

## Unit 1 The Good News of Jesus

### CHAPTER 1 - Introduction to Sacred Scripture

Faith Concepts:

- Scripture is the inspired Word of God.
- Jesus Christ is the fulfillment of God's promise in the Covenant.
- Each of us is called to be devoted to reading and praying Sacred Scripture.

Sacred Scripture: Acts 2:22-24, 32-33 (Peter's speech at Pentecost); 2 Timothy 3:16-17 (All Scripture is inspired by God)

Disciple Power: devotion

Faith Vocabulary: canon of Scripture, inspiration

Holy People: Saint Jerome, Saint Peter

Catholics Believe: God is the author of Scripture.

Prayer: Prayer to Saint Jerome

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 51-67, 105-107, 515

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 21-33

### CHAPTER 2 - Proclaim Boldly

Faith Concepts:

- The Gospel is the Good News of Jesus Christ.
- Each evangelist presents a unique portrait of Jesus.
- Being a disciple of Jesus means boldly proclaiming the Gospel

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 1:1, 16 (Jesus' genealogy); Luke 1:3, (Luke's prologue); John 1:1-5 (John's prologue)

Disciple Power: prayerfulness

Faith Vocabulary: disciples, evangelists

Holy People: Saint Luke the Evangelist

Catholics Believe: The Great Commandment

Prayer: A Litany of Praise

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 75, 124-125, 514-515

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 21-33

### CHAPTER 3 - The Gospel of Mark

Faith Concepts:

- Mark's Gospel focuses primarily on Jesus' ministry and the Cross.
- Mark challenges us to think about what it means to be a disciple.
- Discipleship involves discipline and sacrifice.

Sacred Scripture: Mark 1:15 (Kingdom of God is at hand); Mark 1:29-38 (Jesus' healings in Capernaum); Mark 8:34-35 (Take up the cross and follow Jesus)

Disciple Power: peacemaking

Faith Vocabulary: mission, Paschal Mystery, sacrifice

Holy People: Saint Mark the Evangelist

Catholics Believe: Power of the Cross, The Seven Sacraments

Prayer: Prayer of Petitions

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 105-107, 515

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 21-33

### CHAPTER 4 - The Gospel of Matthew

Faith Concepts:

- Jesus' Sermon on the Mount echoes the teachings of Moses.
- The Beatitudes complement the Ten Commandments.
- Disciples of Jesus are to be like salt of the earth and the lights of the world.

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 5:3-10 (The Beatitudes); Matthew 5:17-18 (Jesus fulfills the Law); Matthew 5:19-20 (Teaching about the Law); Matthew 5:39 (Turn the other cheek)

Disciple Power: humility

Faith Vocabulary: Covenant, discourse, Torah

Holy People: Joseph Cardinal Bernardin

Catholics Believe: Daily Prayer

Prayer: Prayer for Guidance

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 105-107, 515

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: 105-107, 515

### CHAPTER 5 - Luke and Acts

Faith Concepts:

- The same author wrote both the Gospel of Luke and Acts of the Apostles.
- Luke the Evangelist focuses on the role of the Holy Spirit in the life of Jesus and the Church.
- Repentance and conversion are part of being a disciple.

Sacred Scripture: Luke 4:16-21 (The Rejection at Nazareth); Luke 24:46-48 (Risen Lord appears to disciples in Jerusalem); Romans 6:4 (Buried with Jesus in Baptism)

Disciple Power: repentance

Faith Vocabulary: conversion, parable

Holy People: Saint Francis of Assisi, Dorothy Day

Catholics Believe: Conversion of mind and heart

Prayer: A Prayer for Mercy

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 105-107, 515

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 21-33

### CHAPTER 6 - The Gospel of John

Faith Concepts:

- The Gospel of John describes Jesus' miracles as signs of God's power and love.
- John's Gospel features seven "I AM" statements, which declare that Jesus is God.
- In John's Last Supper story, Jesus washes the disciples' feet and invites them to do the same.

Sacred Scripture: John 1:14 (Word made flesh); John 4:26, 6:35, 8:12, 10:7, 10:11, 11:25, 15:1 (I AM statements); John 11:21-27, 41-44 (Raising of Lazarus); John 13:12-14 (Jesus is Lord and Teacher)

Disciple Power: fear of the Lord

Faith Vocabulary: Book of Glory, Book of Signs, Incarnation

Holy People: Saint Hildegard von Bingen

Catholics Believe: At the moment of death

Prayer: A Profession of Faith

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 105-107, 515

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 21-33

### Catholic Social Teaching - Unit 1

Principle: Preferential Option for the Poor and Vulnerable

Science: Research ocean businesses on the poor

Social Studies: Draft a profile of a Central American country.

Mathematics: Compare nutrients of cow's milk with goat's milk.

Faith Action: Help a family in a Third World country.

## Unit 2 Proclaiming the Gospel

### CHAPTER 7 - Evangelizing the World

**Faith Concepts:**

- Jesus called the Church to be a missionary Church from the beginning.
- Today the Church flourishes in Asia, Africa and the Americas.
- Jesus calls each of us to build a world of love.

