Correlation to the Diocese of Columbus’ Religion Course of Study
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I. Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Faith
   (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 26-1065; General Directory for Catechesis, 84-85, 87)
   A. The Person of Jesus Christ
      Jesus loves and invites every person to be in relationship with him
      I. A. 1. Understand that Jesus came to show God’s love (CCC 458)
                 WBCI: 13; 16
      I. A. 2. Know that Jesus’ love is unending and complete (CCC 220-221, 1337; Mt 28:20b; Jn 13:1b)
                 WBCI: 26
   B. Understand Scripture
      Sacred Scripture is the living Word of God, a history of the covenant and a guide for life today
      I. B. 1. Recognize the Bible as a holy and special book that tells us about God (CCC 103-104)
                 WBCI: 16; 23
      I. B. 2. Demonstrate respect and reverence while listening to and handling the Bible
      I. B. 3. Discover that the creation story teaches that God is good and created all things good (CCC 299, 339; Gen 1:12, 18, 21, 25, 31)
                 WBCI: 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 8; Q&A: 257-259; Retreat CREED: R1-R6
   C. Creeds and Doctrines of the Church
      The Creed expresses the faith of our Church and professes it to the world
      I. C. 1. Know that God, the Creator, made the world and all living creatures (CCC 290-291, 295; Gen 1:1-31)
                 WBCI: 1; 5; 8
      I. C. 2. Understand that God loves and takes care of all people (CCC 54-55, 303-305; Mt 6:25-34, Rom 8:28, 1 Pet 5:7)
                 WBCI: 8; 9; Q&A: 257-259; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22
      I. C. 3. Identify the Holy Spirit as the gift of God (CCC 243-244; Jn 14:25-26)
                 WBCI: Resource: 247-248
      I. C. 4. Define heaven (CCC 1024-1025; Jn 14:2-3)
      I. C. 5. Know that God gives each person a guardian angel (CCC 336)
                 WBCI: Resources for the Family: 265
   D. Discover the Church’s Tradition and Relevance of Church History
      Our Church has a rich heritage which still serves as a guide for us today
      I. D. 1. Nothing at this age
   E. Christian Thought and Culture
      Our Church’s tradition is based in an appreciation for the gifts of many persons – theologians, saints, artists, teachers and preachers – living as faithful disciples of Jesus
      I. E. 1. Know that God’s family includes the saints in heaven (CCC 954)
                 WBCI: 7
II. Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Meaning of the Liturgy and Sacraments  
\( (CCC, 1066-1690; GDC, 84-85, 87) \)

A. Paschal Mystery Forms and Transforms The liturgical and sacramental life of the Church informs, forms, and transforms us as disciples of Jesus in the world (\( CCC 654, 1066-1067, 1085 \))

II. A. 1. Recognize that by baptism we become members of Jesus family (\( CCC 1213 \))  
\( \text{WBCI}: 22; \text{Q&A}: 261; \text{Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R10, R12} \)

II. A. 2. Know that Jesus is present with his family, the Church, when they pray and celebrate together (\( CCC 1373 \))  
\( \text{WBCI}: 23; 24 \)

A. Sacraments Sacraments are special celebrations of God’s love for us

II. B. 1. Recognize that a sacrament is special celebration of God’s love (\( CCC 1131-1134 \))  
\( \text{WBCI}: \text{Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14} \)

II. B. 2. Recognize that Baptism is a gift from God (\( CCC 1279 \))  
\( \text{WBCI}: 22; \text{Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R10} \)

C. Liturgical Catechesis We are invited into full, active and conscious participation in the liturgical life of the Church (\( CCC 1071 \))

II. C. 1. Know that the Church celebrates different seasons with symbols and colors (\( CCC 1163, 1171, 1194 \))  
\( \text{WBCI}: 6; 7; 13; 14; 20; 21; 27; \text{Q&A}: 258-262; \text{Resources for the Family: 268} \)

II. C. 2. Identify the special seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter (\( CCC 524-526, 1438, 1169 \))  
\( \text{WBCI}: 13; 14; 20; 27 \)

II. C. 3. Know Sunday is a special day for the Church (\( CCC 1167, 1193 \))  
\( \text{WBCI}: 24; \text{Q&A}: 262 \)

II. C. 4. Know that we use our bodies to pray at Mass (\( CCC 1153-1155 \))  
\( \text{WBCI}: 24 \)

A. Dimensions of Priesthood: Baptismal and Ordained Like Jesus, we are called to be priest, prophet, and king

II. B. 1. Nothing at this age

III. Catechesis Promotes Moral Formation in Jesus Christ (\( CCC 1691-2557; GDC 84-85, 87 \))

A. Commandment to Love The ‘new commandment’ of Jesus, to love one another as he, God, has loved us is one of the defining characteristics of the Christian faith (\( Jn 13:34-35 \))

III. A. 1. Know that Jesus came to show God’s love to all people (\( CCC 458 \))  
\( \text{WBCI}: 13; 16; 19; 20; 25 \)

III. A. 2. Understand that Jesus wants all people to love God and love one another (\( CCC 1878, 1970; Lk 10:25-28 \))  
\( \text{WBCI}: 18; 19; 20; 25; \text{Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22} \)

B. Ten Commandments and Beatitudes The Scriptures, especially in the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount, give us moral guidance

III.B.1. Know that in the Bible God tells us how to love him and other people (\( CCC 1962, 1965 \))  
\( \text{WBCI}: 16; 23 \)
III.B.2. Know that Jesus shows everyone how to love (CCC 520, 1823, Jn 15:9, 12)

WBCI: 18; 19; 20; 25; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

C. Sin and Grace God’s love can overcome the evil of sin in our world

III.C.1. Recognize that good choices can make us feel happy and bad choices make us feel sad (CCC 27)

WBCI: 19

III.C.2. Know it is important to say “I’m sorry” when you hurt others (CCC 1443; Lk 15:11-32)

WBCI: 19

D. Conscience Formation The Gospel calls us to ongoing conversion, transforming our ways of thinking and living

III. D. 1. Know that God gives the Holy Spirit to help people make good choices (CCC 729, 1830; Jn 16:13)

III. D. 2. Understand that adults can help one make decisions

E. Objective Moral Norms The Scriptures and Tradition of the Church teach us about right and wrong

III. E. 1. Know that God’s rules help one make good choices and perform loving actions (CCC 1962, 1965)

F. Gospel of Life All life is a gift from God and is to be held sacred

III. F. 1. Recognize that all life is a gift from God the creator (CCC 290-292; Gen 1:20-27)

WBCI: 1; 5; 8; 9; 10

III. F. 2. Know that God wants all people to care for his creation (CCC 299, 339)

WBCI: 3; 4; 5

III. F. 3. Recognize that God makes people in his image (CCC 355)

WBCI: 8; 9

G. Living a Moral Life As disciples of Jesus, we desire to follow him in his attitudes and actions

III. G. 1. Understand that Jesus shows people how to love, e.g., Good Shepherd, Good Samaritan, etc.

WBCI: 11; 25

IV. Catechesis Teaches the Christian How to Pray (CCC, 2558-2865; GDC, 84-85, 87)

A. Christian Prayer Tradition Prayer in all its many forms is a language of love, faith, and hope

IV. A. 1. Know that Jesus prayed and taught his disciples to pray (CCC 2599-2602; Mt 6:5-14; Mk 11:24)

WBCI: 17; 23

IV. A. 2. Know/Pray the Sign of the Cross (CCC 2157)

WBCI: 22; Resource: My Prayer Book

IV. A. 3. Identify the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be as basic prayers of the Catholic Tradition

WBCI: 15; 23; Resource: My Prayer Book

B. Personal Prayer The mystery of God’s action in our lives draws us into a deeper relationship and a deeper desire to respond in prayer (CCC 2591)

IV.B.1. Know that prayer is both listening to and talking with God (CCC 2590)

WBCI: 9; 15; 23; Q&A: 261; Retreat PRAYER: R25-R30
IV.B.2. Understand that one must be quiet to hear God speak

C. Communal Prayer We share prayer with others, and worship together as the People of God

IV. C. 1. Know that the church building is a special place to pray together (CCC 2691, 2696)

WBCI: 6; 24; Retreat PRAYER: R30

D. Popular Piety and Devotions Our families and friends share with us ways to grow closer to God

VI. D. 1. Identify ways to pray with family (CCC 2685)

WBCI: 23

V. Catechesis Prepares the Christian to Live in Community and to Participate in the Life and Mission of the Church (GDC, 84, 86-87)

A. Spiritual Growth Our community life is built on the understanding that humans grow and develop physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially as well as spiritually

V. A. 1. Know that God calls all people to be holy (CCC 2013; Mt 5:48)

WBCI: Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R10, R11

B. Relationships and Responsibilities In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that living together in the Kingdom of God, we must grow in understanding, compassion, concern for the least and mutual charity

V. B. 1. Know that Jesus wants us to show love and kindness to all (Col 3:12-17)

WBCI: 19; 20; 25; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

C. Marriage and Family Life—Domestic Church Our family life is the church of the home, where we learn to love God and care for each other

V. C. 1. Identify the Holy Family : Jesus, Mary, his mother, and Joseph, her spouse (CCC 532, 1655; Lk 2:39-52)

WBCI: 7; 13; 14; 17

V. C. 2. Know that each family is a gift from God (CCC 2206)

WBCI: 11; 17

V. C. 3. Understand that in a family the members are called to love and care for each other

WBCI: 11; 17

D. Faith Communities Participation in the life and mission of the Church is both personal and communal (CCC 1134)

V. D. 1. Know that at baptism one becomes a member of God’s family, the Church (CCC 1213)

WBCI: 22; Q&A: 261; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R10, R12, R13

V. D. 2. Know that praying together at mass is an important way that God’s family comes together (CCC 1140-1141)

WBCI: 24; Retreat PRAYER: R30

E. Nature and Mission of the Church The Church is the family of God, sent to bring the Good News of Jesus to all people

V. E. 1. Understand that God wants all to live in peace and love (CCC 543, Col 3:12-17)

WBCI: 11; 16; 19; 25

V. E. 2. Know that the Church is God’s family on earth (CCC 959)

WBCI: 22

F. Ecumenism We share in promoting the unity of all God’s people as part of our fidelity to the Gospel

V. F. 1. Nothing at this age
VI. Catechesis Promotes a Missionary Spirit that Prepares the Faithful to Transform the World

(GDC, 84, 86-87)

A. Evangelization The Sacraments of Initiation both invite and challenge us to live as disciples in the larger society and in the world

VI. A. 1. Identify a disciple as someone who follows Jesus Christ (CCC 1694, 1816, 1 Jn 1:1-4)

B. Vocation/Apostolate Each of us is called to a particular task in helping to reveal the Kingdom of God in the service of God’s plan for the world

VI. B. 1. Know that God loves us and calls each of us to follow Him (CCC 52; Mt 4:18-22; Mt 9:9)

WBCI: 6; 8; 9; 11; 22

C. Social Action and Transformation The Social Teachings of our tradition inspire us to concern and to action aimed at the well-being of all humankind

VI. C. 1. Know that God calls the members of the Church to help each other (Mt 25)

WBCI: 18; 19; 25; Retreat PRAYER: R22-R30

VI. C. 2. Identify ways to show care for God’s creation

WBCI: 3; 4; 5; Retreat CREED: R4

D. Interreligious Dialogue We dialogue and work with people of other faiths, to build understanding and to find our common hopes and values for a better world

VI. D. 1. Nothing at this age

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GRADE 1
Grade One Religion Course of Study
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I. Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Faith
   *(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 26-1065; General Directory for Catechesis, 84-85, 87)*

   A. The Person of Jesus Christ
      Jesus loves and invites every person to be in relationship with him

      I. A. 1. Know Jesus is the Son of God and Son of Mary (CCC 495)
                 WBCI: 2; 3; Unit 1 Retreat R1-R6

      I. A. 2. Know some key events in Jesus’ life: *e.g.*, his birth, his death, and his rising to new life
                 WBCI: 3; 8; 9; 10; 14; 22; 27; Retreat CREED: R1

      I. A. 3. Know that Jesus died on the cross to show God’s love for all people (CCC 609)
                 WBCI: 9; 23; 23: As Catholics

   B. Understand Scripture
      Sacred Scripture is the living Word of God, a history of the covenant and a guide for life today

      I. B. 1. Identify the Bible as the inspired word of God (CCC 105)
                 WBCI: 1; Glossary: (P: p.250, S: p.330)

      I. B. 2. Know that the Bible is full of stories that show God’s love for his people, *e.g.*, Creation,
                 Noah’s ark, Moses, Good Shepherd, Good Samaritan, etc.
                 WBCI: 1; 2; 5; 26

      I. B. 3. The Gospels tell us the Good News about Jesus (CCC 121-125)
                 WBCI: 23; 23: As Catholics

   C. Creeds and Doctrines of the Church
      The Creed expresses the faith of our Church and professes it to the world

      I. C. 1. Identify God as Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (CCC 233)
                 WBCI: 2; 10; 24; Glossary (P: p.250, S: p.330); Q&A: (P: P.257, S: p.337)

      I. C. 2. Recognize that the Holy Spirit is a gift from God (CCC 733; Jn 14:16, 26)
                 WBCI: 10; 11

      I. C. 3. Know that God created the world and made it good (CCC 295, 299; Gen 1:1-31)
                 WBCI: 1; 26; 16: As Catholics

      I. C. 4. Recognize that God loves all people and wants all people to love him and one another
                 (CCC 1719, 1721)
                 WBCI: 1; 4; 24; 26

      I. C. 5. Know that God desires all people to be happy with him now and forever in heaven
                 (CCC 1023-1024; Jn 14:2-3)
                 WBCI: 1; 4; 24; 26

      I. C. 6. Know that angels are God’s messengers sent to help and protect (CCC 329, 336)
                 WBCI: 1: As Catholics; 3; 25; 27

   D. Discover the Church’s Tradition and Relevance of Church History
      Our Church has a rich heritage which still serves as a guide for us today

      I. D. 1. Know that God’s gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost is the birthday of the Church (CCC 731-732)
                 WBCI: 10; 11; Glossary: (P: p.252, S: p.332); Q&A: (P: p.259, S: p.339)

E. **Christian Thought and Culture** Our Church’s tradition is based in an appreciation for the gifts of many persons – theologians, saints, artists, teachers, and preachers – living as faithful disciples of Jesus

I. E. 1. Recognize saints as holy people who are examples of how to love God and one another (CCC 823)

   **WBCI:** 2: As Catholics; 7; 11: As Catholics; 25: Glossary (P: p.253, S: p.333); Q&A (P: p.262, S: p.342); Retreat PRAYER: R25-R30

II. **Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Meaning of the Liturgy and Sacraments**

   *(CCC 1066-1690; GDC 84-85, 87)*

A. **Paschal Mystery Forms and Transforms** The liturgical and sacramental life of the Church informs, forms, and transforms us as disciples of Jesus in the world (CCC 654, 1066-1067, 1085)

   II. A. 1. Know that the Liturgy teaches about the life of Jesus (CCC 1194)

   **WBCI:** 7; 23

   II. A. 2. Know the Liturgy is the special prayer of God’s family (CCC 1068, 1140)

   **WBCI:** 22; 23; Q&A (P: p.261, S: p.341)

B. **Sacraments:** Sacraments are special celebrations of God’s love for us

   II. B. 1. Identify sacraments as special times when Jesus comes to be with us (CCC 1131)

   **WBCI:** 16; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

   II. B. 2. Recognize that through Baptism we are freed from sin, share in God’s life, and become members of God’s family (CCC 1213)

   **WBCI:** 17; 17: As Catholics; 20; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

   II. B. 3. Recognize that at Mass the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ (CCC 1375)

   **WBCI:** 22; 23; Read Along

   II. B. 4. Recognize the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation as a gift from God (CCC 1468-1469)

   **WBCI:** 19

C. **Liturgical Catechesis** We are invited into full, active, and conscious participation in the liturgical life of the Church (CCC 1071)

   II. C. 1. Identify the different liturgical seasons and their respective colors (CCC 1163-1171, 1194)

   **WBCI:** 6; 7; 13; 14; 20; 21; 27; Q&A (P: p.259, p.262, S: p.339-342); Resources for the Family (P: p.268, S: p.348); Retreat CREED: R1

   II. C. 2. Recognize that we celebrate Sunday as the Lord’s Day because of Jesus’ Resurrection (CCC 1166-67, 1193)

   **WBCI:** 22; 22: As Catholics

   II. C. 3. Identify sacred objects and spaces in church, *e.g.*, altar, ambo, baptismal font, Book of the Gospels, tabernacle etc. (CCC 1182-1185)

   **WBCI:** 17; 23; Resource: 238-239

   II. C. 4. Identify liturgical postures and their meaning, *e.g.*, standing (reverence); sitting (attentive listening); and kneeling (adoration) (CCC 1153-1158)

