

Summer Model
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Catholic Identity Editions
Including Catholic Identity Retreats
Grades K-8



Summer Model Sessions







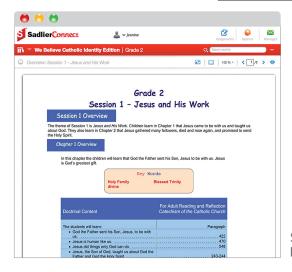
Dear Catechetical Leader,

Session planning guides are available at Religion. Sadlier Connect.com for using *We Believe* and *We Live Our Faith* in a summer program. These summer session guides are used in conjunction with grade level catechist guides to implement a two-week summer program.

At each grade level of *We Believe* and *We Live Our Faith*, there are four Catholic Identity Retreats. The retreat themes are related to the Four Pillars of the Catechism of the Catholic Church: Creed, Liturgy & Sacraments, Morality, and Prayer. This Summer Model document is a supplement. It includes three sessions for each grade level to incorporate a Catholic Identity Retreat. If time allows, you could plan a fourth retreat or substitute the fourth retreat to complement any theme or focus you might have.

Use this Summer Model supplement, plus the summer session guides at Religion. Sadlier Connect.com to include retreats in your program and nourish students' spiritual growth.

To Implement Summer Sessions with Retreats	To Implement Summer Sessions without Retreats
Materials:	Materials:
Student Book	Student Book
Summer Session guides at Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Summer Session guides at Religion.SadlierConnect.com
Catechist Guide	Catechist Guide
Catholic Identity Retreat Leader's Guide	
Summer Model document	
Music CDs	Music CDs



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	Grade K	Grade 1	Grade 2
Session 1	God Made the World and Light Chapters 1, 2 Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed, Leader's Guide	God and Jesus Chapters 1, 2 Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed, Leader's Guide	Jesus and His Work Chapters 1, 2 Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed, Leader's Guide
Session 2	God Made the Water and Land Chapters 3, 4	The Holy Family and God's Love Chapters 3, 4	Sacraments and Baptism Chapters 3, 4
Session 3	God Made the Animals and All People Chapters 5, 8	Teacher and Followers Chapters 5, 8	Confirmation and the Bible Chapters 5, 8
Session 4	God Made Us and Our Senses Chapters 9, 10	Risen Jesus and the Holy Spirit Chapters 9, 10	Following the Commandments Chapters 9, 10
Session 5	Families and Friends Chapters 11, 12	Church Helpers and Leaders Chapters 11, 12	Penance and Reconciliation Chapters 11, 12 Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality, Leader's Guide
Session 6	Mary and Jesus Chapters 15, 16	Celebrating in the Parish Chapters 15, 16	The Eucharist and the Mass Chapters 15, 16
Session 7	Jesus Chapters 17, 18	Water and Light Chapters 17, 18 Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments, Leader's Guide	Word and Eucharist Chapters 17, 18
Session 8	Love and Church, the Family of God Chapters 19, 22 Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality, Leader's Guide	Celebrating God's Forgiveness and the Eucharist Chapters 19, 22	Called by God Chapters 19, 22
Session 9	Prayer and the Mass Chapters 23, 24 Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer, Leader's Guide	Worshiping God and Sharing God's Love Chapters 23, 24 Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality, Leader's Guide	Community and Prayer Chapters 23, 24 Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer, Leader's Guide
Session 10	Caring and Sharing Chapters 25, 26	Honoring Mary and the Saints and Caring for God's Creation Chapters 25, 26	Honoring Saints and Respecting Creation Chapters 25, 26

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	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Session 1	Jesus Teaches Us Chapters 1, 2	Our Savior Teaches Us Chapters 1, 2	We Follow Jesus and Witness to Him Chapters 1, 2 Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed, Leader's Guide
Session 2	Jesus and the Holy Spirit Chapters 3, 4 Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed, Leader's Guide	Making Choices Chapters 3, 4	Sacraments: Signs of Jesus' Love Chapters 3, 4
Session 3	Jesus' Followers and the Church Chapters 5, 8	Unity Chapters 5, 8 Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed, Leader's Guide	New Life in Christ Chapters 5, 8
Session 4	We Learn and We Pray Chapters 9, 10	Honoring God Chapters 9, 10	Confirmation and Eucharist Chapters 9, 10
Session 5	Service and Holiness Chapters 11, 12	Honoring the Lord's Day Chapters 11, 12	Celebrating the Eucharist and Praying Chapters 11, 12
Session 6	Celebrating the Sacraments Chapters 15, 16 Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments, Leader's Guide	Respect Chapters 15, 16	Jesus Forgives Chapters 15, 16
Session 7	Choosing to Love God Chapters 17, 18	Sharing Love and Justice Chapters 17, 18	Jesus Shares in Our Suffering Chapters 17, 18
Session 8	Praying for Healing and Peace Chapters 19, 22	Living in Truth and Modesty Chapters 19, 22 Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality, Leader's Guide	Mary, Our Model of Virtue Chapters 19, 22
Session 9	The Church in the World Chapters 23, 24	Growing in Generosity and Holiness Chapters 23, 24	Jesus Calls Us Chapters 23, 24 Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments, Leader's Guide
Session 10	Saints and the Kingdom of God Chapters 25, 26 Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer, Leader's Guide	Our Catholic Calling as Disciples Chapters 25, 26 Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer, Leader's Guide	The Church's Mission Chapters 25, 26 Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer, Leader's Guide

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	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
Session 1	God in Creation Chapters 1, 2 Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed, Leader's Guide	God Reveals the Truth Chapters 1, 2 Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed, Leader's Guide	Responding to God's Goodness Chapters 1, 2 Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed, Catechist Guide
Session 2	Sin Chapters 3, 4	Loving Relationships Chapters 3, 4	God's Law and the Great Commandment Chapters 3, 4
Session 3	Our Ancestors in Faith Chapters 5, 8	Jesus and the Holy Spirit Chapters 5, 6	Keeping the Commandments Chapters 5, 6
Session 4	From the Wilderness to Canaan Chapters 9, 10 Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments, Leader's Guide	Jesus the Messiah Chapters 7, 8	Church Beginnings and Growth Chapters 7, 8
Session 5	David and Solomon Chapters 11, 12	The Power of God Chapters 9, 10	The Middle Ages Chapters 9, 10
Session 6	Prophets Proclaim God's Message Chapters 15, 16	Salvation Chapters 11, 12	Facing Crises Chapters 11, 12
Session 7	Return to the Promised Land Chapters 17, 18	Sharing in God's Life Chapters 13, 14	Enlightenment and Revolution Chapters 13, 14
Session 8	Jesus the Messiah Chapters 19, 22	Confirmation and Eucharist Chapters 15, 16 Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments Catechist Guide	The Catholic Church in the Modern Age Chapters 15, 16 Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality, Catechist Guide
Session 9	Resurrection and New Life Chapters 23, 24	Sacraments of Healing and Service Chapters 17, 18	Our Call and Our Commitment Chapters 17, 18
Session 10	The Church's Ministry Chapters 25, 26 Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality, Leader's Guide	Vocations and Virtues Chapters 19, 20	Continuing the Work of Christ Chapters 19, 20
Session 11		Living as Disciples of Jesus Chapters 21, 22	The Church and Jesus' Presence Chapters 21, 22
Session 12		The Communion of Saints and Prayer Chapters 23, 24	Church Service and Communion Chapters 23, 24
		Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer, Catechist Guide	Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer, Catechist Guide

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Session 1—God Made the World and Light

Session 1 Overview

The theme of Session 1 is *God Made the World and Light*. The children learn in Chapter 1 that God made the world. They also learn in Chapter 2 that God made our sources of light—the sun, the moon, and the stars.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed is placed here in Session 1. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

Go to **Religion.SadlierConnect.com**, for both chapters' correlations to:

- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Chapter 1 Overview

In this chapter, the children will learn that God made the world and that he made all things good.

Doctrinal Content	For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church
The children will learn:	Paragraph
God made the whole world Everything God made is good	

Chapter 2 Overview

In Chapter 1 the children learned that God made the world and that he made all things good. In this chapter, the children will learn that light is one of the things that God made for us.

Doctrinal Content	For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church
The children will learn:	Paragraph
God made the sun	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 19 Psalm 89:12	 Proclaim a psalm verse. Name things God made in the picture. Discuss what we can tell friends about God's world. 	For the prayer space: small table, tablecloth in the color of the liturgical season, streamers or balloons, globe, small objects or pictures to represent God's gifts of creation
	View Video: God Gives Us Light.	Religion.SadlierConnect.com Video Reproducible Master 2 (back of Catechist Guide)
	Complete other Enrichment Ideas.	Catechist Guide, page 27D
2 We Believe		
Page 20 God made the whole world. Page 21 Everything God made is good.	Talk about the many things that fill our world. Do the picture-study activity. Read about God's gifts. Do the matching activity.	Crayons or colored pencils Optional Activity: • Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Bodily-Kinesthetic—Ask the children what they are doing over the summer to learn about God. • Curriculum Connection: Art—Ask the children to draw pictures of God's gifts. Catechist Guide, page 20 Catechist Guide, page 21
3 We Respond		
Page 22	 Discuss the question. Do the drawing activity. Pray a "Thank you, God" prayer Do Reproducible Master 1. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 1, Catechist Guide, page 19C Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Bodily-Kinesthetic— Invite children to pretend to be some of the good things that God made that live in the sky, grass, and water. Catechist Guide, page 22

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Session Planning Guide

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activities		
Pages 23–24 We Believe booklet "Praise for God"	 Assemble the We Believe booklet. Read the We Believe booklet. 	Catechist Guide, page 22
Page 26 Project Disciple	Complete student book Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons
	View Video: God Made All Things.	Religion.SadlierConnect.com Video Reproducible Master 1 (back of Catechist Guide)
	Complete other Enrichment Ideas.	Catechist Guide, page 19D

Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed, Leader's Guide pages 1-6

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
I Open My Heart* We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide, page ix, for timing.)	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful, quiet environment. Allow the children time for meditation and reflection.
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 1 Reproducibles and web activities.	
Page 25 Let's Celebrate	Gather the children to celebrate God's gifts of the world. Pray Let's Celebrate God's Gifts.	Small objects gathered for the prayer space
4 We Take a Break		



^{*} Suggested to be done as optional activity in Lesson Plan

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Page 28 God made the sun.	 Read the text about God's gift of the sun. Draw a daytime activity. 	Crayons or colored pencils Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Bodily-Kinesthetic— Invite children to act as a ray of the sun beaming to earth to help people. Catechist Guide, page 28
Page 29 God made the moon and stars.	 Present the text about God's gifts of the moon and the stars. Draw a nighttime activity. 	Crayons or colored pencils Magazines, scissors, glue (optional) Optional Activity: Activity Bank Curriculum Connection: Science and Social Studies—Invite children to act out space travel and visiting the moon. Catechist Guide, page 30
6 We Respond		
Page 30	 Discuss places where God's gift of light is seen. Pray by singing. Find the hidden word on Reproducible Master 2. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 2, Catechist Guide, page 27C Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Bodily-Kinesthetic— Invite children to pretend to be some of the good things that God made that live in the sky, grass, and water. Catechist Guide, page 28
Project Disciple Activitie	s	
Pages 31–32 We Believe booklet "A Great Gift"	Assemble the <i>We Believe</i> booklet. Read and discuss the <i>We Believe</i> booklet.	Catechist Guide, page 30
Page 34 Project Disciple	Complete student book Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 2 Reproducibles and web activities.	
Page 33 Let's Celebrate	 Gather the children to listen to a reading from Genesis. Pray Let's Celebrate God's Gift of Light.	Models of the sun, moon, and stars
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 (back of Catechist Guide) Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home,
		page R7; Why We Believe, page R8; Leader's Guide, page 5

Session 8—Love and Church, the Family of God

Session 8 Overview

The theme of Session 8 is Love and Church, the Family of God. The children learn in Chapter 19 that Jesus wants us to tell and show others we love them. They also learn in Chapter 22 that they are members of the Church, the family of God.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality is placed here in Session 8. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

Go to Religion.SadlierConnect.com, for both chapters' correlations to:

- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Chapter 19 Overview

In Chapter 18 the children learned that Jesus is their teacher and their helper. In this chapter the children will learn that Jesus wants us to love others in the same way that he loves us.

Doctrinal Content The children will learn:

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

Chapter 22 Overview

In Chapter 19 the children learned that Jesus wants them to love others. In this chapter the children will learn that they are members of the Church, the family of God.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The children will learn:

Paragraph

Paragraph

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 167 John 15:12	Listen to the Scripture. Discuss the question.	For the prayer space: statue or image of Jesus, a heart-shaped sign with the word Jesus on it
	View Video: We Belong to the Church.	Religion.SadlierConnect.com Video Reproducible Master 22 (back of Catechist Guide)
	Complete other Enrichment Ideas.	Catechist Guide, page 193D
2 We Believe		
Page 168 Jesus wants us to tell others we love them. Page 169	 Present the text about the ways we can tell people we love them. Do the activity. Read and discuss the text about ways we can 	Crayons or colored pencils Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Verbal-Linguistic— Teach the children an alphabet game that names ways to love God or to love others. Catechist Guide, page 168 Crayons or colored pencils
Jesus wants us to show others we love them.	show others we love them.Do the picture study activity about showing love to others.	
3 We Respond		
Page 170	 Pray to Jesus for help. Do the drawing activity. Do the activity for Reproducible Master 19. 	Crayons or colored pencils Copies of Reproducible Master 19, Catechist Guide, page 167C Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: Call to Family, Community, and Participation—Have the children draw on large stars pictures that show ways they can be kind. Catechist Guide, page 170

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activities	S	
Pages 171-172	• Assemble the <i>We Believe</i> booklet.	Catechist Guide, page 170
We Believe booklet "Saint John Bosco"	• Read the We Believe booklet.	
Page 174		
Project Disciple	Complete student book Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons
	• View Video: Jesus Wants Us to Love.	Religion.SadlierConnect.com
		Video Reproducible Master 19 (back of Catechist Guide)
	Complete other Enrichment Ideas.	Catechist Guide, page 167D
Catholic Identity Retreat: M	orality, Leader's Guide pages 13–17	
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful, quiet environment. Allow the children time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat.		
(See Leader's Guide, page ix, for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 19 Reproducibles and web activities	
Page 173	Gather the children in the prayer space to pray and	"Listen to Jesus," Bernadette Farrell,
Let's Celebrate	joyfully celebrate God's love. Sing together "Listen to Jesus."	#15, Grade K CD



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Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Page 194	• Introduce the Church as God's family.	Crayons or colored pencils
The Church is the family of God.	Do the drawing activity.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: Call to Family, Community, and Participation—Invite the children to draw one thing that their family members do together as part of God's family. Catechist Guide, page 194
Page 195	Read and discuss the text about Baptism.	Crayons or colored pencils
At Baptism we become members of the Church.	Identify and color a sign of new life.	
6 We Respond		
Page 196	Present the Sacrament of Baptism. Do the activity to remember the celebration	Photographs of the children's Baptism celebrations
	of Baptism.	Glue or tape
	Do the activity for Reproducible Master 22.	Copies of Reproducible Master 22, Catechist Guide, page 193C
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Parish: Visiting the Baptismal Font— Arrange to bring the children to the parish baptismal font. Show them the holy water and explain what happens at Baptism. Encourage the children to talk about Baptism celebrations they have attended.
		Catechist Guide, page 196
Project Disciple Activitie	S	
Pages 197-198	Assemble the We Believe booklet.	Catechist Guide, page 196
We Believe booklet "The Sign of the Cross"	• Read the We Believe booklet.	
Page 200	Complete student book Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons
Project Disciple		

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Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 22 Reproducibles and web activities	
Page 33 Let's Celebrate	 Gather the children in the prayer space. Tell them that, like the children in the drawing, they will sing and thank God for making them his children. Sing together "God Is a Part of My Life." Pray: Let's Celebrate Belonging to the Church 	Crayons or colored pencils "God Is a Part of My Life," Carey Landry, #18, Grade K CD
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 19 and Chapter 22 (back of Catechist Guide) Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home,
		page R23; Why We Believe, page R24; Leader's Guide, page 17

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Session 9—Prayer and the Mass

Session 9 Overview

The theme of Session 9 is Prayer and the Mass. The children learn in Chapter 23 that Jesus showed us how to pray, which is one way we can show our love for God. They also learn in Chapter 24 that Jesus shares the gift of himself at Mass.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer is placed here in Session 9. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Chapter 23 Overview

In Chapter 22 the children learned that they are members of the Church, the family of God. In this chapter the children will learn that God always listens to their prayer and that Jesus showed them how to pray.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The children will learn:

Paragraph

Chapter 24 Overview

In Chapter 23 the children learned that God listens to our prayer and that Jesus taught us how to pray. In this chapter the children will learn about Jesus' gift of himself at the Last Supper and our celebration of the Mass.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The children will learn:

Paragraph



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Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 201 Jeremiah 29:12	Listen to the Scripture reading.Study and discuss the drawings of Jesus.	For the prayer space: magazine pictures of joyous people
	View Video: We Celebrate Jesus' Gift of Himself.	Religion.SadlierConnect.com Video Reproducible Master 24 (back of Catechist Guide)
	Complete other Enrichment Ideas.	Catechist Guide, page 209D
2 We Believe		
Page 202 Prayer is one way we can show our love for God. Page 203 Jesus showed us how to pray.	 Present the text about prayer. Do the drawing activity. Read about the times Jesus prayed. Do the picture study activity. 	Crayons or colored pencils Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Bodily-Kinesthetic— Teach the children a rhyme to help them remember that the position of their hands is not what makes them ready for prayer. What makes them ready is a willingness to talk to God in their hearts. Catechist Guide, page 202 Crayons or colored pencils
3 We Respond		
Page 204	 Pray the Lord's Prayer. Decorate the prayer name. Do the activity for Reproducible Master 23. 	Crayons or colored pencils Copies of Reproducible Master 23, Catechist Guide page 201C Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: Option for the Poor and Vulnerable—Have the children decorate paper crosses that have these words printed on them: I said a prayer for you today. Catechist Guide, page 204

