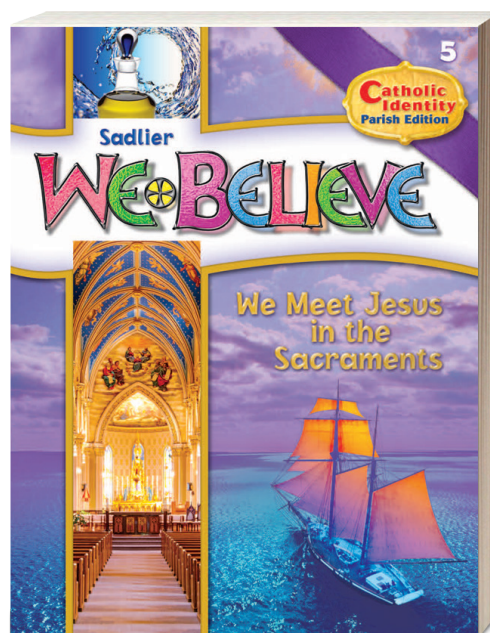
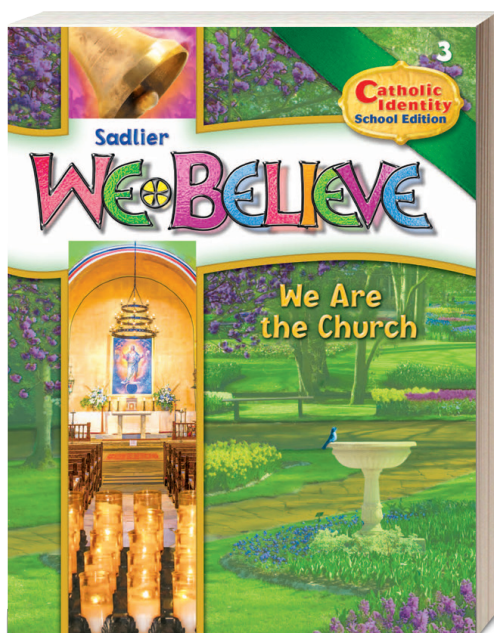




We Believe Catholic Identity Edition Parish | School • Grades K–6

Correlation to the *Four Pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*



We Believe Catholic Identity Edition Connects to the Catechism of the Catholic Church

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* has four main sections, which are referred to as the four pillars. They are:

- Creed
- Liturgy and Sacraments
- Morality
- Prayer

The core of *We Believe Catholic Identity Edition* is an integrated approach to faith formation, incorporating the four pillars and presenting our faith with simple, easy-to-understand language.

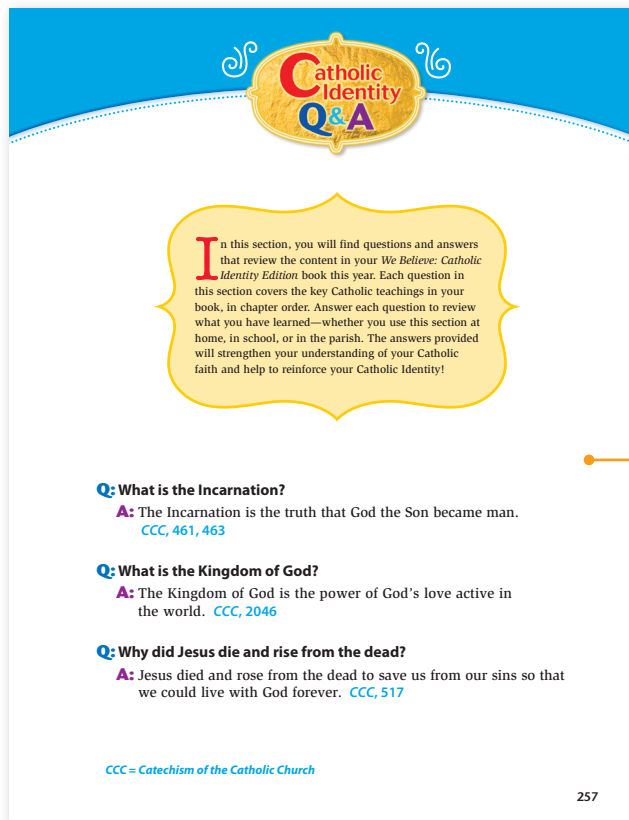
We Believe Catholic Identity Edition features clear and concise ways to catechize that are pedagogically sound.