   **WBCI:** 23; Resource: My Mass Book

   II. C. 5. Understand Christians learn about Jesus in the scripture readings at Mass (CCC 1349)

   **WBCI:** 23
II. C. 6. Know that there are some special days, besides Sunday, that we go to Mass, e.g., All Saints Day; Immaculate Conception of Mary; Christmas; Mary, Mother of God; Assumption of Mary (CCC 1171, 1173)
WBCi: 7; 25; Resources for the Family (P: p.268, S: p.348)

D. Dimensions of Priesthood: Baptismal and Ordained Like Jesus, we are called to be priest, prophet, and king
II. D. 1. Know that because of their baptism all people are called to serve God (CCC 871, 1140)
WBCi: 11; 12; 17; 18; 24; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R10, R14;
Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

III. Catechesis Promotes Moral Formation in Jesus Christ (CCC 1691-2557; GDC, 84-85, 87)
A. Commandment to Love The ‘new commandment’ of Jesus, to love one another as he, God, has loved us is one of the defining characteristics of the Christian faith. (Jn 13:34-35)
III. A. 1. Know that Jesus tells his disciples to love God and others (CCC 2055; Mt 22:37-40; 1 Jn 4:7-13)
WBCi: 5; Q&A (P: p.258, S: p.338); Retreat CREED: R5; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R11

B. Ten Commandments and Beatitudes The Scriptures, especially in the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount, give us moral guidance
III.B.1. Understand that God gives rules to follow, to help all people love each other (CCC 1962, 1965)
WBCi: 5; 19
III.B.2. Understand that, by his example, Jesus teaches us how to love God and each other (CCC 520, 1823; Jn 13:34-35; Jn 15:12,)
WBCi: 2; 4; 5; 12; 19; 24; Retreat CREED: R5

C. Sin and Grace God’s love can overcome the evil of sin in our world
III. C. 1. Know that Jesus wants us to forgive those who hurt us (CCC 2840; Lk 6:35; Lk 17:3-4; Lk 23:33-34)
WBCi: 19; 26
III. C. 2. Define sin as choosing to disobey God and hurting others (CCC 1849-1850; Gn 3)
III. C. 3. Identify the difference between an accident, a mistake, and a sin
III. C. 4. Know that God’s grace helps people to live as his children (CCC 2021)
WBCi: 17; 20; Q&A (P: p.260, S: p.340)

D. Conscience Formation The Gospel calls us to ongoing conversion, transforming our ways of thinking and living
III. D. 1. God gives people the freedom to choose (CCC 1730-1731, 1744)
WBCi: 18
III. D. 2. Recognize that the Holy Spirit works within each person to help them make good choices (CCC 729, 1830; Jn 14:26)
WBCi: 10: As Catholics; 19

E. Objective Moral Norms The Scriptures and Tradition of the Church teach us about right and wrong
III.E.1. God gives the Holy Spirit, the Bible, and the laws of the Church to help the baptized know right and wrong (CCC 1785)
WBCi: 5; 10: As Catholics; 19; 23; Resources for the Family (P: p.270, S: p.346)
F. Gospel of Life  All life is a gift from God and is to be held sacred

III. F. 1. Recognize that God created all life: human, animal, and plant and called it good
(CCC 299, 339; Gn 1:20-27)
WBCI: 1; 26

III. F. 2. Identify all people are made in God’s image (CCC 355; Gn 1:27)

III. F. 3. Know oneself as loved and valued (Mt 6:25-34)
WBCI: 1; 26

III. F. 4. Know that care and respect for our bodies and those of others is a response to God’s love
(CCC 1004)
WBCI: 26; 26: As Catholics

G. Living a Moral Life  As disciples of Jesus, we desire to follow him in his attitudes and actions

III. G. 1. Recognize the life and teachings of Jesus as a model for how all people should live (CCC 1694)
WBCI: 2; 3; 4; 5; 7; 8; 9; 10; 18; 24; 26; Retreat CREED: R5

III. G. 2. Know that God gives each person special gifts to live as Jesus’ disciples (1 Cor 13:13)
WBCI: 1; 26

IV. Catechesis Teaches the Christian How to Pray  (CCC, 2558-2865; GDC, 84-85, 87)

A. Christian Prayer Tradition  Prayer in all its many forms is a language of love, faith, and hope

IV. A. 1. Know/pray the Sign of the Cross (CCC 2166)
WBCI: 2; 10; 20; Resource: My Prayer Book

IV. A. 2. Identify different times and places to pray (CCC 2157, 2743)
WBCI: 4: As Catholics; 5: As Catholics; 8; 24; 25: As Catholics

IV. A. 3. Recite the following formal prayers:  Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be (CCC 2688)
WBCI: 8; 15; 20; 25; Resource: My Prayer Book

IV. A. 4. Recognize that one can pray alone or with others (CCC 2664)
WBCI: 4: As Catholics; 8; 24

B. Personal Prayer  The mystery of God’s action in our lives draws us into a deeper relationship and a
deeper desire to respond in prayer (CCC 2591)

IV. B. 1. Understand that praying is listening to and talking with God  (CCC 2564)
WBCI: 2; 24

IV. B. 2. Understand one needs to spend time with God in prayer (CCC 2744)
WBCI: 3; 4: As Catholics; 24

IV. B. 3. Know that one can pray with words, quiet listening, and actions (CCC 2700-2708, 2722)
WBCI: 4: As Catholics; 24; 24: As Catholics; Retreat CREED: R4

C. Communal Prayer  We share prayer with others, and worship together as the People of God

IV. C. 1. Know that the church building is a sacred place where the faith community gathers to
worship (CCC 1181, 2691, 2696)
WBCI: 12: As Catholics; 15

IV. C. 2. Identify some appropriate gestures in use in church, e.g., sitting, standing, genuflecting,
sign of the cross, sign of peace, etc. (CCC 1153-1155)
WBCI: 23; Resource: My Mass Book
D. **Popular Piety and Devotions** Our families and friends share with us ways to grow closer to God

IV. D. 1. Know that Holy Water is a sign of baptism (CCC 1668)
   **WBCI:** 17: Take Home; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R12, R13

IV. D. 2. Know that one can ask others to pray for them, *e.g.*, saints, family, friends, church community (CCC 2683-2684)
   **WBCI:** 24: As Catholics; 25

IV. D. 3. Know that Jesus’ mother, Mary is a special friend in prayer (CCC 2682)
   **WBCI:** 25

V. **Catechesis Prepares the Christian to Live in Community and to Participate in the Life and Mission of the Church**
   (*GDC*, 84, 86-87)

A. **Spiritual Growth** Our community life is built on the understanding that humans grow and develop physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially as well as spiritually

V. A. 1. Know that it is God’s plan for people to grow in holiness (CCC 2013-2015, 2813; Lk 2:40, 52)
   **WBCI:** 5; 18; 19; 20; 24; 26

V. A. 2. Know that God gives grace to help people to grow more like him (CCC 2021-2023)
   **WBCI:** 17; Glossary (P: p.251, S: p.331); Q&A (P: p.260, S: p.340)

B. **Relationships and Responsibilities** In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that living together in the Kingdom of God, we must grow in understanding, compassion, concern for the least, and mutual charity

V. B.1. Identify some ways Jesus shows people how to love God, each other, and creation (*CCC* 2407, 2415-2418; Gn 1:26, Lk 10:25-28)
   **WBCI:** 5; 12; 24; 26; Retreat CREED: R5, R6

V. B.2. Understand that feelings are natural and necessary in building relationships with God, self, and others
   **WBCI:** 24

V. B.3. Know that all who are baptized are brothers and sisters in the Lord (CCC 1271)
   **WBCI:** 17; 18; 19; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

C. **Marriage and Family Life—Domestic Church** Our family life is the church of the home, where we learn to love God and care for each other

V. C. 1. Know that Mary said “yes” to God to be the mother of Jesus (CCC 484-486, 490; Lk 1:26-38)
   **WBCI:** 3; 25; Retreat: PRAYER: R30

V. C. 2. Know that Joseph is the foster father of Jesus (CCC 437)
   **WBCI:** 3; 14; 25

V. C. 3. Know that the family is where one first learns to pray (CCC 2204-2206)
   **WBCI:** 3; 24

D. **Faith Communities** Participation in the life and mission of the Church is both personal and communal (*CCC* 1134)

V. D. 1. Know that people become members of God’s family, the Church, at Baptism (CCC 1213)
   **WBCI:** 17; 17: AS Catholics; 20; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9, R10, R14
V. D. 2. Understand that those who believe in Jesus form God's true family, the Church (CCC 752; Acts 2:42-47; Acts 4:32-35)

WBCI: 11;12; Glossary (P: p.250; S: p.330); Q&A (P: p.259, S: p.339)

V. D. 3. Identify that God's family consists of people from all races, language, and abilities (CCC 543; Mt 8:11)

WBCI: 12; 15; 16

E. Nature and Mission of the Church The Church is the family of God, sent to bring the Good News of Jesus to all people

V.E.1 Know that God calls his Church to help build the Kingdom of God on earth (CCC 541, 567; Mt 6:33)

WBCI: 5; 11; 12; 20; 24

F. Ecumenism We share in promoting the unity of all God's people as part of our fidelity to the Gospel

V. F. 1. Nothing at this age

VI. Catechesis promotes a Missionary Spirit that prepares the faithful to transform the world (GDC, 84, 86-87)

A. Evangelization The Sacraments of Initiation both invite and empower us to live as disciples in the larger society and in the world

VI. A. 1. Know that all baptized Christians are called to follow Jesus and be his disciples (CCC 1269-1270, 1694)

WBCI: 5; 11; 12; 18; 20; 24; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

B. Vocation/Apostolate Each of is called to a particular task in helping to reveal the Kingdom of God in the service of God's plan for the world

VI. B. 1. Understand that each person is called to love God in a special way (CCC 52, 2093; Dt 6:4-5; Mt 9:9-13)

WBCI: 24; 26

C. Social Action and Transformation The Social Teachings of our tradition inspire us to concern and to action aimed at the well-being of all humankind

VI. C. 1. Know that a Christian is called to help build the Kingdom of God (CCC 2046; Mt 6:33)

WBCI: 5; 11; 12; 20; 24

VI. C. 2. Give examples of how one can help others in need (Mt 25)

WBCI: 12: Read Along; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

VI. C. 3. Name ways that one can take care of God's creation

WBCI: 26; Q&A (P: p,262, S: p.342)

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GRADE 2
I.  Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Faith
   (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 26-1065; General Directory for Catechesis, 84-85, 87)

A.  The Person of Jesus Christ  Jesus loves and invites every person to be in relationship with him
    I. A. 1.  Know that Jesus came to establish God’s kingdom on earth (CCC 544)
               WBCI: 1; 2; 26; Q&A (P: p.257, S: p.337)
    I. A. 2.  Know that Jesus loved each person so much he died on the cross for each one (CCC 606-607; Jn 15:12-13)
               WBCI: 1; 2; Retreat CREED R1-R6
    I. A. 3.  Understand that Jesus’ resurrection is at the center of the Christian Faith (CCC 638, 1 Cor 15:12-19)
               WBCI: 2; 2 As Catholics; 27

B.  Understand Scripture  Sacred Scripture is the living Word of God, a history of the covenant, and a guide for life today
    I. B. 1.  Identify the two main parts of the Bible: the Old Testament and the New Testament (CCC 120)
               WBCI: 8; Glossary (P: p.252, S: 332); Q&A (P: p.259, S: p.339)
    I. B. 2.  Explain that God speaks to the Church through the people and the stories of the Bible (CCC 104) WBCI: 8
    I. B. 3.  Identify the four Gospels as accounts of Jesus’ life and teachings (CCC 125)
               WBCI: 8; Glossary (P: p.251, S: 331); Q&A (P: p.259, S: p.339)
    I. B. 4.  Explain that learning about people in the Scriptures helps one to understand how God loves and cares for them e.g., the infant Moses, the hungry Israelites in the desert of Sinai, Mary and Joseph’s care for the infant/child Jesus
               WBCI: 1; 24, Jesus feeding the crowd WBCI: 15; etc. WBCI: 8 (David)
    I. B. 5.  Identify stories that show God’s readiness to forgive us, e.g. Zacchaeus, the Prodigal Son, the Good Shepherd, the Pharisee and the Publican
               WBCI: 10 (Prodigal Son); 11 (The Good Shepherd); 12: (Peter/How often forgive?); 20 (Lost coin); Retreat MORALITY:R17-R22

C.  Creeds and Doctrines of the Church  The Creed expresses the faith of our Church and professes it to the world
    I. C. 1.  Recognize that the Sign of the Cross and the Glory Be proclaim the Christian belief in the Triune God (CCC 2157)
               WBCI: 1; Resource: My Prayer Book
    I. C. 2.  Know that creation is an expression of God’s love and goodness (CCC 299, Gn 1:1ff) WBCI: 26
    I. C. 3.  Know that the Holy Spirit came to Jesus’ disciples after his resurrection and ascension (CCC 728; Acts 2:1-4) WBCI: 2; 5
    I. C. 4.  Know that life with God continues after death (CCC 1038-1041, Jn 14:2-3)
D. Discover the Church's Tradition and Relevance of Church History Church has a rich heritage which still serves as a guide for us today

I. D. 1. Know that on Pentecost God sent the Holy Spirit to the Apostles to establish the Church (CCC 2623, Acts 2:1-4)
WBCI: 2; Q&A (P: p.258, S: p.338)

E. Christian Thought and Culture Our Church’s tradition is based in an appreciation for the gifts of many persons – theologians, saints, artists, teachers, and preachers – living as faithful disciples of Jesus

I. E. 1. Identify the Church as the People of God both in heaven and on earth (CCC 781-782)
WBCI: 2; 3: As Catholics; 23

II. Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Meaning of the Liturgy and Sacraments (CCC 1066-1690; GDC 84-85, 87)

A. Paschal Mystery Forms and Transforms The liturgical and sacramental life of the Church informs, forms, and transforms us as disciples of Jesus in the world

II. A. 1. Know the Liturgy is a participation in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus (CCC 571, 1068)
WBCI: 2 As Catholics; 3

B. Sacraments Sacraments are special celebrations of God’s love for us

II. B. 1. Define a sacrament as an outward sign, instituted by Christ, to give grace (CCC 1131)
WBCI: 3; 4; Glossary: grace (P: p. 331, S: p.331), sacrament (P: p.333, S: p.333)

II. B. 2. Identify Penance and Reconciliation as the sacrament in which Jesus forgives sins (CCC 1421, 1441)
WBCI: 3; 11; 12; Glossary (P: p.252, S: p.332); Q&A (P: 260, S: p.340)

II. B. 3. Demonstrate the steps in individual confession to the priest (CCC 1480)
WBCI: 12

II. B. 4. Learn an Act of Contrition
WBCI: 11; Resource: My Prayer Book

II. B. 5. Identify the bread and wine as distinct from the Body and Blood of Christ (CCC 1333, Mt 26:26-28)
WBCI: 18; 18: Read Along; Q&A (P: p.260, S: p.340)

II. B. 6. Know that the Real Presence of Christ exists in the Consecrated Host (CCC 1377)
WBCI: 18: Read Along; Q&A (P: p.261, S: p.341); Resources for the Family (P: p.267, S: p.347)

II. B. 7. Identify some of the items used in the Liturgy of the Eucharist, e.g., chalice, paten, corporal, etc.

II. B. 8. Demonstrate how to receive the Eucharist

II. B. 9. Know the Eucharist strengthens one to live as a disciple (CCC 1391-1401)
WBCI: 19; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R14

II. B. 10. List symbols used in Baptism, Penance and Reconciliation, and Eucharist
WBCI: 4; 12; 18
C. **Liturgical Catechesis**  

We are invited into full, active, and conscious participation in the liturgical life of the Church.

**II. C. 1.** Understand the liturgical seasons are the way the Church follows the life of Jesus throughout the year (CCC 1171)  
**WBCI:** 5: As Catholics; 6; 7; 13; 14; 20; 21; 27; Q&A (P: p.258, S: p.338); Resources for the Family (P: p.268, S: p.348)

**II. C. 2.** Identify the two main parts of the Mass: the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist (CCC 1346)  
**WBCI:** 17; 18; Glossary: (P: p.251-252, S: p.331-332); Q&A: (P: p.261, S: p.341)

**II. C. 3.** Learn the responses at Mass, e.g., “And with your spirit,” “Thanks be to God,” and “Amen”  
**WBCI:** 16; 17; 18; 19; Resource: My Mass Book

**II. C. 4.** Understand that receiving Holy Communion is a very special way of sharing in Jesus’ life (CCC 1391)  
**WBCI:** 15; 16; 19; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

**II. C. 5.** Know that after receiving Holy Communion, one should express thanks to God (CCC 1378)  
**WBCI:** 18

**II. C. 6.** Recognize that Jesus is uniquely present in the Eucharistic species but also present in the word, priest, and community (CCC 1373-1374)  
**WBCI:** 8; 12: As Catholics; 19, 22

**II. C. 7.** Recall sacred furnishings used in Church, e.g., altar, ambo, baptismal font, tabernacle (CCC 1182-1186)  
**WBCI:** 15: As Catholics; 19; Resource: My Parish Church (P: p.238-239, S: p.318-319); Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9

**II. C. 8.** Identify some of the gestures and postures used at Mass, and know when to do them (CCC 1153, 1155)  
**WBCI:** 16; 17; 18; Resource: My Mass Book

D. **Dimensions of Priesthood: Baptismal and Ordained**  

Like Jesus, we are called to be priest, prophet, and king.