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Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activitie	es	
Pages 205-206	Assemble the We Believe booklet.	Catechist Guide, page 204
We Believe booklet "God, I Love to Talk to You"	• Read and discuss the We Believe booklet.	
Page 208		
Project Disciple	Complete student book Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons
	• View Video: We Pray as Jesus Did.	Religion.SadlierConnect.com
		Video Reproducible Master 23 (back of Catechist Guide)
	Complete other Enrichment Ideas.	Catechist Guide, page 201D
Catholic Identity Retreat	:: Prayer, Leader's Guide pages 19–23	
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word * I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful, quiet environment. Allow the children time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide, page ix, for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 23 Reproducibles and web activities	
Page 207 Let's Celebrate	Gather the children in the prayer space to sing and gesture to "Sing for Joy."	"Sing for Joy," Bernadette Farrell, #17, Grade K CD
Let's coloniate	* Pray Let's Celebrate Praying to God	
4 We Take a Break		



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Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Page 210	• Read the text about the Last Supper.	Crayons or colored pencils
Jesus shared a special meal with his friends.	Color the name for the special meal.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Curriculum Connection: Social Studies— Invite the children to look at pictures of food from around the world. Show them examples of real food items. Ask the children to guess what meal each item would be used for. Invite the children to mention their families' favorite foods.
		Catechist Guide, page 210
Page 211	Discuss the text about the celebration of the Mass.	Crayons or colored pencils
Jesus shares himself with us, too.	Do the coloring activity.	
6 We Respond		
Page 212	Discuss the gifts God gives us. Thank God for his gifts by singing.	"Celebrate God," Carey Landry, #20, Grade K CD Copies of Reproducible Master 24,
	Do the activity for Reproducible Master 24.	Catechist Guide, page 209C
		Crayons or colored pencils
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Musical-Rhythmic, Bodily-Kinesthetic—Play "Celebrate God," and ask children to choose appropriate actions for each line. Then have them sing the song using the gestures.
		Catechist Guide, page 212
Project Disciple Activities	5	
Pages 213-214	Assemble the We Believe booklet.	Catechist Guide, page 212
We Believe booklet "We Pray at Mass"	Discuss the pictures in the We Believe booklet. Read and repeat the Mass responses.	
The Roman Missal		
Page 216	Complete student book Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons
Project Disciple		



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Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 24 Reproducibles and web activities	
Page 215	Prepare a paper heart for each child. Gather the	Crayons or colored pencils
Let's Celebrate	children in the prayer space. Tell them that they will thank Jesus from the bottom of their heart."	"God Is a Part of My Life," Carey Landry, #18, Grade K CD
	Pray Let's Celebrate Jesus' Gift of Himself	,
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 23 and Chapter 24 (back of Catechist Guide)
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R31; Why We Believe, page R32; Leader's Guide, page 23

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Session 1—God and Jesus

Session 1 Overview

The theme of Session 1 is *God and Jesus*. The students learn in Chapter 1 that God created us, gives us special gifts, and loves us. They also learn in Chapter 2 that God sent his own Son, Jesus, to us and that there are Three Persons in One God.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed is placed here in Session 1. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- · Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Chapter 1 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn that God created the world and all people.

Doctrinal Content	For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church
The students will learn:	Paragraph
God created the world God created all people God gives us special gifts. God promises to love us always.	355 356–357

Key Words creation Bible

Chapter 2 Overview

In Chapter 1 the students learned that God created the world and all people. In this chapter the students will learn that God sent Jesus, his own Son, to us.

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church The students will learn: Output Output Paragraph Output Output

Key Words
Blessed Trinity
prayer
Sign of the Cross



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 19 Prayer Focus on Life	Thank God in song. Name favorite gifts from God.	For the prayer space: pictures of people taking care of God's gifts; containers of sand, water, soil "Thank You, God," #2, Grade 1 CD Bible
2 We Believe		
Page 21 God created the world. God created all people.	 Present the text about God creating all people and their responsibility to care for the world. Point out the <i>Key Words</i> and definitions. Do the activity about caring for God's world. 	Crayons or colored pencils Sentence strips Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Spatial—Have the students use clay or dough to shape their favorite animals. Optional Activity: Activity Bank The Bible: Place of Honor—Create a stand for the Bible. Gather the students to sing a song thanking God for the Bible. Catechist Guide, page 21
Page 22 God gives us special gifts.	 Read about and discuss the many gifts that God gives people. Complete the activity about people who help us to grow in God's love. Read and discuss the As Catholics text. 	
Page 23 God promises to love us always.	Present the text about Adam and Eve and God's promise to be with us and love us.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Bodily- Kinesthetic—Create a set of cards with pictures of God's gifts of creation (a bird, the sun, a fish, a tree). Have the students pantomime the picture on the card. Invite the other students to guess what gift of God the student is pantomiming. Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multicultural Connection: People of the World—Have the students point at random at places on a globe or world map. Say the name of the country and the name of the people who live there. Have the students repeat the name of the people and say that they are special to God.

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
3 We Respond		
Page 23	Reflect and pray about God's promises to us.	Copies of Reproducible Master 1, Catechist Guide, page 19C Colored pencils or crayons
Project Disciple Activities	S	
Show What You Know Saint Stories Make It Happen Reality Check Take Home	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 24–25
Picture This More to Explore Pray Today	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 19D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 19D Copies of "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 1 (back of Catechist Guide)
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 1 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read the Chapter Story.	Catechist Guide, page 19E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 1 Project	Catechist Guide, page 19E
Assessment		
Chapter 1 Test	Complete Chapter 1 Test	Student Edition, page 26
Chapter 1 Test	Complete Chapter 1 Test	Assessment Book, pages 3-4
4 We Take a Break		

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Page 28	Present the text about Jesus, God's own son	
God sent his own Son, Jesus, to us.	Share responses to the question.	
Page 29	Read about Jesus, our brother and friend.	Crayons or colored pencils
Jesus is God's greatest gift. Mark 10:13–14	Present the Scripture story of Jesus with the students.	Copies of Reproducible Master 2, Catechist Guide, page 27C
	Complete the drawing activity.	Sentence strips
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Musical—Teach the students to sing a song about Jesus as God's greatest gift.
		Catechist Guide, page 29
Page 30	Present the text about the Blessed Trinity.	Crayons or colored pencils
There are three persons in One God.	Color a symbol of the Trinity.	
	Read and discuss As Catholics.	
Page 31 The Sign of the Cross is a prayer to the Blessed Trinity.	 Read and discuss the meaning of prayer. Examine the pictures and words for praying the Sign of the Cross and then practice. Point out the <i>Key Words</i> and definitions. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Curriculum Connection: Math—Draw a triangle. Use it to help the students understand what we believe about the Blessed Trinity and learn the names of the Three Persons of the Blessed Trinity.
		Catechist Guide, page 31
6 We Respond		
Page 31	• Pray the Sign of the Cross and remember its meaning.	
Project Disciple Activities	5	
Show What You Know Picture This Celebrate! Fast Facts	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 32–33
Picture This Celebrate Pray Today	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 27D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 27D Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 2 (back of Catechist Guide)

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Catholic Identity: Creed, Leader's Guide pages 1–6		
Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity * I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow the students time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 2 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read the Chapter Story.	Catechist Guide, page 27E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 2 Project	Catechist Guide, page 27E
Assessment		
Chapter 2 Test	Complete Chapter 2 test	Student Edition, page 34
Chapter 2 Test	Complete Chapter 2 test	Assessment Book, pages 5-6
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 (back of Catechist Guide)
		Copies of Bringing The Retreat Home, page R7; Why We Believe, page R8; Leader's Guide, page 5

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Session 7—Water and Light

Session 7 Overview

The theme of Session 7 is *Water and Light*. The students learn in Chapter 17 about the Sacrament of Baptism. They learn in Chapter 18 about following Jesus by sharing the light of his love and peace.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments is placed here in Session 7. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

Go to **Religion.SadlierConnect.com**, for both chapters' correlations to:

- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- · Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Key Words
Baptism
grace

Chapter 17 Overview

In Chapter 16 the students learned about the Seven Sacraments of the Catholic Church. In this chapter the students will learn about the Sacrament of Baptism.

The students will learn:

The Church welcomes new members at Baptism.

At Baptism we receive God's life.

We say and do special things to celebrate Baptism.

1234

In Baptism we are joined to Jesus and one another.

1271

Chapter 18 Overview

In Chapter 17 the students learned that the Church welcomes new members in Baptism. In this chapter the students will learn ways members of the Church follow Jesus and share the light of his love.

The students will learn: - Jesus is the light of the world. - We receive the light of Christ. - Jesus asks us to share his peace. - We can make choices as students of God. - To Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church - Paragraph - 748 - We receive the light of Christ. - 1216 - 2304 - We can make choices as students of God. - 1730

Key Word peacemaker



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes	
1 We Gather	1 We Gather		
Page 147 Prayer Focus on Life	Pray to the Blessed Trinity. Share ways that families welcome new babies.	Optional Activity: "We Come Together For Prayer" Catholic Identity: Liturgy and Sacraments, page R10; Leader's Guide, page 8 For the prayer space: white tablecloth, clear container of holy water, white handkerchief, battery-operated candle or unlit candle, "Welcome" poster	
2 We Believe			
Page 148 The Church welcomes new members at Baptism.	 Present the text about becoming members of the Church at Baptism. Talk about why Baptism is important. Read and discuss As Catholics. 		
Page 149	Present that at Baptism we receive grace.	Crayons or colored pencils	
At Baptism we receive God's life.	Water, a sign of Baptism. Thank God for grace.	Grade 1 CD (option) Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Intrapersonal and Interpersonal—Help each child make sponge letters of the first letter of his or her name. Tell the students that their sponge letters represent them. Remind the group: Water is the sign of grace, God's life in us. Have the students place their sponge letters in the water. Catechist Guide, page 149	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 150 We say and do special things to celebrate Baptism. Rite of Baptism	Present the words and actions of the celebration of Baptism.	A bowl of water (holy water if possible) A doll Chart paper (option)
Page 151 In Baptism we are joined to Jesus and one another.	Read and discuss the celebration of Baptism. Do the Reproducible Master 17 activity.	Copies of Reproducible Master 17, Catechist Guide, page 147C Crayons or colored pencils, scissors, tape or paste Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: Call to Family, Community, and Participation—Send a note home to parents and ask them to allow the students to call or send an e-mail message to their godparents. Encourage the students to tell their godparents what they are learning. Catechist Guide, page 151
3 We Respond		
Page 151	Reflect on living as a follower of Christ.Decorate a candle.Pray together.	Crayons or colored pencils
Project Disciple Activities	S	
Show What You Know Celebrate! Picture This	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Crayons or colored pencils Student Edition, pages 152–153
Make It Happen Picture This Celebrate!	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 147D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 147D Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 17 (back of Catechist Guide)

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments Leader's Guide pages 7-12		
I Open My Heart We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow the students time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 17 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read the Chapter Story.	Catechist Guide, page 147E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 17 Project	Catechist Guide, page 147E
Assessment		
Chapter 17 Test	Complete Chapter 17 Test	Student Edition, page 154
Chapter 17 Test	Complete Chapter 17 Test	Assessment Book, pages 35-36
4 We Take a Break		

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Page 156 Jesus is the light of the world. John 8:12	Present the text about Jesus, the Light of the World.Draw Jesus, the Light of the World.	Crayons or colored pencils
Page 157 We receive the light of Christ.	 Read the text and discuss ways we show others the light of Christ. Discuss ways people share the light of Christ. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Spatial—Help the students create art with Jesus' name etched on it. Catechist Guide, page 157
Page 158 Jesus asks us to share his peace. Matthew 5:1, 9	 Read the Scripture story about ways we can share Jesus' peace. Role-play being peacemakers. Read and discuss the As Catholics text. 	
Page 159 We can make choices as students of God.	Present the text about making choices. Do the reproducible master activity.	Copies of Reproducible Master 18, Catechist Guide, page 155C Crayons or colored pencils Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Interpersonal and Intrapersonal—Form small groups. Ask the students in each group to decide on three things they can do to help them get along with other students. Invite each group to share ideas with the class. Help the students make drawings that say "I am a peacemaker." Catechist Guide, page 159
6 We Respond		
Page 159	Identify loving choices.Sing about being students of light.	Flashlights (option) Grade 1 CD

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activitie	es	
Show What You Know Picture This What Would You Do? More to Explore	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 160–161
Make It Happen Picture This More to Explore	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 155D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 155D Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 18 (back of Catechist Guide)
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 18 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read the Chapter Story.	Catechist Guide, page 155E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 18 Project	Catechist Guide, page 155E
Assessment		
Chapter 18 Test	Complete Chapter 18 Test	Student Edition, page 162
Chapter 18 Test	Complete Chapter 18 Test	Assessment Book, pages 37-38
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 17 and Chapter 18 (back of Catechist Guide) Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R15 and "Why We Believe", page R16; Leader's Guide, page 11

Session 9—Worshiping God and Sharing God's Love

Session 9 Overview

The theme of Session 9 is *Worshiping God and Sharing God's Love*. The students learn in Chapter 23 about the Mass. They learn in Chapter 24 about sharing God's love in prayer and service.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality is placed here in Session 9. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Key Words

Gospel altar

Chapter 23 Overview

In Chapter 22 the students learned that Jesus gave us the Eucharist. In this chapter the students will learn more about what we say and do at Mass.

The students will learn:

We gather to worship God

We listen to God's Word.

Our gifts of bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ

We grow closer to Jesus and one another.

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Paragraph

1348

Paragraph

1349

Our gifts of bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ

1353

Chapter 24 Overview

In Chapter 23 the students learned about the celebration of the Mass. In this chapter the students will learn how we can share God's love.

Doctrinal Content	For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church
The students will learn:	Paragraph
 Jesus shows us how to love and serve When we pray, we show God that we lov We share God's love with our families We share God's love with others 	e him25582217



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 195	Praise God together in prayer.	For the prayer space: praise poster, Bible,
Prayer	Explain ways of welcoming people.	basket or plate filled with grapes and bread
Focus on Life		Drawing paper, crayons, poster board, tape
2 We Believe		
Page 196		Crayons or colored pencils
We gather to worship God.	Present the text about the Mass.	
The Roman Missal	• Do the activity.	
Page 197 We listen to God's Word. The Roman Missal	 Read and discuss the text about listening to God's Word at Mass. Respond to the directive. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Parish: Welcome Pennants—Have the students work in small groups to make "welcome" pennants to greet parishioners as they enter the Church to celebrate Mass.
	• Read As Catholics.	Catechist Guide, page 197
Page 198 Our gifts of bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. The Roman Missal	 Present the text about Jesus in the Eucharist. Sing "Amen."	
Page 199	_	Copies of Reproducible Master 23, Catechist Guide, page 195C
We grow closer to Jesus and one another. The Roman Missal	Present the text about receiving Holy Communion.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Parish: Prayer Cards— Help the students make cards for each group of students preparing to receive first Holy Communion.
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Liturgy and Music: Illustrate Lyrics—Have the students reread the words to the song "We Come to Share God's Special Gift." Have the students illustrate the lyrics of the song.
		Catechist Guide, page 199
3 We Respond		
Page 199	Share ways of growing closer to Jesus. Respond in song.	"We Come to Share God's Special Gift," Christopher Walker, #26 and #27, Grade 1 CD



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes	
Project Disciple Activities			
Show What You Know Pray Today What Would You Do? Make It Happen	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 200–201	
More to Explore Make It Happen Pray Today	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 195D	
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 195D Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 23 (back of Catechist Guide)	
Optional Activities			
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 23 Study Guide and web activities		
Story Corner	Read the Chapter Story.	Catechist Guide, page 195E	
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 23 Project	Catechist Guide, page 195E	
Assessment			
Chapter 23 Test	Complete Chapter 23 Test	Student Edition, page 202	
Chapter 23 Test	Complete Chapter 23 Test	Assessment Book, pages 45-46	
4 We Take a Break			

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Page 204	Present the text about loving and serving God.	
Jesus shows us how to love and serve.	Do the picture-study activity.	
Page 205 When we pray, we show God that we love him.	Read and discuss prayer.Write a prayer.Read and discuss As Catholics.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multicultural Connection: Prayer Around the World—Teach the students a prayer in another language.
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Intrapersonal—Have the students draw pictures of outdoor places where they would like to go to pray quietly.
		Optional Activity: "We Come Together for Prayer" Catholic Identity Retreat Morality R.18; Leader's Guide page 14.
Page 206 We share God's love with our families.	 Present the text about sharing God's love with family members. Write one way a family shares God's love. 	Catechist Guide, page 205
Page 207 We share God's love with others.	Present the text about sharing God's love with others.	Copies of Reproducible Master 24, Catechist Guide, page 203C
we share dod s love with others.		Crayons or colored pencils and scissors
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Parish: Message Piñatas—Have the students work in groups to make piñatas. Have the students decorate the piñatas with strips of messages that say "Jesus loves you."
		Catechist Guide, page 207
6 We Respond		
Page 207	Do the picture-study activity.	"Walk in Love," Jack Miffleton, #28,
	Respond in song.	Grade 1 CD

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activities		
Show What You Know	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons
Make It Happen Picture This		Student Edition, pages 208–209
More to Explore Pray Today Picture This	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 203D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 203D
		Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 24 (back of Catechist Guide)
Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality, Leader's Guide pages 13-17		
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer * I Cherish God's Word * I Value My Catholic Faith * I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow the students time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30-45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 24 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read the Chapter Story.	Catechist Guide, page 203E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 24 Project	Catechist Guide, page 203E
Assessment		
Chapter 24 Test	Complete Chapter 24 Test	Student Edition, page 210
Chapter 24 Test	Complete Chapter 24 Test	Assessment Book, pages 47-48
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 23 and Chapter 24 (back of guide)
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R23 and Why We Believe, page R24; Leader's Guide, page 17.



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Session 1—Jesus and His Work

Session 1 Overview

The theme of Session 1 is *Jesus and His Work*. The students learn in Chapter 1 that Jesus came to be with us and taught us about God. They also learn in Chapter 2 that Jesus gathered many followers, died and rose again, and promised to send the Holy Spirit.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed is placed here in Session 1. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

Chapter 1 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn that God the Father sent his Son, Jesus, to be with us. Jesus is God's greatest gift.