In the Student Edition, every chapter of each grade level incorporates the four pillars through:

- **The Catechetical process**
 - *We Gather*—ritual prayer, Scripture, liturgical music (prayer, liturgy)
 - *We Believe*—faith statements, presentation, “As Catholics” (creed)
 - *We Respond*—praying and living faith (prayer, morality)
- **Chapter Reviews** that re-emphasize chapter content
- **Reflect and Pray** that engages in prayer
- **Our Catholic Life** that presents witnesses who live the Catholic faith
- **Liturgical Chapters** specifically addressing the liturgical year, the seasons, and truths of faith, which we celebrate
- **WeBelieveWeb.com** website that offers additional information, activities, and prayer to further stimulate students’ faith
- **Four Retreats** per grade, each based on one of the four pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*
- **Why We Believe** page with references to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* geared to adults who help students understand the faith

Student texts also specifically address each of the four pillars. See **Scope and Sequence** for a complete presentation of where topics in each of the four pillars are formally presented and for references to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

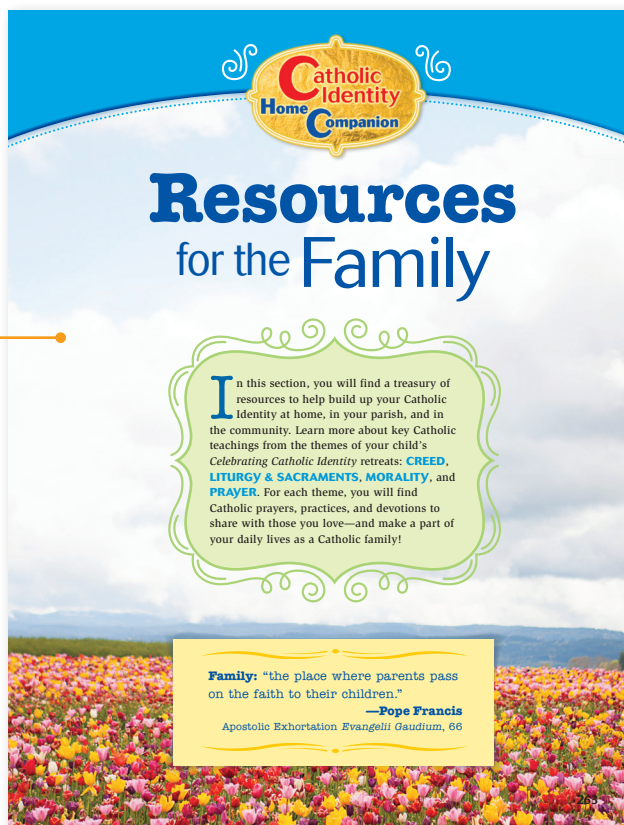


Catholic Identity Q&A

Each grade level student book includes a section of questions and answers that reviews the content of each of the chapters. This section can be used at home, school, or in the parish. The questions and answers in this section are referenced to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, strengthen students' understanding of their Catholic faith, and help reinforce their Catholic Identity.

Catholic Identity Home Companion

This section, found in each student book, has a treasury of resources to help build up Catholic Identity at home. **The Home Companion** for each grade has four sections—one for each pillar—and offers prayers, practices, and devotions to use at home or in class. For each of these themes there are Catholic prayers, practices, and devotions which help us share our faith with those that we love—and make it a part of our daily lives as a Catholic family.



In the Catechist and Teacher Editions, each grade level incorporates the four pillars through:

- **Catechist Development**
 - Articles for the catechist that help explain the connections between the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, Scripture, and Tradition
 - Suggested resources for additional adult faith formation
- **Catechist Background for each chapter**
 - Articles related to content with questions for reflection
 - Doctrinal Content box with references to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*
- **Lesson Plans**
 - Connections to the four pillars and to Catholic practices
 - Lesson assistance within the guides that further the understanding of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*
- **SadlierConnect.com** with further adult formation and resources

The Parent/Family components offer information on the four pillars through:

- **Unit Openers**
 - Adult background on lesson
 - CCC references for further study
 - Application of Catholic beliefs to the family life and action
- **“Sharing Faith with My Family” is a dedicated section that supports families with ideas for home faith formation**
 - A summary of lesson content
 - Family prayer, led by the child
 - Family activities and suggestions for service ideas
 - Connection to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*
- **Sharing Faith in Class and at Home**
 - Activities that deepen and expand lessons
 - Prayer
 - Living faith
- **Sharing Faith in Class and at Home**
 - Insights and reflections for families, such as adult faith formation resources, and activities for the child and their families to reinforce and expand faith concepts

We Believe, Grade K

God Made the World

Introductory Chapter

Unit 1

God Gives Us Many Gifts

1. God Made All Things
2. God Gives Us Light
3. God Gives Us Water
4. God Gives Us the Land
5. God Made the Animals
6. The Church Year
7. Ordinary Time
8. Retreat: Creed—focus on; God the Father, Our Creator

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 295, 299, 344, 290, 337, 358, 338

Morality: 2402, 2416

Unit 2

God Is Our Creator

9. God Made All People
10. God Made Us
11. God Helps Us to Discover
12. We Learn About God with Our Families
13. We Learn About God with Our Friends
14. Advent
15. Christmas
16. Retreat: Liturgy and Sacraments—focus on Sacraments

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 355, 360, 294, 295

Morality: 1703, 2207, 2208, 2220, 1829

Prayer & Worship: 2567

We Believe, Grade K

God Made the World

Unit 3

Jesus Shows Us God's Love

- 16. God Chooses Mary
- 17. God the Father Gives Us Jesus
- 18. Jesus Grew Up in Nazareth
- 19. Jesus Teaches and Helps Us
- 20. Jesus Wants Us to Love
- 21. Lent
- 22. The Three Days
- 23. Retreat: Morality—focus on Loving Others

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 494, 488, 422, 531, 533, 543, 544–545

Morality: 1823, 1825

Unit 4

Jesus Wants Us to Share God's Love

- 24. We Belong to the Church
- 25. We Pray as Jesus Did
- 26. We Celebrate Jesus' Gift of Himself
- 27. We Care About Others as Jesus Did
- 28. We Celebrate that Jesus Is Our Friend
- 29. Easter
- 30. Sharing Faith in Class and at Home
- 31. Retreat: Prayer—focus on Praying for Others

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 759, 544, 425

Sacraments: 1267, 1337, 1346

Morality: 1932, 1972

Prayer & Worship: 2561, 2601

We Believe, Grade 1

God Loves Us

Introductory Chapter

Unit 1

Jesus Teaches Us about God's Love

1. God Is Our Father
2. We Believe in the Blessed Trinity
3. Jesus Grew Up in a Family
4. Jesus Works Among the People
5. Jesus Teaches Us About Love
6. The Church Year
7. Ordinary Time
8. Retreat: Creed—focus on Jesus Christ, the Son of God

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 290, 355, 356–357, 410, 422, 423, 234, 232, 484, 525, 532, 542, 305, 544–546

Sacraments: 1168, 1163

Morality: 2055, 1931

Prayer & Worship: 2857–2865

Unit 2

We Are Followers of Jesus

9. Jesus Had Many Followers
10. Jesus Died and Rose to New Life
11. Jesus Sends the Holy Spirit
12. The Holy Spirit Helps the Church to Grow
13. The Church Serves
14. Advent
15. Christmas
16. Retreat: Liturgy and Sacraments—focus on The Sacrament of Baptism

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 543, 548, 754, 559, 584, 638, 541, 729, 730, 732, 767, 768, 798, 858, 862, 881, 524, 463

Morality: 1942

Prayer & Worship: 2759, 2776, 2624

We Believe, Grade 1

God Loves Us

Unit 3

We Belong to the Church

- 17. We Belong to a Parish
- 18. We Celebrate the Sacraments
- 19. The Church Welcomes New Members
- 20. We Are Followers of Jesus
- 21. We Celebrate God's Forgiveness
- 22. Lent
- 23. The Three Days
- 24. Retreat: Morality—focus on Serving Others

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 583, 748, 617, 540

Sacraments: 1083, 1084, 1113, 1267, 1265, 1234, 1271, 1421, 1431, 1440

Morality: 2179, 2182, 2444, 1216, 2304, 1730

Prayer & Worship: 2840

Unit 4

We Celebrate and Live Our Faith

- 25. Jesus Gives Us the Eucharist
- 26. We Celebrate the Mass
- 27. We Share God's Love
- 28. We Honor Mary and the Saints
- 29. We Care for the Gifts of God's Creation
- 30. Easter
- 31. Sharing Faith in Class and at Home
- 32. Retreat: Prayer—focus on The Saints and Prayer