**II. D. 1.** Recall that because of their baptism all people have a special call to serve God (CCC 871)  
**WBCI:** 2; 5; 22

III. **Catechesis promotes Moral Formation in Jesus Christ**  

(CCC, 1691-2557; GDC, 84-85, 87)

**A. Commandment to Love**  

The ‘new commandment’ of Jesus, to love one another as he, God, has loved us is one of the defining characteristics of the Christian faith

**III. A. 1.** Know that Jesus calls his disciples to love and serve God and to love and serve each other (Mt 22:34-40)  
**WBCI:** 2; 9; 22

**B. Ten Commandments and Beatitudes**  

The Scriptures, especially in the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount, give us moral guidance

**III. B. 1.** Identify the Ten Commandments as God’s guide for how to be his people (CCC 2060, 2062; Ex 20:1-17)  
**WBCI:** 9; 10; Resource (P: p.249 S:329); Q&A (P p.259, S: p.339)
C. Sin and Grace  God’s love can overcome the evil of sin in our world

   III. C. 1. Describe the differences between an accident, a mistake, and a sin  
   WBCI: 10;

   III. C. 2. Know that a sin is when one chooses to disobey God’s law (CCC 1849)  
   WBCI: 10; Glossary (P: p.253, S: p.333); Q&A (P p.259, S: p.339)

   III. C. 3. Identify mortal sin as a serious offense against God’s law that breaks friendship with God and others (CCC 1854-1864)  
   WBCI: 10; Glossary (P: p.252, S: p.332); Q&A (P: p.259, S: p.339)

   III. C. 4. Identify venial sin as a less serious offense against God’s law that weakens friendship with God and others (CCC 1854-1864)  
   WBCI: 10; Glossary (P: p.253, S: p.333); Q&A (P: p.259, S: p.339)

   III. C. 5. Realize that when one does something sinful, they need to ask for forgiveness from God and from those who have been hurt (CCC 2839, 2840)  
   WBCI: 10; 11; 12; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

   III. C. 6. Remember that one should forgive those who hurt him/her (CCC 2262, Mt 5: 22-39)  
   WBCI: 12; Retreat MORALITY: R19, R22

   III. C. 7. Identify grace as a sharing in the life of God (CCC 1997)  
   WBCI: 4; Glossary (P: p.251, S: p.331)

   WBCI: 3; Glossary (P: p.251, S: p.331)

D. Conscience Formation  The Gospel calls us to ongoing conversion, transforming our ways of thinking and living

   III. D. 1. Identify conscience as God’s gift to help one know right and wrong (CCC 1776)  
   WBCI: 10; 11; Glossary (P: p.250, S: p.330); Q&A: (P: 260, S: p.340)

   III. D. 2. Realize that listening to one’s conscience helps him/her grow in love and understanding (CCC 1781)  
   WBCI: 11; 11: As Catholics

   III. D. 3. Know that an Examination of Conscience is used to prepare for the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation (CCC 1454)  
   WBCI: 12

E. Objective Moral Norms  The Scriptures and Tradition of the Church teach us about right and wrong

   III. E. 1. Know that the Bible and the teachings of the Church guide people in knowing right and wrong (CCC 1785)  
   WBCI: 8; 9; 10; 26

F. Gospel of Life  All life is a gift from God and is to be held sacred

   III. F. 1. Know all people are made in God’s image (CCC 225, Gn 1:26-27)  
   WBCI: 4

   III. F. 2. Recognize that God gives human beings a special work of caring for all of creation (CCC 339, Gn 1:28-30)  
   WBCI: 26
G. Living a Moral Life As disciples of Jesus, we desire to follow him in his attitudes and actions

III. G. 1. Know that the Holy Spirit gives what is needed to live as a disciple of Jesus (CCC 2003, Jn 14:26)
WBCI: 1; 2; 3; 5; 11; 11: As Catholics; 16

III. G. 2. Know that all people are called to use God’s gifts to make good choices
WBCI: 5; 10; 26

IV. Catechesis Teaches the Christian How to Pray (CCC 2558-2865; GDC 84-85, 87)

A. Christian Prayer Tradition Prayer in all its many forms is a language of love, faith, and hope

IV. A. 1. Recite the Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, Act of Contrition
WBCI: Resource: My Prayer Book

IV. A. 2. Know that prayer can be talking with God through words, gestures and movement, music and song (CCC 2663)
WBCI: 9: As Catholics; 24; 24: As Catholics; Retreat PRAYER: R25

IV. A. 3. Identify the book of Psalms as a book of prayer (CCC 2585-2589)
WBCI: 17; Glossary (P: p.252, S: p.332)

B. Personal Prayer The mystery of God’s action in our lives draws us into a deeper relationship and a deeper desire to respond in prayer

IV. B. 1. Identify places and times to pray alone (CCC 2602)
WBCI: 9: As Catholics; 24; 24: As Catholics; Retreat PRAYER: R25

IV. B. 2. Realize that silence is necessary to hear God in one’s heart WBCI: 24

IV. B. 3. Know that one prays to become better friends with God (CCC 2565)
WBCI: 24; Retreat PRAYER: R30

C. Communal Prayer We share prayer with others, and worship together as the People of God

IV. C. 1. Know that Jesus is present when people pray and celebrate together (Mt 18:20)
WBCI: 3; 6; 19: As Catholics; 24

IV. C. 2. Recognize that Jesus is present in the community in a special way at the Eucharistic liturgy (CCC 1088)
WBCI: 16; 19

IV. C. 3. Recognize different times of silence in the Mass that enable one to pray, e.g., after each reading, after the homily, after Communion
WBCI: 18

IV. C. 9. Recall some of the gestures and movements used during the Mass (CCC 1153-1155)
WBCI: 16; 17; 18; Resource: My Mass Book

D. Popular Piety and Devotions Our families and friends share with us ways to grow closer to God

V. A. 1. Identify a sacramental as a holy object that represents God’s love, presence, or protection, e.g., cross, crucifix, candle, holy water, holy picture, etc. (CCC 1667-1674)
WBCI: Resources for the Family: (P: p.271, S: p.351)

V. A. 2. Identify the Rosary as a special prayer with Mary to help us get to know Jesus (CCC 971, 2678)
WBCI: 25: As Catholics

V. A. 3. Recognize the saints as friends who help one know Jesus better (CCC 2683)
WBCI: 25; Q&A (P: p.262, S: p.342); Project Disciple Saint Stories; Lives of the Saints from www.religion.sadlierconnect.com
V. Catechesis Prepares the Christian to live in Community and to Participate in the Life and Mission of the Church (GDC 84, 86-87)

A. Spiritual Growth

Our community life is built on the understanding that humans grow and develop physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially as well as spiritually

V. A. 1. Understand that people grow in holiness, just as they grow in other ways (CCC 2813, 1 Cor 13:11-12)
WBCI: 4; 5; 25; 26

V. A. 2. Know that the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation and the sacrament of the Eucharist are necessary for one to grow in holiness (CCC 1325-1327, 1468; Mt 5:23-26)
WBCI: 11; 15; 16; 19

B. Relationships and Responsibilities

In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that living together in the Kingdom of God, we must grow in understanding, compassion, concern for the least, and mutual charity

V. B. 1. Understand that we show love for God by the way we treat others (Mt 25:31-46)
WBCI: 5; 26

V. B. 2. Know that feelings are natural and necessary but one must make good choices about how to use them
WBCI: 9; 10; 26

V. B. 3. Explore stories in which Jesus expressed his feelings in his relationships, e.g., Mk 10:14; Mk 14:32-42; Mt 9:36; Mt 15:32-39; Jn 11:33-36

C. Marriage and Family Life—Domestic Church

Our family life is the church of the home, where we learn to love God and care for each other

V. C. 1. Know that the Holy Family is a model for all families (CCC 532)
WBCI: 1; 24

V. C. 2. Understand that marriage is a sacrament (CCC 1601)
WBCI: 3; 22

V. C. 3. Know that children are a gift from God (Ps 127:3)
WBCI: 4; 22

V. C. 4. Know that children must obey their parents (CCC 2214-2217; Ep 6:1)
WBCI: 9; 26

V. C. 5. Know that daily prayer helps the family be holy (CCC 2205)
WBCI: 24

D. Faith Communities

Participation in the life and mission of the Church is both personal and communal

V. D. 1. Recall that Baptism makes Christians children of God; brothers and sisters to each other, with God as our Father (CCC 804, Mt 12:50)
WBCI: 3; 4; 5; 22

V. D. 2. Know that when one receives the sacraments one participates more fully in the life of the Church (CCC 815)
WBCI: 3; 4; 5; 19; 25
E. **Nature and mission of the Church** The Church is the family of God, sent to bring the Good News of Jesus to all people

**V. E. 1.** Recall that Jesus came to establish the Kingdom of God (CCC 541-542; Mk 1:14-15)

**V. E. 2.** Know that Jesus wants each person to help build the Kingdom (CCC 863, Mt 28:19-20)

**V. E. 3.** Know that church refers to both the “People of God” and to a place of worship (CCC 1199)  
**WBCI:** 2; 3; 3: As Catholics; 4; 5; 15: As Catholics; 16; 22; 23; Q&A (P: p.258, S: 338); Q&A (P: p.262, S: 342)

**V. E. 4.** Know that the place where we celebrate our life in the Church is called a parish (CCC 2179)  
**WBCI:** 3; 12; 16; 23; Glossary (P: p.252, S: p.332); Q&A (P: p.262, S: 342)

**V. E. 5.** Know the names of the local pastor, local bishop, and the current pope

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**WBCI:** 2; 16; 19; 26

**VI. A. 2.** Identify the Holy Spirit as a guide and helper in living out the Christian call (CCC 852, Jn 14:26)  
**WBCI:** 2; 3; 5; 11; 11: As Catholics; 16; 26

**B. Vocation/Apostolate** Each of is called to a particular task in helping to reveal the Kingdom of God in the service of God’s plan for the world

**VI. B. 1.** Know that God loves and calls each person to follow Him (CCC 2093, Jn 1:39)  
**WBCI:** 22

**VI. B. 2.** Identify some of the ways God calls people to serve him: priest, deacon, vowed religious, single, married (CCC 934-945)  
**WBCI:** 22

**C. Social Action and Transformation** The Social Teachings of our tradition inspire us to concern and to action aimed at the well-being of all humankind

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**WBCI:** 26

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      Jesus loves and invites every person to be in relationship with him
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         WBCI: 5
      I. A. 2. Identify that Jesus returns to his father in heaven at the Ascension (CCC 659; Lk 24:50-51)
         WBCI: 4
      I. A. 3. Know that Jesus promised to be with his disciples forever (CCC 729-730; Mt 28:20)
         WBCI: 4
   B. Understand Scripture
      Sacred Scripture is the living Word of God, a history of the covenant, and a guide for life today
      I. B. 1. Identify “testament” or “covenant” as a special promise made by God to his people (CCC 781)
         WBCI: 23; Glossary (P: p.250, S: 330)
      I. B. 2. Identify the Old Testament as the story of God’s love relationship with the Hebrew people (CCC 121-123)
         WBCI: 2; 23
      I. B. 3. Identify the New Testament as stories of Jesus and the early Church (CCC 124)
         WBCI: 2; 5; 9
      I. B. 4. Identify the four gospels
         WBCI: 5; 17
   C. Creeds and Doctrines of the Church
      The Creed expresses the faith of our Church and professes it to the world
      I. C. 1. Understand that Catholics believe in one God who exists in three persons (CCC 253-256)
         WBCI: 1; 9; 23; Glossary (P: p.250, S: 330)
      I. C. 2. Identify the Apostles’ Creed as a profession of faith (CCC 186-187, 194)
         WBCI: 9; 24; Resource: Prayers and Practices (P: p.245, S: 325); Glossary (P: p.250, S: p.330)
      I. C. 3. Identify heaven as being with God in full glory, forever (CCC 1821)
         WBCI: 3; 19
      I. C. 4. Understand that the communion of saints is the Church made up of the saints in heaven and the baptized on earth (CCC 962)
         WBCI:25; Glossary (P: p.250, S: p.330); Q&A (P: p.262, S: p.342)
   D. Discover the Church’s Tradition and Relevance of Church History
      Our Church has a rich heritage which still serves as a guide for us today
      III. D. 1. Know that Jesus was Jewish
         WBCI: 1

III. D. 2. Understand that the early Church began from the Jewish Tradition
   WBCI: 16; 23

III. D. 3. Define a martyr as someone who dies for the faith (CCC 2474)
   WBCI: 5; Glossary (P: p.252, S: p.332); Q&A (P: p.258, S: 338)

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   WBCI: 1; 2: AS Catholics; 10; 14; 25; Retreat PRAYER: R25

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II. A. 1. Recognize the term Paschal Mystery as the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus (CCC 571)
   WBCI: 21

II. A. 2. Understand that by participating in the sacraments one is better able to know and serve God (CCC 1123)
   WBCI: 15; 16; 18; 19; 20; 23

B. Sacraments Sacraments are special celebrations of God's love for us

II. B. 1. Name the seven sacraments
   WBCI: 15; Resources (P: p.249, S: p.329); Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R12

II. B. 2. Name the effects of the sacrament of Baptism: new life as a child of God, membership in the Church, forgiveness of all sin, the presence of the Holy Spirit (CCC 1262-1263)
   WBCI: 8; 15

II. B. 3. Know the Eucharist is a prayer of thanksgiving and praise to the Father, a sacrificial memorial of Christ and his Body, and the presence of Christ in word and Spirit (CCC 1358)
   WBCI: 16; 17

II. B. 4. Know that the bread and wine becomes the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ during the Eucharistic Prayer at Mass (CCC 1333)
   WBCI: 16; 17; 17: As Catholics

C. Liturgical Catechesis We are invited into full, active, and conscious participation in the liturgical life of the Church

II. C. 1. Recognize some of the parts of the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist (CCC 1346)
   WBCI: 17; Q&A (P: p.260, S: p.341)

II. C. 2. Know that as a member of the Church, one is expected to participate in Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation (CCC 2180-2181)
   WBCI: 16; Resources for the Family (P: p.268, S: p.348)
D. **Dimensions of Priesthood: Baptismal and Ordained** Like Jesus, we are called to be priest, prophet, and king

II. D. 1. Know that all baptized Christians are members of the baptismal priesthood *(CCC 1546-1547)*  
**WBCI**: 8; 12; 22

II. D. 2. Know that members of the ordained priesthood make a special promise to serve God and his people *(CCC 1536)*  
**WBCI**: 11; 12; 15

III. **Catechesis Promotes Moral Formation in Jesus Christ** *(CCC, 1691-2557; GDC, 84-85, 87)*

A. **Commandment to Love** The ‘new commandment’ of Jesus, to love one another as he, God, has loved us is one of the defining characteristics of the Christian faith

III. A. 1. Identify the two great commandments of God in the Old and New Testament *(Deut 6:4,5; Lev 19:18; Mt 22:37-40; Lk 10:25-28)*  
**WBCI**: 3

B. **Ten Commandments and Beatitudes** The Scriptures, especially in the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount, give us moral guidance

III. B. 1. Identify the Decalogue as another name for the 10 Commandments *(CCC 2056)*

III. B. 2. Understand that the Beatitudes are an example of how a Christian should live *(CCC 1965; Mt 5:1-12, Lk 6:20-26)*

C. **Sin and Grace** God’s love can overcome the evil of sin in our world

III. C. 1. Know that sin is freely choosing to do what is wrong or failing to do what is right *(CCC 1849, 1852-1853)*  
**WBCI**: 18; Q&A (P: p.261, S: p.341)

III. C. 2. Understand the difference between mortal and venial sin *(CCC 1854-1864)*  
**WBCI**: 18

III. C. 3. Identify some Gospel stories that show the power of God’s love and forgiveness, *e.g., The Prodigal Son (Lk 15:11-32), Zacchaeus (Lk 19:1-10)*  
**WBCI**: 18; Retreat MORALITY: R17