Sacred Scripture: Psalm 96:3 (Tell of God's glory)

Disciple Power: perseverance

Faith Vocabulary: catechist, evangelization, missionary

Holy People: Saint John Nepomucene Neumann

Catholics Believe: Apostles and disciples

Prayer: A Litany to the Saints

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 830-838, 849-856, 1229-1233, 1247-1249

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 16-17, 135-138

### CHAPTER 8 - The Letter to the Romans

**Faith Concepts:**

- After his encounter with the Risen Christ, Paul's life was changed forever.
- Saint Paul proclaimed the Gospel to the Gentiles.
- Through Baptism we receive the gift of God's grace to be children of God.

Sacred Scripture: Acts 9:3-5 (Saul's Conversion); Romans 6:1-6, 8-11 (Living for God); Romans 6:15-16, 20-23 (Freedom from sin); Romans 8:15-17 (Spirit of adoption)

Disciple Power: courage

Faith Vocabulary: epistles, Gentiles, grace

Holy People: Jesuit Volunteer Corps, Saint Paul

Catholics Believe: Relationship between Jews and Christians

Prayer: God Is Enough

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 94-95, 154-165, 176

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 35-47

### CHAPTER 9 - The Letter to the Philippians

**Faith Concepts:**

- Paul's Letter to the Philippians is one that deals with joy and suffering.
- Saint Paul demonstrates that God can bring blessings from suffering.
- Being a disciple of Jesus means we have reason to rejoice.

Sacred Scripture: Philippians 1:12-17 (Encouragement in times of distress); Philippians 1:27-28 (Steadfastness in faith); Philippians 4:4-9 (Peace of God surpasses all understanding.)

Disciple Power: steadfastness

Faith Vocabulary: joy, suffering

Holy People: Father Jerzy Popieluszko

Catholics Believe: Theological Virtues, suffering

Prayer: Philippians 2:5-11 (Hymn of Faith)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 2419-2445

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 325-327, 450-455

### CHAPTER 10 - The Letter to the Colossians

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Letter to the Colossians was written to first-generation Christians who were aging and dying.
- This letter contains one of the great hymns to the divine Christ.
- God calls us to love like him in all that we do and say.

Sacred Scripture: John 13:34-35 (The New Commandment); Colossians 1:15-20 (Christ the person and work); Colossians 2:6-7, 12 (Buried with Christ); Colossians 3:1-4, 12-17 (Christ in our hearts)

Disciple Power: charity

Faith Vocabulary: New Commandment, source and summit

Holy People: Saint Josephine Bakhita, Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne

Catholics Believe: Kindness and mercy

Prayer: 1 John 3:7-16 (Put on Love)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 105-107, 515

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 21-33

### CHAPTER 11 - The Letter to the Hebrews

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Letter to the Hebrews was written for Jews who had accepted Jesus as Messiah and Son of God.
- This letter explains how Christ replaces the Temple in whom we encounter God.
- The Mass is a source of strength for us to be ambassadors of Christ.

Sacred Scripture: Hebrews 8:1-2 (Christ is the high priest.); Hebrews 9:1-4, 7 (The New Ark); Hebrews 9:11-12, 15 (Christ is mediator of the New Covenant.)

Disciple Power: respect

Faith Vocabulary: apostasy, redemption

Holy People: Charles de Foucauld

Catholics Believe: Faith and works

Prayer: Lectio Divina

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 1322-1344

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 215-216, 220-224

### CHAPTER 12 - The Book of Revelation

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Book of Revelation uses vivid images and symbols to help us understand spiritual mysteries.
- The last book of the Bible is written to give hope to Christians.
- The prophecies in Revelation proclaim Christ's ultimate victory of good over evil.

Sacred Scripture: Revelation 18:1-2, 4-5, 8 (The Fall of Babylon); Revelation 21:1-7, 22:1-4 (The New Heaven and the New Earth); Revelation 22:13 (Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega)

Disciple Power: hope

Faith Vocabulary: apocalyptic writing, temptation

Holy People: Saint Jeanne d'Arc, North American Martyrs

Catholics Believe: Second Coming of Christ

Prayer: The Lord's Prayer

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 675-677, 1039, 1048, 1059

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 93-99

### Catholic Social Teaching - Unit 2

Principle: Dignity of Work and Rights of Workers

Mathematics: Keep a parish's balance sheet

Language Arts: Write a children's short story.

Creative Arts: Illustrate a children's short story

Faith Action: Use a gift or talent in service for others.

## Unit 1 The Revelation of God

### CHAPTER 1 - Faith in History

Faith Concepts:

- Jesus is one person who is fully human and fully divine.
- God is one in three Divine Persons.
- God calls you to live your faith through your actions.

Sacred Scripture: Mark 8:27-29 (Peter confessing that Jesus is the Messiah); John 1:1, 14 (Word became flesh.); Philippians 2:11 (Every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord.)