Doctrinal Content

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Key Words
Holy Family
Blessed Trinity
divine

Chapter 2 Overview

In Chapter 1 the students learned that God the Father sent his Son, Jesus, to be with us. in this chapter the students will continue to learn about the work of Jesus and the beginning of the Church.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:	Paragraph
• Jesus gathered many followers to be his	disciples
• Jesus died and rose to new life	638
• Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit	729
The Holy Spirit helps the Church to grow	737

Key Words
disciples
Resurrection
Apostles
Church



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 19 Prayer Focus on Life	Praise and thank God. Name favorite gift from God.	For the prayer space: small table, Bible, picture of Jesus, fresh or paper sunflowers Chart paper
2 We Believe		
Page 20 God the Father sent his Son, Jesus, to be with us.	 Present and discuss the text about the Holy Family. Point out the Key Word and definition. Together discuss Jesus' childhood activities. 	
Pages 20–21 Jesus is human like us.	 Read and discuss the teachings of Jesus. Complete the activity. Read and discuss As Catholics. 	Colored pencils or markers Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Spatial, Interpersonal—Have groups of students draw pictures illustrating actions of Jesus when he was young. Optional Activity: Activity Bank The Church: Cultural Practices—Explain that people in many cultures name their sons and daughters in honor of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Catechist Guide, page 21
Page 22 Jesus did things only God can do. Matthew 8:14-15 Page 23 Jesus, the Son of God, taught us about God the Father and God the Holy Spirit.	 Read and discuss the text and the Scripture story. Point out the Key Word and definition. Reflect on responses to question. Read and discuss the text about the Holy Trinity. Point out the Key Word and definition. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 1, Catechist Guide, page 19C "The Storm at Sea," #2, Grade 2 CD Pencils Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Bodily-Kinesthetic— Have the students work in groups. Ask the members of each group to use their own words and actions to dramatize one of the lesson's Scripture stories. Optional Activity: Activity Bank Parish: Praying for the Sick—Together write a prayer to Jesus asking him to help the members of the students's families and of the parish who are sick. Catechist Guide, page 23



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
3 We Respond		
Page 23	Complete the activity about showing love for the Persons of the Trinity.	
Project Disciple Activities	S	
Show What You Know Picture This Pray Today Make it Happen	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 24–25
More to Explore Reality Check Pray Today	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 19D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 19D
		Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 1 (back of Catechist Guide)
Catholic Identity Retreat	Creed, Leader's Guide pages 1–6	
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful, quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30-45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 1 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 19E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 1 Project	Catechist Guide, page 19E
Assessment		
Chapter 1 Test	Complete Chapter 1 Test	Student Edition, page 26
Chapter 1 Test	Complete Chapter 1 Test	Assessment Book, pages 3-4

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Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
4 We Take a Break		
5 We Believe		
Page 28 Jesus gathered many followers to be his disciples.	Present who the first disciples of Jesus were. Complete the activity about being Jesus' disciples.	Crayons or colored pencils
Page 29 Jesus died and rose to new life. Matthew 28:1-5 Page 30 Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit.	 Read and discuss the text and Scripture reading. Point out the Key Words and definitions. Sing "Alleluia." Read and discuss As Catholics. Read and discuss the text and Scripture reading. Complete the puzzle activity. 	"Sing for Joy," Bernadette Farrell, #4, Grade 2 CD (option) Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Musical-Rhythmic— Encourage the students to express joy through music. Teach them the words to "Sing for Joy." Catechist Guide, page 29
Page 31 The Holy Spirit helps the Church to grow.	 Present and discuss the ways the Holy Spirit helps the Church. Point out the Key Word and definition. 	Large sheet of paper Copies of Reproducible Master 2, Catechist Guide, page 27C Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multicultural Connection: Catholic Celebrations—Show the students pictures of Catholic celebrations from a variety of cultures. Encourage the students to share
		details of any cultural celebrations in which they have participated. Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Bodily-Kinesthetic—Invite the students to act out the events of Pentecost. Catechist Guide, page 31
6 We Respond		
Page 31	Discuss and act out what members of the Church do.	



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activit	ies	
Show What You Know What's the Word? Make it Happen What Would You Do?	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 32–33
Picture This Make it Happen Show What You Know	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 27D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 27D Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 2 (back of Catechist Guide)
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 2 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 27E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 2 Project	Catechist Guide, page 27E
Assessment		
Chapter 2 Test	Complete Chapter 2 test	Student Edition, page 34
Chapter 2 Test	Complete Chapter 2 test	Assessment Book, pages 5-6
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 (back of Catechist Guide) Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R7; Why We Believe, page R8; Leader's Guide, page 5

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Session 5—Penance and Reconciliation

Session 5 Overview

The theme of Session 5 is *Penance and Reconciliation*. The students learn in Chapter 11 about preparing for the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation by examining our conscience. They learn in Chapter 12 about asking for and celebrating God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality is placed here in Session 5. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Key Words

Penance and Reconciliation conscience

Chapter 11 Overview

In Chapter 10 the students learned about free will, sin, and God's loving forgiveness. In this chapter the students will learn about the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

Doctrinal ContentCatechism of the Catholic ChurchThe students will learn:Paragraph• Jesus invites us to celebrate God's forgiveness1441• Jesus shares God's forgiveness and peace in the
Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation1446• We examine our conscience1454

• We tell God we are sorry for our sins1451

Chapter 12 Overview

In Chapter 11 the students learned about ways we prepare to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance. In this chapter the students will learn how to celebrate the sacrament.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

For Adult Reading and Reflection

The students will learn:	Paragraph
• We ask for God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance	1455
• We celebrate God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance	1468
• We celebrate the Sacrament of Penance with our parish community .	1469
Jesus wants us to forgive others	1425

Key Words contrition confession a penance absolution



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 99 Prayer Focus on Life	 Pray to Jesus, the Good Shepherd. Discuss the questions about forgiveness. 	For the prayer space: containers of potting soil or sand, a picture of Jesus, the Good Shepherd Copies of Reproducible Master 11, Catechist Guide, page 99C Straws or craft sticks
2 We Believe		
Page 100 Jesus invites us to celebrate God's forgiveness. Luke 15:4-6	 Read the Scripture story and present the text about celebrating God's forgiveness. Discuss the question about Go d's love. 	
Page 101	Read and discuss the text.	Crayon or highlighter
Jesus shares God's forgiveness and peace in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.	 Present the Key Word and definition. Follow the directions and find the missing word to complete the sentence. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Bodily-Kinesthetic— Invite the students to act out the story of the lost sheep. Have all participate in the shepherd's celebration. Optional Activity: Activity Bank A Church Visit: Reconciliation Room— Show the students the Reconciliation Room in your parish church. Catechist Guide, page 101
Page 102	Explain the text about examining our conscience.	Crayons or colored pencils
We examine our conscience. We tell God we are sorry for our sins.	 Reflect on questions to begin an examination of conscience. Help students examine making choices by doing an activity. Read and discuss As Catholics. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Intrapersonal and Interpersonal—Teach the students to use YES/NO index cards to make choices that follow the Ten Commandments. Catechist Guide, page 103
3 We Respond		
Page 103	Discuss the We Respond question.Pray the Act of Contrition.	



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activities		
Show What You Know Celebrate! Make it Happen	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Crayons or colored pencils Student Edition, pages 104–105
Show What You Know Make it Happen Pray Today	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 99D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 99D
		Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 11 (back of Catechist Guide)
Catholic Identity Retreat: M	orality, Leader's Guide pages 13-17	
I Open My Heart We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word * I Value My Catholic Faith * I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful, quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 11 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 99E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 11 Project	Catechist Guide, page 99E
Assessment		
Chapter 11 Test	Complete Chapter 11 Test	Student Edition, page 106
Chapter 11 Test	Complete Chapter 11 Test	Assessment Book, pages 21-22
4 We Take a Break		



^{*} Suggested to be done as optional activity in Lesson Plan

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Page 108 We ask for God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance. Page 109	 Present the steps in the Sacrament of Penance. Point out the Key Words and the definitions. Complete the activity about doing penance. Present the celebration of the Sacrament 	Pencils or pens Optional Activity: Activity Bank
We celebrate God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance.	 Present the celebration of the Sacrament of Penance. Discuss how celebrating this sacrament helps us. Read and discuss As Catholics. 	Curriculum Connection: Language Arts— Invite the students to write one or two sentences to describe what is happening in the photos.
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Liturgy: Priest's Vestments—Ask one of the parish priests to show the students what vestments he wears for the Sacrament of Penance. Ask the priest to explain the symbolism of the purple stole. Catechist Guide, page 109
Page 110 We celebrate the Sacrament of Penance with our parish community.	 Read about celebrating Penance with the parish. Discuss the responses to the question. 	
Page 111 Jesus wants us to forgive others.	Read and discuss the Scripture story.	Colored pencils or crayons Construction paper Copies of Reproducible Master 12, Catechist Guide, page 107C Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Musical, Bodily- Kinesthetic—Teach the students a song about living in peace. Catechist Guide, page 111

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
6 We Respond		
Page 111	Do the We Respond activity about being a peacemaker.	
Project Disciple Activities	s	
Show What You Know Celebrate! Saint Stories Reality Check	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 112–113
Picture This Pray Today Celebrate!	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 107D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 107D Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 12 (back of Catechist Guide)
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 12 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 107E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 12 Project	Catechist Guide, page 107E
Assessment		
Chapter 12 Test	Complete Chapter 12 Test	Student Edition, page 114
Chapter 12 Test	Complete Chapter 12 Test	Assessment Book, pages 23-24
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 11 and Chapter 12 (back of guide)
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R23; Why We Believe, page R24; Leader's Guide, page 17

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Session 9—Community and Prayer

Session 9 Overview

The theme of Session 9 is *Community and Prayer*. The students learn in Chapter 23 about Catholic parish communities and the leadership of the Church. They learn in Chapter 24 about prayer and how it keeps us close to God.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer is placed here in Session 9. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

Chapter 23 Overview

In Chapter 22 the students learned that everyone is called by God to love and serve him. In this chapter the students will learn about today's Church.

Doctrinal Content	For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church
The students will learn:	Paragraph
 Catholics belong to parish communities Bishops lead and serve the Church The pope is the leader of the Church The Church is in every part of the world 	

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- for both chapters' correlations to:
 - Six Tasks of CatechesisCatholic Social Teaching
 - Catechetical Formation

in Chaste Living

Key Words

pastor diocese bishops pope

Chapter 24 Overview

In Chapter 23 the students learned about belonging to a parish community and about Church leadership. In this chapter they will learn about the way Jesus prayed and the way prayer brings us closer to God.

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church The students will learn: Paragraph Prayer keeps us close to God Jesus prayed to God his Father Jesus teaches us to pray We pray as Jesus did. For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church 2560 2560 2599 2759

Key Words

prayer Temple



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 195	Listen to Scripture.	For the prayer space: globe or world map, Bible
Prayer Focus on Life	Respond by singing.Discuss the questions.	"Rejoice in the Lord Always," G.B. Brown and D.M. Hebert, #22, Grade 2 CD
2 We Believe		
Page 196 Catholics belong to parish communities.	 Present our role and the pastor's role in the parish. Do the activity about participating in the parish. 	Crayons or colored pencils.
Page 197 Bishops lead and serve the Church.	 Present the text about the roles of bishops in the Church. Point out the Key Words and definitions. Share responses to the questions. 	Name your diocese and of the bishop of your diocese Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Musical— Teach the students a song about worship in the parish community. Optional Activity: Activity Bank Greeting to the Bishop—With the students, prepare a hello and thank-you greeting for the bishop of your diocese. Have the students explain what they have learned about Jesus, the Church, and the sacraments. Catechist Guide, page 197
Page 198 The pope is the leader of the Church.	 Read and discuss the text about the role of the pope. Write and share responses to the question. Read and discuss the As Catholics text. 	Crayon or highlighter

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 199 The Church is in every part of	Review and discuss the text and photographs.	Copies of Reproducible Master 23, Catechist Guide, page 195C
the world.	Neview and discuss the text and photographs.	Highlighters, crayons, or colored pencils
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Verbal-Linguistic— Have the students recall the many things the pope does to lead the Church. Ask them to write one question an interviewer might ask the pope.
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Church: Celebrations—Direct the students's attention to the photos. Have the students choose one celebration in which they would like to participate. Ask each child to write why he or she would like to celebrate our Catholic faith in this way.
		Catechist Guide, page 199
3 We Respond		
Page 199	Discuss responses to the question.	Optional Activity: I Value My Catholic Faith"Catholic Identity Retreat, page R28; Leader's Guide, page 21
Project Disciple Activitie	S	
Show What You Know	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons
Fast Facts Make it Happen Picture This		Student Edition, pages 200-201
More to Explore Picture This Show What You Know	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 195D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 195D
		Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 23 (back of Catechist Guide)



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer Leader's Guide pages 19-24		
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith * I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful, quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 23 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 195E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 23 Project	Catechist Guide, page 195E
Assessment		
Chapter 23 Test	Complete Chapter 23 Test	Student Edition, page 202
Chapter 23 Test	Complete Chapter 23 Test	Assessment Book, pages 45-46
4 We Take a Break		
5 We Believe		
Page 204 Prayer keeps us close to God.	Read and discuss the text about prayer. Complete the activity.	Highlighter or crayon
Page 205 Jesus prayed to God his Father.	Present the text about Jesus and prayer. Share times of prayer.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Curriculum Connection: Music, Language Arts—Have the students write prayers they can sing to simple, familiar melodies. Catechist Guide, page 205
Page 206	Read the text about the Lord's Prayer.	
Jesus teaches us to pray.	Discuss the meaning of the words we pray in the Lord's Prayer.	
	Make up actions to use while praying the Our Father.	

^{*} Suggested to be done as optional activity in Lesson Plan



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 207	Present the text about the importance of prayer.	Crayons or colored pencils
We pray as Jesus did.	Discuss times when your parish prays together. Read and discuss the As Catholics text.	Copies of Reproducible Master 24, Catechist Guide, page 203C
	read and discuss the 7 to catherine text.	Instrumental music (option)
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Linguistic, Spatial— Prepare a set of sentence strips containing verses of the Lord's Prayer. Distribute the strips to a group of students. Have the group arrange themselves in the correct prayer-verse order. Then invite everyone to say the prayer together.
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: Call to Family, Community, and Participation—Invite the students to form a prayer circle. Have the students take turns praying for the person standing on their right.
		Catechist Guide, page 207
6 We Respond		
Page 207	Offer a quiet prayer to God.	
Project Disciple Activitie	s	
Show What You Know	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons
More to Explore Pray Today Make it Happen		Student Edition, pages 208–209
Make it Happen Celebrate! Saint Stories	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 203D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 203D
		Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 24 (back of Catechist Guide)



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 24 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 203E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 24 Project	Catechist Guide, page 203E
Assessment		
Chapter 24 Test	Complete Chapter 24 Test	Student Edition, page 210
Chapter 24 Test	Complete Chapter 24 Test	Assessment Book, pages 47-48
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 23 and Chapter 24 (back of guide) Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R31; Why We Believe, page R32; Leader's Guide, page 23.

Session 2—Jesus and the Holy Spirit

Session 2 Overview

The theme of Session 2 is *Jesus and the Holy Spirit*. The students learn in Chapter 3 that Jesus will come again. They learn in Chapter 4 that Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed is placed here in Session 2. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

Chapter 3 Overview

In Chapter 2 the students learned about the Kingdom of God and the gift of faith. In this chapter the students will learn about the Last Judgment and that Jesus taught us to love others.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

Paragraph

Jesus has power over life and death.

Jesus will come again.

When Jesus Christ comes again, he will judge all people.

Jesus teaches us to love others.

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- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Key Words second coming Last Judgment Heaven

Chapter 4 Overview

In Chapter 3 the students learned about Jesus' second coming. In this chapter the students will learn about the Holy Spirit coming at Pentecost and about the growth of the early Church.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

• Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit.

• The Holy Spirit comes to the disciples

• The Church begins on Pentecost

• The early Church grows

• Read The Students will learn:

729

731

• The Church grows

849

Key Words

mission
Pentecost
Christians
Ascension
Church



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 35	Listen to Scripture.	For the prayer space: strips of cloth,
Prayer	Respond in song.	a balance scale, a coat or blanket
Focus on Life	Discuss the question about people with special power.	"Whatsoever You Do," #3, Grade 3 CD
2 We Believe		
Page 36	Read and discuss the story of Lazarus.	Bible
Jesus has power over life and death.	Answer the question about belief in the Resurrection.	
John 11:1-3, 17-44	Read and discuss the miracles of Jesus in As Catholics.	
Page 37 Jesus will come again. Matthew 25:35–36, 40	 Read and discuss the text about the second coming of Christ. Complete the activity about "staying awake" in faith. 	"Stay Awake," #4, Grade 3 CD (optional) Optional Activity: Activity Bank Faith and Media: Newspaper Story— Help the students write a newspaper article that tells the story of Lazarus. Catechist Guide, page 37
Page 38	• Read the scriptural story of the Last Judgment.	Balance scale and objects to weigh
When Jesus Christ comes again, he will judge all people.	Complete the activity about ways your parish can care for others.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Verbal-Linguistic—
Matthew 25:35–36, 40		Have the students write narratives about the second coming of Jesus.
		Catechist Guide, page 38

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 39 Jesus teaches us to love others.	Read and discuss the text about the greatest commandment.	Copies of Reproducible Master 3, Catechist Guide page 35C
Mark 12:30–31	Act out situations showing ways to be a good neighbor.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Community: Interviews—Have the students interview a parent, an adult family friend, a neighbor, or an older member of their parish. The interview questions might include: When did you come to the aid of someone in need? What were the needy person's circumstances? What did you do to help the person? Have the students write a brief paragraph that explains and describes this information.
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: The Rights and Responsibilities of the Human Person— Brainstorm with the group about things that governments, local or national, can do to help those in need. Help them decide on two or three things they would like to see accomplished. Then list some ways that they can help to make these things happen.
TWO Decreed		Catechist Guide, page 39
3 We Respond		
Page 39	Talk about the importance of love.	
Project Disciple Activities	S	
Show What You Know What Would You Do? Make it Happen Celebrate!	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 40-41
Show What You Know More to Explore Picture This	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 35D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 35D Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 3 (back of Catechist Guide)
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 3 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 35E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 3 Project	Catechist Guide, page 35E



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Assessment		
Chapter 3 Test	Complete Chapter 3 Test	Student Edition, page 42
Chapter 3 Test	Complete Chapter 3 Test	Assessment Book, pages 7-8
4 We Take a Break		
5 We Believe		
Page 44 Jesus promises to send the Holy Spirit. Matthew 28:16-20	 Read and discuss the text about Jesus' Ascension and the Apostles' mission. Describe the disciples' feelings as they waited for the Holy Spirit to come. 	
Page 45 The Holy Spirit comes to the disciples. Acts of the Apostles 2:1-41	 Read and discuss the text and Scripture about the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. Write a description of how the disciples changed when the Holy Spirit came to them. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 4, Catechist Guide, page 43C Paper and colored pencils Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multicultural Connections: Languages— Ask any students who speak other languages to say a message of faith in that language. Optional Activity: Activity Bank Curriculum Connections: Language Arts (Public Speaking)—The Holy Spirit gave the Apostles the courage to speak about Jesus. Encourage the students to do the same. Say: Take a moment now to ask the Holy Spirit to help you write a paragraph about Jesus for the first Pentecost. What would you like to say? Catechist Guide, page 45
Page 46 The Church begins on Pentecost.	 Read and discuss the text about the early Church. Complete the activity about giving a speech and following Jesus. 	