III. C. 4. Know that grace is a participation in the life of the Trinity *(CCC 1997, 1999, Jn 17:20-26)*  
**WBCI**: 15; 20

D. **Conscience Formation** The Gospel calls us to ongoing conversion, transforming our ways of thinking and living

III. D. 1. Understand that grace and the Holy Spirit are God’s gift to help in the formation of conscience *(CCC 1776, 2008)*  
**WBCI**: 15; Resources for the Family (P: p.267, S: p.347); Glossary (P: p.250, S: p.330); Retreat CREED: R2, R4

III. D. 2. Understand an Examination of Conscience helps one to grow in holiness *(CCC 1781, 1785)*  
**WBCI**: 18
E. **Objective Moral Norms** The Scriptures and Tradition of the Church teach us about right and wrong

III. E. 1. Identify moral law as those rules that teach one how to treat God, self, and others *(CCC 1950)*

WBCI: 3; 22

III. E. 2. Know that the Ten Commandments are laws that guide one’s actions towards God and others *(CCC 2067)*

WBCI: 18; Resource (P: p.249, S: p.329)

III. E. 3. Identify a virtue as a good habit *(CCC 1803)*

WBCI: Resources for the Family (P: p.269, S: p.349)

F. **Gospel of Life** All life is a gift from God and is to be held sacred

III. F. 1. Know that all life is a gift from God *(CCC 303)*

WBCI: 22

III. F. 2. Know that every person deserves respect because of their inherent dignity as a child of God *(CCC 364, 1700)*

WBCI: 22; Resources for the Family (P: p.270, S: p.350)

G. **Living a Moral Life** As disciples of Jesus, we desire to follow him in his attitudes and actions

III. G. 1. Know that God calls all believers to make good choices every day

WBCI: 3; 18; 19

III. G. 2. Define “habit”

IV. **Catechesis Teaches the Christian How to Pray** *(CCC, 2558-2865; GDC, 84-85, 87)*

A. **Christian Prayer Tradition** Prayer in all its many forms is a language of love, faith, and hope

IV. A. 1. Know that prayer is listening to and talking with God, as one does with a friend *(CCC 2565)*

WBCI: 10; Q&A (P: p.259, S: p.339)

IV. A. 2. Know some traditional prayers for different times of the day, *e.g.*, morning offering, Angelus, praying before meals, nightly examination of conscience *(CCC 2660, 1 Th 5:16-18)*

WBCI: 10; Resource: Prayers and Practices 243; Resources for the Family: 271; Retreat PRAYER: R30

IV. A. 3. Identify the types of prayer: prayer of petition, adoration or praise, contrition, and thanksgiving *(CCC 2626-2643)*

WBCI: 10

B. **Personal Prayer** The mystery of God’s action in our lives draws us into a deeper relationship and a deeper desire to respond in prayer

IV. B. 1. Know that prayer is God’s gift to all *(CCC 2559-2561)*

IV. B. 2. Recognize that the Holy Spirit helps one to pray *(CCC 2650, 2652)*

WBCI: Retreat CREED: R1-R6

C. **Communal Prayer** We share prayer with others, and worship together as the People of God

IV. C. 1. Know that Jesus is always present when people gather to pray *(Mt 18:20)*

WBCI: 10; Retreat LIUTURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14
IV. C. 2. Understand that shared words and actions (rituals) are an important part of community prayer (CCC 2655)  
  WBCI: 10: As Catholics

IV. C. 3. Know that the Church prays as a community because she is the People of God (CCC 2565)  
  WBCI: 10

IV. C. 4. Know that Mass is the highest form of communal prayer (CCC 1324-1327)  
  WBCI: 10; 24

D. Popular Piety and Devotions Our families and friends share with us ways to grow closer to God

IV. D. 1. Identify sacramentals and how they are used (CCC 1667-1673)  
  WBCI: 15: As Catholics; Resources for the Family (P: p.267, S: p.347)

IV. D. 2. Know that the Rosary is a devotional prayer that is made up of reflections on the life of Jesus (CCC 2675)  
  WBCI: 25

IV. D. 3. Identify some devotional prayers, e.g., litanies, novenas, processions, May crowning, Eucharistic Adoration, the Stations of the Cross (CCC 1674, 2669)  

V. Catechesis Prepares the Christian to Live in Community and to Participate in the Life and Mission of the Church (GDC, 84, 86-87)

A. Spiritual Growth Our community life is built on the understanding that humans grow and develop physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially as well as spiritually

V. A. 1. Identify some examples of God’s invitation to change and grow in Scripture, e.g., 1 Sam 2:26; Lk 2:39-40  
  WBCI: 3; 18; 20; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

V. A. 2. Know that participation in the sacraments helps the Christian community grow in holiness  
  WBCI: 15; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R12, R14

B. Relationships and Responsibilities In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that, living together in the Kingdom of God, we must grow in understanding, compassion, concern for the least, and mutual charity

V. B. 1. Know that God gives special gifts to every person for the good of the community (CCC 2003, 1 Cor 12:4-26)  
  WBCI: 12

V. B. 2. Know that Jesus calls all Christians to be responsible for one another (Mt 25)  
  WBCI: 22; 26; Retreat CREED: R1-R6

C. Marriage and Family Life—Domestic Church Our family life is the church of the home, where we learn to love God and care for each other

V. C. 1. Identify the family as the “Domestic Church” (CCC 2685)

V. C. 2. Recognize Jesus’ obedience to his parents as an example for all (CCC 531-533)  
  WBCI: 1; 10; Retreat PRAYER: R27

V. C. 3. Know that the family is a reflection of the communal love of the Trinity (CCC 2205)
D. **Faith Communities** Participation in the life and mission of the Church is both personal and communal

**V. D. 1.** Understand that all baptized Christians are members of the Church (*CCC* 836)

*WBCI:* 8; 11; 15

**V. D. 2.** Know that one lives the Christian faith most fully within a community (*CCC* 1102, 1166, Acts 2:42)

*WBCI:* 22; 24

**V. D. 3.** Understand that liturgy builds community (*CCC* 1140)

*WBCI:* 10; 24

D. **Nature and Mission of the Church** The Church is the family of God, sent to bring the Good News of Jesus to all people

**V. E. 1.** Identify the term “Good News”—God’s mercy and love revealed in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ (*CCC* 571, 2 Tm 2:8)

*WBCI:* 4; 5; 8

**V. E. 2.** Identify the responsibility of the Church to share the “Good News” through evangelization (*CCC* 1122; Mt 28:19)

*WBCI:* 4: As Catholics; 12; 22; 26

**V. E. 3.** Know that the Apostles were the first bishops of the Catholic Church (*CCC* 880)

*WBCI:* 8

**V. E. 4.** Know that a group of parishes, called a diocese, is headed by a bishop

*WBCI:* 8; 11; 15; Glossary (P: p.251, S: p.331); Q&A (P: p.259, p.262, S: p.339, p.342)

**V. E. 5.** Know that the pope, the Bishop of Rome, is the head of the Catholic Church and a symbol of unity to the world (*CCC* 882)

*WBCI:* 8; 9; Glossary (P: p.253, S: p.333); Q&A (P: p.259, S: p.339)

E. **Ecumenism** We share in promoting the unity of all God’s people as part of our fidelity to the Gospel

**V.F.1.** Know that Christianity includes many faith traditions including Catholicism (*CCC* 838)

*WBCI:* 23

VI. Catechesis promotes a Missionary Spirit that prepares the faithful to transform the world (*GDC*, 84, 86-87)

A. **Evangelization** The Sacraments of Initiation both invite and empower us to live as disciples in the larger society and in the world

**VI. A. 1.** Know that all Christians by virtue of their baptism are called to share the “Good News” with the world (*CCC* 425, 900, Acts 13:32-33)

*WBCI:* 4: As Catholics; 12; 22; 26; Retreat CREED: R6

**VI. A. 2.** Understand that a disciple can share the faith by being a good example to others (*CCC* 1816)

*WBCI:* 22; 24; 26; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R13

B. **Vocation/Apostolate** Each of is called to a particular task in helping to reveal the Kingdom of God in the service of God’s plan for the world

**VI. B. 1.** Know that vocation is a call to love and serve God and others in a special way (*CCC* 825)

*WBCI:* 12; 15

**VI. B. 2.** Know that apostolate is a special work done in service to God and his people (*CCC* 900)
VI. B. 3. Identify the different vocations within the Church, e.g. bishops, priests, deacons, consecrated religious life, married and single (CCC 934-945)
WBCI: 8; 11; 12; 15

C. Social Action and Transformation The Social Teachings of our tradition inspire us to concern and to action aimed at the well-being of all humankind

VI. C. 1. Know that Jesus asks all Christians to help build the Kingdom of God on earth
WBCI: 12; 26

VI. C. 2. Understand that building the Kingdom of God means following Jesus’ example (CCC 1816)
WBCI: 2; 3: As Catholics; 12; 26; Glossary (P: p.251, S: p.331); Q&A (P: p.257, S: p.337)

VI. C. 3. Introduce the Works of Mercy as one way a Christian can help build the Kingdom of God (Mt 25)

D. Interreligious Dialogue We dialogue and work with people of other faiths, to build understanding and to find our common hopes and values for a better world

IV. D. 1. Know that there are other religions in addition to Christianity
WBCI: 23

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I. Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Faith
(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 26-1065; General Directory for Catechesis, 84-85, 87)

A. The Person of Jesus Christ
Jesus loves and invites every person to be in relationship with him

I. A. 1. Identify some different names for Jesus, e.g., Savior, Christ, Emmanuel, Lamb of God etc.
(CC 430-451)
WBCI: 1; 1: As Catholics

I. A. 2. Know that Jesus has a fully human nature which includes human emotions (CC 470-478,
Jn 11:33-38, Lk 4:2, Mt 21:12)
WBCI: 1; Q&A (P: p.265, S: p.337)

I. A. 3. Know that Jesus has a fully divine nature. He was conceived in the womb of the Virgin
Mary through the power of the Holy Spirit (CC 464-469)
WBCI: 1

I. A. 4. Understand that because he is free from sin Jesus’ body did not decay after his death
(CC 627, 630)
WBCI: 27

B. Understand Scripture
Sacred Scripture is the living Word of God, a history of the covenant, and a
guide for life today

I. B. 1. Identify Divine Revelation as God’s self-communication about his plan of creation and
salvation (CC 51-53)
WBCI: 12: As Catholics

I. B. 2. Know that “testament” or “covenant” is a special promise initiated by God who invites his
people to respond (CC 56-64)
WBCI: 8; 8: Fast Facts (P: p.80, S: p.104); Glossary: (P: p.259, S: p.331)

I. B. 3. Understand that the Bible is the written story of the covenant relationship between God
and the Israelites and God and the Christian community (CC 128-130)
WBCI: 8; 10; 19

I. B. 4. Identify some books in Sacred Scripture, e.g., Genesis, Exodus, Psalms, the Gospels, etc.
(CC 120)
WBCI: 4; 5; 6; 8; 8: As Catholics; 9; 10; 11; 15; 16; 17; 18; 19; 23;
*All lessons have scriptural references

I. B. 5. Locate books, chapters, and verses in Sacred Scripture
WBCI: Resources for the Family (P: p.277, S: p.349)

I. B. 6. Understand that Jesus studied and taught the Old Testament (CC 121-123,
Lk 2:41-52; 4:14-22)
WBCI: 8

I. B. 7. Know that the New Testament is the story and teachings of Jesus and the early Christian
community (CC 124)
WBCI: 1; 12
C. Creeds and Doctrines of the Church

The Creed expresses the faith of our Church and professes it to the world

I. C. 1. Understand that God is all-knowing (CCC 268)
I. C. 2. Know the three main parts of the Apostles’ Creed (CCC 190-191)
I. C. 3. Define a Precept of the Church (CCC 2041-2043)
   WBCI: 25; Glossary (P: p.261, S: p.333); Q&A (P: p270, S: p.342)
I. C. 4. Know that Satan was an angel who disobeyed God and separated himself from God forever (CCC 391-392, Lk 10:18)
I. C. 5. Know that Hell is eternal separation from God (CCC 1033)

D. Discover the Church’s Tradition and Relevance of Church History

Our Church has a rich heritage which still serves as a guide for us today

I. D. 1. Identify some martyrs and saints who by their witness fostered the growth of the Church (CCC 2473; Acts 7:54-60, 16:11-15)
   WBCI: Welcome (P: p.10, S: p.10); 6; 9: As Catholics; 20; Resource: Living the Beatitudes

E. Christian Thought and Culture

Our Church’s tradition is based in an appreciation for the gifts of many persons – theologians, saints, artists, teachers, and preachers – living as faithful disciples of Jesus

I. E. 1. Know that Mary’s relationship with Jesus gives her a unique role in the life of the Church (CCC 964-975)
   WBCI: 6; 9; 22: As Catholics; 26
I. E. 2. Know that missionaries spread the Gospel message and strengthen the Church (CCC 849-856, Acts 8:26-40)
   WBCI: 25

II. Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Meaning of the Liturgy and Sacraments (CCC, 1066-1690; GDC, 84-85, 87)

A. Paschal Mystery Forms and Transforms

The liturgical and sacramental life of the Church informs, forms, and transforms us as disciples of Jesus in the world

II. A. 1. Know that God shows his love by sending Jesus to save us from sin and death through the Paschal Mystery (CCC 601, 654; 1Cor 15:14)
   WBCI: 1; 26; Q&A (P: p.265, S: p.337); Retreat CREED: R1, R3, R6

B. Sacraments

Sacraments are special celebrations of God’s love for his people

II. B. 1. Review the meaning of a sacrament (CCC 1131)
   WBCI: 24; Glossary (P: p.261, S: p.333)
II. B. 2. Identify the Sacraments of Initiation, Healing, and Service (CCC 1212, 1421, 1534)
   WBCI: 24; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14
II. B. 3. Know that the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation includes both “God’s forgiveness and reconciliation with the church” (CCC 1440, 1468-1469)
   WBCI: 5; 20
II. B. 4. Know that the penance given by the priest gives healing to the sinner and helps one to repair relationships with God and neighbor (CCC 1459)
   WBCI: 5
C. Liturgical Catechesis We are invited into full, active, and conscious participation in the liturgical life of the Church

II. C. 1. Identify the Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving (CCC 1438)  
WBCI: 20

II. C. 2. Identify Easter as the most important feast day of the year (CCC 1169)  
WBCI: 21

II. C. 3. Identify the Holy Days of Obligation (CCC 2177)  
WBCI: 11

II. C. 4. Identify major feasts of Mary in her role as Mother of God, e.g., Annunciation, Visitation, Assumption, Christmas (CCC 1172)  
WBCI: 3; 6; 11

D. Dimensions of Priesthood: Baptismal and Ordained Like Jesus, we are called to be priest, prophet, and king

II. D. 1. Identify the three degrees of holy orders: diaconate, presbyterate, and episcopacy (CCC 1536)

III. Catechesis Promotes Moral Formation in Jesus Christ (CCC, 1691-2557; GDC, 84-85, 87)

A. Commandment to Love The ‘new commandment’ of Jesus, to love one another as he, God, has loved us is one of the defining characteristics of the Christian faith.

