spirit Sanctifier**

Describe the Trinity as a complete unity without confusing the persons or dividing the substance of God.

Recall that the divine persons are relative to one another, and that each is wholly and entirely God.

Describe how God the Father sent the Son, Jesus, to redeem us and how the grace of the Holy Spirit continues to give us new life.

Describe how God is both transcendent (beyond our understanding) and immanent (existing within) illustrated by the Old Testament passage of Moses and the Burning Bush.

Explore how the Holy Spirit continues to strengthen and animate the Church.
List the Gifts of the Holy Spirit, the purpose of each gift, and identify outward expressions of those gifts.

Identify the special charisms of the Church she receives from the Holy Spirit to accomplish its work.

**KF-C • THE CREED: A Statement of Our Belief**

Demonstrate the ability to individually pray the Nicene and Apostles Creeds as statements of belief.

Explain the purpose of the Nicene Creed in the Mass.

Recognize the Nicene Creed came from early Church Ecumenical Councils.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 2**

**LITURGICAL EDUCATION: Students recognize the presence of Christ and enter into communion with Him through active, full and conscious participation in the Liturgical celebrations and Sacraments of the Church.**

**Essential Concepts**

**LE-E • EUCHARIST Who, How, When, and Where the Mass is Celebrated**

Recall and demonstrate the meaning of full, active and conscious participation in the liturgy.

Articulate how Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith.

Describe all of the parts of the Mass and the role of the assembly.

Describe how liturgy expresses diversity and maintains unity today.

Explain the concept of transubstantiation.

**LE-S • CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS**

List ways to more fully participate in the sacramental life of the Church.
Articulate how the Sacraments strengthen their relationships with God and the faith community and benefit both the individual and the community.

Recall the matter, form, symbols and effects for each of the seven sacraments.

Research and explain how the Church has been the custodian of sacraments.

**LE-S.1 • Sacraments of Initiation**

Identify the importance of Baptism as the entryway to life as a Christian.

Explain how participation in the Eucharist allows us to be given nourishment by Jesus to live out our call to be disciples.

Describe a Eucharistic community as one in which its members seek to be nourished by Jesus and realize they are sent to serve.

Associate the Sacrament of Confirmation with the Pentecost story. Initiation

**LE-S.2 • Sacraments of Healing**

Prepare for and participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and explain the importance of this sacrament throughout life.

Observe and reflect on the Sacrament of Healing (Anointing).

**LE-S.3 • Sacraments at the Service of Communion**

Explain the connection between the Sacrament of Holy Orders and apostolic succession.

Understand that priests promise to be celibate to give themselves fully to God and to be of service to God’s people.
Recall and understand that Catholic marriages are called to witness to the Trinitarian love of Christ.

**LE-LR • LITURGICAL RESOURCES**

**LE-LR.1 • Liturgical Calendar**

Describe the liturgical year and know the purpose, sequence and significance of the seasons and colors.

Differentiate between the solemnity, feasts and memorials in the Liturgical Calendar.

Understand that memorials recognize the lives of saints in the Liturgical Calendar.

**LE-LR.2 • Liturgical Symbols and Sacramentals**

Identify aspects of an appropriate liturgical environment.

Identify the symbols and sacramentals in the parish church and associate them with parts of the Eucharist and other sacraments.

Use sacramentals to enrich prayer life.

**LE-LR.3 • Divine Office Liturgy of the Hours**

Experience and leading the Liturgy of the Hours using Shorter Christian Prayer format for morning prayer, lauds or evening prayer, vespers.

Explain the importance of the Liturgy of the Hours for the Catholic Church and for all Christians.

Antiphonally, pray the Psalms from the Liturgy of the Hours including those learned in previous grades and Psalm 90. Reflect on the Canticle of Mary, the Magnificat within the Liturgy of the Hours.
LE-LR.4 • Liturgical Rites: Weddings, Funerals and Blessings

Attend, reflect and describe various liturgies in the Church: funeral, weddings, ordination, dedications, and benediction.

Show familiarity with leading prayer using the Book of Blessings.

TASK OF CATECHESIS 3

MORAL EDUCATION: Students develop a moral conscience that is informed by Church teachings and conformed to Christ, as modeled in a personal life of virtue and demonstrated in service of the Gospel’s demands for society.

Essential Concepts

ME-HP • THE HUMAN PERSON

Articulate how God made each of us with the desire and capacity to respond to the gift of faith.

Describe how faith helps me to face the hardships of suffering, disappointment and tragedy.

Recall authentic human love is to will the good of the other.

Describe the Natural Law as it relates to moral development.

ME-HP1 • Made in the Image of God – Foundation of Human Dignity

Explain how God calls each to act in a loving way toward one another, and know what it means to be a “Child of God.”