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 47 The early Church grows. Acts of the Apostles 9:3–5	 Read and discuss the text about the growth of the early Church and Paul's conversion. Read and discuss evangelization in As Catholics. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Parish: Sharing Opportunities—Ask the students: What does the local parish do for those who are in need? How can the students and their families contribute to these activities? Ask them to think of other areas of need that are not being met. What can they do to care for this need? Record the students's responses. Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: Call to Family, Community, and Participation—Encourage the students to support missionaries. Contact the Catholic Charities office in your diocese. Ask about ways your group can help people who are in need. Ask the office to provide a list of items that are needed. Have your group make fliers or brochures to post so that others can be aware of ways to help. Catechist Guide, page 47
6 We Respond		
Page 47	Discuss the question about the ways we can show people we are followers of Christ.	
Project Disciple Activiti	es	
Show What You Know Fast Facts Picture This Make it Happen	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 48-49
Show What You Know Make it Happen Picture This	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 43D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, Page 43D Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 4 (back of Catechist Guide)



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes	
Catholic Identity Leader's	Catholic Identity Leader's Guide: Creed, pages 1–6		
I Open My Heart We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word We Come Together I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful, quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.	
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)			
Optional Activities			
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 4 Study Guide and web activities		
Story Corner	• Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 43E	
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 4 Project	Catechist Guide, page 43E	
Assessment			
Chapter 4 Test	Complete Chapter 4 test	Student Edition, page 50	
Chapter 4 Test	Complete Chapter 4 test	Assessment Book, pages 9-10	
7 We Take Home			
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 3 and Chapter 4 (back of guide)	
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R7; Why We Believe, page R8; Leader's Guide, page 5	

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Session 6—Celebrating the Sacraments

Session 6 Overview

The theme of Session 6 is *Celebrating the Sacraments*. The students learn in Chapter 15 how the Church celebrates the Seven Sacraments, special signs of God's love. They learn in Chapter 16 about celebrating the Sacrament of the Eucharist and the Mass.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments is placed here in Session 6. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Chapter 15 Overview

In Chapter 12, the students learned that we are called to serve God in our particular vocation. In this chapter, the students will learn about the Seven Sacraments as the special signs of God's love.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

Paragraph

- The stadents will learn.

grace

grace Original Sin

Sacraments of Christian Initiation

Key Words sacrament

Chapter 16 Overview

In Chapter 15 the students learned that there are Seven Sacraments. In this chapter, they will continue to learn about the Sacrament of the Eucharist.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

aragrap

Key Words

Passover assembly

Mass

Eucharist

sacrifice



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 131 Prayer Focus on Life	Listen to Scripture.Respond in song.Discuss neighborhood signs and their importance.	For the prayer space: placard about sacraments, names of sacraments on cards, objects used with sacraments "Jesus Is with Us," Owen Alstott, #11, Grade 3 CD
2 We Believe		
Page 132 The Church celebrates the sacraments.	 Read and discuss the Seven Sacraments as special signs. Discuss the meaning of grace. List sacraments already received. Read and discuss As Catholics. 	Large picture of Jesus "Welcome, Friends" sign Examples of sacramentals (holy water, medals, rosaries) (option)
Page 133 Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist are the Sacraments of Christian Initiation.	 Read and discuss the Sacraments of Christian Initiation and Original Sin. Discuss parish celebrations of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Faith and Media: Memories of the Sacraments—To get a visual sense of the sacraments, encourage the students to share their photographs of themselves or family members receiving one of the sacraments. Post the photographs. Suggest that the students write captions to accompany their pictures. Catechist Guide, page 133
Page 134 Penance and Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick are Sacraments of Healing.	 Read and discuss Jesus' healing ministry and the Sacraments of Healing. Reflect on the question about forgiveness and love and care of the sick. 	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 135 Holy Orders and Matrimony are	Read and discuss Holy Orders and Matrimony as Sacraments of Service.	Copies of Reproducible Master 15, Catechist Guide, page 131C
Sacraments of Service to others.		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Parish: Invitation into the Church—Talk with parish leaders to learn ways students can assist in welcoming into the Church new members who are preparing to receive the Sacraments of Christian Initiation.
		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Family: Sacramental Trees—Have the students make a tree of symbols related to sacraments that they or their family members have received. They may use a small tree branch placed in a pot of sand and adorn the tree with pictures of sacramental ceremonies, announcements, Mass folders, and so on.
		Catechist Guide, page 135
3 We Respond		
Page 135	Draw or write about joining with friends in the celebration of the sacraments.	
Project Disciple Activities	5	
Show What You Know What's the Word? More to Explore Celebrate! Pray Today	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Crayons or colored pencils Student Edition, pages 136–137
Reality Check Picture This Question Corner	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 131D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 131D Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" Reproducible Master, Chapter 15 (back of Catechist Guide)



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes	
Catholic Identity Retreat: Li	Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments, Leader's Guide pages 7-12		
I Open My Heart We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful, quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.	
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)			
Optional Activities			
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 15 Study Guide and web activities		
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 131E	
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 15 Project	Catechist Guide, page 131E	
Assessment			
Chapter 15 Test	Complete Chapter 15 Test	Student Edition, page 138	
Chapter 15 Test	Complete Chapter 15 Test	Assessment Book, pages 31–32	
4 We Take a Break			

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Pages 140-141 Jesus celebrated Passover and the Last Supper. Matthew 26:26-28	 Read about and discuss the Passover feast, and Jesus giving us the Eucharist at the Last Supper. Write what we can be thankful for at the Eucharist. 	
Page 141 The Mass is a sacrifice and a meal.	 Read about and discuss the Mass as sacrifice and meal. Act out the meaning of the Mass. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Faith and Media: The Last Supper—Obtain a video that depicts the Last Supper. If you have a diocesan media center or library, ask for advice on the most appropriate video for your grade level. Invite the students to describe their feelings as they watch the video. Invite them to comment on the things or actions that catch their attention. Have them note similarities between how the video presents the Last Supper and the celebration of the Eucharist today. Catechist Guide, page 141
Page 142 We take part in the Mass.	 Read about and discuss the assembly's participation in the Mass. Discuss ways to encourage others to participate at Mass. Read and discuss As Catholics. 	
Page 143 We celebrate Mass each week.	Read about and discuss Sunday and holy days of obligation, and other feasts.	Calendar Copies of Reproducible Master 16, Catechist Guide, page 139C Optional Activity: Activity Bank Parish: Celebrating the Mass Together— Invite the students and their families to attend Mass together as a group during the summer. Send a special invitation to each family. Have them sit together. Encourage families to get to know one another by inviting them to stay after Mass for a gathering. Catechist Guide, page 143



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Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
6 We Respond		
Page 143	Send a message inviting parishioners to take part in the Mass.	
Project Disciple Activities		
Show What You Know Pray Today Fast Facts Saint Stories What's the Word? Take Home	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 144–145
Reality Check Pray Today Celebrate!	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 139D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 139D Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 16 (back of Catechist Guide)
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 16 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 139E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 16 Project	Catechist Guide, page 139E
Assessment		
Chapter 16 Test	Complete Chapter 16 Test	Student Edition, page 146
Chapter 16 Test	Complete Chapter 16 Test	Assessment Book, pages 33-34
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 15 and Chapter 16 (back of guide)
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R15; Why We Believe, page R16; Leader's Guide, page 11

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Session 10—Saints and the Kingdom of God

Session 9 Overview

The theme of Session 10 is *Saints and the Kingdom of God*. The students learn in Chapter 25 that God calls us to be saints and that Mary is the greatest of all saints. They learn in Chapter 26 about the Kingdom of God.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer is placed here in Session 9. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

Go to **Religion.SadlierConnect.com**, for both chapters' correlations to:

- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Chapter 25 Overview

In Chapter 24 the students learned that Catholics worldwide celebrate their faith in different ways. In this chapter the students will learn about Mary and the saints as models of holiness.

For Adult Reading and Reflection
Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

• We belong to the Communion of Saints
• Mary is the greatest of all the saints
• The Church remembers and honors Mary
• God calls us to be saints.

• Catechism of the Catholic Church

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• Mary is the greatest of all the saints

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• The Church remembers and honors Mary

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Key Words
saints
Immaculate Conception
Communion of Saints
Assumption

Chapter 26 Overview

In Chapter 25 the students learned about Mary, the Mother of God, and the saints of the Church. In this chapter, the students will learn what Jesus taught his followers about the Kingdom of God, and that it continues to grow today.

The students will learn:

Jesus used parables to teach about the Kingdom of God.

Jesus taught that the Kingdom of God will grow.

Jesus' miracles were signs of the Kingdom of God.

The Kingdom of God grows.

Paragraph

Jesus taught that the Kingdom of God will grow.

Jesus' miracles were signs of the Kingdom of God.

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Key Words parable miracles



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 211 Prayer Focus on Life	Pray in song.Identify ways we remember and honor special people.	For the prayer space: picture or statue of Mary, rosary, a book about the saints "Sing a Song to the Saints," Jack Louden, #21, Grade 3 CD
2 We Believe		
Page 212 We belong to the Communion of Saints.	 Read and discuss the text about saints and the Communion of Saints. Name and talk about known saints. 	
Page 213 Mary is the greatest of all the saints.	 Read about how saints are canonized in As Catholics. Read and discuss the Immaculate Conception and the Assumption of Mary. Discuss ways of following Mary's example and pray the Hail Mary. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 25, Catechist Guide, page 211C (optional) Crayons or markers Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multicultural Connection—Holy Days around the World: Giant Kite Festival— Invite the students to make and decorate their own barriletes, giant kites made by the people of Santiago Sacatepequez, Guatemala, to celebrate All Saints' Day. Catechist Guide, page 213
Pages 214–215 The Church remembers and honors Mary.	 Discuss ways to honor Mary. Read and discuss the Mysteries of the Rosary. Discuss and plan to pray the Rosary. 	A rosary for each child
Page 215 God calls us to be saints.	Read and discuss saints' lives and their examples of holiness.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Faith and Media: Saints—Form the students into three groups. Assign to each group one of the following saints: Charles Lwanga, Andrew Nam-Thuong, and Joan of Arc. Help the students research and report on these saints. Optional Activity: Activity Bank Curriculum Connection: Reading Skills— Record a Gospel story. Invite the students to take turns listening to the recording and reading along in the Bible. Prepare some simple comprehension questions for the story you chose to use. Have the students answer the questions to make sure they have understood the main ideas. Afterwards, make dioramas. Catechist Guide, page 215



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes	
3 We Respond			
Page 215	Make a list of "Saints of Our Time."		
Project Disciple Activities	5		
Show What You Know Make it Happen Celebrate! Question Corner What's the Word?	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 216–217	
Picture This Pray Today Saint Stories	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 211D	
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 211D	
		Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 25 (back of guide)	
Catholic Identity Retreat:	Prayer, Leader's Guide pages 19–23		
I Open My Heart We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word * I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful, quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.	
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)			
Optional Activities	Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 25 Study Guide and web activities		
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 211E	
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 25 Project	Catechist Guide, page 211E	
Assessment	Assessment		
Chapter 25 Test	Complete Chapter 25 Test	Student Edition, page 218	
Chapter 25 Test	Complete Chapter 25 Test	Assessment Book, pages 49-50	



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
4 We Take a Break		
5 We Believe		
Page 220 Jesus used parables to teach about the Kingdom of God.	 Read and discuss parables and the Kingdom of God. Identify signs of God's love. 	
Luke 13:18–19		
Page 221 Jesus taught that the Kingdom of God will grow.	 Read about and discuss the farmer's sowing seeds and Jesus' explanation. Write, share, and act out parables. Read about Saint Elizabeth of Hungary in As Catholics. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 26, Catechist Guide, page 219C (optional) Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Bodily-Kinesthetic— Ask the students to choose a Bible story, a prayer, or a song that expresses something about God's Kingdom. Invite them to make up movements to accompany their choice. Write the chosen text for the class to see. Then ask the students to demonstrate for the class the movements they made up. Catechist Guide, page 221
Page 222-223 Jesus' miracles were signs of the Kingdom of God. Matthew 14:22-33	 Read and discuss Jesus' miracles, particularly his calming of the storm. Write ways to show faith. 	
Page 223 The Kingdom of God grows.	Read and discuss the Church and ways we can give witness to the Kingdom of God.	Markers or crayons Optional Activity: Activity Bank Community: Witnessing and Respecting— Write each class member's name on a card and pass the cards around the room. Ask the students to write something that they appreciate or like about their classmate. Make sure everyone has signed each other's card. When they are finished and have received their own cards back, allow the students to read what was written about them. Catechist Guide, page 223

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes	
6 We Respond			
Page 223	Choose and discuss time capsule items.		
Project Disciple Activities			
Show What You Know What Would You Do? Reality Check Picture This Pray Today	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 224–225	
Celebrate! Make it Happen Show What You Know	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities	Catechist Guide, page 219D	
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 219D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 26 (back of guide)	
Optional Activities			
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 26 Study Guide and web activities		
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 219E	
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 26 Project	Catechist Guide, page 219E	
Assessment			
Chapter 26 Test	Complete Chapter 26 Test	Student Edition, page 226	
Chapter 26 Test	Complete Chapter 26 Test	Assessment Book, pages 51-52	
7 We Take Home			
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 25 and Chapter 26 (back of guide)	
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R31; Why We Believe, page R32; Leader's Guide, page 23	

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Session 3—Unity

Session 3 Overview

The theme of Session 3 is *Unity*. The students learn in Chapter 5 about the peace and unity that come from the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. They also learn in Chapter 8 about the unity that God promised through his covenant with the Israelites and his fulfilled promise of sending his Son to save all people and to teach us God's Law.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed is placed here in Session 3. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

Go to **Religion.SadlierConnect.com**, for both chapters' correlations to:

- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Key Words penitent absolution

Chapter 5 Overview

In Chapter 4 the students learned about the formation of conscience. In this chapter, they will learn about the peace and unity that come from receiving God's forgiveness and love through the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn: Paragraph

• Jesus tells us about God's forgiveness and love. 1423–1424

• We receive God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. 1441

• We celebrate the Sacrament of Penance. 1448

• Reconciliation brings peace and unity 1468–1469

Chapter 8 Overview

In Chapter 5 the students learned about the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. In this chapter they will learn about God's covenant with Moses and the Israelites, the promise God kept by sending his Son, and Jesus' teaching about God's Law.