III. A. 1. Locate the Two Great Commandments in Scripture (CCC 2055; Dt 6:5; Lv 19:18; Lk 10:25-28)  
WBCI: 8

III. A. 2. Know that Jesus’ life shows how to love God and others (CCC 520-521; Jn 14:6)  
WBCI: 2; 8; 18; 24; 26

B. Ten Commandments and Beatitudes The Scriptures, especially in the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount, give us moral guidance

III. B. 1. Memorize the Ten Commandments (CCC 2051ff; Ex 20:2-17)  
WBCI: 8; Resource: Living God’s Laws

III. B. 2. Retell the story of the Exodus and the Ten Commandments (Ex 7-20)  
WBCI: 8

III. B. 3. Identify the Beatitudes as the heart of Jesus’ teaching (CCC 1716; Mt 5:1-12; Lk 6:20-26)  
WBCI: 2; 18; 22; Resource: Living the Beatitudes

C. Sin and Grace God’s love can overcome the evil of sin in our world

III. C. 1. Know that sin is freely choosing what is wrong and failing to do what is right (CCC 1849-1850)  
WBCI: 3; Glossary (P: p.261, S: p.333); Q&A (P: p.266, S: p.338)

III. C. 2. Identify the different types of sin: personal sin (mortal and venial) and social sin (CCC 1852-1869, 1886-1888; Rom 1:28-32; Gal 5:19-21)  
WBCI: 3; Glossary (P: p.260-261, S: p.332-333)

III. C. 3. Define original sin (CCC 396-401, Gn 3)  
WBCI: 1; Glossary (P: p.260, S: p.332); Retreat CREED: R2
III. C. 4. Describe grace as a sharing in God’s life (CCC 1997)  
**WBCI:** 1; 10: As Catholics; 24; Glossary (P: p.260, S: p.332)

III. C. 5. Know that the Holy Spirit gives one the power and strength to live the Christian life (CCC 1704, 1813, 1830; Jn 14:16-18)  
**WBCI:** 2; 19; 24; 25; 26; 27

D. **Conscience Formation** The Gospel calls us to ongoing conversion, transforming our ways of thinking and living

III. D. 1. Know that conscience is God speaking in the heart of each person (CCC 1776; Hos 2:16)  
**WBCI:** 4; 22; Glossary (P: p.259, S: p.331); Q&A (P: p.266, S: p.338)

III. D. 2. Identify that grace helps one to follow their conscience (CCC 1776, 1785)  
**WBCI:** 24

III. D. 3. Identify resources for developing a well formed conscience, *e.g.*, Sacred Scripture, prayer, and the teachings of the Magisterium (CCC 1783-1785)  
**WBCI:** 4; 4: As Catholics; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R13

III. D. 4. Know that a well formed conscience calls one to conversion (CCC 1797)  
**WBCI:** 4; Resource: Living God's Laws; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R13

III. D. 5. Know that feelings and emotions are not the primary indicator of right and wrong (CCC 1773)  
**WBCI:** 22

E. **Objective Moral Norms** The Scriptures and Tradition of the Church teach us about right and wrong

III. E. 1. Identify the Holy Spirit as the Church’s guide in knowing what is right and wrong (CCC 749, 768, 857; Jn 16:13)  
**WBCI:** 4; 22

III. E. 2. Know that the Pope in union with the Bishops have the responsibility to establish moral laws that “teach the faithful the way of life and truth” (CCC 2034, 2037)  
**WBCI:** 25

III. E. 3. Understand that the moral law exists to help one grow in holiness (CCC 1950)  
**WBCI:** 3; 24

F. **Gospel of Life** All life is a gift from God and is to be held sacred

III. F. 1. Understand why we respect our bodies and those of others (CCC 364-365, 1Cor 6:19-20)  
**WBCI:** 17

III. F. 2. Know that each person has a body and a soul (CCC 362-365)

G. **Living a Moral Life** As disciples of Jesus, we desire to follow him in his attitudes and actions

III. G. 1. Define virtue as a good habit (CCC 1803)  
**WBCI:** 17; Glossary (P: p.261, S: p.333); Q&A (P: p.269, S: p.341)

III. G. 2. Identify the theological virtues (CCC 1812-1918)  
**WBCI:** 26; Glossary (P: p.261, S: p.333); Resources for the Family (P: p.280, S: p.352)

III. G. 3. Know that the theological virtues come from God (CCC 1813)  
**WBCI:** 26; Resources for the Family (P: p.280, S: p.352)

III. G. 4. Identify the cardinal virtues (CCC 1805-1809)  
**WBCI:** 26; Glossary (P: p.259, S: p.331)

III. G. 5. Know how the cardinal virtues help one live a moral life and “become like God” (CCC 1805)  
**WBCI:** 26
IV. Catechesis Teaches the Christian How to Pray  
*(CCC, 2558-2865; GDC, 84-85, 87)*

A. **Christian Prayer Tradition** Prayer in all its many forms is a language of love, faith, and hope

   IV. A. 1. Know the traditional prayers of the Church: *e.g.*, *Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, Act of Contrition, Creed, etc.*
   **WBCI:** Resource: Prayers and Practices (P: p.245-250, S: p.325-330)

   IV. A. 2. Identify some prayers in Scripture, *e.g.*, *the Psalms, the Magnificat, and the prayers of Simeon and Zachariah (CCC 2653-2654)*
   **WBCI:** 4; 5; 6; 7; 8; 9; 10; 19

B. **Personal Prayer** The mystery of God’s action in our lives draws us into a deeper relationship and a deeper desire to respond in prayer

   IV.B.1. Know all people have a desire for God in their hearts *(CCC 2566)*
   **WBCI:** 9

   IV.B.2. Know that prayer is the foundation of one’s relationship with God *(CCC 2565)*
   **WBCI:** 9; 24

C. **Communal Prayer** We share prayer with others, and worship together as the People of God

   IV.C.1. Understand the importance of Sunday Mass as a celebration of the parish community *(CCC 2655; Acts 20:7)*
   **WBCI:** 5; 9: 11; 25: As Catholics

D. **Popular Piety and Devotions** Our families and friends share with us ways to grow closer to God

   VI. D. 1. Describe the purpose of a sacramental *(CCC 1167-1670)*
   **WBCI:** 24: More to Explore; Retreat PRAYER: R25-R30

   VI. D. 2. Identify the 20 mysteries of the Rosary *(CCC 1675)*
   **WBCI:** Resource (P: p.248, S: p.328)

V. Catechesis Prepares the Christian to Live in Community and to Participate in the Life and Mission of the Church *(GDC, 84, 86-87)*

A. **Spiritual Growth** Our community life is built on the understanding that humans grow and develop physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially as well as spiritually

   V. A. 1. Recognize that knowledge, study, and practice of one’s faith are integral to growth in holiness
   **WBCI:** 24

   V. A. 2. Recognize that one responds to the love of God by growing in relationship to God, others, self, and all creation
   **WBCI:** 18; 24; 26

B. **Relationships and Responsibilities** In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that, living together in the Kingdom of God, we must grow in understanding, compassion, concern for the least, and mutual charity

   V. B. 1. Explain how the Ten Commandments are guidelines for relationships with God and other people *(CCC 1955, 2061-2062)*
   **WBCI:** 8; 9; 10; 11; 15; 16; 17; 18; 19; 22; 23; Resource: Living God’s Laws, p.251-254; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R1; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22
V. B. 2. Explain how the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation restores a healthy relationship with God and others (CCC 1469)
WBCI: 3; 5

C. Marriage and Family Life—Domestic Church Our family life is the church of the home, where we learn to love God and care for each other

V. C. 1. Explain the concept of the family as the domestic church: a place of faith, hope, and charity (CCC 2204)
WBCI: 15

V. C. 2. Recognize that God made men and women equal in dignity (CCC 2203)
WBCI: 3; 8; 17; Resources for the Family (P: p.278, S: p.350)

V. C. 3. Know that families cooperate with God’s work of creation in raising and educating children (CCC 2205)
WBCI: 15

V. C. 4. Know that families are called to witness to the Gospel to each other and to the larger community (CCC 2207-2210)
WBCI: 15

D. Faith Communities Participation in the life and mission of the Church is both personal and communal

V. D. 1. Identify the Church as including all those living on earth, those in Heaven, and those in Purgatory (CCC 954)

V. D. 2. Define the term “People of God” (CCC 781-782)

V. D. 3. Know that the Apostle’s Creed is an expression of the Church’s faith (CCC 194)
WBCI: 25: As Catholics; Resource: Prayers and Practices

E. Nature and mission of the Church The Church is the family of God, sent to bring the Good News of Jesus to all people

V. E. 1. Know Jesus used parables to teach about the kingdom of God, e.g., the Good Samaritan, the Sower and the Seed, the Unforgiving Servant (CCC 546)
WBCI: 3

V. E. 2. Identify the Four Marks of the Church (CCC 813-865)
WBCI: 25: As Catholics

V. E. 3. Identify the priest as the leader of a parish and the bishop as a leader of a diocese (CCC 2179)
WBCI: 25

F. Ecumenism We share in promoting the unity of all God’s people as a basic part of our fidelity to the Gospel

V. F. 1. Know that all baptized Christians are brothers and sisters in Christ (CCC 838)
WBCI: 1; 25

V. F. 2. Know that the Our Father/Lord’s Prayer is the common prayer of Christians (CCC 2771; Mt 6:9-14)
WBCI: 24
VI. Catechesis promotes a Missionary Spirit that prepares the faithful to transform the world

*(GDC, 84, 86-87)*

**A. Evangelization** The Sacraments of Initiation both invite and empower us to live as disciples in the larger society and in the world

   VI. A. 1. Identify evangelization as sharing one’s faith in Jesus with others *(CCC 905)*

   VI. A. 2. Recall the term disciple as one who accepts Jesus’ call to follow him and to bring others into relationship with him *(CCC 618, 767, Acts 11:26)*

   **WBCI:** 1; 2; 18; 26

**B. Vocation/Apostolate** Each of is called to a particular task in helping to reveal the Kingdom of God in the service of God’s plan for the world

   VI. B. 1. Understand that every baptized person is called to love and serve God at every stage of life *(Jas 2:14-17)*

   **WBCI:** 2; 4; 15; 26

   VI. B. 2. Name some of the particular vocations within the Church

   **WBCI:** 17; 24; 25

**C. Social Action and Transformation** The Social Teachings of our tradition inspire us to concern and to action aimed at the well-being of all humankind

   VI. C. 1. Define the virtue of justice as giving God and others what is due to them *(CCC 1807)*

   **WBCI:** 2; 2: As Catholics; 18; Glossary *(P: p.260, S: p.332); Q&A (P: p.266, S: p.338)*

   VI. C. 2. Understand why the poor and marginalized have a special place in the teachings of Jesus

   **WBCI:** 1; 18

   VI. C. 3. Define the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy *(CCC 2447; Mt 25)*

   **WBCI:** 11

**D. Interreligious Dialogue** We dialogue and work with people of other faiths, to build understanding and to find our common hopes and values for a better world

   VI. D. 1. Know that only Christians believe that Jesus Christ is God

   **WBCI:** 24

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GRADE 5
Grade Five Religion Course of Study
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I.  Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Faith
   (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 26-1065; General Directory for Catechesis, 84-85, 87)

   A.  The Person of Jesus Christ: Jesus loves and invites every person to be in relationship with him

      I. A. 1.  Define the term “Incarnation” and know that it is a distinctive sign of the Christian faith
                 (CCC 461-463)
                 WBCI: 4; Glossary: (P: p.268, S: p.332)

      I. A. 2.  Know that Jesus is the full revelation of God to humanity (CCC 50, 73, 221)
                 WBCI: 1; 2; 3

                 WBCI: 1; 4; 10; 13

   B.  Understand Scripture Sacred Scripture is the living Word of God, a history of the covenant and a
guide for life today

      I. B. 1.  Recognize that Sacred Scripture is inspired by God, but written down by human authors
                 (CCC 105-106)

      I. B. 2.  Know how to find verses, chapters, and books in Sacred Scripture
                 WBCI: Resources for the Family: (P: 282, S: p.346)

      I. B. 3.  Describe how God’s revelation comes through people and events in Sacred Scripture (CCC

      I. B. 4.  Identify the lands of the New Testament on a map

   C.  Creeds and Doctrines of the Church The Creed expresses the faith of our Church and professes it to
the world

      I. C. 1.  Know that the three persons of the Trinity are identified by their relationship to one
                 another (CCC 255)
                 WBCI: 1; Glossary: (P: p.267, S: p.331); Resources for the Family: P: p.281, S: p.345);
                 Retreat CREED: R1-R6

      I. C. 2.  Explain the meaning and purpose of a creed (CCC 187)

      I. C. 3.  Identify the Nicene and Apostles’ Creeds (CCC 194-195)

      I. C. 4.  Define Purgatory (CCC 1030-1032)
                 WBCI: 4

      I. C. 5.  Define particular and final judgment (CCC 1021, 1051, 1060)
                 WBCI: 2

   D.  Discover the Church’s tradition and relevance of church history Our Church has a rich heritage
which still serves as a guide for us today

      I. D. 1.  Describe how the Church grew through Paul’s missionary journeys (Acts 13-14, 16-28)
E. Christian thought and culture  
Our Church’s tradition is based in an appreciation for the gifts of many persons – theologians, saints, artists, teachers, and preachers – living as faithful disciples of Jesus.

I. E. 1. Identify the process of canonization of saints (CCC 828)  

II. Catechesis promotes knowledge of the meaning of the Liturgy and Sacraments  
(CCC, 1066-1690; GDC, 84-85, 87)

A. Paschal Mystery Forms and Transforms  
The liturgical and sacramental life of the Church informs, forms, and transforms us as disciples of Jesus in the world.

II. A. 1. Identify the Easter Triduum as the Central celebration of the Paschal Mystery (CCC 1168-1169)  
WBCI: 6; 21; Glossary: (P: p.269, S: p.333); Q&A (P: p.277, S: p.341)

II. A. 2. Understand that through the Paschal Mystery we are redeemed from sin and death (CCC 601-603; Jn 3:16)  
WBCI: 2; 21; Q&A (P: p.274, S: p.341)

II. A. 3. Recognize that by participation in the Paschal Mystery suffering is redemptive (CCC 618; 1Pt 2:21)  
WBCI: 2; 21; Q&A (P: p.274, S: p.338)

B. Sacraments  
Sacraments are special celebrations of God’s love for us.

II. B. 1. Understand that sacraments are celebrated by and for the community not just the individual (CCC1140)  
WBCI: 3

II. B. 2. Define transubstantiation (CCC 1376)

II. B. 3. Identify the signs, symbols, rites, and ordinary ministers for each of the seven sacraments  
WBCI: 3; 5; 9; 11; 16; 17; 18; 18: As Catholics; 24; 25; Q&A (P: p.275-278, S: p.339-342);  
Resource: Prayers and Practices

C. Liturgical Catechesis  
We are invited into full, active, and conscious participation in the liturgical life of the Church.

II. C. 1. Identify the liturgical books used at Mass  
WBCI: 11: As Catholics

II. C. 2. Know that the scriptural readings in the Lectionary follow a three-year cycle for Sunday Masses and a two-year-cycle for daily Masses

II. C. 3. Identify the difference between a solemnity, feast, and a memorial (CCC 1194-1195)  
WBCI: 7

D. Dimensions of Priesthood: Baptismal and Ordained  
Like Jesus, we are called to be priest, prophet, and king.

II. D. 1. Know that like Christ, all the baptized are anointed as priest, prophet, and king (CCC 783-786, 1241, 1268)  
WBCI: 4; 23

III. Catechesis Promotes Moral Formation in Jesus Christ  
(CCC, 1691-2557; GDC, 84-85, 87)

A. Commandment to Love  
The ‘new commandment’ of Jesus, to love one another as he, God, has loved us is one of the defining characteristics of the Christian faith.
III. A. 1. Understand that the two Great Commandments are a response to the covenant relationship with God and neighbor (CCC 1968, 1970, 1972)  
   WBCI: 1; 10: As Catholics; 22; Resources for the Family (P: p.285, S: p.349)  

A. Ten Commandments and Beatitudes  The Scriptures, especially in the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount, give us moral guidance  
   III. B. 1. Identify the Beatitudes (CCC 1716; Mt 5: 1-11; Lk 6:20-26)  
   III. B. 2. Know the Beatitudes help one live a moral life (CCC 1717)  
      WBCI: 22  
   III. B. 3. Know the first three Commandments refer to our relationship with God and the last seven refer to our relationship with others (CCC 2067)  

B. Sin and Grace  God’s love can overcome the evil of sin in our world  
   III. C. 1. Know that original sin is passed on to all generations of human beings (CCC 404)  
      WBCI: 4  
   III. C. 2. Know that original sin weakens one’s ability to do good, results in human suffering, and ultimately in physical death (CCC 400)  
      WBCI: 4  
   III. C. 3. Know that the sanctifying grace given at baptism frees one from original sin and enables one the possibility of living with God forever in heaven (CCC 1263, 1999)  
      WBCI: 4; 5  
   III. C. 4. Know that actual grace refers to God’s intervention at various times in one’s life (CCC 2000)  
      WBCI: 4  
   III. C. 5. Identify sacramental grace (CCC 2003)  
      WBCI: 3; 8; 10; 15; 16; 24; 26  
   III. C. 6. Identify some specific graces given at each sacrament (CCC 1131,1279,1316-1317, 1416, 1496, 1532, 1581, 1661)  
      WBCI: 3; 4; 8; 10; 15; 16; 24; 26; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14  

C. Conscience Formation  The Gospel calls us to ongoing conversion, transforming our ways of thinking and living  
   III. D. 1. Identify the role of conscience in making a decision (CCC 1776-1778)  
   III. D. 2. Know what the Church means by a well formed conscience (CCC 1783-1785)  
   III. D. 3. Define “free will” (CCC 1730)  

D. Objective Moral Norms  The Scriptures and Tradition of the Church teach us about right and wrong  
   III. E. 1. Know that the teachings of the Catholic Church are transmitted through Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition (CCC 80)  
E. Gospel of Life  All life is a gift from God and is to be held sacred

V. A. 1.  Know that through the Incarnation all humanity shares in the life and dignity of God  
(  
CCC  521  
)  
WBCI:  4; Resources for the Family (P: p.285, S: p.349)