Disciple Power: fortitude

Faith Vocabulary: dogma, ecumenical council, heresy

Holy People: Prominent martyrs of the faith

Catholics Believe: Defining Dogma

Prayer: The Apostles' Creed

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC): 27-184*

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA): pp. 2-26*

### CHAPTER 2 - Faith of the Church

Faith Concepts:

- We have been created to live in friendship and communion with God, and we can come to know him through his creation.
- God's revelation of himself and his will is called Divine Revelation.
- God is a mystery who can never be fully understood or explained.

Sacred Scripture: Mark 12:29-31 (The Greatest Commandment); 1 Corinthians 13:12 (At present I know partially.)

Disciple Power: knowledge

Faith Vocabulary: Divine Revelation, faith, mystery

Holy People: Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Saint Augustine of Hippo, Saint Albert the Great

Catholics Believe: God is the First Cause.

Prayer: Prayer to the Triune God

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC): 27, 32-34, 50-53, 153-162*

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA): pp. pp. 12-18*

### CHAPTER 3 - The Word of God

Faith Concepts:

- God inspired human authors to write the Bible in his name.
- The Bible reveals God's Covenant with humanity. In Jesus the Covenant is fulfilled.
- Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition comprise one Deposit of Faith.

Sacred Scripture: Genesis 9:8-10, 12-13 (Covenant with Noah); Jeremiah 33:14-15 (Raise up a shoot of David); John 1:14 (Word became flesh.); Revelation 21:9-27 (New Jerusalem)

Disciple Power: prayer

Faith Vocabulary: canon, covenant, divine inspiration, exegesis

Holy People: Abraham, Moses

Catholics Believe: Original Sin

Prayer: Lectio Divina

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC): 54-67, 80, 105-108, 110, 120*

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA): pp. 27-28, 32*

### CHAPTER 4 - Images of God

Faith Concepts:

- The Bible uses many different images and descriptions for God.
- Jesus, the Word of God Incarnate, is the full revelation of God.
- Each of us is created in the image and likeness of God.

Sacred Scripture: Genesis 1:26-27; 2:7 (Creation of man and woman); Deuteronomy 6:4-5 (Hear, O Israel); Isaiah 54:10 (God's love is everlasting); Psalm 139:13 (God formed my innermost being.); Romans 1:20 (Eternal power of God); 1 John 4:8 (God is love.)

Disciple Power: perseverance

Faith Vocabulary: monotheism, omnipresence, original justice

Holy People: Hélder Pessoa Câmara, Saint Teresa of Jesus

Catholics Believe: God is neither male nor female; Angels are spiritual creatures.

Prayer: Ephesians 3:14-21 (Be Glory in Christ)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC): 302-305, 356-373, 378-379, 385-409*

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA): pp. 55-56, 66-67, 364-365*

### CHAPTER 5 - Divine Activity

Faith Concepts:

- God makes his presence known through his creation.
- We can know that God exists through his plan of Salvation in Jesus Christ.
- Seeing with eyes of faith helps us to detect God's presence in the world.

Sacred Scripture: Genesis 1:1-3 (God created the heavens and the earth.); Exodus 3:13-14 (I am who am); Exodus 15:1-2 (The Lord is my strength and my courage.); Exodus 20:5a-6 (God is jealous but merciful.); Isaiah 49:14-16 (God's love is like that of a nurturing mother.)

Disciple Power: fear of the Lord

Faith Vocabulary: grace, freedom, parable, soul

Holy People: Students Reach Out clubs, Teresa of Calcutta

Catholics Believe: Stewards of creation

Prayer: Daniel 3 (Bless the Lord)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC): 232-267*

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA): pp. 49-63*

### CHAPTER 6 - The Holy Trinity

Faith Concepts:

- God is one in three Divine Persons: Father, Son, Holy Spirit.
- Within the Trinity, there is one divine nature and three Divine Persons.
- Our relationships with one another are to reflect the communion of the Holy Trinity.

Sacred Scripture: Deuteronomy 6:4-5 (The Shema); Matthew 28:19 (Baptize in the name of the Father, Son, Holy Spirit); Mark 1:10-11 (Baptism of Jesus); John 14:16-17 (The Advocate, the Spirit of truth); Acts 2:2-3 (Pentecost)

Disciple Power: understanding

Faith Vocabulary: nature, sanctifies, salvation

Holy People: Saint Athanasius

Catholics Believe: God is a community of love; The divine mission of the Trinity

Prayer: Glory to the Trinity

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC): 230, 232-249, 257-260*

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA): pp. 51-53*

### Catholic Social Teaching - Unit 1

Principle: Caring for Creation

Science: Research conditions on viewing the night sky.

Social Studies: Develop a plan for local community action.

Creative Arts: Prepare skits to advocate stewardship.

Faith Action: Reflect on personal stewardship.