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church The students will learn: • God calls his people. • The Ten Commandments are God's Laws for his people. • Jesus teaches us about God's Law • Jesus teaches us to love one another • Sor Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church 2057 • Paragraph • 2057 • Jesus teaches us about God's Law 2052–2053

Key Words
covenant
human rights
Ten Commandments



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Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 51	Listen to the psalm.	For the prayer space: copy of the Act
Prayer	• Pray the responsorial psalm.	of Contrition, picture of Jesus, battery- powered candle
Focus on Life	Discuss the questions about forgiveness.	
2 We Believe		
Pages 52–53 Jesus tells us about God's forgiveness and love.	 Read and discuss Jesus' message of forgiveness and love. Describe what it means to repent and be 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Visual-Spatial— Help students label the parts of the
We receive God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.	reconciled to God. • Read and discuss receiving God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.	Sacrament of Penance. Catechist Guide, page 53
Luke 15:4-7	Respond to the question.	
John 20:21-23	• Read and discuss the <i>As Catholics</i> text on the seal of confession.	
Page 54	• Read and discuss the celebration of Reconciliation.	
We celebrate the Sacrament of Penance.	Complete the Act of Contrition activity.	
Page 55	• Read and discuss the effects of the peace and	Optional Activity: Activity Bank
Reconciliation brings peace and unity.	unity that Reconciliation brings to us.	Catholic Social Teaching: Call to Family, Community, and Participation— Direct students to use Saint Paul as a model in writing a letter of encouragement.
		Catechist Guide, page 55
3 We Respond		
Page 55	Act out ways to restore friendship and peace.	Copies of Reproducible Master 5, Catechist Guide, page 51C

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes	
Project Disciple Activities	Project Disciple Activities		
Show What You Know Celebrate! Saint Stories Fast Facts	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 56–57	
Make it Happen What Would You Do? Picture This	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 51D	
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 51D Copies of Project Disciple "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 5 (back of guide)	
Catholic Identity Retreat:	: Creed, Leader's Guide pages 1–6		
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith * I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic I dentity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.	
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)			
Optional Activities			
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 5 Study Guide and web activities		
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 51E	
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 5 Project	Catechist Guide, page 51E	
Assessment	Assessment		
Chapter 5 Test	Complete Chapter 5 Test	Student Edition, page 58	
Chapter 5 Test	Complete Chapter 5 Test	Assessment Book, pages 11-12	
4 We Take a Break			



^{*} Suggested to be done as optional activity in Lesson Plan

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Pages 76-77 God calls his people. Exodus 3:7-10 The Ten Commandments are God's Laws for his people.	 Read and discuss the text about God's call to his people. Read the biblical account of the call of Moses. Discuss how God guides us today. Discuss the covenant and the Ten Commandments. Discuss ways to show respect. 	World map "Psalm 100: We Are His People," Mark Friedman, #6 and #7, Grade 4 CD (optional) Optional Activity: Activity Bank Curriculum Connection: Geography— Have students find places in the Holy Land on a map. Catechist Guide, page 77
Pages 78-79 Jesus teaches us about God's Law. Jesus teaches us to love one another.	 Read about God's sending the prophets and his Son. Read and discuss Jesus' giving us the Great Commandment. Identify individuals who encourage trust and faith in God. Read and discuss Jesus as the perfect example of love of God and neighbor and respect for human rights. Read and discuss Isaiah in the As Catholics text. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Scripture Search: Storytelling— Organize students to do a "Jesus in action" Bible search. Catechist Guide, page 79
6 We Respond		
Page 79	Complete the word find puzzle.	
Project Disciple Activities	5	
Show What You Know Fast Facts Pray Today Make it Happen What's the Word?	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 80–81
Take Home Show What You Know Make it Happen	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 75D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 75D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 8 (back of guide)

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 8 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 75E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 8 Project	Catechist Guide, page 75E
Assessment		
Chapter 8 Test	Complete Chapter 8 test	Student Edition, page 82
Chapter 8 Test	Complete Chapter 8 test	Assessment Book, pages 15-16
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 5 and Chapter 8 (back of guide)
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R7; Why We Believe, page R8; Leader's Guide, page 5

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Session 8—Living in Truth and Modesty

Session 8 Overview

The theme of Session 8 is *Living in Truth and Modesty*. The students learn in Chapter 19 about keeping the Eighth Commandment by living the truth that comes from God. They learn in Chapter 22 about following the Ninth Commandment to live the virtue of modesty.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality is placed here in Session 8. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

Go to **Religion.SadlierConnect.com**, for both chapters' correlations to:

- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Key Words martyrs witnesses

Chapter 19 Overview

In Chapter 18 the students learned that the Seventh Commandment calls us to respect others, their property, and the world God created. In this chapter the students will learn that the Eighth Commandment teaches the importance of learning and living the truth that comes from God.

The students will learn:

God teaches us what it means to be true.

We are all called to witness to the truth of our faith.

We have a responsibility to tell the truth.

We have a responsibility to respect the truth.

Paragraph

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We have a responsibility to respect the truth.

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Chapter 22 Overview

In Chapter 19 the students learned that in the Eighth Commandment God calls us to respect and tell the truth. In this chapter the students will learn that by following the Ninth Commandment we can live out the virtue of modesty.

Key Words covet modesty



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 163 Prayer	Pray the psalm. Respond in song.	For the prayer space: Bible "Come Follow Me," Barbara Bridge, #23,
Focus on Life	Discuss the question about a world in which everyone is truthful.	Grade 4 CD
2 We Believe		
Page 164 God teaches us what it means to be true.	 Read and discuss the Eighth Commandment and being faithful and true witnesses before God. Identify a way to show being trustworthiness and truthfulness. 	
Page 165 We are all called to witness to the truth of our faith.	 Read and discuss Jesus' call to live the truth and witness it as the Apostles and martyrs did. Role-play witnessing to the Catholic faith. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Faith and Media: The Eighth Commandment in Action—Organize students to write and act out skits about having difficulty following the Eighth Commandment. Catechist Guide, page 165
Pages 166–167 We have a responsibility to tell the truth. We have a responsibility to respect the truth.	 Read and discuss the need to tell the truth and avoid lying, spreading gossip, and telling secrets. Name times when it is easy and when it is difficult to tell the truth. Read and discuss the responsibility to respect the truth. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: Rights and Responsibilities of the Human Person— Lead students in discussing and summarizing being true to themselves, true to their families, and true to their society. Catechist Guide, page 167
3 We Respond		
Page 167	 Complete endings to Read and discuss how to live out the situations. Read and discuss the Golden Rule in the As Catholics text. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 19, Catechist Guide, page 163C



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Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes	
Project Disciple Activities	Project Disciple Activities		
Show What You Know More to Explore Saint Stories Question Corner Pray Today	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Crayons or colored pencils Student Edition, pages 168–169	
Picture This What Would You Do? More to Explore	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 163D	
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 163D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 19 (back of guide)	
Catholic Identity Retreat: M	orality, Leader's Guide pages 13-18		
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.	
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)			
Optional Activities			
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 19 Study Guide and web activities		
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 163E	
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 19 Project	Catechist Guide, page 163E	
Assessment			
Chapter 19 Test	Complete Chapter 19 Test	Student Edition, page 170	
Chapter 19 Test	Complete Chapter 19 Test	Assessment Book, pages 39-40	
4 We Take a Break			

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Page 188 Feelings are a gift from God.	 Read and discuss growing in thinking and feeling. Identify feelings illustrated in the art of Jesus. Read about feelings. 	
Page 189 God created us to share love.	 Read and discuss the gift of human sexuality and the Sixth Commandment. Name favorite songs and reason why you like them. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Bodily-Kinesthetic— Ask students to read silently, then act out with the class the story of Jesus feeding the five thousand. Catechist Guide, page 189
Page 190 God calls us to be pure of heart.	 Read and discuss the text about the Ninth Commandment and our call to us to be pure of heart. Write recipe for pureness of heart. 	
Page 191 The virtue of modesty helps us to be pure of heart.	 Read and discuss the virtue of modesty. Read the As Catholics text. Respond to the scenarios about acting modestly. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Faith and Media: Promoting Modesty— With permission from parents, have students view a television program and evaluate whether the people on the program promote the Ninth Commandment. Catechist Guide, page 191
6 We Respond		
Page 191	Explain the Ninth Commandment to another person.	Copies of Reproducible Master 22, Catechist Guide, page 187C
Project Disciple Activitie	s	
Show What You Know What Would You Do? Saint Stories More to Explore Picture This Reality Check	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 192-193
Make it Happen Question Corner Pray Today	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 187D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 187D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 22 (back of guide)



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 22 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 187E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 22 Project	Catechist Guide, page 187E
Assessment		
Chapter 22 Test	Complete Chapter 22 Test	Student Edition, page 194
Chapter 22 Test	Complete Chapter 22 Test	Assessment Book, pages 43-44
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 19 and Chapter 22 (back of guide)
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R23; Why We Believe, page R24; Leader's Guide, page 17

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Session 10—Our Catholic Calling as Disciples

Session 10 Overview

The theme of Session 10 is *Our Catholic Calling as Disciples*. The students learn in Chapter 25 about their roles as members of the Catholic Church. In Chapter 26 they learn about their calling to discipleship by living lives of virtue and love

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer is placed here in Session 10. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home

Go to **Religion.SadlierConnect.com**, for both chapters' correlations to:

- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Chapter 25 Overview

In Chapter 24 the students learned about holiness, prayer, sacraments, and the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit. In this chapter they will reflect on what it means to be an active member of a parish community and, in a more universal sense, a member of the worldwide Catholic Church.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

• The Church is a worldwide community

• We have responsibilities as members of the Church.

• We celebrate the sacraments

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• We have an active role in the Church community

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Key Words

parish

diocese

pope

pastor

bishops

precepts of the church

Chapter 26 Overview

Doctrinal Content

In Chapter 25 the students learned what it means to be a member of the worldwide Catholic Church. In this chapter they will learn about the theological and Cardinal Virtues and come to see that everyone is called to be a disciple.

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

 Key Words theological virtues Cardinal Virtues



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 211 Prayer Focus on Life	 Pray in silence. Respond in song. Discuss membership in clubs or organizations.	For the prayer space: copy of the latest parish bulletin, world map, copy of the Nicene Creed "Though We Are Many/Make Us a Sign," Bernadette Farrell, #27, Grade 4 CD
2 We Believe		
Page 212 The Church is a worldwide community.	 Read and discuss dioceses and parishes and the important roles of pastors, deacons, bishops, and the pope. List ways to take part in your parish community. 	
Page 213 We have responsibilities as members of the Church.	 Read and discuss the precepts of the Church. Study the chart of the precepts. Explain why the precepts are important. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Parish: The Parish Bulletin—Ask the students to design and write a parish bulletin with a focus on events and topics that are of interest to young people. Catechist Guide, page 213
Page 214 We celebrate the sacraments.	 Read and discuss the sacraments and the first three precepts. Name ways to follow the first three precepts. 	
Page 215 We have an active role in the Church community.	 Read and discuss the Church as a community and the fourth and fifth precepts. Read and discuss the marks of the Church in the As Catholics. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Faith and Media: The Church and the Internet—Have students research Catholic websites and discuss ways that information might help lead people to the Church. Catechist Guide, page 215
3 We Respond		
Page 215	Write a new precept and give the reason why.	Copies of Reproducible Master 25, Catechist Guide, page 211C

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activitie	es	
Show What You Know Reality Check Saint Stories More to Explore	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 216–217
What Would You Do? Make it Happen More to Explore Show What You Know	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 211D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 211D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 25 (back of guide)
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 25 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 211E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 25 Project	Catechist Guide, page 211E
Assessment		
Chapter 25 Test	Complete Chapter 25 Test	Student Edition, page 218
Chapter 25 Test	Complete Chapter 25 Test	Assessment Book, pages 49-50
4 We Take a Break		
5 We Believe		
Page 220 The virtues of faith, hope, and love bring us closer to God.	Read and discuss the theological virtues of faith, hope, and love.	
Page 221 Mary is our model for virtue and discipleship.	 Name ways the theological virtues make a difference in life. Read and discuss Mary as our model of virtue and discipleship. Discuss ways to grow as disciples of Jesus. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multicultural Connection: Devotion to Mary around the World—Help students research ways Catholics around the world follow Mary's example and express their devotion to her. Catechist Guide, page 221
Page 222	Read and discuss the Cardinal Virtues.	
The Cardinal Virtues guide us.	• Fill in the Cardinal Virtues chart.	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 223 We are called to live a life of love.	 Read and discuss following and living out Jesus' call to love in words and actions. Read and discuss the pope and young people in the As Catholics text. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: Option for the Poor and Vulnerable—Invite a priest or parish worker to talk to the students about local Catholic agencies that help the poor. Work with the class to choose an agency to help, organize a fundraiser, and donate money to that agency. Catechist Guide, page 223
6 We Respond		7. 0
Page 223	• Role-play ways to be a light for all the world.	Copies of Reproducible Master 26, Catechist Guide, page 219C
Project Disciple Activities	S	
Show What You Know Fast Facts Make it Happen Pray Today	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 224–225
Make it Happen More to Explore Question Corner	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 219D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 219D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 26 (back of guide)
Catholic Identity Retreat: P	rayer, Leader's Guide pages 19–24	
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)		



^{*} Suggested to be done as optional activity in Lesson Plan

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 26 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 219E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 26 Project	Catechist Guide, page 219E
Assessment		
Chapter 26 Test	Complete Chapter 26 Test	Student Edition, page 226
Chapter 26 Test	Complete Chapter 26 Test	Assessment Book, pages 51-52
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 25 and Chapter 26 (back of guide)
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R31; Why We Believe, page R32; Leader's Guide, page 23

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Session 1—We Follow Jesus and Witness to Him

Session 1 Overview

The theme of Session 1 is *We Follow Jesus and Witness to Him.* The students learn in Chapter 1 that Jesus is the Son of God who reveals the Trinity and announces the Kingdom of God. They also learn in Chapter 2 that we participate in the mission of the Church by witnessing to Christ.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed is placed here in Session 1. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Chapter 1 Overview

In this chapter the students will continue to learn more about Jesus. They will begin to understand that he is the Son of God and that we are called to follow him.

The students will learn:

- Jesus is the Son of God
- Jesus shows us God's love
- Jesus invites people to follow him
- Jesus' disciples continue his work
- Doctrinal Content

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Key Words
Blessed Trinity
Kingdom of God
Church
Jesus' mission
Apostles

Chapter 2 Overview

In Chapter 1 the students learned that Jesus is the Son of God who reveals the Trinity and announces the Kingdom of God. In this chapter they will learn that we participate in the mission of the Church and witness to Christ.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

• We are joined to Jesus Christ and to one another.

• We proclaim the Good News of Christ by what we say and do

• In the liturgy we celebrate Christ's Paschal Mystery.

• When we serve others, we give witness to Christ.

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Key Words
evangelization
Paschal Mystery
Corporal Works of Mercy
liturgy
Last Judgment
Spiritual Works of Mercy



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 19	Listen to the Scripture reading.	For the prayer space: crucifix, Bible
Prayer	Respond in song.	"Jesus Is with Us," Owen Alstott, #2,
Focus on Life	Discuss the question about ways to show people what is important.	Grade 5 CD
2 We Believe		
Page 20	Read and discuss Jesus' coming and public ministry.	
Jesus is the Son of God.	Complete the activity about following Jesus' example.	
Page 21 Jesus shows us God's love. Luke 18:35–43	 Read and discuss Jesus' healing ministry in the text. Complete the role-play activity about being followers of Jesus. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Summer Report: Activities and Experiences—Lead students to share through writing or drawing the religious activities they are participating in over the summer.
D		Catechist Guide, page 21
Pages 22–23 Jesus invites people to follow him.	• Read and discuss Jesus' mission and the Kingdom of God.	"Bring Forth the Kingdom," Marty Haugen, #3, Grade 5 CD (option)
Matthew 13:31–32	Complete the activity to describe God's Kingdom.	Optional Activity. Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer—I Cherish God's Word, page R3; Leader's Guide, page 3, Part 3
Page 23 Jesus' disciples continue his work.	 Read and discuss the Apostles as the Church's leaders. Discuss Apostles in As Catholics. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: Option for the Poor and Vulnerable—Work with students to plan a service day as a way of following Jesus' example of serving those in need. Optional Activity: Activity Bank Mission: Advertisement for Discipleship— Have students make a billboard advertisement, calling people to become disciples of Jesus.
		Catechist Guide, page 23
3 We Respond		
Page 23	Discuss and act out ways to help God's Kingdom grow.	Copies of Reproducible Master 1, Catechist Guide, page 19C



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activities		
Show What You Know Picture This Make it Happen Saint Stories Pray Today	 Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities. Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities. 	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 24-25
Picture This Fast Facts Show What You Know	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 19D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 19D Copies of Project Disciple scriptural reproducible master, "What's the Word?" Chapter 1 (back of guide)
Catholic Identity Retreat	: Creed, Leader's Guide pages 1–6	
I Open My Heart We Come Together for Prayer * I Cherish God's Word * I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 1 Study Guide and web activities	Religion.SadlierConnect.com
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Page 19E, Catechist Guide
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 1 Project	Page 19E, Catechist Guide
Assessment		
Chapter 1 Test	Complete Chapter 1 Test	Page 26, Student Edition
Chapter 1 Test	Complete Chapter 1 Test	Pages 3-4, Assessment Book
4 We Take a Break		





Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Page 28 We are joined to Jesus Christ and to one another.	 Read and discuss the text about relationship with Jesus Christ. Name ways the Church shares the Good News of Jesus Christ. 	
Pages 28-29 We proclaim the Good News of Christ by what we say and do.	 Read about evangelization and discuss ways to share and give witness to our faith. Identify people who share the Good News and list ways to do the same. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Interpersonal— Lead students in taking a trust walk. Catechist Guide, page 29
Page 30 In the liturgy we celebrate Christ's Paschal Mystery.	Read and discuss the Paschal Mystery and the Church's liturgy.	"Somos el Cuerpo de Cristo/We Are the Body of Christ," Jaime Cortez, #4, Grade 5 CD
Pages 30-31 When we serve others, we give witness to Christ. Matthew 25:31-40	Learn about the Last Judgment and the Works of Mercy in the We Believe text.	Scissors Markers, crayons, or colored pencils Copies of Reproducible Master 2, Catechist Guide, page 27C Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: Life and Dignity of the Human Person—Have students look in parish bulletins and community newspapers for examples of ways people in the parish or community serve others. Ask students to collect images showing Corporal Works of Mercy and Spiritual Works of Mercy that they will use to create a collage. Catechist Guide, page 31
6 We Respond		
Page 31	• In the activity, plan a TV commercial.	Colored pencils or markers
Project Disciple Activities	S	
Show What You Know Question Corner Fast Facts More to Explore Make it Happen	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 32–33
Pray Today Celebrate! Make it Happen	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 27D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 27D Copies of Project Disciple scriptural reproducible master, "What's the Word?" Chapter 2 (back of guide)

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 2 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 27E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 8 Project	Catechist Guide, page 27E
Assessment		
Chapter 2 Test	Complete Chapter 2 test	Student Edition, page 34
Chapter 2 Test	Complete Chapter 2 test	Assessment Book, pages 5-6
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 (back of guide)
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R7; Why We Believe, page R8; Leader's Guide, page 5

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Session 9—Jesus Calls Us

Session 9 Overview

The theme of Session 9 is Jesus Calls Us. The students learn in Chapter 23 that Jesus calls us to be his disciples in the Church and in the world. They learn in Chapter 24 that marriage is built on Christ's love of the Church.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments, is placed here in Session 9. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

Go to Religion.SadlierConnect.com, for both chapters' correlations to:

- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Key Words priesthood of the faithful religious

laypeople

Key Words

Matrimony

fidelity

marriage covenant

Chapter 23 Overview

In Chapter 22 the students learned about the theological virtues of faith, hope, and love, and the Beatitudes. They also learned that the saints were models of a life of virtue. In this chapter the students will learn that Jesus calls us to be his disciples.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

Paragraph

- Jesus calls the baptized to serve him in the priesthood of the faithful 1546
- The laity share in the mission to bring the Good News
- Women and men in religious life serve Christ,

Chapter 24 Overview

In Chapter 23 the students learned that the laity, religious, and priests are called to carry out the mission of Christ and the Church. In this chapter the students will learn that Matrimony is built on Christ's love for his Church.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

Paragraph

- Marriage was part of God's plan from the very beginning......1605
- The marriage covenant is built on Christ's love for the Church 1616
- In the Sacrament of Matrimony a man and a woman promise to

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Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 195	Listen to Scripture.	For the prayer space: Bible
Prayer	Respond in prayer.	
Focus on Life	Share experience of working together in groups.	
2 We Believe		
Page 196 Jesus calls the baptized to serve him in the priesthood of the faithful.	 Read and discuss the priesthood of the faithful and ways of living it out. Illustrate ways people can show they are part of the priesthood of the faithful. 	
Page 197 The laity share in the mission to	Read and discuss our common vocation as laypeople and our role in the Church.	Copies of Reproducible Master 23, Catechist Guide, page 195C.
bring the Good News of Christ to the world.	Identify and act out possible ways of taking part in the work of the Church.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Faith and Media: Mass Broadcast Listings— Ask students to create a directory of radio and television celebrations of Mass. Encourage students to offer the directory for inclusion on the parish website. Catechist Guide, page 197
Page 198 Women and men in religious life serve Christ, their communities, and the whole Church.	 Read and discuss the religious life, its vows, and community life. Talk about ways religious sisters, brothers, and priests may serve. 	"Prayer of Saint Francis/Oracion de San Francisco," #22 and #23, Grade 5 CD
Page 199 Friendships prepare us for future vocations.	Discuss friendship and vocations. Discuss As Catholics.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Youth Ministry: Peer Support—Explain to students how peer support among friends can keep someone from following the wrong path. Have the students discuss and list what they can do to be more inclusive of people in their groups. Catechist Guide, page 199
3 We Respond		
Page 199	Reflect on vocations by using the checklist.Pray the Prayer for Vocations.	