V. A. 2.  Know that God made man and woman equal, but different and complimentary  
(  
CCC  2333-2335  
)  
WBCI:  24

V. A. 3.  Know that the dignity of the person can be destroyed through prejudice, gossip, lying,  
slander, stealing, cheating, bullying, etc. destroy the dignity of the human person  
WBCI:  2; 9; 15; 26; Resource: Prayers and Practices (P: p.258, S: p.330);  
Resources for the Family (P: p.285, S: p.349)

F. Living a Moral Life  As disciples of Jesus, we desire to follow him in his attitudes and actions

III. G. 1.  Name the theological virtues  
(  
CCC  1812-1844  
)  
WBCI:  22; 22: As Catholics; Glossary (P: p.269, S: p.333)

III. G. 2.  Recall the cardinal virtues  
(  
CCC  1805-1809  
)  
WBCI:  22; 22: As Catholics; Glossary (P: p.269, S: p.333)

III. G. 3.  Name the corporal and spiritual works of mercy  
(  
CCC  2447  
)  
WBCI:  2; Resource: Prayers and Practices (P: p.264, S: p.XXX)

IV. Catechesis Teaches the Christian How to Pray  
(  
CCC, 2558-2865;  GDC, 84-85, 87  
)

A. Christian Prayer Tradition  Prayer in all its many forms is a language of love, faith, and hope

IV. A. 1.  Name the five forms of prayer  
(  
CCC  2626-2649  
)  
WBCI:  12; Resource: Prayers and Practices; Retreat PRAYER: R25-R30

B. Personal Prayer  The mystery of God’s action in our lives draws us into a deeper relationship and a  
deeper desire to respond in prayer

IV. B. 1.  Know that prayer and the Christian life are inseparable  
(  
CCC  2744-2745  
)  
WBCI:  12

IV. B. 2.  Know that one will have personal preferences in prayer  
WBCI:  12; Retreat PRAYER: R25-R30

C. Communal Prayer  We share prayer with others, and worship together as the People of God

IV. C. 1.  Know that liturgical prayer is the public prayer of the Church  
(  
CCC  1066-1073  
)  
WBCI:  2; 12

IV. C. 2.  Name the three forms of liturgical prayer: the Eucharistic liturgy, the celebration of the  
sacraments, the Liturgy of the Hours  
(  
CCC  1070, 1076, 1175  
)  
WBCI:  3; 11; 12; Resource

D. Popular Piety and Devotions  Our families and friends share with us ways to grow closer to God

IV. D. 1.  Identify types of devotional prayer, e.g., litany, novena, rosary, Stations of the Cross,  
Eucharistic adoration, etc.  
(  
CCC  1674  
)  
V. Catechesis Prepares the Christian to Live in Community and to Participate in the Life and Mission of the Church (GDC, 84, 86-87)

A. Spiritual Growth Our community life is built on the understanding that humans grow and develop physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially as well as spiritually

   V. A. 1. Know that the theological virtues of Faith, Hope and Love are God’s gifts that enable one to grow in holiness (CCC1812ff)
   WBCI: 22

   V. A. 2. Know that we grow in holiness as we develop good habits
   WBCI: 3; 9; 12; 26

   V. A. 3. Understand that a life of prayer is essential to spiritual growth (CCC 2744-2745)
   WBCI: 12

B. Relationships and Responsibilities In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that, living together in the Kingdom of God, we must grow in understanding, compassion, concern for the least, and mutual charity

   V. B. 1. Describe the nature and responsibilities of Christian friendship (CCC 1829, 1939, 2347)
   WBCI: 23; 26

   V. B. 2. Define the “common good” as understood by the Catholic Church (CCC 1905-1909)

C. Marriage and Family Life—Domestic Church Our family life is the church of the home, where we learn to love God and care for each other

   V. C. 1. Understand the importance of family life for the individual and for society as a whole (CCC 2207-2213)
   WBCI: 3; 24; 24: As Catholics; Resources for the Family: (P: 283, S: p.341);
   Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

   V. C. 2. Know that the love of husband and wife is an image of the love between Christ and his Church (CCC 1612-1617, Eph 5:25-26; 31-33)
   WBCI: 24

   V. C. 3. Know that marriage is a sacrament between one man and one woman (CCC 1601)
   WBCI: 3; 24; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

D. Faith Communities Participation in the life and mission of the Church is both personal and communal

   IV. C. 3. Know that the liturgical and sacramental life of the Church is both personal and communal (CCC 1134)
   WBCI: 2; 3; 6; 11; 12

E. Nature and Mission of the Church The Church is the family of God, sent to bring the Good News of Jesus to all people

   V. E. 1. Name the Four Marks of the Church God (CCC 811ff)
   WBCI: 26; Glossary (P: p.269, S: p.333); Q&A (P: p.278, S: p.342)

   V. E. 2. Identify the Church as the Body of Christ continuing Christ’s salvific action in the world (CCC1213; Col 2:24-29)
   WBCI: 2
V. E. 3. Understand that the Church’s participation in the Paschal Mystery is expressed through her liturgical life and her service in the world (CCC 1134)

WBCI: 2; 6; 21; Glossary (P: p.269, S: p.333); Q&A (P: p.274, p.277, S: p.338, p.341)

F. Ecumenism We share in promoting the unity of all God’s people as a basic part of our fidelity to the Gospel

V. F. 1. Know that Jesus calls all Christians to work together to build the Kingdom (CCC 820)

WBCI: 1; 2; 9; 22; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

VI. Catechesis Promotes a Missionary Spirit that Prepares the Faithful to Transform Society.

(GDC, 84, 86-87)

A. Evangelization The Sacraments of Initiation both invite and empower us to live as disciples in the larger society and in the world

V. A. 1. Define evangelization (CCC 905)

WBCI: 2; Glossary (P: p.268, S: p.332); Retreat CREED: R3, R4

V. A. 2. Know that the sacramental life of the Church empowers the faithful to evangelize the world (CCC 1116, 1122, 2044)

WBCI: 2; 3; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

B. Vocation/Apostolate Each of us is called to a particular task in helping to reveal the Kingdom of God in the service of God’s plan for the world

VI. B. 1. Know that each person shares responsibility for the mission of the Church (CCC 849; Mt 28:18-20)

WBCI: 1; 2; 3; 3: As Catholics; 23; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R13

VI. B. 2. Know that those in consecrated life profess the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity, and obedience (CCC 915-916)

WBCI: 23; Q&A (P: p.277, S: p.341)

C. Social Action and Transformation The Social Teachings of our tradition inspire us to concern and to action aimed at the well-being of all humankind

VI. C. 1. Know that through the virtues of charity and justice Christians are called to oppose social sin and transform the world (CCC 1928-1933, 2446; Mi 6:8)

WBCI: 15; 22; 26; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

D. Interreligious Dialogue We dialogue and work with people of other faiths, to build understanding and to find our common hopes and values for a better world

VI. D. 1. Know that we are bound to all peoples by our belief that God is the source and end of all human life (CCC 842)

WBCI: 2; 26

VI. D. 2. Know that the Church acknowledges the spiritual and moral truths of other religions as a preparation for hearing the Gospel (CCC 842; Nostra Aetate 1-2)

WBCI: 2; 26

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I. Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Faith  
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A. The Person of Jesus Christ  
Jesus loves and invites every person to be in relationship with him

I.A.1. Know that Jesus is a Divine person with both a divine and a human nature (CCC 479-483)  
WBCI: 4; 14; 19; 22

I.A.2. Describe Jesus Christ as the fulfillment of God’s promises in the Old Testament (CCC 2763)  
WBCI: 1; 4; 16; 22; 22: As Catholics; Retreat CREED: R1-R6

B. Understand Scripture  
Sacred Scripture is the living Word of God, a history of the covenant, and a guide for life today

I.B.1. Identify the major divisions of the Old Testament: Pentateuch, Historical books, Wisdom literature, and Prophets (CCC 702)  
WBCI: 1

I.B.2. Recognize that there are different translations of the Bible

WBCI: 1; Q&A (P: p.338, S: p.338)

I.B.4. Know that the Catholic Church has the authority to interpret Scripture (CCC 85)  
WBCI: 1: As Catholics

C. Creeds and Doctrines of the Church  
The Creed expresses the faith of our Church and professes it to the world

I.C.1. Understand that while God wills all people to be happy with him in heaven, some people choose to separate themselves from God and sentence themselves to Hell (CCC 1037)

I.C.2. Understand that Hell is an eternal existence without the presence of God who is Love, Goodness, Truth, and Beauty (CCC 1035)

I.C.3. Understand that Purgatory is the time of purification for those people who are destined for Heaven (CCC 1030-1032)

D. Discover the Church’s Tradition and Relevance of Church History  
Our Church has a rich heritage which still serves as a guide for us today

I.D.1. Identify Church Councils as meeting of bishops regarding issues of the faith  
WBCI: 24

I.D.2. Define Ecumenical Council (CCC 884)  
WBCI: 24

E. Christian Thought and Culture  
Our Church’s tradition is based in an appreciation for the gifts of many persons – theologians, saints, artists, teachers, and preachers – living as faithful disciples of Jesus

I.E.1. Explain why Mary is the primary model of faith (CCC 487, 972)  
WBCI: 19; 19: As Catholics

I.E.2. Explain the difference between the worship/adoration given to God alone and the veneration/honor given to Mary and the Saints (CCC 971, 1674)

WBCI: 15; 26; 26: As Catholics

I.E.3. Recognize that monastic life preserved and promoted Christian beliefs and culture in the Middle Ages

II. Catechesis promotes knowledge of the meaning of the Liturgy and Sacraments (CCC, 1066-1690; CCC, 84-85, 87)

A. Paschal Mystery Forms and Transforms The liturgical and sacramental life of the Church informs, forms, and transforms us as disciples of Jesus in the world

II.A.1. Know that Christ’s redemptive suffering gives meaning to all human suffering (CCC 1521; Is 53)

WBCI: 4; 23

B. Sacraments Sacraments are special celebrations of God’s love for us

II.B.1. Define “indelible mark” and identify the three sacraments in which it is received (CCC 1121)

C. Liturgical Catechesis We are invited into full, active, and conscious participation in the liturgical life of the Church

II.C.1. Know the different parts of the Mass (CCC 1348-1355)

WBCI: 6

II.C.2. Name the three celebrations of the Easter Triduum (CCC 1168-1169)


D. Dimensions of Priesthood Baptismal and Ordained Like Jesus, we are called to be priest, prophet, and king

II.D.1. Understand the roles of “priest, prophet, and king” in the life of the Baptized (CCC 783-786)

WBCI: 17: As Catholics

III. Catechesis Promotes Moral Formation in Jesus Christ (CCC, 1691-2557; GDC, 84-85, 87)

A. Commandment to Love The ‘new commandment’ of Jesus, to love one another as he, God, has loved us is one of the defining characteristics of the Christian faith

III.A.1. Know that Jesus’ New Commandment “refines, surpasses, and leads the Old Law to its perfection” (CCC 1967; Mt 5:17-19)

WBCI: 25; Resources for the Family (P: p.349, S: p.349)

B. Ten Commandments and Beatitudes The Scriptures, especially in the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount, give us moral guidance

III.B.1. Know the Old Law (Ten Commandments) is the first stage of revealed law and a preparation for Christian discipleship (CCC 1962-1964)

WBCI: 9; 25

III.B.2. Know that the Ten Commandments are meant to free God’s people from a life of sin (CCC 2057, 2062, 2077)

WBCI: 9; 25

C. Sin and Grace God’s love can overcome the evil of sin in our world

III.C.1. Define “sin of omission” (CCC 1853)
III.C.2. Identify the elements used to determine the morality of an action (CCC 1750)
   WBCI: 25; Resources for the Family (P: p.249, S: 349)

III.C.3. Know that grace, is the free gift of God, which introduces one into the life of the Trinity (CCC 2021)
   WBCI: 4: As Catholics; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R14

D. Conscience Formation The Gospel calls us to ongoing conversion, transforming our ways of thinking and living

   III.D.1. Review the process of examining one’s conscience (CCC 1785)
   III.D.2. Describe the role of free will in the decision making process (CCC 1731-1738)
   WBCI: 2

E. Objective Moral Norms The Scriptures and Tradition of the Church teach us about right and wrong

   III.E.1. Define natural law and revealed law (CCC 1952)
   WBCI: Resources for the Family (P: 349, S: 349)

   III.E.2. Describe why the Precepts of the Church are important for discipleship (CCC 2041-2043)

   III.E.3. Explain the role of the Magisterium in establishing moral norms (CCC 85-87)
   WBCI: 1

F. Gospel of Life All life is a gift from God and is to be held sacred

   III.E.4. Know that human life is to be respected at all times and in all situations in both personal and public life (CCC 2304)
   WBCI: 2; 2: As Catholics; 4: As Catholics; 25

   III.E.5. Understand that the love one shows for oneself is an important aspect of respecting life (CCC 2288-2291)
   WBCI: 4; 25

G. Living a Moral Life As disciples of Jesus, we desire to follow him in his attitudes and actions

   III.G.1. Know that the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy are expressions of the covenant relationship with God (CCC 2447, 2449)
   WBCI: 25 As Catholics; Resources: Prayers and Practices (P: p.329, S: p.329)

   III.G.2. Identify a vice as the opposite of a virtue (CCC 1865-1866)

   III.G.3. Describe how one’s behavior bears witness to one’s faith
   WBCI: 24 Make It Happen; 25; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

IV. Catechesis Teaches the Christian How to Pray
   (CCC, 2558-2865; GDC, 84-85, 87)

   A. Christian Prayer Tradition Prayer in all its many forms is a language of love, faith, and hope

      IV.A.1. Know that Jesus provides the model for a life of prayer (CCC 2599-2606; Mt 6:5-8; Mk 1:35-39; Lk 6:12)
      WBCI: 22

      IV.A.2. Know that the Books of the Psalms is the prayer book of the Jewish people (CCC 2586)
      WBCI: 12; Q&A (P: p.340, S: 340)
IV.A.3. Identify the different types of prayer in the Psalms (CCC 2588)
   WBCI: 12

B. Personal Prayer The mystery of God’s action in our lives draws us into a deeper relationship and a
deeper desire to respond in prayer
   IV.B.1. Understand that God initiates prayer and invites one to respond (CCC 2567)
   WBCI: Retreat CREED: R1, R2
   IV.B.2. Understand that distractions happen in prayer and should not lead one to stop praying
   (CCC 2729-2733)
   IV.B.3. Know that the Holy Spirit guides and supports one’s prayer (CCC 2670, Rm 8:26)
   WBCI: 12: As Catholics; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

C. Communal Prayer We share prayer with others, and worship together as the People of God
   IV.C.1. Recognize that communal prayer is an essential part of God’s covenant with his people in
   the Old Testament (CCC 2568-2597)
   IV.C.2. Know that the Church regularly prays the Psalms through the Liturgy of the Hours, the
   official prayer of the Church (CCC 1174-1178)
   WBCI: 6; 12; 19: More to Explore

D. Popular Piety and Devotions Our families and friends share with us ways to grow closer to God
   IV.D.1. Know that devotional prayer “extends the liturgical life of the Church but [does] not
   replace it” (CCC 1675)
   WBCI: 6; Resource: Prayers and Practices (P: p.327, S: p.327);
   Resources for the Family (P: p.351-352, S: p.351-352); Retreat PRAYER: R25-R30
   IV.D.2. Know that there are many expressions of cultural piety within the Catholic Church
   (CCC 1679, 2663)

V. Catechesis Prepares the Christian to Live in Community and to Participate in the Life and Mission of
   the Church (GDC, 84, 86-87)
   A. Spiritual Growth Our community life is built on the understanding that humans grow and develop
   physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially as well as spiritually
   V.A.1. Know that prayer and study are essential for growth in discipleship (CCC 2744)
   WBCI: 22; 25
   V.A.2. Know that a disciple is one who lives a life of virtue and service
   WBCI: 19; 19: As Catholics; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14;
   Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

   B. Relationships and Responsibilities In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that, living together in the Kingdom
   of God, we must grow in understanding, compassion, concern for the least, and mutual charity
   V.B.1. Know the Christian responsibility to promote the common good (CCC 1905-1912)

   C. Marriage and Family Life—Domestic Church Our family life is the church of the home, where we
   learn to love God and care for each other
   V.C.1. Identify the two purposes for marriage: mutual benefit of the spouses and procreation and
   education of children (CCC 2201)
   WBCI: 10: As Catholics; 14
V.C.2. Describe how the mutual love of the Trinity is the model in family life (CCC 2205)

V.C.3. Know that each family member has a special vocation from God (CCC 2232)

WBCI: 14

V.C.4. Understand that human sexuality is a gift from God (CCC 2361-2362, 2337)