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 964, 963, 954, 956, 356, 641

Sacraments: 1339, 1341, 1346, 1348, 1349, 1353, 1396

Morality: 2178, 2196, 2217, 1825, 2516, 1825

Prayer & Worship: 2558

We Believe, Grade 2

Jesus Shares God's Life

Introductory Chapter

Unit 1

Jesus Christ Is With Us Always

1. Jesus Is the Son of God
2. Jesus Christ Gives Us the Church
3. We Celebrate God's Love
4. We Celebrate Baptism
5. We Celebrate Confirmation
6. The Church Year
7. Ordinary Time
8. Retreat: Creed—focus on Jesus, God's Greatest Gift

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 422, 470, 548, 243–244, 787, 638, 729, 737

Sacraments: 1267–1269, 1119, 1123, 1127, 1213, 1267, 1250, 1234–1243, 1265–1266, 1285, 1295–1296, 1299–1300, 1303, 1168, 1173

Unit 2

Jesus Calls Us to Penance and Reconciliation

9. We Learn About God's Love
10. God Gives Us Laws
11. We Follow God's Laws
12. We Prepare for the Sacrament of Forgiveness
13. We Celebrate the Sacrament of Forgiveness
14. Advent
15. Christmas
16. Retreat: Liturgy and Sacraments—focus on
The Sacrament of the Eucharist

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 104, 121, 124, 127, 981, 524, 526

Morality: 2055, 2059, 2067, 2069, 2074, 1730, 1850, 1441, 1446, 1454, 1451, 1455, 1468, 1469, 1425

We Believe, Grade 2

Jesus Shares God's Life

Unit 3

Jesus Gives Himself in the Eucharist

- 17. Jesus Gives Us the Eucharist
- 18. We Gather for the Celebration of the Eucharist
- 19. We Celebrate the Liturgy of the Word
- 20. We Celebrate the Liturgy of the Eucharist
- 21. We Go in Peace to Share
- 22. Lent
- 23. The Three Days
- 24. Retreat: Morality—focus on Peace and Reconciliation

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 197, 528, 540

Sacraments: 1406, 1339, 1341, 1382, 1348, 1368, 1389, 1349, 1350, 1353, 1355, 1386, 1332, 1418, 1397, 1416

Unit 4

We Live Our Catholic Faith

- 25. God Calls Us to Love and Serve
- 26. The Church Lives Today
- 27. We Pray
- 28. We Honor Mary and the Saints
- 29. We Show Love and Respect
- 30. Easter
- 31. Sharing Faith in Class and at Home
- 32. Retreat: Prayer—focus on The Lord's Prayer

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 30, 886, 882, 831, 957, 963, 971, 307, 641

Sacraments: 1604, 1658, 1578, 1618

Morality: 2179, 1694, 1823, 1825

Prayer & Worship: 2560, 2599, 2759, 2767, 2676

We Believe, Grade 3

We Are the Church

Introductory Chapter

Unit 1

Jesus Gives Us the Church

1. God Sends Us His Own Son
2. Jesus Teaches Us About God's Love
3. Christ Will Come Again
4. The Church Begins
5. We Learn About the Early Church
6. The Church Year
7. Ordinary Time
8. Retreat: Creed—focus on the Holy Spirit

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 460, 533, 517, 561, 104–108, 541, 153, 638, 547–549, 671, 678, 729, 731, 732, 849, 551, 763–765, 769

Sacraments: 1168, 1163

Morality: 1970, 2030

Unit 2

We Are Members of the Church

9. The Church Has Four Marks
10. The Church Teaches Us
11. The Church Prays
12. The Parish Is Our Home
13. God Calls Us to Holiness
14. Advent
15. Christmas
16. Retreat: Liturgy and Sacraments—focus on Grace

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 765, 880, 811, 823, 830, 857, 782, 789, 194, 798, 771, 825, 915, 524, 526