## Unit 2 The Gift of Salvation

### CHAPTER 7 - Unity from Diversity

**Faith Concepts:**

- Through her diversity, the Church expresses oneness and universality.
- The Catholic Church is one and holy because of God.
- The Church has continually reformed in order to be the light of Christ in the world.

Sacred Scripture: John 17:21-23 (So that they may be one)

Disciple Power: reverence

Faith Vocabulary: Magisterium, rite, schism

Holy People: Saint Charles Borromeo

Catholics Believe: The Church is the sacrament of our communion with God.

Prayer: John 15:5-16 (Remain in My Love)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 77, 88, 95, 813-822, 890, 1471-1479, 2033-2034

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 22, 25-30, 133-134, 244-245

### CHAPTER 8 - Jesus of Nazareth

**Faith Concepts:**

- God the Son, the Word of God, truly took on flesh and was born of a woman.
- Our faith in Christ provides us the right relationship with God and all of creation.
- The Resurrection reveals who Jesus truly is and God's plan of Salvation.

Sacred Scripture: Mark 1:4, 7-8, 11 (Jesus' Baptism); Mark 1:14 (The Kingdom of God is at hand.); Mark 2:16-17 (Jesus eats with sinners.); Mark 8:27-30 (Peter confess Jesus is the Messiah.); Luke 4:16-21 (Jesus fulfills the Law.); John 1:14 (Word became flesh.)

Disciple Power: devotion

Faith Vocabulary: Gospel, messiah, metanoia

Holy People: Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

Catholics Believe: The Gospels are the inspired Word of God.

Prayer: Praying the Beatitudes

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 512-594

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 79-100

### CHAPTER 9 - The Son of God

**Faith Concepts:**

- Jesus Christ is the Incarnate Word of God, the Second Person of the Trinity.
- Jesus is one Divine Person with both human and divine natures.
- Mary is the Mother of God, and role model of all members of the Church.

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 1:23 (Jesus is Emmanuel); Luke 1:35 (Jesus is the Son of God); Luke 4:18-19 (Jesus is fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy.); John 19:26-27 (Mary, Mother of the Church)

Disciple Power: joy

Faith Vocabulary: Incarnation, Kyrios

Holy People: Mary, the Mother of God

Catholics Believe: The Immaculate Conception; The Assumption

Prayer: Luke 1:68-72, 73-77 (Blessed Be the Lord)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 456-478, 484-507, 522-524, 535-560

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 79, 81-86, 105, 143-144

### CHAPTER 10 - Jesus' Passion and Death

**Faith Concepts:**

- Original Sin placed all of humanity in need of God's salvation.
- The Paschal Mystery brought about our redemption.
- Christ's Resurrection gives us hope when grieving from loss.

Sacred Scripture: Genesis 2:17 (Adam and Eve tempted in Garden); Mark 14: 32-36 (The Garden of Gethsemane); Luke 23:46 (Jesus' last words); 1 Peter 4:6 (Gospel preached to the dead.)

Disciple Power: trust

Faith Vocabulary: expiation, Original Sin, redemption

Holy People: Saint Leonard of Port Maurice

Catholics Believe: The Kingdom of God

Prayer: Meditation on Jesus' Last Words

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 309-314, 385-390, 396-412, 599-618, 631-635

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 80, 93, 96-97

### CHAPTER 11 - The Resurrection and Ascension

**Faith Concepts:**

- Jesus' Resurrection is the source of our hope for eternal life with God.
- The Resurrection is the center of our faith in Christ.
- With God's grace, we have the strength and hope to handle life's challenges.

Sacred Scripture: John 11:25-26 (Promise of eternal life); Acts 1:9-11 (The Ascension); 1 Corinthians 15:3-6 (Paul testifies to Christ's death, burial and resurrection); Philippians 4:13 (Strength from God)

Disciple Power: piety

Faith Vocabulary: Ascension, Heaven, Hell, Purgatory

Holy People: Saint Mary Magdalene, Saint Paul

Catholics Believe: The resurrection of the body

Prayer: Christ, Our Hope

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 639-655, 659-664, 668-679, 988-1014, 1020-1050

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 80, 93, 96-97

### CHAPTER 12 - The Giver of Life

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Holy Spirit is the power and presence of God at work in the world.
- The Holy Spirit is the source of life, unity, and holiness for the Church.
- The Gifts and Fruits of the Spirit enable us to work for the Kingdom of God.

Sacred Scripture: Ezekiel 37:1-3, 11-12, 14 (Dry bones); John 3:5 (Born of the Spirit); 1 Corinthians 3:16 (Spirit of God dwells in us.)

Disciple Power: faith

Faith Vocabulary: Advocate, charisms

Holy People: Ezekiel the Prophet

Catholics Believe: The Holy Spirit is the principle author of Scripture.

Prayer: Prayer to the Holy Spirit

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 94,152, 190, 291, 691-692, 738-741, 1286, 1830-1832

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 101-110

### Catholic Social Teaching - Unit 2

Principle: Preferential Option for the Poor and Vulnerable

Science: Research the aspects of a heat wave.