D. Faith Communities Participation in the life and mission of the Church is both personal and communal

V.D.1. Identify examples in the Old Testament of God forming his people, the Church e.g., Abraham, Moses, David (CCC 762)

WBCI: 4; 5; 8; 9; 11; 12; 19

E. Nature and Mission of the Church The Church is the family of God, sent to bring the Good News of Jesus to all people

V.E.1. Know that the Church continues Christ’s mission of salvation for all through her ministries of teaching, healing, and service to others (CCC 763)

WBCI: 25; 26

V.E.2. The Church is the Bride of Christ and the mother of all God’s children (CCC 796-808)

V.E.3. Understand that the mission of the Catholic Church is to unify all people in Christ (CCC 810, 813-822)

WBCI: 26; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

V.E.4. Define infallibility (CCC 890-892)

F. Ecumenism We share in promoting the unity of all God’s people as a basic part of our fidelity to the Gospel

V.F.1. Know that all Christians are united in their belief in the Trinity; and in Jesus as the Son of God who came to save humanity from sin

WBCI: 26

VI. Catechesis Promotes a Missionary Spirit that Prepares the Faithful to Transform the World (GDC 84, 86-87)

A. Evangelization The Sacraments of Initiation both invite and challenge us to live as disciples in the larger society and in the world

VI.A.1. Know that evangelization is sharing in the mission of Jesus (CCC 905)

WBCI: 24: Make It Happen; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

B. Vocation/Apostolate Each of is called to a particular task in helping to reveal the Kingdom of God in the service of God’s plan for the world

VI.B.1. Know the difference between a career and a vocation

WBCI: 16: As Catholics

VI.B.2. Describe the role of prayerful discernment in the life of the disciple


C. Social Action and Transformation The Social Teachings of our tradition inspire us to concern and to action aimed at the well-being of all humankind

VI.C.1. Know that Catholic Social Teaching is the way one applies the virtues of charity and justice in the world (CCC 2446)

WBCI: 8: As Catholics; 15; 15: As Catholics; 25
VI.C.2. Know that the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy are an expression of Catholic Social Teaching (CCC 2447)
WBCI: 25; 25: As Catholics

D. Interreligious Dialogue We dialogue and work with people of other faiths, to build understanding, and to find our common hopes and values for a better world

VI.D.1. Know that the Jewish people were the first to respond to God’s covenant; because of God’s faithfulness this covenant remains operative (CCC 839; Rm 11:29)
WBCI: 1; 4; 9: Celebrate

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Grade Seven Religion Course of Study
Based on the Six Tasks of Catechesis*

I. **Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Faith** *(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 26-1065; General Directory for Catechesis, 84-85, 87)*

A. **The Person of Jesus Christ** Jesus loves and invites every person to be in relationship with him

   I. A. 1. Explain that Jesus Christ is the fullness of God’s self-revelation and the fulfillment of his promise *(CCC 51-53, 65; Heb 1:1-4)*
   
   WLOF Vol. I: 1; 8; 11; Seasons and Celebrations: Advent 277

   I. A. 2. Describe what it means to say that Jesus Christ is fully human and fully divine
   
   WLOF Vol. I: 3; 5; 8; 9; 10; Seasons and Celebrations: Advent 277; Seasons and Celebrations: Christmas 281; Seasons and Celebrations: Ascension 297; Glossary: p.313; Q&A: R34

B. **Understand Scripture** Sacred Scripture is the living Word of God, a history of the covenant, and a guide for life today

   I. B. 1. Explain the meaning of inspiration in Sacred Scripture *(CCC 105-108)*
   
   WLOF Vol. I: 2; 2: Catholic Identity; 6; Q&A: R33

   I. B. 2. Know how the Canon of Scripture was determined *(CCC 80-83)*
   

   I. B. 3. Understand that the Magisterium has the authority to interpret Sacred Scripture authentically *(CCC 84-87)*
   
   WLOF Vol. I: 2; Glossary: p.313; Q&A: R33

   I. B. 4. Understand that the Epistles were written to address questions and concerns in the early Church
   
   WLOF Vol. I: 2; Glossary 312

   I. B. 5. Identify some tools used in biblical study e.g., bible dictionary, bible commentary, bible atlas

C. **Creeds and Doctrines of the Church** The Creed expresses the faith of our Church and professes it to the world

   I.C.1. Recognize that there is “an order or ‘hierarchy’ of truths within the Church’s teaching.” *(CCC 90)*

   I.C.2. Define dogma, doctrine, and discipline

   I.C.3. Describe the “Last Things” *(CCC 954)*
   
   WLOF Vol. I: 21

D. **Discover the Church’s Tradition and Relevance of Church History** Our Church has a rich heritage which still serves as a guide for us today

   I.D.1 Name some of the Early Ecumenical Councils of the Church *(CCC 464-468)*

   I.D.2. Identify the Reformation and the Counter Reformation
I.D.3. Define heresy (CCC 2089)  
WLOF Vol. I: 23; Glossary: p.312

E. Christian Thought and Culture Our Church’s tradition is based in an appreciation for the gifts of many persons – theologians, saints, artists, teachers, and preachers – living as faithful disciples of Jesus

I.E.1. Describe the relationship of science to faith in the Catholic tradition (CCC 159)  
WLOF Vol. I: 2; 2: Catholic Identity

II. Catechesis promotes knowledge of the meaning of the Liturgy and Sacraments (CCC, 1066-1690; CCC, 84-85, 87)

A. Paschal Mystery Forms and Transforms The liturgical and sacramental life of the Church informs, forms, and transforms us as disciples of Jesus in the world

II.A.1. Describe how the Liturgy and the sacraments strengthen one to live as disciples of Jesus Christ (CCC 1108)  
WLOF Vol. I: 13; Seasons and Celebrations: The Liturgical Year 273

II.A.2. Know that participation in the Eucharist is an actual participation in the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ (CCC 1068, 1088, 1090, 1104)  
WLOF Vol. I: 13; 16

B. Sacraments Sacraments are special celebrations of God’s love for us

II.B.1. Cite sources in the New Testament that show the sacraments are derived from Jesus’ life and mission (CCC 1114-1116)  
WLOF Vol. I: 13

II.B.2. Recall that Confirmation is the sacrament which completes Christian Initiation (CCC 1285)  
WLOF Vol. I: 15

II.B.3. Know that the sacraments are the action of the Church and an integral part of her public prayer (CCC 1071, 1140)  
WLOF Vol. I: 13; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

C. Liturgical Catechesis We are invited into full, active, and conscious participation in the liturgical life of the Church

II.C.1. Describe the cycle of the liturgical year and how the celebrations relate to everyday life (CCC 1171)  
WLOF Vol. I: Seasons and Celebrations: The Liturgical Year 273

II.C.2. Explain the reason for the “Sunday Obligation” (CCC 2180-2183)  

D. Dimensions of Priesthood: Baptismal and Ordained Like Jesus, we are called to be priest, prophet, and king (CCC 783-786, 871, 1 Pet 2:9)

II.D.1. Identify examples of the roles of priest, prophet, and king in the lives of the baptized and ordained priesthood. (CCC 783-786, 871; 1Pt2:9)  
WLOF Vol. I: 14
III. Catechesis Promotes Moral Formation in Jesus Christ

\( \textit{CCC}, 1691-2557; \textit{GDC}, 84-85, 87 \)

A. Commandment to Love The ‘new commandment’ of Jesus, to love one another as he, God, has loved us is one of the defining characteristics of the Christian faith.

III.A.1. Know that one is able to live the “new commandment” through the grace of the Holy Spirit (\( \textit{CCC} \# 1966 \))

\textit{WLOF Vol. I: 5; 6; 6: Catholic Identity}

B. Ten Commandments and Beatitudes The Scriptures, especially in the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount, give us moral guidance

III.B.1. Compare and contrast the beatitudes as expressed in the “Sermon on the Mount” and the “Sermon on the Plain” (Mt 5:1-11, Lk 6:2-26)

III.B.2. Describe how living the Beatitudes expresses the Christian life of discipleship (\( \textit{CCC} \# 1716-1717 \))

\textit{WLOF Vol. I: 9; Glossary: p. 312; Q&A: R34; Retreat CREED: R1-R6}

C. Sin and Grace God’s love can overcome the evil of sin in our world

III.C.1. Explain how one’s choices have both personal and social consequences (\( \textit{CCC} 1730-1738, 1740 \))


III.C.2. Know that social sin can exist at the local, national, and global levels

III.C.3. Know that grace is first and foremost the gift of the Spirit that justifies and sanctifies (\( \textit{CCC} 2003 \))

\textit{WLOF Vol. I: 1; 13}

D. Conscience Formation The Gospel calls us to ongoing conversion, transforming our ways of thinking and living

III.D.1. Explain the process of developing a well formed conscience and how it affects one’s decisions (\( \textit{CCC} 1783-1785 \))

\textit{WLOF Vol. I: Resources for the Family: R43, R46}

III.D.2. Describe the role of virtue in forming one’s conscience (\( \textit{CCC} 1834; \textit{Phil} 4:8 \))

\textit{WLOF Vol. I: 20; 20: As Catholics; Glossary: p.313; Resources for the Family: R42}

E. Objective Moral Norms The Scriptures and Tradition of the Church teach us about right and wrong

III.E.1. Describe how natural law is foundational to all moral law (\( \textit{CCC} 1959 \))

\textit{WLOF Vol. I: Resources for the Family: R46}

III.E.2. Know that a life conformed to Sacred Scripture and the teachings of the Church lead to beatitude (\( \textit{CCC} 1724 \))

\textit{WLOF Vol. I: 2; 21; 22; 24; Retreat CREED: R1-R6}
F. **Gospel of Life** All life is a gift from God and is to be held sacred

III.F.1. Know that the mystery of the Incarnation affirms the goodness of creation and the dignity of humanity (CCC 461-463)
*WLOF Vol. I: 5*

III.F.2. Know that human work, of every kind, is a participation in God’s creative work and therefore integral to human dignity (CCC 2427-2428)
*WLOF Vol. I: 22*

III.F.3. Understand that human dignity is expressed fully when all aspects of one’s life work together (physical, social, emotional, intellectual) (CCC 901, 2461)
*WLOF Vol. I: 22; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R17*

G. **Living a Moral Life** As disciples of Jesus, we desire to follow him in his attitudes and actions

III.G.1. Identify the Gifts of the Holy Spirit and how they help one live a moral life (CCC 1830-1832; Is 11:1-2)
*WLOF Vol. I: 15: Catholic Identity*

III.G.2. Identify the Fruits of the Holy Spirit as signs of the Spirit at work in the life of a disciple (CCC 1832; Gal 5: 22-23)
*WLOF Vol. I: 15*

III.G.3. Know that Christians are called to make virtuous choices in everyday life
*WLOF Vol. I: 20; 24*

IV. **Catechesis Teaches the Christian How to Pray** (CCC, 2558-2865; GDC, 84-85, 87)

A. **Christian Prayer Tradition** Prayer in all its many forms is a language of love, faith, and hope

IV.A.1. Identify the steps in *Lectio Divina* (CCC 1177, 2708)
*WLOF Vol. I: 5: Catholic Identity*

B. **Personal Prayer** The mystery of God’s action in our lives draws us into a deeper relationship and a deeper desire to respond in prayer

IV.B.1. Understand that personal prayer is unique to one’s relationship with God
*WLOF Vol. I: 4; 24: Three ways of praying; Retreat PRAYER: R25-R28*

IV.B.2. Understand that perseverance in prayer is important (CCC 2730)
*WLOF Vol. I: 4: As Catholics*

C. **Communal Prayer** We share prayer with others, and worship together as the People of God

IV.C.1. Describe why the “Liturgy of the Hours” is the “prayer of the whole People of God” (CCC 1175)
*WLOF Vol. I: 24; Seasons and Celebrations: The Liturgical Year 273; Glossary: p.313; Resources for the Family: R44*

IV.C.2. Understand the role of art and music in communal prayer (CCC 1156-1162)
D. **Popular Piety and Devotions** Our families and friends share with us ways to grow closer to God

IV.D.1. **Explain how popular piety and devotions support personal and communal prayer** *(CCC 1675, 1679)*  
**WLOF Vol. I:** 24: Catholic Identity; Retreat PRAYER: R25-R30

IV.D.2. **Distinguish between sacraments and sacramentals** *(CCC 1131, 1677-1678)*  
**WLOF Vol. I:** 8: Catholic Identity; 13: Catholic Identity; Glossary: p.313; Q&A: R34

V. **Catechesis Prepares the Christian to Live in Community and to Participate in the Life and Mission of the Church** *(GDC, 84, 86-87)*

A. **Spiritual Growth** Our community life is built on the understanding that humans grow and develop physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially as well as spiritually

V.A.1. **Describe how the gifts of the Spirit, given in the Sacrament of Confirmation foster spiritual growth** *(CCC 736, 1303, 1316)*  
**WLOF Vol. I:** 15

V.A.2. **Explain how participation in community supports and sustains spiritual growth** *(CCC 2182)*  
**WLOF Vol. I:** 20; 24; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

B. **Relationships and Responsibilities** In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that, living together in the Kingdom of God, we must grow in understanding, compassion, concern for the least, and mutual charity

V.B.1. **Know that a disciple has a responsibility to participate in “social interchange” that promotes the common good** *(CCC 1913-1917)*  
**WLOF Vol. I:** 22; 22: Catholic Identity; 22: Stewards of Creation;  
*ALL LESSONS: Responding: Catholic Social Teaching Checklist*

V.B.2. **Explain why the Eucharist commits us to service of the poor** *(CCC 1397-98)*  
**WLOF Vol. I:** 12; 12: Catholic Identity; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

C. **Marriage and Family Life—Domestic Church** Our family life is the church of the home, where we learn to love God and care for each other

V.C.1. **Identify some responsibilities that parents have towards their children and children have toward their parents** *(CCC 2214-2231)*

V.C.2. **Understand why the Church teaches that sexual activity is reserved for marriage** *(CCC 2350, 2360-2363, 2390-2391)*  
**WLOF Vol. I:** 18; Retreat MORALITY: R20

V.C.3. **Explain what is meant by the indissolubility of marriage** *(CCC 1614-1617)*

D. **Faith Communities** Participation in the life and mission of the Church is both personal and communal

**WLOF Vol. I:** 6; 12; 15: East and West
V.D.2. Examine ways in which adolescents can share in the work of the parish (CCC 781-782)
WLOF Vol. I: 10: Grow where you’re planted; 21: Catholic Identity

VI.D.1. Define the term *sensus fidei* or the sense of faith (CCC 92; Jn 16:13; 1Jn 2:20)
WLOF Vol. I: 1

E. Nature and Mission of the Church The Church is the family of God, sent to bring the Good News of Jesus to all people

V.E.1. Identify some of the New Testament courses of Church’s mission to share the Good News
WLOF Vol. I: 2; 5

V.E.2. Know that the role of the Magisterium is to foster unity by expressing the authentic teaching of the Catholic Church (CCC 890)
WLOF Vol. I: 2; Glossary: p.313; Q&A: R33

V.E.3. Know that the life and mission of the Catholic Church is expressed in different Rites (CCC 814)

F. Ecumenism We share in promoting the unity of all God’s people as part of our fidelity to the Gospel

V.F.1. Know that Christ desires unity for his Church and calls the faithful to work towards it (CCC 820-822; Jn 17:20-21)
WLOF Vol. I: 1: Catholic Identity; 3; 16; 23

VI. Catechesis Promotes a Missionary Spirit that Prepares the Faithful to Transform the World (GDC 84, 86-87)

A. Evangelization The Sacraments of Initiation both invite and empower us to live as disciples in the larger society and in the world

VI.A.1. Identify what is meant by the *New Evangelization*

B. Vocation/Apostolate Each of is called to a particular task in helping to reveal the Kingdom of God in the service of God’s plan for the world

VI.B.1. Know that a personal apostolate is a means of living out the missionary spirit of the Church
WLOF Vol. I: 3; 12; 22; Retreat MORALITY: R17

C. Social Action and Transformation The Social Teachings of our tradition inspire us to concern and to action aimed at the well-being of all humankind

V.C.1. Understand that Catholic Social Teaching provides principles for reflection, criteria for judgments, and guidelines for action when building the Kingdom of God (CCC 2423)
WLOF Vol. I: 22; 22: Catholic Identity; *ALL LESSONS: Responding: Catholic Social Teaching Checklist; Glossary: p.312; Q&A: R35; Retreat CREED: R1-R6

V.C.2. Know that common good and human dignity are foundational principles for building a better world (CCC 1807, 1928-1933)
WLOF Vol. I: 2; Glossary: p.312

V.C.3. Identify the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching (CCC 1943-1948, 2419-2425)
WLOF Vol. I: 22
D. **Interreligious Dialogue** We dialogue and work with people of other faiths, to build understanding and to find our common hopes and values for a better world