Sacraments: 1348, 1213, 1565

Morality: 2179, 2182, 2186, 1719

Prayer & Worship: 2759, 2655, 2626–2643, 2691, 2697

We Believe, Grade 3

We Are the Church

Unit 3

The Church Leads Us in Worship

- 17. We Celebrate the Sacraments
- 18. Celebrating Eucharist: The Mass
- 19. We Worship at Mass
- 20. Celebrating Penance and Reconciliation
- 21. We Pray for Healing and Eternal Life
- 22. Lent
- 23. The Three Days
- 24. Retreat: Morality—focus on Repentance

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 540, 647

Sacraments: 1113, 1212, 1421, 1534, 1340, 1323, 1348, 1343, 1359, 1349, 1355, 1428, 1439, 1450–1460, 1469, 1503, 1511, 1681, 1684

Morality: 1694

Unit 4

We Are Called to Discipleship

- 25. We Continue the Work of Jesus
- 26. The Church Respects All People
- 27. The Church Is Worldwide
- 28. We Are God's Holy People
- 29. The Kingdom of God Continues to Grow
- 30. Easter
- 31. Sharing Faith in Class and at Home
- 32. Retreat: Prayer—focus on Marian Prayer

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 543, 551, 843, 839, 838, 855, 835, 957, 972, 971, 546, 541, 548, 644

Sacraments: 1203, 1204

Morality: 2419, 2449, 2105, 2013

Prayer & Worship: 2818

We Believe, Grade 4

God's Law Guides Us

Introductory Chapter

Unit 1

Growing in Jesus Christ

1. Jesus—the Way, the Truth, and the Life
2. Jesus Leads Us to Happiness
3. Sin in Our World
4. Our Conscience, Our Guide
5. Celebrating Penance and Reconciliation
6. The Liturgical Year
7. Ordinary TimeThe First Commandment
8. Retreat: Creed—focus on Salvation

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 544, 430, 767, 609, 543, 764, 387

Sacraments: 1716, 1454, 1423-1424, 1441, 1448, 1468-1469, 1168, 1163

Morality: 1850, 1853, 1878, 1776, 1777, 1785

Unit 2

Confirmation and Eucharist Complete Our Initiation

9. Learning About God's Law
10. The First Commandment
11. The Second Commandment
12. The Third Commandment
13. Strengthened by the Eucharist
14. Advent
15. Christmas
16. Retreat: Liturgy and Sacraments—focus on Sacraments of Healing

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 524, 528

Sacraments: 1186, 1348, 1349, 1355, 1397

Morality: 2057, 2060, 2052–2053, 2055, 2085, 2096, 2093, 2098, 2143, 2144, 2153, 2172, 2177, 2185, 2186

We Believe, Grade 4

God's Law Guides Us

Unit 3

The Commandments Help Us to Love Others

- 17. The Fourth Commandment
- 18. The Fifth Commandment
- 19. The Sixth Commandment
- 20. The Seventh Commandment
- 21. The Eighth Commandment
- 22. Lent
- 23. Triduum
- 24. Retreat: Morality—focus on Truth

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 540, 617

Morality: 2199, 2207, 2206, 2238, 2258, 2270, 2288, 2304, 2331, 2348, 2347, 2361, 2401, 2412, 2415, 2446, 2465, 2472, 2483, 2469

Unit 4

We Are Called to Holiness

- 25. The Ninth Commandment
- 26. The Tenth Commandment
- 27. We Grow in Holiness
- 28. We Are the Church
- 29. We Are Called to Discipleship
- 30. Easter
- 31. Sharing Faith in Class and at Home
- 32. Retreat: Prayer—focus on Sacramentals

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 814, 967, 645

Sacraments: 1123, 1805, 1825

Morality: 2516, 2520, 2519, 2524, 2538, 2544, 2547, 1970, 1698, 1831, 2041, 2042, 2043, 1813

Prayer & Worship: 2766

We Believe, Grade 5

We Meet Jesus in the Sacraments

Introductory Chapter

Unit 1

Jesus Christ Shares His Life with Us

1. Jesus Shares God's Life with Us
2. Jesus Shares His Mission with the Church
3. The Church Celebrates Seven Sacraments
4. New Life in Christ
5. The Celebration of Baptism
6. The Liturgical Year
7. Ordinary Time
8. Retreat: Creed—focus on Blessed Trinity

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 535, 543, 546, 737, 787, 863, 783

Sacraments: 1067, 1212, 1421, 1534, 1213, 1265, 1274, 1226, 1248, 1217–1222, 1254, 1163, 1168