OCH: Sacraments at the Service of Communion

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OCH: The Ten Commandments: Love of Neighbnor

Ch. 20; F&S: Saints
Articulate why all life is deserving of reverence and demonstrate an understanding of the church’s stance on the sanctity of life, and how this is consistent with scripture and tradition (right to life, human dignity, preferential option for the poor.)

Describe how the Church’s opposition to abortion and capital punishment is consistent with the belief that all life is sacred. Commandments: Love of Neighbor

ME-HP2 • Made for Happiness with God, Beatitudes
Recall that God made human beings with freedom to act responsibly when confronted with moral choices.

Articulate how happiness is found in serving others in the name of Christ and how the Beatitudes challenge and show us the path to authentic happiness.

ME-HP3 • Human Freedom and Conscience Formation
Identify and describe how conscience is a function of reason that allows one to be responsible for one’s actions.

Reflect upon life and describe the need for healing.

Define sin as turning away from God and reconciliation as turning back to God.

Describe consequences of positive and negative behaviors/actions and how sin affects the whole community.

Describe the moral and natural law that is written and engraved in the soul of every man; it is human reason telling Him to do good and avoid evil.

List, and define each of the seven capital sins and how the Cardinal and Theological Virtues strengthen us to avoid these sins.

“Prepare for, participate in, and reflect on the Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation.”
Describe free will and the corresponding responsibilities to choose wisely and to form our conscience throughout our lives.

Review and identify a moral decision-making process which includes reflection on faith, law, context and self/others.

Review and list the **Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy** as ways to form conscience.

Make connections with the Beatitudes and Ten Commandments, explain the moral guidance given by God through Moses and Jesus, and how this can be lived out in our lives.

**ME-HP4 • Covenant and Ten Commandments**

Understand and explain the **Ten Commandments** as the moral law that was given to Israel.

Formulate a moral code for life based on the teachings of Jesus, the Commandments, and the teachings of the Church.

**ME-HP5 • Virtues Cardinal and Theological**

Demonstrate virtuous living as a way to opening to God’s grace.

Identify a virtue you strive to live out in daily life and explain how this virtue helps you grow as a person.

Identify a saint who exemplifies a specific virtue.

**ME-HC • THE HUMAN COMMUNITY**

Explain in your own words the importance of common good within our world.

**ME-HC.1 • Personal and Social Sin**

Identify and articulate the **morality** of human (personal) acts and how both...
venial and mortal sin can result in social sin.

Give examples from Church history of how sin separates us from God’s promise of salvation and reconciliation brings us back.

Explain how sin separate us from a good relationship with God, and inhibits us from responding to the call of salvation by God through Jesus.

Associate and explain the terms “cleansing” with purgatory and “self-exclusion” with hell.

**ME-HC.2 • Catholic Social Teaching – Consistent Ethic of Life, Love of Neighbor, and Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy**

Give examples of the special place of human beings as stewards of God’s creation.

Explain how their creation in God’s image underlies Catholic Social Teaching (innate dignity of all humans.)

“Understand meaning of stewardship and how one acts as a “steward” of God’s creation in caring for and sharing of personal belongings, classroom, school building, and parish grounds.”

Know and explain how to incorporate the seven principles of Catholic Social Teachings into our lives.

Recognize how the Church continues to work toward understanding the issues and problems of today in light of the Church’s Social Teachings.

Identify and research persons/groups that have influenced society/culture for the good throughout Church history.

Participate in service projects and offer reflections on how serving others continues in building the Kingdom of God on earth.

Apply the principles of the right to life and the dignity of the human person to the formation of a moral conscience.
Explain how the social teachings of the Church help them to understand the biblical message of God’s saving love.

Explain causes of vulnerability (age, race, disability, etc.) and ways that we can act morally in situations where vulnerable people are present.

Explain how Catholics are called to protect and promote the dignity of all human life.

Apply the concept of the dignity of the worker to the moral mandate to work for the benefit of the community.

Identify holy people from Scripture, and reflect on their lives using the model of encounter, disturbance and response. (Resource: Maryknoll Missionaries)

Identify Catholic Social Teaching as beginning with Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical Rerum Novarum.

**TASK OF CATECHESIS 4**

**TEACHING TO PRAY: Students experience and engage in Catholic expressions of prayer to deepen their relationship with God and the Church.**

**Essential Concepts**

**P-UC • THE UNIVERSAL CALL TO PRAYER, IMPORTANCE OF PRAYER**

Describe how prayer leads to an honest and intentional response to our lives.

Discover and share sources for prayer.

Show understanding that prayer is a way of life.