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activities		
Show What You Know What Would You Do? Fast Facts Celebrate! More to Explore	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Crayons or colored pencils Student Edition, pages 200–201
Pray Today Picture This Reality Check	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 195D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 195D Copies of Project Disciple scriptural reproducible master, "What's the Word?" Chapter 23 (back of guide)
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 23 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 195E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 23 Project	Catechist Guide, page 195E
Assessment		
Chapter 23 Test	Complete Chapter 23 Test	Student Edition, page 202
Chapter 23 Test	Complete Chapter 23 Test	Assessment Book, pages 45-46
4 We Take a Break		

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Page 204 Marriage was part of God's plan from the very beginning.	 Discuss marriage as part of God's plan and its importance as a sacrament. Discuss the importance of keeping promises. 	
Page 205 The marriage covenant is built on Christ's love for the Church.	Discuss Old and New Testament covenants and marriage. Identify ways to be a loyal family member, friend, or neighbor.	"Love Is Colored Like a Rainbow," Ray Repp, #24, Grade 5 CD Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Verbal-Linguistic— Encourage the students to collect family stories. After the students record the stories, suggest that they retell one of the stories in their own words. Optional Activity: Activity Bank Catholic Social Teaching: Dignity of the Human Person—Remind the students that the Church teaches that every member of the family should be treated with respect, love, and care. Invite the students to name some ways they can fulfill this Church teaching in their own families. Catechist Guide, page 205
Page 206 In the Sacrament of Matrimony a man and a woman promise to always love and be true to each other. Rite of Marriage	 Discuss marriage preparation, the Rite of Marriage, and fidelity. Name ways married couples can be an example of Christian life. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 24, Catechist Guide, page 203C
Page 207 Families are very important communities.	 Discuss family responsibilities of parents and students. Read and discuss As Catholics. 	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Family: The Homeless Are Families— Tell the students that the homeless are often families in desperate situations. Have students research and report on the facts about families at risk who have become homeless, including what is being done to house, feed, and protect these fragile families. Catechist Guide, page 207



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
6 We Respond		
Page 207	Write slogans to encourage families, and design a billboard.	
Project Disciple Activitie	s	
Show What You Know What's the Word?	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons
Saint Stories Fast Facts		Student Edition, pages 208-209
Reality Check Question Corner Saint Stories	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 203D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, Page 203D
		Copies of Project Disciple scriptural reproducible master, "What's the Word?" Chapter 24 (back of guide)
Catholic Identity Retreat: L	iturgy & Sacraments, Leader's Guide pages 7	7–12
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer * I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 24 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, Page 203E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 24 Project	Catechist Guide, Page 203E
Assessment		
Chapter 24 Test	Complete Chapter 24 Test	Student Edition, page 210
Chapter 24 Test	Complete Chapter 24 Test	Assessment Book, pages 47-48
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 23 and Chapter 24 (back of guide)
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R15; Why We Believe, page 16; Leader's Guide, page 11

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Session 10—The Church's Mission

Session 10 Overview

The theme of Session 10 is The Church's Mission. The students learn in Chapter 25 that through the Sacrament of Holy Orders the Church continues the Apostles' mission. In Chapter 26 they learn about the four marks of the Church, and that the Church respects all people and works for justice and peace.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer is placed here in Session 10. The suggestion here is to end the session with a thirty minute retreat on Prayer as part of We Respond. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Chapter 25 Overview

In Chapter 24 the students learned about the Sacrament of Matrimony and the promise of faithfulness and love made by the man and woman. In this chapter the students will learn about the Sacrament of Holy Orders in which the ordained make a promise of service for the People of God.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

Paragraph

- Holy Orders is the sacrament through which the Church
- Bishops, priests, and deacons serve the Church
- in different ways......1554
- The laying on of hands and prayer of consecration are

Key Words Holy Orders bishops priests

deacons

Chapter 26 Overview

In Chapter 25 the students learned about the Sacrament of Holy Orders in which the ordained promise to minister and serve the People of God. In this chapter, they will learn that the Church is one, holy, catholic, and apostolic, that it represents all people, and works for justice and peace.

Key Words marks of the Church ecumenism stewards of creation

For Adult Reading and Reflection **Doctrinal Content** Catechism of the Catholic Church The students will learn: Paragraph • The Church is catholic and apostolic...... 830–831, 857 • The Church respects all people855 • The Church works for justice and peace......2442



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 211	Listen to Scripture.	For the prayer space: a Bible, symbols and/ or photos of Holy Orders
Prayer	Respond in song.	"Come Follow Me," Barbara Bridge, #25,
Focus on Life	Identify people who nurture faith and ways that these people do so.	Grade 5 CD
2 We Believe		
Page 212	• Discuss Jesus' sharing his ministry with Apostles.	
Jesus shares his ministry in a special way with the Apostles.	Do the activity about service to family and classmates.	
Page 213	Read about the Holy Spirit and early Church leaders.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Parish: Relationship to the Local Bishop—
Holy Orders is the sacrament through which the Church	Identify ways priests, deacons and parishioners	Encourage the students to find out the
continues the Apostles' mission.	work together.	ways their local parishes contribute to the common good of the diocese. Have them
	• Read and discuss As Catholics.	investigate the means by which the bishop provides services that benefit the needy.
		Catechist Guide, page 213
Page 214	Discuss the service that bishops, priests, and deacons offer God's people.	Copies of Reproducible Master 25, Catechist Guide page 211C
Bishops, priests, and deacons serve the Church in different ways.	Identify parish leadership and service.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multicultural Connections: Missionary Priests to the United States—Have the students investigate missionary priests from Europe who were real pioneers for the faith and spreading the Gospel in the United States.
		Catechist Guide, page 215
Page 215	Discuss the celebrations of the Sacrament	
The laying on of hands and prayer of consecration are the main parts of the Sacrament of Holy Orders.	of Holy Orders.	
3 We Respond		
Page 215	Design a sign of service to show others that you are a follower of Christ and member of the Church.	Crayons or markers



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activities		
Show What You Know Saint Stories Fast Facts	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 216–217
Pray Today Show What You Know Question Corner	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 211D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 211D
		Copies of Project Disciple scriptural reproducible master, "What's the Word?" Chapter 25 (back of guide)
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 25 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 211E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 25 Project	Catechist Guide, page 211E
Assessment		
Chapter 25 Test	Complete Chapter 25 Test	Student Edition, page 218
Chapter 25 Test	Complete Chapter 25 Test	Assessment Book, pages 49-50
4 We Take a Break		
5 We Believe		
Page 220 The Church is one and holy.	 Review the four marks of the Church. Identify one thing that can lead to personal holiness. Read and discuss As Catholics. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 26, Catechist Guide, page 219C

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 221 The Church is catholic	Discuss the meaning of the words catholic and apostolic.	Copies of Reproducible Master 26, Catechist Guide, page 219C
and apostolic.	• Identify ways to welcome others and share	Cardboard cylinders
	faith with them.	Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multicultural Connection: New Immigrant Groups in the Church—Explain to students that the Catholic Church in the United States grew in size and diversity because millions of immigrants came from Europe. Encourage students to research and report on the ways that new immigrant groups are adding to the universal nature of the Church in America.
D 200	Discuss the small of a surrounding and discuss at few	Catechist Guide, page 221
Page 222	• Discuss the work of ecumenism and respect for all faiths.	Copies of Reproducible Master 26, Catechist Guide, page 219C
The Church respects all people.	Complete the questions to Jesus about faith in the world.	
Page 223 The Church works for justice	Discuss the meaning of justice and its relationship to the stewardship of creation.	Copies of Reproducible Master 26, Catechist Guide, page 219C
and peace.		Optional Activity: Activity Bank Multiple Intelligences: Naturalist— Encourage students to enjoy God's creation throughout the summer. Invite them to keep a journal of the natural wonders they might see on vacation.
		Catechist Guide, page 223
6 We Respond		
Page 223	Identify things that families can do to show respect for the rights of others.	



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activitie	s	
Show What You Know Make it Happen Fast Facts Reality Check Pray Today Take Home	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 224–225
What Would You Do? Reality Check Show What You Know	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Page 219D, Catechist Guide
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Page 219D, Catechist Guide
		Copies of Project Disciple scriptural reproducible master, "What's the Word?" Chapter 26 (back of guide)
Catholic Identity Retreat: P	rayer, Leader's Guide pages 19–23	
I Open My Heart We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 26 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 219E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 26 Project	Catechist Guide, page 219E
Assessment		
Chapter 26 Test	Complete Chapter 26 Test	Student Edition, page 226
Chapter 26 Test	Complete Chapter 26 Test	Assessment Book, pages 51-52
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 25 and Chapter 26 (back of guide) Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R23; Why We Believe, page 24; Leader's Guide, page 17



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Session 1—God in Creation

Session 1 Overview

The theme of Session 1 is *God in Creation*. Students learn in Chapter 1 that God reveals himself in creation, through Divine Revelation, and through the Bible and Tradition. They also learn in Chapter 2 that God created the universe, is the source of all life, and made us in his image and likeness.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed is placed here in Session 1. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- · Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Chapter 1 Overview

In Grade 5 the students learned about the liturgy and the sacraments of the Church. In this chapter they will learn about God's self-Revelation through his creation, through the Bible, and in his Son, Jesus Christ.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

• We can know God through his creation.

• God makes himself known through Divine Revelation.

• God's Revelation is handed down through the Bible and Tradition.

• The Bible is a collection of books.

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Key Words
Divine Revelation
Bible
Divine Inspiration
Blessed Trinity
Tradition

Chapter 2 Overview

In Chapter 1 the students were introduced to God's self-Revelation. In this chapter the students will learn that God created all things and that we are made in God's image and likeness.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:	Paragraph
• The Book of Genesis is about beginnings	289
God created the universe	293
God is the source of all life	301
Human beings are created in God's image and likeness	357

Key Words
covenant
human dignity
conscience
Book of Genesis
free will



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 19 Prayer Focus on Life	Listen to Scripture.Respond in song.Discuss discovering new ideas.	For the prayer space: Bible opened to Psalm 139, two flashlights, items representing God's creation Cell phone, wristwatch
		"God, Creator, God Most High," Janet Vogt, #2, Grade 6 CD
2 We Believe		
Pages 20–21 We can know God through his creation.	Read about knowing God through his creation. Discuss the pictures.	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 21
Pages 22–23 God makes himself known through Divine Revelation.	Read about and discuss Divine Revelation and the Blessed Trinity. Highlight ways God has revealed himself.	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 23
Pages 24-25 God's Revelation is handed down through the Bible and Tradition.	Read about the Bible and Tradition. Discuss ways the Bible and Tradition are the same or different.	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 25
Page 26 The Bible is a collection of books.	 Discuss the Bible as a collection of books and explain biblical citation. Discuss literary forms and writers' messages. Complete the citation activity. Read and discuss As Catholics. Present Reproducible Master 1. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 1, Catechist Guide, page 19C Bible Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 27
3 We Respond		
Page 27	Discuss ways to know God and share this knowledge with others.	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes	
Project Disciple Activities			
Show What You Know Picture This Saint Stories Fast Facts Make it Happen	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 28–29	
Reality Check Pray Today Picture This	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 19D	
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 19D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 1 (back of guide)	
Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed, Leader's Guide pages 1–6			
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.	
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)			
Optional Activities			
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 1 Study Guide and web activities		
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 19E	
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 1 Project	Catechist Guide, page 19E	
Assessment	Assessment		
Chapter 1 Test	Complete Chapter 1 Test	Student Edition, page 30	
Chapter 1 Test	Complete Chapter 1 Test	Pages 3-4, Assessment Book	
4 We Take a Break	4 We Take a Break		



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes	
5 We Believe	5 We Believe		
Pages 32-33 The Book of Genesis is about beginnings.	Introduce the Book of Genesis.Discuss the Book of Genesis and draw door panels.	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 33	
Pages 34-35 God created the universe. Genesis 1:1-31; 2:1-4	Read about and discuss God's creation.Prepare and present skits.	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 35	
Pages 36-37 God is the source of all life.	Read about God, the source of all life.Discuss the attributes of God.	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 37	
Pages 38-39 Human beings are created in God's image and likeness.	 Read about our creation in God's image and likeness. Complete Reproducible Master 2. Read and discuss As Catholics. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 2, Catechist Guide, page 31C Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 39	
6 We Respond	6 We Respond		
Page 31	• In the activity, plan a TV commercial.	Colored pencils or markers	
Project Disciple Activitie	es		
Show What You Know Celebrate! More to Explore Pray Today What's the Word?	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 40-41	
Reality Check Picture This Show What You Know	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 31D	
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 31D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 2 (back of guide)	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 2 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 31E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 2 Project	Catechist Guide, page 31E
Assessment		
Chapter 2 Test	Complete Chapter 2 test	Student Edition, page 42
Optional Assessments		
Chapter 2 Test	Complete Chapter 2 test	Assessment Book, pages 5-6
Chapter 2 Test	Complete Chapter 2 test	CD-ROM Test Generator and Resource: Chapter 2
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 (back of guide)
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R7; Why We Believe, page R8; Leader's Guide, page 5

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Session 4—From the Wilderness to Canaan

Session 4 Overview

The theme of Session 4 is *From the Wilderness to Canaan*. Students learn in Chapter 9 about how Moses led God's people through the wilderness where God gave them the law. They learn in Chapter 10 that out of the wilderness the Israelites conquered Canaan and settled there.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments, is placed here in Session 4. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

Go to **Religion.SadlierConnect.com**, for both chapters' correlations to:

- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Chapter 9 Overview

In Chapter 8 the students learned about the Exodus. In this chapter the students will learn about the journey to the promised land.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:	Paragraph
Moses led God's people through the wild	erness
• God gave his people the Law	2057
• The people built God a dwelling place	2578
 God led his people toward the promised 	land

Key Words

Mount Sinai

manna

ark of the covenant

miracle

Ten Commandments

Chapter 10 Overview

In Chapter 9 the students learned about the Israelites' wandering in the wilderness. In this chapter the students will learn about the conquest of Canaan.

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church The students will learn: God's people conquered Canaan God's people settled in Canaan Samson was the most famous judge Ruth lived a life of sacrifice For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church Paragraph 1222 489 932

Key Words
Nazirite



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 107	Affirm trust in God.	For the prayer space: Bible opened to
Prayer	Respond in song.	Matthew 14:27, map showing Mount Sinai
Focus on Life	Discuss long trips together in groups.	"Be Not Afraid," Bob Dufford, #11, Grade 6 CD
2 We Believe		
Pages 108-109 Moses led God's people through the wilderness.	 Use the Reproducible Master 9 organizer. Read about and discuss the Israelites' journey. Write songs of praise. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 9, Catechist Guide, page 107C Optional activities:
Pages 110-111 God gave his people the law.	 Read about Moses, the Ten Commandments, and the new covenant. Write down ways to show love for God and others. 	Optional activities: Catechist Guide, page 111
Pages 112–113 The people built God a dwelling place.	 Read about building God's dwelling place. Discuss false gods in today's world. Discuss places where we feel God's presence. Read and discuss As Catholics. 	Optional activities: Catechist Guide, page 113
Pages 114-115 God led his people toward the promised land.	 Read and discuss the first two paragraphs. Have the students read silently "On the Plains of Moab," reading to find out what things changed for the Israelites. Discuss their findings, then summarize. Go over the directions for the first part of the activity on page 115. Have the students work in pairs. If possible, give them a highlighter to use. Invite students to complete the second part, listing ways God has acted in their own lives. 	Optional activities: Catechist Guide, page 115
3 We Respond		
Page 115	Do the highlighting activity and reflect on God's action in our lives.	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Project Disciple Activities	S	
Show What You Know What's the Word? Celebrate! Fast Facts	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Crayons or colored pencils Student Edition, pages 116-117
Fast Facts Pray Picture This	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 107D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 107D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 9 (back of guide)
Optional Activities	'	
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 9 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 107E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 9 Project	Catechist Guide, page 107E
Assessment		
Chapter 9 Test	Complete Chapter 9 Test	Student Edition, page 118
Chapter 9 Test	Complete Chapter 9 Test	Assessment Book, pages 17-18
4 We Take a Break		
5 We Believe		
Pages 120-121 God's people conquered Canaan. Joshua 6:1-20	 Read about God's people entering Canaan. Present Reproducible Master 10. Complete the storytelling activity. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 10, Catechist Guide, page 119C Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 121
Pages 122-123 God's people settled in Canaan.	Discuss the settlement of God's people in Canaan. Talk about people who influence our lives.	One six-sided number cube Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 123
Pages 124-125 Samson was the most famous judge.	 Read about Samson and Delilah. Discuss gifts, talents, and strengths. Discuss vows in As Catholics. 	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 125
Pages 126-127 Ruth lived a life of self-sacrifice.	Read about Ruth.	"Wherever You Go," Gregory Norbet, # 14 Grade 6 CD (option) Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 127



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
6 We Respond		
Page 127	Plan a faithfulness CD.	
Project Disciple Activities		
Show What You Know Make it Happen Fast Facts Saint Stories Reality Check	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 128-129
More to Explore Pray Today Saint Stories	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 119D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 119D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 10 (back of guide)
Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments, Leader's Guide pages 7–12		
I Open My Heart We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith * I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)		
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 10 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 119E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 10 Project	Catechist Guide, page 119E

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Assessment		
Chapter 10 Test	Complete Chapter 10 Test	Student Edition, page 130
Chapter 10 Test	Complete Chapter 10 Test	Assessment Book, pages 19-20
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 9 and Chapter 10 (back of guide) Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R11; Why We Believe, page R12; Leader's Guide, page 9

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Session 10 – The Church's Ministry

Session 10 Overview

The theme of Session 10 is *The Church's Ministry*. Students learn in Chapter 25 that the Church continues Jesus' ministry. In Chapter 26 they learn about the four marks, or essential features, of the Church: one, holy, welcoming, and faithful.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Morality is placed here in Session 10. When you choose this option eliminate Project Disciple activities or send them home.