Social Studies: Identify health services for the elderly.

Language Arts: Present a community plan.

Faith Action: Volunteer to visit those in need.

## Unit 1 Sacrament of Salvation

### CHAPTER 1 - Discipleship for Today

**Faith Concepts:**

- Vatican I began a deep reflection on what it means to be Church.
- Vatican II brought a new breath of fresh air into the Church.
- As a result of Vatican II, the Church emphasizes even more the importance of being disciples in the world.

Sacred Scripture: John 13:34-35 (Law of Love)

Disciple Power: wisdom

Faith Vocabulary: aggiornamento, charisms, constitutions

Holy People: Saint Catherine of Siena, Saint Thomas Aquinas

Catholics Believe: Scripture and Tradition flow from Divine Revelation.

Prayer: Prayer for Renewal

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 670-671, 798-800, 820-821, 827, 1428, 1928-1942, 2003, 2425-2426, 2832

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 21-23, 133-134, 403-404

### CHAPTER 2 - The People of God

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Church is the sacrament of God's love for the whole world.
- The Church is a pilgrim people called together by God to become one in Jesus Christ.
- These are four states of life: single, married, consecrated, and ordained.

Sacred Scripture: Genesis 9:9-13 (Covenant with Noah); Genesis 12:2 (Covenant with Abraham); Jeremiah 31:31-34 (Prophets announce a new covenant); Luke 22:14-20 (New Covenant is Jesus Christ); 1 Corinthians 12:4-7 (Different kinds of spiritual gifts)

Disciple Power: generosity

Faith Vocabulary: consecrated life, laity, ordained ministry

Holy People: Caritas Internationalis

Catholics Believe: The pilgrim Church, Election of the Pope

Prayer: Prayer for Vocations

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 1751, 758-776, 781-786, 871-913, 1555-1571

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 116-117

### CHAPTER 3 - The Mystery of the Church

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Church is Mystery, a communion of God and humanity; both visible and invisible.
- We are the Body of Christ, who are called to be the hands, feet, and heart of Christ to others.
- God is fully present within the Church, through the Holy Spirit.

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 5:11-12 (Blessed are the persecuted.); Mark 6:34-44 (Miracles of Loaves and Fish); John 6:48-50 (Jesus is the Bread of Life.); 1 Corinthians 3: 16 (Temple of God); 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 (One Body of Christ)

Disciple Power: prayerfulness

Faith Vocabulary: mystery of faith, sacrament

Holy People: Saint Bridget of Sweden

Catholics Believe: Mystical Body of Christ subsists in the Roman Catholic Church.

Prayer: Prayer for God's People

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 85-90, 751-757, 787-801, 811-865, 888-892

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp.111-123

### CHAPTER 4 - The Marks of the Church

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Four Marks of the Church are traits that make the Church unique.
- The Catholic Church works for unity among all peoples, especially among Christians.
- The Magisterium is the teaching authority of the Church.

Sacred Scripture: John 17:21 (So that they may all be one.); John 21:24 (John testifies to the truth of the Gospel.)

Disciple Power: integrity

Faith Vocabulary: apostolic succession, ecumenism, infallibility, Magisterium

Holy People: Saint Peter and the Apostles

Catholics Believe: Salvation through the grace of Jesus Christ

Prayer: Psalm 85 (Happy in Your House)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 813-822, 823-829, 830-835, 857-865

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 125-139

### CHAPTER 5 - People of Prayer

**Faith Concepts:**

- Prayer is an essential aspect of Christian living.
- When we pray, the Holy Spirit moves us and guides us to communicate.
- Vocal, meditation, and contemplation are the three main expressions of prayer.

Sacred Scripture: Luke 1:26-38 (The Magnificat); John 19:26 (Wedding at Cana); Romans 8:14-15, 26 (The Spirit intercedes for us through prayer)

Disciple Power: piety

Faith Vocabulary: contemplation, meditation, vocal prayer

Holy People: Saint John of the Cross, Saint Teresa of Ávila

Catholics Believe: Nature of prayer

Prayer: The Magnificat

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 1174-1178, 2652-2660, 2700-2719

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 461-495

### CHAPTER 6 - Prayer of the Church

**Faith Concepts:**

- Praying with the Church is an essential part our lives.
- Jesus is our greatest teacher in how to pray.
- Popular devotion and sacred images enrich the lives of Catholics.

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 26:39 (Jesus prays in the garden); 1 Thessalonians 5:17-18 (Pray without ceasing)

Disciple Power: obedience

Faith Vocabulary: icons, liturgy, rites

Holy People: Saint Benedict of Nursia, Saint Bernard of Clairvaux, Blessed Virgin Mary

Catholics Believe: Doctrine of the Assumption; Gift of prayer

Prayer: Prayer before a Crucifix

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 1077-1109, 1145-1206, 2558-2619

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 461-495

### Catholic Social Teaching - Unit 1

Principle: Participation in Community Life

Mathematics: Calculate the dimensions of the whiteboard.