**P-FP • FORMS OF PRAYER (Blessing, Adoration Petition, Intercession Thanksgiving, Praise)**

Articulate how all prayer forms helps us lead holy lives through blessing, adoration, petition, intercessions, thanksgiving and praise.
Attend and reflect on one of the following: Benediction; Stations of the Cross; adoration.

Write prayers demonstrating the six forms of prayer.

“P-EP • EXPRESSIONS OF PRAYER (vocal meditation, contemplation, personal and shared)”

State how we use the prayers of the saints to help us pray.

Identify the diversity and development of prayer expressions within the Church.

Explore, experience and reflect on the various expressions of prayer: vocal, meditative and contemplative.

Identify how the Church’s tradition of prayer at daily intervals was meant to remind Christians that all time is holy.

Pray using the Examen.

Identify the four movements of Lectio Divina

P-OF • OUR FATHER: SUMMARY OF THE GOSPEL

Explain why the Our Father is the model of all prayer for us and summarizes our Catholic Christian faith.

P-DP • DEVOTIONAL PRACTICES (e.g. Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Novenas)

Participate in variety of traditional devotions.

Pray a variety of prayers associated with different saints.

understand the role of the Liturgy of the Hours in the monastic life.

Articulate all the mysteries of the Rosary.

Identify the connection between St. Dominic and the Rosary.

Pray the rosary.
Participate and/or lead the Liturgy of the Hours.

Understand how icons can assist us with prayer.

**P-HES • PRAYERS WE KNOW BY HEART, EXPERIENCE AND SHARE AT MASS**

**PRAYERS BY HEART**

- Vocation Prayer
- Glorious Mysteries
- Review of all prayers by heart

**PRAYERS TO EXPERIENCE**

- Silent prayer
- Meditation
- Lectio Divina
- Rosary
- Stations of the Cross
- The Examen

Prayers to Recite and Lead:

- Prayers of blessing, adoration, praise, intercession, thanksgiving, petition
- One or more decades from the Rosary
- Our Father
- Hail Mary

F&S: Advent, Lent
Ch. 8

Ch. 4
LUP

LUP

OCH: Prayer
Ch. 9, 10, 15
Ch. 9, 10, 15
LUP; Ch. 12; OCH: Prayer
LUP; Ch. 12; F&S: Lent; OCH: Prayer

Ch. 3, 10, 11, 12, 14, 18, 20
LUP
Ch. 4, 16; OCH: The Lord’s Prayer; LUP
LUP
- Invitatory, Psalm(s) antiphonal style and Doxology – Psalm 90 and Canticle of Mary the Magnificat (Lk 1:46-55) from Liturgy of the Hours

- Spontaneous Prayer using “You, Who, Do Through” sequence

Shared at Mass - Mass Responses

- Sign of the Cross

- And with your spirit

- Confiteor

- Alleluia

- Responses after Scripture: Readings and Gospel

- Preface Dialogue

- Sanctus

- The Mystery of Faith

- Sign of Peace

- Agnus Dei/Behold the Lamb of God

- Amen

- Confiteor

- Gloria

- Creed Nicene or Apostles

- Invitation to Prayer

- Agnus Dei/Behold the Lamb of God
TASK OF CATECHESIS 5

EDUCATING FOR THE LIFE, COMMUNITY, AND HISTORY OF THE CHURCH: Students study and participate in the life and mission of the church, the Body of Christ and the community of believers, as expressed in the Church’s origin, history, ecclesiology, the Communion of Saints and their family, the domestic church.

Essential Concepts

LCH-CH • THE CHURCH IN GOD’S PLAN [748-780] Church History

Give examples of how the Church continues to teach as Jesus did and recognize how each person helps shape Church history.

Know the story of Pentecost and how the Church began in the Old Testament and New Testament.

Create a timeline the early period of the Church from 30 CE to 313 CE, the role of the deacons, Roman persecutions, move from Jewish to Gentile membership, the contributions of the early fathers, and the importance of councils.

Demonstrate a basic understanding of Church history through an overview of Early Church Acts; Council of Jerusalem; Paul’s Journeys’ growth and change through the ages.

Know that the Acts of the Apostles give insight into the early Church, and identify the differences between the ministry of Peter and Paul.

Show familiarity with the geography and cities of middle eastern world and Rome.

Explore the role of the Pope in leading the Church.

Explain how the councils were occasions for renewal in the Church.
Explore moments of transition in the life of the Church to include: 1054 Schism; Avignon Papacy; Mendicant Orders; Reformation; Infallible Statements of the Church.

Show understanding of the causes of the Reformation, the rise of Protestantism and the Counter-Reformation of the Catholic Church to begin the inner work of reform begun in the Council of Trent in the age of reform from 1517 to 1891 CE.