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching
- Catechetical Formation in Chaste Living

Key Words
Catholic social teaching

Chapter 25 Overview

In Chapter 24 the students learned about the coming of the Holy Spirit and the growth of the Church. In this chapter they will learn about the ways the Church continues the ministry of Jesus.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

Paragraph

- The Bible is an important source for Christian living and worship................. 133
- ullet The Church continues Jesus' ministry through the Seven Sacraments $\,\ldots\,$ 1210
- ullet The Church continues Jesus' ministry through its work for social justice \dots 2420

Chapter 26 Overview

In Chapter 25 the students learned that the Church continues the ministry of Jesus. In this chapter they will learn about the four marks, or essential features, of the Church.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

• We live as one people.

• We live as a holy people.

• We live as a welcoming people

• We live as a faithful people.

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Key Words
marks of the Church holiness
ecumenism
holiness



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 We Gather		
Page 283 Prayer Focus on Life	 Pray with Scripture. Respond in song. Discuss family memories.	For the prayer space: Bible opened to the Gospel of Luke, road map "God Has Chosen Me," Bernadette Farrell, #27, Grade 6 CD Bibles
2 We Believe		
Pages 284-285 The New Testament is made up of different types of writing.	Discuss the types of writings in the New Testament. Complete the list activity.	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 285
Pages 286–287 The Bible is an important source for Christian living and worship.	 Reflect on the Bible as a guide for living and worship. Present Reproducible Master 25. Discuss ways to learn more about Scripture. Read about the Works of Mercy in As Catholics. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 25, Catechist Guide, page 283C Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 287
Pages 288–289 The Church continues Jesus' ministry through the Seven Sacraments.	Read about and explain the sacraments. Complete the sacrament activity.	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 289
Pages 290–291 The Church continues Jesus' ministry through its work for social justice.	Read about and discuss Catholic social teaching.	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 291
3 We Respond		
Page 291	Do the dramatization activity.	



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes	
Project Disciple Activities			
Show What You Know Celebrate! Saint Stories What's the Word? Question Corner	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 292–293	
More to Explore Make it Happen Saint Stories	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 283D	
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 283D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 25 (back of guide)	
Catholic Identity Retreat: M	orality, Leader's Guide pages 13-18		
I Open My Heart * We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word * I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic Identity	Complete activities in student text.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.	
In today's session you may choose to spend 30–45 minutes on Catholic Identity Retreat. (See Leader's Guide page ix for timing.)			
Optional Activities	Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 25 Study Guide and web activities		
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 283E	
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 25 Project	Catechist Guide, page 283E	
Assessment	Assessment		
Chapter 25 Test	Complete Chapter 25 Test	Student Edition, page 294	
Chapter 25 Test	Complete Chapter 25 Test	Assessment Book, pages 49-50	
4 We Take a Break			



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 We Believe		
Pages 296-297 We live as one people.	Read about the Church as one.Work on an ecumenism poster.	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 297
Pages 298–299 We live as a holy people.	 Reflect on holiness in the Church. Do the Belonging to God activity. Read about All Saints' and All Souls' Days in <i>As Catholics</i>. Present Reproducible Master 26. 	Copies of Reproducible Master 26, Catechist Guide page 295C Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 299
Pages 300-301 We live as a welcoming people.	 Reflect on the meaning of the word <i>catholic</i>. Illustrate ways your parish is a community. Read about other faiths. Complete the activity about respect. 	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 301
Pages 302-303 We live as a faithful people.	Read about the apostolic Church and the role of the laity.	Optional Activities: Catechist Guide, page 303
6 We Respond		
Page 303	Reflect on the mission of the Church and ways to participate in it.	"Who Am I?" #28, Grade 6 CD (option)
Project Disciple Activities		
Show What You Know Question Corner Saint Stories Pray Today	Complete Student Edition Project Disciple Activities.	Colored pencils or crayons Student Edition, pages 304–305
Show What You Know Make it Happen Pray Today	Complete Project Disciple Additional Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 295D
What's the Word?	Complete scriptural Project Disciple Activities.	Catechist Guide, page 295D Copies of Project Disciple, "What's the Word?" scriptural Reproducible Master, Chapter 26 (back of guide)

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Optional Activities		
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 26 Study Guide and web activities	
Story Corner	Read Chapter Story	Catechist Guide, page 295E
Chapter Project	Complete Chapter 26 Project	Catechist Guide, page 295E
Assessment		
Chapter 26 Test	Complete Chapter 26 Test	Student Edition, page 306
Chapter 26 Test	Complete Chapter 26 Test	Assessment Book , pages 51-52
7 We Take Home		
Sharing Faith with My Family	Send home Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master.	Copies of Sharing Faith with My Family reproducible master, Chapter 25 and Chapter 26 (back of guide)
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R23; Why We Believe, page R24; Leader's Guide, page 17

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Session 1—God Reveals the Truth

Session 1 Overview

The theme of Session 1 is *God Reveals the Truth*. The students learn in Chapter 1 that God created us to know him and that God makes himself known. They learn in Chapter 2 that Scripture and Tradition reveal God's truth.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed is placed here in Session 1. When you choose this option eliminate activities from Responding or have the young people complete on their own.

Chapter 1 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn that God created us to know him. They will also learn that Jesus Christ fully reveals who God is.

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church The students will learn: God created us to know him. God makes himself known. God gives us the gift of faith. The Church gives witness to God's presence.

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- appropriate music and songs
- this week's liturgical readings
- Project Disciple events
- other additional resources

Key Words
Divine Revelation
faith
grace
salvation

Church

Chapter 2 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn that God reveals his truth to us in Scripture and Tradition.

Doctrinal Content	For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church
The students will learn:	Paragraph
 Scripture and Tradition reveal the truth. The truth is written in Scripture The truth is handed down in Tradition The Church lives by the truth 	

Key Words
Scripture
synagogues
Resurrection
divine inspiration
epistles
deposit of faith
Tradition
Gospels
Magisterium



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 Gathering		
Page 11 Prayer	Proclaim Deuteronomy 4:29.Listen to a Scripture Reading.Respond in prayer.	For the prayer space: Bible, a cross, a candle, small tablecloth of the color of the current liturgical season
Page 12	 Reflect on <i>The Big Question</i>. Discuss chapter goals.	
Page 13	• Present the text about the meaning of life.	Colored pencils or markers
2 Believing		
Page 14 God created us to know him.	 Ask: When did you first realize that God was present in your life? Optional Present the text about God creating us. Present the text about God's love and our response. Discuss: How will you continue to search for God this week? Optional 	Highlighters or colored pencils Additional Activities: page 14, Guide
Page 15 God makes himself known.	 Ask: What does it mean to take the initiative in forming a friendship? Optional Present the text about Divine Revelation. Stress the meaning of the Faith Words: Divine Revelation and salvation. Activity: Work on the timeline. Discuss: How can you learn more about what God has revealed to us? Optional 	Highlighters or colored pencils Drawing paper, markers
Page 16 God gives us the gift of faith.	 Ask: What does being religious mean to you? Optional Present the text about God's gift of faith. Define the Faith Word: faith. Activity: Complete the prayer writing. Discuss: What are ways in which you can thank God for faith? Optional 	Highlighters or colored pencils
Page 17 The Church gives witness to God's presence.	 Ask: What does it mean "to give witness"? Optional Present the text about Jesus Christ, the Church, and discipleship. Stress the meaning of the Faith Words: Church and grace. Discuss: How can you participate more actively in the Church? Optional 	Highlighters or colored pencils Chart paper Additional Activities: Guide, page 17

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
3 Responding		
Page 18	• Discuss <i>The Big Question</i> .	Markers or colored pencils
	• Complete the <i>Recognizing Our Faith</i> activity.	World or Middle East map
		Optional: Living Our Faith Partners in Faith Multiple Intelligences: Verbal-Linguistic, Interpersonal—Write a TV script about Saint Paul.
Page 19	• Review the chapter goals in <i>Putting Faith to Work</i> and discuss ways of responding in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 20	The Worship Connection	Student Edition, page 20
	More to Explore	
	Catholic Social Teaching Checklist	
Catholic Identity Retreat	: Creed, Student Book R1-R6	
We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic I dentity	Complete activities in student text. See Teacher Guide T21 for Retreat Options.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
Religion.SadlierConnect.com	Chapter 1 activities and ideas	
	 Discover Polls and Downloads Games and Crosswords Study Guides More to Explore Links	
	And more:	
	 Project Disciple Latin Hall What if I'm Asked About Glossary	
Assessment		
Chapter 1 Assessment	Complete Chapter 1 Assessment.	Student Edition, page 19
	Alternative Assessment activity.	Guide, page 19-20
4 Taking a Break		

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 Believing		
Page 24 Scripture and Tradition reveal the truth.	 Ask: To whom or where do you go to find out if new information is true? Optional Present the text about Scripture and Tradition. Stress the meaning of the Faith Words. Discuss: What is one way you will live in response to God's love? Optional 	Highlighters or colored pencils Chart paper Index cards Additional Activities: Guide, page 24
Page 25 The truth is written in Scripture.	 Ask: What can we learn about ourselves by reading or listening to passages from the Bible? Optional Present the text about the development of the Bible. Stress the meaning of the Faith Words. Activity: Share favorite Bible stories or passages. Discuss: What other truths does God reveal in your life? Optional 	Highlighters or colored pencils Chart paper Bibles
Page 26 The truth is handed down in Tradition.	 Ask: Which things do you treasure? Optional Present the text about Tradition. Activity: Complete the Tradition sources chart. Discuss: How would you explain God's Revelation through Tradition to a younger Catholic? Optional 	Highlighters or colored pencils Chart paper
Page 27 The Church lives by the truth.	 Ask: How does the Church help you to understand Divine Revelation? Optional Present the concept of the deposit of faith. Read about the role of the Magisterium. Stress the meaning of the Faith Words. Discuss: What are two truths of the faith that you want to pass on to the next generation? Optional 	Highlighters or colored pencils Chart paper index cards Additional Activities: Guide, page 27

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
6 Responding		
Page 28	• Discuss <i>The Big Question</i> .	World map
	Complete the Recognizing Our Faith activity.	Optional: Living Our Faith Partners in Faith Curriculum Connection: Social Studies— sites in the Roman Empire that Saint Jerome experienced
Page 29	Review the chapter goals in Putting Faith to Work and discuss ways to respond in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 30	The Worship Connection	Student Edition, page 30
	More to Explore	
	Catholic Social Teaching Checklist	
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Assessment		
Chapter 2 Assessment	Complete Chapter 2 Assessment	Student Edition, page 29
	• Alternative Assessment activity.	Guide, pages 29-30
7 Taking Home		
Sharing Faith with Your Family	Share Sharing Faith with Your Family activities	Chapter 1, page 20, and Chapter 2, page 30
		Copies of Bringing the Retreat Home, page R7; Why We Believe, page R8

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Session 8—Confirmation and Eucharist

Session 8 Overview

The theme of Session 8 is *Confirmation and Eucharist*. The students learn in Chapter 15 that we are sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation, which completes Baptism. Students learn in Chapter 16 that we are one with Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments is placed here in Session 8. When you choose this option eliminate activities from Responding or have the young people complete on their own.

Chapter 15 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn about the Sacrament of Confirmation and its role in strengthening us to live as disciples of Jesus Christ.

Doctrinal Content	For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church
The students will learn:	Paragraph
God created us to know him	
• God gives us the gift of faith	1285
• The Church gives witness to God's prese	nce1296

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- appropriate music and songs
- this week's liturgical readings
- Project Disciple events
- other additional resources

Key Words
Sacred Chrism
candidates
diocese
sponsor

Chapter 16 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn that, in the Eucharist, we are made one with Christ and one with the entire Church.

The students will learn: • We are nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ • Jesus gives his disciples a new covenant • We are one with Jesus Christ • We celebrate the Eucharist • Tor Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church Paragraph • Tor Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church 1392 • Jesus gives his disciples a new covenant 1365 • We are one with Jesus Christ 1391

Key Words
Paschal
Mass



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 Gathering		
Page 161 Prayer	Proclaim Galatians 5:25. Pray together to the Holy Spirit.	For the prayer space: Bible, a cross, a candle, a bowl of holy water, symbols of the Holy Spirit, an evergreen sprig
Page 162	 Reflect on <i>The Big Question</i> about good qualities. Present chapter goals. Discuss chapter goals. 	
Page 163	Read a fable.Discuss the meaning of the fable.	Wallet-sized cards Markers or colored pencils
2 Believing		
Page 164 The disciples receive the Holy Spirit.	 Ask: What words do you associate with the Holy Spirit? Optional Present the text about the coming of the Holy Spirit. Activity: Write questions for an interview of Saint Peter and roleplay the interview. Discuss: Why do you think so many people were baptized on Pentecost? Optional 	Markers or colored pencils Additional Activities: Guide, page 165
Page 165 The laying on of hands and Anointing are signs of the Holy Spirit's presence.	 Present the signs of Confirmation and the connection between Baptism and Confirmation. Highlight the definitions of the Faith Words. 	Highlighters or colored markers
Page 166 The Sacrament of Confirmation completes Baptism.	 Ask: What things in life require preparation? Optional Present the text about preparation for the sacrament. Provide definitions for the Faith Words: candidates and sponsor. Activity: Design e-cards for Confirmation candidates. Discuss: Would you consider it an honor if someone asked you to be his or her sponsor? Why or Why not? Optional 	
Page 167 We are sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation.	 Ask: Who has participated in a celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation? Optional Present the steps of the celebration of Confirmation. Present the gifts and the fruits of the Holy Spirit. Discuss: What fruits of the Holy Spirit can you help make more evident to others this week? Optional 	Poster board Markers or colored pencils Additional Activities: Guide, page 167



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
3 Responding		
Page 168	• Discuss The Big Question.	Drawing paper
	Complete the Recognizing Our Faith activity.	Markers or colored pencils
		Optional: Living Our Faith Partners in Faith Multiple Intelligences: Bodily-Kinesthetic, Interpersonal—Role-play examples of being ridiculed for practicing faith.
Page 169	Review the chapter goals in <i>Putting Faith to Work</i> and discuss ways of responding in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 170	The Worship Connection	Student Edition, page 170
	More to Explore	
	Catholic Social Teaching Checklist	
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	And more:	
	 Project Disciple Latin Hall What if I'm Asked About Glossary	
Assessment		
Chapter 15 Assessment	Complete Chapter 15 Assessment	Student Edition, page 169
	• Alternative Assessment activity.	Guide, pages 169-170
Taking a Break		
5 Believing		
Page 174	Ask: Which foods are life-sustaining? Optional	Highlighters or colored pencils
We are nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ.	Present the text about becoming one with Christ in the Eucharist.	
	Activity: Complete the chart about overcoming injustice.	
	Discuss: How can you be more aware of the needs of others? Optional	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 175 Jesus gives his disciples a new covenant.	 Ask: What is a covenant? Optional Present the text about Passover, the Paschal meal, and Jesus, the Paschal lamb. Present the Faith Word: Paschal. Discuss: What has Jesus Christ done for us? Optional 	Additional Activities: Guide, page 175
Page 176 We are one with Jesus Christ.	 Ask: How can we share Christ's presence with one another? Optional Emphasize the Faith Word. Present the text about Christ's presence during the Mass. Discuss: Why is the Eucharist the "Sacrament of sacraments" (CCC, 1211)? Optional 	Drawing paper Markers or colored pencils Additional Activities: Guide, page 176
Page 177 We celebrate the Eucharist.	 Ask: How do we participate in the Mass, the celebration of the Eucharist? Optional Present the text about the parts of the Mass. Activity: Write practical ways of fulfilling the mission to love and serve the Lord. Discuss: What is one way you will love and serve the Lord this week? Optional 	Drawing paper Markers or colored pencils
6 Responding		
Page 178	 Discuss <i>The Big Question</i>. Complete the <i>Recognizing Our Faith</i> activity. 	Optional: • Living Our Faith • Partners in Faith • Curriculum Connection: Social Studies —Research Catholic Relief Services
Page 179	Review the chapter goals in <i>Putting Faith to Work</i> and discuss ways of responding in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 180	 The Worship Connection More to Explore Catholic Social Teaching Checklist 	Student Edition, page 180

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Catholic Identity Retreat: Liturgy & Sacraments, Student Edition R9-R13		R9-R13
We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic I dentity	Complete activities in student text. SeeTeacher Guide T21 for Retreat Options.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
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Chapter 16 Assessment	Complete Chapter 16 Assessment. Alternative Assessment activity.	Student Edition, page 179 Guide, pages 179–180
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Session 12—The Communion of Saints and Prayer

Session 12 Overview

The theme of Session 12 is *The Communion of Saints and Prayer*. Students learn in Chapter 23 that Mary and the saints are examples of discipleship. Students learn in Chapter 24 that prayer strengthens us as we open our hearts to God.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer is placed here in Session 12. When you choose this option eliminate activities from Responding or have the young people complete on their own.