Social Studies: Analyze local issues in the news.

Creative Arts: Role-play a dramatic presentation.

Faith Action: Get involved in a community event.

## Unit 2 Celebrating Mystery

### CHAPTER 7 - History of the Sacraments

Faith Concepts:  
 • Throughout the centuries, the Church's understanding of the Sacraments has developed.  
 • Some of the ways in which we celebrate the Sacraments have changed according to the needs of the faithful.  
 • The Sacraments of Christian Initiation celebrate full communion into the Church.

Sacred Scripture: Ruth 1:16 (Your people shall be my people.)

Disciple Power: humility

Faith Vocabulary: apostates, Christendom, mendicant

Holy People: Saint Francis de Sales, Saint Teresa of Jesus, Saint Justin Martyr, Saint Columba

Catholics Believe: Order of the Mass

Prayer: Psalm 8:4-10 (Praise to God)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 26, 298, 817-822, 2493-2498

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 166-179

### CHAPTER 8 - Give Thanks to the Lord

Faith Concepts:  
 • The Mass is our worship to God the Father, with the Son, through the Holy Spirit.  
 • The Seven Sacraments are the means by which Christ shares grace with us.  
 • The liturgical year is the cycle of seasons and feasts the Church celebrates each year.

Sacred Scripture: Psalm 119:105 (God is the center of our lives.)

Disciple Power: prudence

Faith Vocabulary: grace, liturgical year

Holy People: Saint Pope Gregory the Great

Catholics Believe: Sacramentals

Prayer: Acclaim the Lord

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 1113-1144, 1153-1155, 1163-1173

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 165-179

### CHAPTER 9 - Baptism and Confirmation

Faith Concepts:  
 • Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist are the Sacraments of Christian Initiation.  
 • Through Baptism, we belong to Christ.  
 • Through Confirmation, the Holy Spirit strengthens us in a mature faith.

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 16:24-27 (Conditions of discipleship); Mark 4:1-9 (Parable of the Sower); Luke 4:16-22 (Rejection at Nazareth); John 3:5 (Born of water and Spirit)

Disciple Power: joy

Faith Vocabulary: Baptism, Confirmation, Sacraments of Christian Initiation

Holy People: Saint Paul Miki, Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

Catholics Believe: Baptismal white garment

Prayer: Professing Our Faith

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 1210-1212, 1229-1245, 1262-1270, 1286-1311

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 168, 183, 215, 186-191, 201-221

### CHAPTER 10 - The Eucharist

Faith Concepts:  
 • The Mass is our celebration of thanksgiving to God for all he has done for us.  
 • The Eucharist is the source and summit of the Church's life.  
 • Holy Communion is our spiritual nourishment, helping us to have compassion and gratitude.

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 18:19-20 (Gathered in Jesus' name); Luke 22:19-20 (Institution of the Eucharist)

Disciple Power: compassion

Faith Vocabulary: Eucharist, memorial, sacrifice

Holy People: Bread for the World

Catholics Believe: Altar as both a place of sacrifice and a table for gathering

Prayer: Christ with Us

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 1324-1327, 1330-1334, 1337-1340, 1356-1381, 1390

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 213-232

### CHAPTER 11 - Sacraments of Healing

Faith Concepts:  
 • The Sacraments of Healing are Anointing of the Sick and Penance and Reconciliation.  
 • The Church reaches out to all who are suffering with illness and the effects of old age through the Anointing of the Sick.  
 • Each of us can experience God's healing grace in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 6:14-15; 18:21-22 (Forgive as Jesus forgives); John 20:21-23 (Whose sins you forgive are forgiven.); James 5:13-14 (Anointing the sick)

Disciple Power: mercy

Faith Vocabulary: conversion, free will, seal of confession

Holy People: Saints Perpetua and Felicity

Catholics Believe: Concupiscence

Prayer: The Jesus Prayer

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 547-553, 1420-1470, 1499-1525

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 233-247, 249-259

### CHAPTER 12 - Sacraments of Service

Faith Concepts:  
 • The Sacraments at the Service of Communion are Holy Orders and Matrimony.  
 • The man and woman who celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony become a living sign of God's fidelity.  
 • Holy Orders consecrates men who are called to serve, teach, and lead members of the Church.

Sacred Scripture: Genesis 2:24 (Man and woman to be partners); John 13:34-35 (Coming of the Kingdom)

Disciple Power: service

Faith Vocabulary: celibacy, conjugal act

Holy People: Saint Peter the Apostle

Catholics Believe: Annulments

Prayer: The Beatitudes

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 358, 825, 871-873, 898, 931, 1533-1589, 1700

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 261-275, 277-292

### Catholic Social Teaching - Unit 2

Principle: Solidarity of the Human Family

Language Arts: Write a book report.

Mathematics: Problem solve transportation costs.

Social Studies: Locate relief efforts on a map.

Faith Action: Volunteer to help alleviate hunger and poverty.