Know and understand the importance of the sixteen documents from the Vatican Council II.

Explore the role of Religious Orders through the ages: Hermits, Monks, Monastics, Mendicants, and Missionaries.

Trace the history of the Catholic faith in Washington state, and know the history of one's parish, recognizing how each person helps shape Church history.

LCH-MC.1 • People of God
Identify holy men and women of the Church through the ages who have demonstrated concern for the poor and marginalized and in turn acted as Christ and made an impact for the good.

LCH-MC.2 • Body of Christ
Identify the responsibility of the Body of Christ to work for the Kingdom of God on Earth throughout history, today, and in the future.

LCH-MC.3 • Temple of the Holy Spirit
Appreciate the benefits of chastity/chaste lives with maintaining our bodies as Temples of the Holy Spirit.

LCH-MMC • THE MYSTERY AND MARKS OF THE CHURCH: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic
Recall and describe the four marks of the Church: one, holy, catholic, apostolic.
Understand that catholic (lower case “c”) means universal and is identified with the world-wide Church, which includes many cultures and ethnic groups.

Explain the four marks of the Church and how they move us towards the universal call to **salvation**.

**LCH-CF • CHRIST’S FAITHFUL: HEIRARCHY, LAITY, CONSECRATED LIFE**

**LCH-CE1 • Church Order: The Hierarchy and Magisterium and Infallibility**

Identify the names and roles of leadership in the Church moving from the Pope to the Pastor.

Define the **magisterium**.

Explain the function of Papal Encyclicals, Pastoral Letters and the Catholic Catechism as vehicles for the unity of the Church. **Holy People**

**LCH-CE2 • The Laity: Rights and Responsibilities**

Name the **Precepts of the Church** and identify ways that the precepts strengthen the Church to live out a Christian life as God’s people (priest, prophet and king.)

Locate and cite passages in the Bible that show us how we are to live as **Disciples of Christ**.

**LCH-CE3 • The Domestic Church**

Cite and associate references in Paul Letters emphasizing the importance of family and the definition of **domestic church**.

**LCH-CE4 • The Universal Call to Holiness**

Identify and describe the qualities of holy men and women in Scripture and throughout Church history and describe ways we can live out these qualities in our own lives.

Recognize that all are called by God to be Saints.
LCH-CE5 • Vocation: Marriage, priesthood, religious life

Know that we are called to participate in the life of the Church and discern how God helps us to know our vocation (discernment).

Apply the concept of being made in God’s image to the response to God’s call through vocation.

Identify ways that we can act now and could act in the future as Christ would act with an impact on the good of all God’s people.

LCH-CS • COMMUNION OF SAINTS

Tell the story, identify qualities and celebrate the feast day of the parish patron saint.

LCH • Mary MARY AS MODEL OF THE CHURCH

Celebrate devotional days in honor of Mary.

Recognize and identify the Mary as the Mother of the Church and our mother.

Recognize symbols of Mary in art from around the world.

Discuss Mary as she is portrayed in the Magnificat.

TASK OF CATECHESIS 6

THE CHURCH’S MISSIONARY LIFE AND SERVICE: Students acquire and demonstrate skills to recognize their gifts from God and their vocation to share the good News of Jesus Christ in word and deed in the world.

Essential Concepts

CMLS-BCD • BAPTISMAL CALL AND DISCIPLESHIP (the mandate to go forth)

Articulate that at Baptism we receive a special call from the Holy Spirit to proclaim, witness, and serve the Church and the world given our unique gifts.
Recognize charisms come through the grace of the Holy Spirit to be used for the building of the Church.

**CMLS-SS • CALL TO STEWARDSHIP AND SERVICE: Catholic Social Teaching about the common good**

Explain how humans have been called by God to be stewards of all of God’s creation.

Explain the stewardship equation – receive / cultivate / share / return.

**CMLS-EDNE • CALL TO ECUMENISM, INTERFAITH DIALOGUE AND THE NEW EVANGELIZATION**

Articulate an understanding of the Rites of the Catholic Church as an expression of unity and diversity.

Describe the difference between ecumenical dialogue and inter-religious dialogue.

Describe how ecumenism and dialogue are evangelizing works of the Church in the task of creating unity and peace in the world.

Recall and understand the implications for your own life that Jesus commanded the disciples to “go and make disciples of all nations.”

Understand and explain why Christians pray and work for Christian unity and the need to respect people of all faiths.

Be able to distinguish their Catholic Christian faith from other Christian faiths.

Show understanding of one’s beliefs through the profession of one’s faith.

Recognize the New Evangelization calls each of us to deepen our faith, believe in the Gospel message and go forth to proclaim the Gospel.