Unit 2

Confirmation and Eucharist Complete Our Initiation

9. The Coming of the Holy Spirit
10. The Celebration of Confirmation
11. Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life
12. The Celebration of the Eucharist
13. Living As Prayerful People
14. Advent
15. Christmas
16. Retreat: Liturgy and Sacraments—focus on Sacraments at the Service of Communion

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 524, 457

Sacraments: 1287, 1288–1289, 1303, 1309, 1298, 1300, 1299, 1305, 1324, 1328–1330, 1329, 1338, 1348, 1349, 1352, 1355, 1396, 1174, 1670, 1674

Prayer & Worship: 2765

We Believe, Grade 5

We Meet Jesus in the Sacraments

Unit 3

The Sacraments of Healing Restore Us

- 17. We Turn to God
- 18. The Celebration of Reconciliation
- 19. Jesus, the Healer
- 20. The Celebration of the Anointing of the Sick
- 21. Mary, Model of Discipleship
- 22. Lent
- 23. Triduum
- 24. Retreat: Morality—focus on Human Dignity

Pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Creed: 494, 492, 963, 971, 559, 654

Sacraments: 1427, 1441, 1442, 1445, 1468–1469, 1484, 1470, 1474, 1503, 1506, 1509, 1521, 1520, 1522, 1517

Morality: 2288

Unit 4

We Love and Serve as Jesus Did

- 25. Faith, Hope, and Love
- 26. Called to Live as Jesus' Disciples
- 27. Matrimony: A Promise of Faithfulness and Love
- 28. Holy Orders: A Promise of Service for the People of God
- 29. One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic
- 30. Easter
- 31. Sharing Faith in Class and at Home
- 32. Retreat: Prayer—focus on Forms of Prayer

Pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Creed: 828, 900, 917, 959, 551, 813, 823, 830–831, 857, 855, 655

Sacraments: 1546, 1605, 1616, 1644, 1657, 1552, 1554, 1573

Morality: 1814, 1817, 1822, 2442

We Believe, Grade 6

We Are God's People

Introductory Chapter

Unit 1

Forming the Covenant

1. God's Revelation
2. Creation
3. People Turn from God
4. God Promises to Help People
5. The Patriarchs: God Chooses a People
6. The Liturgical Year
7. Ordinary Time
8. Retreat: Creed—focus on Divine Revelation

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 32, 38, 81, 120, 289, 293, 301, 357, 362, 373, 397, 404, 410, 401, 58, 57, 61, 59, 63, 303

Sacraments: 1168, 1163

Unit 2

Building the Covenant Nation

9. An Enslaved People
10. A Free People
11. A Conquering People
12. A Royal People
13. A Prosperous People
14. Advent
15. Christmas
16. Retreats: Liturgy and Sacraments—focus on The Sacrament of Confirmation

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 312, 207, 697, 695, 524, 461

Sacraments: 1363, 1334, 1611, 1150

Morality: 2057, 2578, 1831

Prayer & Worship: 2575, 2578, 2579, 2580, 2586

We Believe, Grade 6

We Are God's People

Unit 3

Redefining the Covenant People

- 17. A Divided People: Israel, the Northern Kingdom
- 18. A Divided People: Judah, the Southern Kingdom
- 19. The Exile and the Journey Home
- 20. A Strong People
- 21. God Fulfills His Promise
- 22. Lent
- 23. Triduum
- 24. Retreat: Morality—focus on Witness

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 709, 716, 710, 873, 711, 713, 715, 584, 423, 484, 495, 534, 535

Sacraments: 1429, 1096

Sacraments: 1831

Prayer & Worship: 2583, 2584

Unit 4

The Covenant Fulfilled in Jesus

- 25. Jesus, Teacher and Healer
- 26. Jesus, Redeemer and Savior
- 27. The Church Begins
- 28. The Bible and the Church Today
- 29. The Church in the World
- 30. Easter
- 31. Sharing Faith in Class and at Home
- 32. Retreat: Prayer—focus on Devotions and Pilgrimages

Pillars of the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Creed: 516, 548, 609, 640, 645, 732, 768, 197, 126, 133, 820, 826, 835, 863, 690

Sacraments: 1337, 1210

Morality: 1723, 2473, 2420

Prayer & Worship: 2767