## Unit 1 Our Call to Moral Living

### CHAPTER 1 - The Universal Mission

Faith Concepts:

- Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior of all.
- The Church has a universal mission to make disciples of all nations.
- At the Council of Jerusalem, the Church respected the diversity of her members.

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 28:19-20 (Make disciples of all nations); Acts 9:4-6 (Conversion of Paul); Acts 10:11-13 (Peter's Vision); Acts 10:34-35 (Peter's speech at Pentecost); Acts 15:7-11 (Council of Jerusalem); Galatians 3:26-28 (One in Christ Jesus)

Disciple Power: perseverance

Faith Vocabulary: Catholic, evangelization, missionaries

Holy People: Maryknoll Missionaries, Saint Peter, Saint Paul

Catholics Believe: Faith and works

Prayer: Renewal of Baptismal Promises

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 4-12, 873, 894-896, 1560, 1897-1904, 1905-1912, 2443-2449

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 15-17, 102-104, 116-121

### CHAPTER 2 - Human Dignity

Faith Concepts:

- God created each of us in his image with a body and a soul.
- We are created out of love for eternal happiness with God.
- Happiness on Earth is found in our call to holiness.

Sacred Scripture: Isaiah 49:15-16 (God knows us like a mother knows her infant.); Matthew 5:3-10 (The Beatitudes); Matthew 22:37-40 (The Greatest Commandment); John 13:34 (The Law of Love)

Disciple Power: solidarity

Faith Vocabulary: actual grace, free will, holiness, intellect, sanctifying grace, soul

Holy People: Jean Vanier, Saint Thérèse Martin

Catholics Believe: The laity

Prayer: Matthew 5:3-12 (The Beatitudes)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 1700-1709, 1716-1724, 1999-2000, 2012-2016

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 307-311

### CHAPTER 3 - To Follow Jesus

Faith Concepts:

- At the heart of Jesus' teaching is living for the Kingdom of God.
- Love of God and love of neighbor is the core commandment to live the Gospel.
- Every person deserves our love and respect with forgiveness and compassion.

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 5:44-45 (Love your enemies); Matthew 25:31-40 (The Judgment of Nations); Mark 12:29 (The Greatest Commandment); Luke 7:40-43 (Parable of the Debtors); Luke 10:33-37 (The Good Samaritan)

Disciple Power: service

Faith Vocabulary: dignity, discipleship, Kingdom of God

Holy People: Catholic Relief Services, The Good Samaritan, Teresa of Calcutta

Catholics Believe: God is love.

Prayer: John 15:13-14 (A Disciple's Prayer)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 668-679, 787-795, 811-972

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 101-113

### CHAPTER 4 - Guided by Conscience

Faith Concepts:

- Christian morality is how we live our lives as disciples of Jesus.
- We are called to form our consciences with faith and reason.
- Christian morality is rooted in the teachings of the Church.

Sacred Scripture: Sirach 15:15 (Loyalty is doing God's will.); Romans 6:14-15, 23 (Freedom in grace)

Disciple Power: suffering

Faith Vocabulary: conscience, morality, Natural Law, sin

Holy People: Óscar Arnulfo Romero

Catholics Believe: Universal moral norms

Prayer: Psalm 139:1-7, 24 (Prayer for Guidance)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 1731-1742, 1749-1756, 1776-1794, 1846-1864, 1954-1960

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 307-321

### CHAPTER 5 - The Exercise of Virtue

Faith Concepts:

- Virtues are moral habits of the heart, which become a part of us.
- There are three Theological Virtues and four Cardinal Virtues.
- As Christians we are called to seek the common good in society for the sake of the Kingdom.

Sacred Scripture: 1 Corinthians 13:13 (Greatest is Love); Galatians 5:19-26 (Fruits of the Holy Spirit)

Disciple Power: charity

Faith Vocabulary: Cardinal Virtues, common good, Theological Virtues

Holy People: Saint Vincent de Paul, Saint Louise de Marillac

Catholics Believe: Preparing for the Kingdom of God

Prayer: Prayer for Easter Virtues

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 1803-1809, 1812-1832, 1869, 1890-1896, 1905-1912

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 315-318, 327-331

### CHAPTER 6 - The Grace of the Holy Spirit

Faith Concepts:

- Grace is the very life of God within us, and our participation in his plan.
- Justification is the new life in grace offered to us in Christ.
- The Holy Spirit offers the gift of sanctification, a sharing in the holiness of God.

Sacred Scripture: Mark 4:3-8, 20 (Parable of the Sower); Luke 1:30 (Mary, full of grace); Romans 8:15 (Led by the Spirit)

Disciple Power: commitment

Faith Vocabulary: grace, justification, merit, sanctification

Holy People: Mary, Mother of God

Catholics Believe: The gift of grace

Prayer: Prayer to the Holy Spirit

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)*: 1987-1997, 2003

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA)*: pp. 104-115, 311-313, 315, 320

### Catholic Social Teaching - Unit 1

Principle: Dignity of the Human Person

Science: Research disabilities resulting from brain injuries.