**VI.D.2.** Define the term “monotheism”  
*WLOF Vol. I: 1: As Catholics*

**VI.D.3.** Identify the three world religions rooted in this belief: Judaism, Christianity, and Islam  
*(CCC 839-841)*

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I. Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Faith
   (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 26-1065; General Directory for Catechesis, 84-85, 87)
   A. The Person of Jesus Christ Jesus loves and invites every person to be in relationship with him
      I.A.1. Know that the goal of all faith formation is a relationship with Jesus Christ (CCC 426-427)
          WLOF Vol. II: 3; 23; Resources for the Family: R40
      I.A.2. Explain the meaning of “all things are redeemed in Christ” (CCC 616; Col 1:20)
          WLOF Vol. II: 19
      I.A.3. Know that Christ’s resurrection confirms all his works and teachings and the truth of his
              divinity (CCC 651, 1 Cor 15:14)
              WLOF Vol. II: 4; 8; 19; Seasons and Celebrations: Christmas 281; Easter 293; Resources for
              the Family: R41
   B. Understand Scripture Sacred Scripture is the living Word of God, a history of the covenant, and a
      guide for life today
      I.B.1. Know how to use such resources as a bible dictionary, bible commentary, and bible atlas
      I.B.2. Describe the development of the Catholic canon (CCC 80-83)
          WLOF Vol. II: 7; 8; Q&A: R34; Prayers and Practices: Bible Basics 310
      I.B.3. Identify the Old Testament themes which are central to Salvation History (Creation,
              Covenant, Exodus, People of God)
          WLOF Vol. II: 3; 4; 8; Seasons and Celebrations: Lent 285; Prayers and Practices: Bible Basics 310
      I.B.4. Identify the themes of Salvation History that are fulfilled in the New Testament (Covenant,
              Redemption, Resurrection, Communion)
          WLOF Vol. II: 4; 8; Seasons and Celebrations: The Liturgical Year 273; Prayers and Practices:
          Bible Basics 310
   C. Creeds and Doctrines of the Church The Creed expresses the faith of our Church and professes it to
      the world
      I.C.1. Explain why the Christian faith is Trinitarian
          WLOF Vol. II: 1: Catholic Identity
      I.C.2. Distinguish among dogma, doctrine, and discipline (CCC 88-90)
      I.C.3. Demonstrate the ability to locate Church teaching in the Catechism
      I.C.4. Identify some types of church documents, e.g. constitution, encyclical, and pastoral letter
          WLOF Vol. II: 15; 16; 17; 18; 20: Catholic Identity
      I.C.5. Define “sacred deposit” of the faith (CCC 84)
          WLOF Vol. II: 23; Glossary: p.312; Q&A: R35
I.C.6. Understand the relationship between justification and work in Catholic teaching (CCC 1987-1995; Jas 2:14-26)
WLOF Vol. II: 1; 3; 24

D. Discover the Church’s Tradition and Relevance of Church History Our Church has a rich heritage which still serves as a guide for us today

I.D.1. Identify the significance of the Council of Jerusalem
WLOF Vol. II: 7

I.D.2. Describe the role of the martyrs and hermits in the early Church
WLOF Vol. II: 7; 9; 14; 24; 24: Living Our Faith 262

I.D.3. Identify the Edict of Milan and its effect
WLOF Vol. II: 8

I.D.4. Describe the purpose and outcomes of the early Ecumenical Councils, e.g., Nicaea, Chalcedon, and Constantinople
WLOF Vol. II: 8; 8: Catholic Identity 91;

I.D.5. Describe the influence of St Augustine on the Church
WLOF Vol. II: 8: Saint Augustine; 21

I.D.6. Explain the place of St Benedict in the growth of western monasticism
WLOF Vol. II: 9; 17; 22: Witnesses in prayer 241

I.D.7. Describe some of the issues that lead up to the East – West Schism in 1054
WLOF Vol. II: 9

I.D.8. Identify how the mendicant religious communities affected the growth of the Church

I.D.9. Explain the influence of the printing press on the life of the Church

I.D.10. Identify key persons in the Reformation and Counter Reformation
WLOF Vol. II: 12; Glossary: p.312

I.D.11. Describe the Church’s link to the exploration of the New World

I.D.12. Identify the papal encyclical Rerum Novarum as the first modern expression of Catholic Social Teaching
WLOF Vol. II: 15; 16; 17

I.D.13. Identify the significance outcomes of the Second Vatican Council
WLOF Vol. II: 16; 18; 20; 20: Catholic Identity 219

I.D.14. Identify important figures in the history and life of the Catholic Church in the United States, e.g., Bishop John Carroll, St. Isaac Jogues, St. Frances Cabrini, Fr. Augustus Tolton, St. Elizabeth Seton, St. Katherine Drexel, Bl. Junipero Serra, St. Kateri Tekakwitha, etc.
WLOF Vol. II: 13; 15; All Lessons: Partners in Faith (saint profile); Online Resource: Lives of the Saints
E. Christian Thought and Culture
Our Church’s tradition is based in an appreciation for the gifts of many persons – theologians, saints, artists, teachers, and preachers – living as faithful disciples of Jesus.

I.E.1. Describe the Church’s role in the growth of universities and hospitals

I.E.2. Provide examples of the faith being taught through Christian art and music
WLOF Vol. II: 11; 18

II. Catechesis promotes knowledge of the meaning of the Liturgy and Sacraments
(CCC, 1066-1690; CCC, 84-85, 87)

A. Paschal Mystery Forms and Transforms
The liturgical and sacramental life of the Church informs, forms, and transforms us as disciples of Jesus in the world

II.A.1. Explain how the Paschal Mystery “transcends all times while being made present in them all” (CCC 1085)
WLOF Vol. II: 4; 19; Seasons and Celebrations: The Liturgical Year 273; Ordinary Time: 301

B. Sacraments
Sacraments are special celebrations of God’s love for us

II.B.1. Understand the link between Baptism and Confirmation (CCC 1304-1305)
WLOF Vol. II: 20; 22; Resources for the Family: R44

II.B.2. Know the steps in the Rite of Confirmation (CCC 1293-1305)

II.B.3. Describe what it means to say the Eucharistic Liturgy is “the summit and source” of a Christian life (CCC 1324, LG 11)
WLOF Vol. II: 4; 18; 20; 22; Seasons and Celebrations: Ordinary Time: 301

II.B.4. Define transubstantiation (CCC 1376) WLOF Vol. II: 10; Glossary: p.313

II.B.5. Identify the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (CCC 1229-1233)
WLOF Vol. II: Retreat CREED: R5

C. Liturgical Catechesis
We are invited into full, active, and conscious participation in the liturgical life of the Church

II.C.1. Define liturgical catechesis (CCC 1074-1075)
WLOF Vol. II: 22; Seasons and Celebrations: The Liturgical Year 273; Ordinary Time 301

II.C.2. Describe how music and art can be forms of liturgical catechesis (CCC 1156-1162)
WLOF Vol. II: Seasons and Celebrations: The Liturgical Year 273; Advent 277; Christmas 281; Lent 285; Triduum 289; Easter 293; Pentecost 297; Ordinary Time 301

D. Dimensions of Priesthood:
Baptismal and Ordained Like Jesus, we are called to be priest, prophet, and king

II.D.1. Know that through the sacrament of Confirmation the baptized are further empowered to share in Christ’s mission through a diversity of ministries (CCC 871-873)
WLOF Vol. II: 20; 22; 23; Resources for the Family: R44
II.D.2. Know that the laity have the unique responsibility to be priest, prophet, and king in the world (CCC 871-873)  
WLOF Vol. II: 21; 23; Retreat: CREED: R3

III. Catechesis Promotes Moral Formation in Jesus Christ  
(CCC, 1691-2557; GDC, 84-85, 87)

C. Commandment to Love The ‘new commandment’ of Jesus, to love one another as he, God, has loved us is one of the defining characteristics of the Christian faith.

III.A.1. Explain what is meant by the “law of the Gospel” (CCC 1965-1974)  
WLOF Vol. II: 3; 21

D. Ten Commandments and Beatitudes The Scriptures, especially in the Ten Commandments and the Sermon on the Mount, give us moral guidance

III.B.1. Explain why the Ten Commandments are still relevant in living a moral life (CCC 2070)  
WLOF Vol. II: 3; 5; 21

III.B.2. Identify the characteristics of a disciple as outlined in the Beatitudes (CCC 1716-1717)  
WLOF Vol. II: 3; 5; 18; 19; 20; 21; 23; 24

E. Sin and Grace God’s love can overcome the evil of sin in our world

III.C.1. Describe how one’s choices have consequences for oneself and for others (Mt 25)  
WLOF Vol. II: 1; 2; 3

III.C.2. Know that in the sacrament of Confirmation one receives, explicitly, the gifts of the Holy Spirit (CCC 1302-1305)  
WLOF Vol. II: 20; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R12; Resources for the Family: R44

III.C.3. Explain the relationship between the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit (CCC 1830-1832, Is 11:1-5, Gal 5: 22)  
WLOF Vol. II: Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R12; Resources for the Family: R44

D. Conscience Formation The Gospel calls us to ongoing conversion, transforming our ways of thinking and living

III.D.1. Explain what is meant by “a well-formed conscience” (CCC 1783-1785)  
WLOF Vol. II: 2; Q&A: R33; Glossary: p.313

III.D.2. Describe the responsibility to follow a well formed conscience (CCC 1706, 1790-1794)  
WLOF Vol. II: 2

E. Objective Moral Norms The Scriptures and Tradition of the Church teach us about right and wrong

III.E.1. Identify the role of Scripture, Tradition, and the Magisterium in living a moral life (CCC 85-86, 97-98)  
WLOF Vol. II: 7; 7: Catholic Identity; 12; 24; Q&A: R34
F. Gospel of Life All life is a gift from God and is to be held sacred

III.F.1. Explain why the Catholic Church teaches that all life is sacred from conception to natural death (CCC 2318-2330)
   WLOF Vol. II: 5; 17; 18; 18: Catholic Identity; 19: Catholic Identity

III.F.2. Know that the first principle of Catholic Social Teaching the promotion of human dignity (CCC #2419-2421)
   WLOF Vol. II: 1: Catholic Social Teaching Checklist p.20; 10: Catholic Social Teaching Checklist p.114; 19; 24: Catholic Social Teaching Checklist p.264; Retreat MORALITY: R17-R22

G. Living a Moral Life As disciples of Jesus, we desire to follow him in his attitudes and actions

III.G.1. Describe how the gifts of the Holy Spirit help one to develop a virtuous life (CCC 1830)
   WLOF Vol. II: 20; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R12; Resources for the Family: R44

III.G.2. Know that in spite of human weakness and failure one is called to follow Jesus and live a virtuous life each day (CCC 1810-1811)
   WLOF Vol. II: 2; 3; 19

IV. Catechesis Teaches the Christian How to Pray (CCC, 2558-2865; GDC, 84-85, 87)

A. Christian Prayer Tradition Prayer in all its many forms is a language of love, faith, and hope

IV.A.1. Know that prayer is a gift from God that requires a response (CCC 2591)
   WLOF Vol. II: 9: Catholic Identity; 22; Retreat PRAYER R25-R30

IV.A.2. Describe the role of the Holy Spirit in prayer (CCC 2670; Rom 8:26)
   WLOF Vol. II: 9: Catholic Identity; 22

IV.A.3. Recall and describe the different types of prayer (CCC 2625-2649)
   WLOF Vol. II: 9: Catholic Identity; 22

B. Personal Prayer The mystery of God’s action in our lives draws us into a deeper relationship and a deeper desire to respond in prayer

IV.B.1. Explain why prayer is essential to the life of a disciple (CCC 2744-2745)
   WLOF Vol. II: 9: Catholic Identity; 22; Seasons and Celebrations: Lent (prayer) 287; Retreat PRAYER R25-R30

IV.B.2. Recall the importance of Sacred Scripture in personal prayer, especially Lectio Divina (CCC 2653-2654)
   WLOF Vol. II: Seasons and Celebrations: Lent (prayer) 287; Retreat: CREED; LITURGY & SACRAMENTS; MORALITY; PRAYER /Part 3 modified Lectio Divina

C. Communal Prayer We share prayer with others, and worship together as the People of God

IV.C.1. Know that the Mass, the seven sacraments, the Liturgy of the Hours comprise the official public prayer of the Church (CCC 1113, 1175)
   WLOF Vol. II: 7; 20; 22; Seasons and Celebrations: The Liturgical Year 273; Retreat PRAYER R29
IV.C.2. Know that the Liturgy is Christ’s prayer “to the Father in the Holy Spirit” (CCC 1073)

D. Popular Piety and Devotions Our families and friends share with us ways to grow closer to God

IV.D.1. Describe the history of some popular devotions, e.g., St. Faustina and Divine Mercy, Our Lady of Guadalupe celebrations, Day of the Dead, St. Francis and the crèche, etc. (CCC 1679, 2663)

WLOF Vol. II: 22; 24: Catholic Identity; Resources for the Family 307

V. Catechesis Prepares the Christian to Live in Community and to Participate in the Life and Mission of the Church (GDC, 84, 86-87)

A. Spiritual Growth Our community life is built on the understanding that humans grow and develop physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially as well as spiritually

V.A.1. Describe how the sacrament of Confirmation supports spiritual growth in both the individual and the community (CCC 1316)

WLOF Vol. II: 20; 22; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

V.A.2. Know that Confirmation commits one to lifelong spiritual growth

WLOF Vol. II: 22

B. Relationships and Responsibilities In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that, living together in the Kingdom of God, we must grow in understanding, compassion, concern for the least, and mutual charity

V.B.1. Describe how Christian values and virtues are foundational in forming, strengthening and maintaining healthy relationships

WLOF Vol. II: 20

C. Marriage and Family Life—Domestic Church Our family life is the church of the home, where we learn to love God and care for each other

V.C.1. Explain the roles of consent, permanence, and fidelity in Christian marriage (CCC 1625-1629, 1638, 1646-1651)

WLOF Vol. II: 22

V.C.2. Describe the important role of mutual love, respect, and responsibilities of spouses toward each other and toward their children (CCC 1631)

D. Faith Communities Participation in the life and mission of the Church is both personal and communal

V.D.1. Know that the sacraments are the work of Christ and benefit both the community and the individual person (CCC 1140)

WLOF Vol. II: 2

V.D.2. Understand that Confirmation binds one more closely to the Church (CCC 1303)

WLOF Vol. II: Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14; Resources for the Family: R44

V.D.3. Describe how the gifts of the Spirit build up the Church

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E. Nature and Mission of the Church The Church is the family of God, sent to bring the Good News of Jesus to all people
V.E.1. Identify the different bodies that carry out the teaching sanctifying and governing roles of the Church e.g., Roman Curia, USCCB, Local Archbishops and Bishops, priests (CCC 888-896)
WLOF Vol. II: 18: Sending a Message p.197; 23; 23: Catholic Identity

V.E.2. Explain what it means to say that the Magisterium is both servant and custodian of Scripture and Tradition (CCC 85-87)
WLOF Vol. II: 7: Catholic Identity

F. Ecumenism We share in promoting the unity of all God’s people as part of our fidelity to the Gospel

V.F.1. Name some of the ways Catholics can respond to the call of Ecumenism (CCC 821)
WLOF Vol. II: 18

VI. Catechesis Promotes a Missionary Spirit that Prepares the Faithful to Transform the World (GDC 84, 86-87)

A. Evangelization The Sacraments of Initiation both invite and empower us to live as disciples in the larger society and in the world

VI.A.1. Understand that in the sacrament of Confirmation strengthens one to live as a disciple (CCC 1303)
WLOF Vol. II: 18; 22; 23; Retreat LITURGY & SACRAMENTS: R9-R14

VI.A.2. Identify some church documents which present the New Evangelization and its importance
WLOF Vol. II: 18

B. Vocation/Apostolate Each of is called to a particular task in helping to reveal the Kingdom of God in the service of God’s plan for the world

VI.B.1. Understand that the gifts of the Holy Spirit help one discern God’s unique invitation of service to the Church
WLOF Vol. II: 23; Resources for the Family: R44

C. Social Action and Transformation The Social Teachings of our tradition inspire us to concern and to action aimed at the well-being of all humankind

VI.C.1. Recall the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching
WLOF Vol. II: 19

VI.C.2. Know that the sacrament of Confirmation completes one’s initiation into the life and mission activity in the Church (CCC 1303)
WLOF Vol. II: 22; Resources for the Family R44

D. Interreligious Dialogue We dialogue and work with people of other faiths, to build understanding and to find our common hopes and values for a better world

VI.D.1. Know that the Church acknowledges the spiritual and moral truths of other religions as a preparation for hearing the Gospel (CCC 843)
WLOF Vol. II: 18