Mathematics: Calculate batting averages.

Language Arts: Interview a teacher or volunteer.

Faith Action: Volunteer your time and talents.

## Unit 2 The Way to Moral Living

### CHAPTER 7 - A Pilgrim Church

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Second Vatican Council helped the Church respond to the needs of today's world.
- The Church must read the signs of the times and interpret them in light of the Gospel.
- We are called to honor the dignity of the human person as Christ did.

Sacred Scripture: John 3:16-17 (God so loved the world); John 16:12-13 (The Spirit of Truth will guide us.)

Disciple Power: wisdom

Faith Vocabulary: ecumenical council, laity, solidarity

Holy People: Pope John XXIII (Angelo Roncalli)

Catholics Believe: The Church is human and divine.

Prayer: Prayer of the Faithful

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 670-671, 737-738, 798-800, 820-821, 827, 849-855, 1428, 1783-1785, 1928-1942, 2003, 2425-2426, 2832

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 21-23, 111-123, 501

### CHAPTER 8 - To Love God above All

**Faith Concepts:**

- The First Commandment demands that we place God first in our lives.
- The Second Commandment calls on us to treat the name of God with respect and never invoke God's name inappropriately.
- The Third Commandment calls on us to give time in prayer to God and to take part in Mass each Sunday.

Sacred Scripture: Exodus 20:2-8 (The first three Commandments); Matthew 5:17, 19 (Jesus comes to fulfill the Law); Philippians 2:9-11 (Above every name is Jesus.)

Disciple Power: obedience

Faith Vocabulary: blasphemy, idols, perjury, reverence

Holy People: Moses

Catholics Believe: Indulgences

Prayer: The Divine Praises

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 2084-2132, 2142-2159, 2168-2188

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 339-359

### CHAPTER 9 - A Community for Life

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Fourth Commandment means that we must obey those in just authority with respect.
- The Fifth Commandment demands that we treat all human life as sacred.
- We are called to work together to defend the sanctity of human life by being peace-filled disciples of Jesus.

Sacred Scripture: Exodus 20:12-13 (The Fourth and Fifth Commandments); Matthew 5:9 (Blessed are the peacemakers); Acts 5:29 (Obey God over people.)

Disciple Power: respect

Faith Vocabulary: abortion, euthanasia, obedience

Holy People: Community of Sant'Edigio, Saint Augustine of Hippo

Catholics Believe: Gift of human life

Prayer: Prayer for Peace

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 2196-2246, 2258-2317

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 373-401

### CHAPTER 10 - Integrity of Heart

**Faith Concepts:**

- Our sexuality is a gift from God to be lived through chaste living.
- Marriage is the only proper relationship for sexual activity.
- All forms of stealing are sins against human dignity.

Sacred Scripture: Genesis 1:28 (Dominion over the Earth); Exodus 20:14-15, 17 (The Sixth, Seventh, and Ninth Commandments)

Disciple Power: fidelity

Faith Vocabulary: adultery, chastity, hedonism, stewardship

Holy People: Pope John Paul II (Karol Józef Wojtyła)

Catholics Believe: Purity of heart

Prayer: 1 Corinthians 13:1-7, 13 (If I Have Love)

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 2331-2391, 2401-2449, 2514-2527

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 403-428, 439-446

### CHAPTER 11 - People of Truth

**Faith Concepts:**

- God commands us to be people of truth and integrity.
- If we lie or covet another's goods, we are to make amends.
- On our journey to Heaven, we are to form humble and generous hearts.

Sacred Scripture: Exodus 20:16-17 (The Eighth and Tenth Commandments); Matthew 5:34, 37 (Teaching about oaths); John 8:31-32 (God's Word will set us free.)

Disciple Power: courage

Faith Vocabulary: covet, envy, generosity, integrity, lying

Holy People: Saint Thomas More, Saint John Fisher

Catholics Believe: Wealth is for the betterment of people.

Prayer: A Litany for Generosity

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 2464-2503, 2534-2550

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 429-438, 447-457

### CHAPTER 12 - The Lord's Prayer

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Lord's Prayer is the one prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray.
- At the heart of the prayer is an understanding of God as Father.
- The Lord's Prayer contains many key points about God's Kingdom.

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 6:9-13 (The Lord's Prayer); Matthew 6:14-15 (Forgiveness of transgressions); Luke 11:11, 13 (Answer to Prayer); John 17:11-15 (May they be one)

Disciple Power: prayer

Faith Vocabulary: temptation

Holy People: Saint Francis of Assisi, Saint Clare of Assisi

Catholics Believe: Prayer as an expression of faith

Prayer: The Lord's Prayer

*Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):* 2761-2772, 2777-2796, 2807-2854

*U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):* pp. 481-495

### Catholic Social Teaching - Unit 2

Principle: Participation in Community Life

Social Studies: Trace the origins of Islam.

Creative Arts: Role-play the story of Musad.

Mathematics: Problem solve the pizza dilemma.

Faith Action: Reach out to a person in friendship.