Chapter 23 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn about the ecumenical movement, the communion of saints, and the role of Mary, Mother of God in the Church.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

Paragraph

Chapter 24 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn that prayer opens our minds and hearts to God and strengthens us to share God's love and God's Kingdom with others.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:	Paragraph
• We open our hearts to God	2562
• God has always called people to prayer.	2567
• We pray in many ways	
• We pray always	2757

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Key Words

heresy schism

communion of saints

apostasy

ecumenism

Assumption

Key Words

prayer

bless

intercession

praise

humility

petition

thanksgiving

Liturgy of the Hours



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 Gathering		
Page 245	Process to the prayer space.	For the prayer space: Bible, a cross,
Prayer	Proclaim 1 John 1:7.	a candle, images of light
	• Pray together.	
Page 246	• Reflect on <i>The Big Question</i> .	
	• Present chapter goals.	
Page 247	Discuss qualities of role models.	Colored pencils or markers
2 Believing		
Page 248	Ask: What religious groups do you know of that are	Highlighters or colored pencils
Jesus calls all to be one.	Christian but not Roman Catholic? Optional	Optional: Activity—Guide, page 14
	Present the text about other Christian religious groups.	
	* Present the text about ecumenism.	
	Activity Discuss what you know about other Christians who are not Catholic. Research other Christian faith groups.	
	• Reinforce the meaning of the Faith Words.	
	Discuss: What is one way to encourage harmony and unity? Optional	
Page 249 As the Body of Christ, the Church,	Ask: What ancestors in faith are role models for you? Optional	Highlighters or colored pencils Additional Activities:
we help each other to live as disciples.	Present the text about ways we are united to Jesus and the Church.	Guide, page 249
	Present the text about the communion of saints.	
	• Stress the meaning of the Faith Word.	
	Discuss: Why should we treasure belonging to the communion of saints? Optional	
Page 250 Mary is the perfect example	Ask: How are you encouraged by the example of the saints? Optional	Additional Activities: Guide, page 250
of discipleship.	Present the text about Mary being a perfect example of discipleship.	
	• Present the Faith Word: Assumption.	
	Discuss: What is one thing you will do to follow Mary's example? Optional	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 251 Mary is the Church's greatest saint.	Ask: If you could ask Mary one question, what would it be? Optional	
Trary is the charen's greatest saint.	Present the text about Marian prayers and titles of Mary.	
	Discuss ways the Church honors Mary.	
	Activity: Use Mary's titles to complete a litany of Mary.	
	Discuss: What title do you most often use when you address Mary? Optional	
3 Responding		
Page 252	• Discuss <i>The Big Question</i> .	Optional:
	Complete the Recognizing Our Faith activity.	Living Our Faith Partners in Faith Faith and Media—research and report on the work of the Sisters of Mercy
Page 253	Review the chapter goals in <i>Putting Faith to Work</i> and discuss ways of responding in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 254	The Worship Connection	Student Edition, page 254
	More to Explore	
	Catholic Social Teaching Checklist	
Catholic Identity Retreat:	Prayer, Student Edition R25-R30	
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Assessment		
Chapter 23 Assessment	Complete Chapter 23 Assessment. Alternative Assessment activity.	Student Edition, page 253 Guide, pages 253-254
4 Taking a Break		
5 Believing		
Page 258 We open our hearts to God.	 Ask: What does the human heart symbolize? Optional Present the text about what prayer is. Highlight definitions of the Faith Words: prayer and humility. 	Highlighters or colored pencils
	Discuss: Would you describe yourself as a prayerful person? Why or why not? Optional	
Page 259 God has always called people to prayer.	 Ask: Why should we pray when we are happy and when good things happen? Optional Present the text about Jesus and prayer. Read the account of Jesus' Transfiguration (Matthew 17:1-8) Activity: Answer the questions about prayer. Discuss: How do you seek God? Where do you find him? Optional 	
Page 260 We pray in many ways.	 Ask: What kind of prayer do you usually pray each day? Optional Present the text about different forms of prayer. Highlight the definitions of the Faith Words. Activity: Work in groups to write prayers. Discuss: What would you like to praise and thank God for today? Optional 	Highlighters or colored pencils
Page 261 We pray always.	 Ask: Why do you like to pray alone? Why do you like to pray with others? Optional Present the text about the prayers of the Church. Stress the meaning of the Faith Word. Discuss: What words will you pray to offer every day this week as a prayer? Optional 	Additional Activities: Guide, page 261

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
6 Responding		
Page 262	Discuss <i>The Big Question</i> . Complete the <i>Recognizing Our Faith</i> activity.	Optional: Living Our Faith Partners in Faith Multiple Intelligences: Visual-Spatial— Make luminaries.
Page 263	Review the chapter goals in <i>Putting Faith to Work</i> and discuss ways to respond in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 264	 The Worship Connection More to Explore Catholic Social Teaching Checklist	Student Edition, page 264
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faith words

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Session 1—Responding to God's Goodness

Session 1 Overview

The theme of Session 1 is Responding to God's Goodness. Students learn in Chapter 1 that we reflect the goodness of God and give witness to Jesus. They learn in Chapter 2 that we form our own conscience to make good moral decisions, and that God gives us the gifts of forgiveness and grace.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed is placed here in Session 1. When you choose this option eliminate some activities from the lesson, or have the students complete some lesson activities on their own.

Chapter 1 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn that we are created to respond to the goodness and love of God, and that we do this when we reflect the image of God.

Doctrinal Content	For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church
The students will learn:	Paragraph
 We reflect the goodness of God. God forgives our sins We live holy lives We give witness to Jesus 	

• this week's liturgical readings

additional chapter-related

• appropriate music and songs

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Key Words human dignity free will grace **Kingdom of God** natural law original sin Church conscience eternal life holiness

Chapter 2 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn that we are responsible for forming our conscience and that God gives us the gifts of forgiveness and grace.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:	Paragraph
 Our conscience helps us to make good moral decisions We are responsible for forming our own conscience God gives us the gifts of forgiveness and grace 	
• Jesus calls the whole Church to follow his example	430, 767

Key Words moral decision-making social sin well-formed conscience



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 Gathering		
Page 11 Prayer	Proclaim 1 John 4:8. Listen and respond to Scripture.	For the prayer space: small tablecloth of the color of the liturgical season, Bible, a cross, a candle
Page 12	Reflect on <i>The Big Question</i> . Discuss chapter goals.	
Page 13	Present the text about dignity and self-worth.	Drawing paper Colored pencils or markers
2 Believing		
Page 14 We reflect the goodness of God.	 Ask: What do think is one of the greatest gifts that God has given to each human person? Optional Present the text about conscience and free will. Present the text about original sin. Define the Faith Words. Activity: Write a slogan about valuing human dignity. Discuss: Why should we consider our free will and conscience as wonderful gifts from God? Optional 	
Page 15	Ask: What is God's mercy? Optional	Drawing paper
God forgives our sin.	 Present the text about Baptism and sin. Use the Faith Words in sentences. Discuss: Why should we be grateful for the Sacrament of Penance? Optional 	Markers or colored pencils Additional Activities: Guide, page 15
Page 16 We live holy lives.	 Ask: How can we be all that God calls us to be—reflections of his goodness and holiness? Optional Present the text about Jesus' example and our call to holiness. Complete a Faith Word activity. Activity: Write a dialogue interviewing Jesus. Discuss: How does the Holy Spirit help us in the ways of holiness? Optional 	
Page 17	Ask: What is an apprentice? Optional	Additional Activities:
We give witness to Jesus.	 Present the text about giving witness to Jesus. Reinforce the meaning of the Faith Word: Kingdom of God. Discuss: In what ways do you qualify for the position of being a disciple of Jesus? Optional 	Guide, page 17

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
3 Responding		
Page 18	 Discuss <i>The Big Question</i>. Complete the <i>Recognizing Our Faith</i> activity. 	Optional: Living Our Faith Partners in Faith Multiple Intelligences: Musical-Rhythmic— Write a song about being called to holiness as a disciple of Jesus.
Page 19	Review the chapter goals in <i>Putting Faith to Work</i> and discuss ways of responding in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 20	 The Worship Connection More to Explore Catholic Social Teaching Checklist	Student Edition, page 20
Catholic Identity Retrea	t: Creed, Student Edition R1-R5	
We Come Together for Prayer I Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic I dentity	Complete activities in student text. See Guide T21 for Retreat Options.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
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Assessment		
Chapter 1 Assessment	Complete Chapter 1 Assessment. Alternative Assessment activity.	Student Edition, page 19 Guide, pages 19–20
4 Taking a Break		



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
5 Believing		
Page 24	Ask: What is the gift of conscience? Optional	Highlighters or colored pencils
Our conscience helps us to make good moral decisions.	Present the text about moral decision-making.	
good moral accisions.	• Reinforce the meaning of the Faith Word.	
	• Activity: Complete the chart about making choices.	
	• Discuss: What are examples of acts that are always wrong to choose? Optional	
Page 25	Ask: Has your understanding of what is good and	Additional Activities:
We are responsible for forming our conscience.	what is sinful changed since you were a young child? If so, how? Optional	Guide, page 25
	Present the text about a well-formed conscience.	
	• Reinforce the meaning of the Faith Word.	
	Discuss: What are the benefits in choosing a friend who is developing a well-formed conscience? Optional	
Page 26	Ask: What happens when we do not choose to do	Drawing paper
God gives us the gifts of	what is right? Optional	Markers or colored pencils
forgiveness and grace.	• Present the text about the Sacrament of Penance.	
	• Activity: Design a feature for your parish website inviting people to receive the Sacrament of Penance.	
	Discuss: How can you show your thanks to God today for his gifts of forgiveness and grace? Optional	
Page 27 Jesus calls the whole Church to	Ask: How can the choices we make affect the lives of others? Optional	
follow his example.	Present the text about Jesus' example in taking action against social sin.	
	• Reinforce the meaning of the Faith Word: social sin.	
	Discuss: How will you address an unjust situation this week? Optional	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
6 Responding		
Page 28	Discuss <i>The Big Question</i> . Complete the <i>Recognizing Our Faith</i> activity.	World map or map of Europe Optional: Living Our Faith Partners in Faith Curriculum Connection: Social Studies— locate Siena and Rome in Italy and Avignon in France on a map of Europe
Page 29	Review the chapter goals in <i>Putting Faith to Work</i> and discuss ways to respond in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 30	The Worship Connection More to Explore Catholic Social Teaching Checklist	Student Edition, page 30
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Assessment		
Chapter 2 Assessment	Complete Chapter 2 Assessment Alternative Assessment activity.	Student Edition, page 29 Guide, pages 29–30
7 Taking Home		
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Session 8—The Catholic Church in the Modern Age

Session 8 Overview

The theme of Session 8 is *The Catholic Church in the Modern Age*. Students learn in Chapter 15 about the effects of new revolutions on the Church and the growth of the Church in the United States. Students learn in Chapter 16 about how the major events of the 20th century affected the Church, and the Church's renewal through the Second Vatican Council.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Creed is placed here in Session 1. When you choose this option eliminate activities from Responding or have the young people complete on their own.

Chapter 15 Overview

Doctrinal Content

The students will learn:

In this chapter the students will learn that in a new, industrial age, the Church continued to bring the Gospel to all people.

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church Paragraph

Chapter 16 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn about the Catholic Church and world events during the first part of the twentieth century. They will also learn about the work of the Second Vatican Council.

Doctrinal ContentThe students will learn:

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

Paragraph

• The Catholic Church grows in a diverse nation	939, 1926
• The world feels the effects of World War I and the Depression	2255
• After World War II, the Iron Curtain falls across Europe	2257

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Key Word papal infallibility

Key Word plenary council



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 Gathering		
Page 161 Prayer	 Proclaim Romans 12:5. Listen to words written by Venerable John Henry Cardinal Newman. Reflect on each meditation question. 	For the prayer space: Bible, a cross, a candle, a rope
Page 162	 Reflect on <i>The Big Question</i> about good qualities. Present chapter goals. Discuss chapter goals. 	
Page 163	Discuss the text about different intelligences used in learning.	
2 Believing		
Page 164 New revolutions affect the Church.	 Ask: What do you think happened in Europe after the defeat of Napoleon? Optional Present the text about the changes that affected the Church after the French Revolution. Present the Faith Word and its meaning. Discuss: What is one thing you would say in support of the Church's role today? Optional 	Map of Europe Additional Activities: page 164, Guide
Page 165 The Church promotes justice in the modern world.	 Ask: What do you think it was like to work in a factory in the late 1800s? Optional Present the text about Pope Leo XIII and Pope Pius X. Activity: Highlight the reforms of Pope Pius X. Discuss: For which of the liturgical reforms called by Pope Pius X are you most grateful? Optional 	Highlighters or colored pencils
Page 166 Efforts to spread the Gospel grow.	 Ask: What can I do to bring the Gospel to others? Optional Present the text about religious orders and law organizations spreading the faith. Activity: Discuss founding a new Catholic lay organization. Discuss: Whose example can you follow in bringing the Gospel to others? Optional 	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 167 Catholicism grows with the United States.	 Ask: Why do you think the pope and bishops were interested in building up the Church in the United States? Optional Read about the spread of the Gospel and Church teachings throughout the United States. Discuss: What can you do this week to counteract prejudice or discrimination? Optional 	Map of the United States Additional Activities: Guide, page 167
3 Responding		
Page 168	 Discuss <i>The Big Question</i>. Complete the <i>Recognizing Our Faith</i> activity. 	Optional: Living Our Faith Partners in Faith Multiple Intelligences: Interpersonal— Write letters to parish catechumens.
Page 169	Review the chapter goals in <i>Putting Faith to Work</i> and discuss ways of responding in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 170	 The Worship Connection More to Explore Catholic Social Teaching Checklist	Student Edition, page 170
Catholic Identity Retreat	: Morality, Student Edition R17-R22	
We Come Together for Prayer We Cherish God's Word I Value My Catholic Faith I Celebrate Catholic Identity I Honor My Catholic I dentity	Complete activities in student text. See Guide T21 for Retreat Options.	These activities should be done in a prayerful quiet environment. Allow students time for meditation and reflection.
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Assessment		
Chapter 15 Assessment	Complete Chapter 15 Assessment Alternative Assessment activity.	Student Edition, page 169 Guide, pages 169–170



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
4 Taking a Break		
5 Believing		
Page 174 The Catholic Church grows	Ask: Why is slavery morally wrong? Optional Read the text about the three plenary councils.	Recordings of spirituals Additional Activities:
in a diverse nation.	 Present the Faith Word and its meaning. Discuss: How do you think you might have contributed to the Church during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries? Optional 	Guide, page 174
Page 175 The Church responds to the Great Depression.	 Ask: What would it be like if all the countries of the world were at peace with one another? Optional Present the text about the Church during the time of the Great Depression. Activity: List ways to convey messages of justice and peace. Discuss: How will you share Christ's peace with others today? Optional 	Additional Activities: Guide, page 175
Page 176 The Church responds to war.	 Ask: In what ways can faith provide courage? Optional Present the text about the effects that World War II had on the Church. Activity: Give a presentation from the perspective of someone living where Catholics are persecuted. Discuss: What is one way you can speak out on the issue of justice and peace? Optional 	Drawing paper Markers or colored pencils Additional Activities: Guide, page 176
Page 177 The Second Vatican Council renews the life of the Church.	 Ask: What is an ecumenical council? Optional Read about the ways the Second Vatican Council brought about changes in the Church. Discuss: Why do you think that the Second Vatican Council was important to the Church and to the world? Optional 	Additional Activities: Guide, page 177

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
6 Responding		
Page 178	 Discuss <i>The Big Question</i>. Complete the <i>Recognizing Our Faith</i> activity. 	Optional: • Living Our Faith • Partners in Faith • Multiple Intelligences: Interpersonal— Play a game to identify people from twentieth-century Church history.
Page 179	• Review the chapter goals in <i>Putting Faith to Work</i> and discuss ways of responding in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 180	 The Worship Connection More to Explore Catholic Social Teaching Checklist	Student Edition, page 180
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Assessment		
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Session 12—Church Service and Communion

Session 12 Overview

The theme of Session 12 is *Church Service and Communion*. Students learn in Chapter 23 that Jesus chose who would lead the Church, where there are many ways of serving and continuing Jesus' mission. Students learn in Chapter 24 that members of the Church are in communion with the Father and are joined in the communion of saints.

The Catholic Identity Retreat: Prayer is placed here in Session 12. When you choose this option eliminate activities from Responding or have the young people complete on their own.

Chapter 23 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn that all authority and ministry in the Church comes from Christ and that the Church shares a common holiness and evangelization.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

- Paragraph
- The pope and the bishops are the successors of the Apostles.........1593-1594
- Within the Church there are many ways of serving.................. 941, 944, 1592
- Within our parishes we continue Jesus' mission 181, 846, 866

Chapter 24 Overview

In this chapter the students will learn that as members of the Church, the Body of Christ, we belong to the communion of saints.

Doctrinal Content

For Adult Reading and Reflection Catechism of the Catholic Church

The students will learn:

Paragraph

- Jesus Christ calls all of us into communion with his Father...........780, 810, 856
- - The Communion of Sums.
- \bullet Mary is our greatest saint and the perfect example of discipleship $\dots\dots$ 509, 973

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Key Words deposit of faith common vocation



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
1 Gathering		
Page 245	• Proclaim Ephesians 4:11–12.	For the prayer space: Bible, a cross, a candle, map of the United States and world map or globe
Prayer	Listen to Scripture readings.	
	Respond to prayer petitions.	
Page 246	• Reflect on <i>The Big Question</i> .	
	Present chapter goals.	
	Discuss chapter goals.	
Page 247	Read and discuss the poem by Robert Frost.	
2 Believing		
Page 248 Jesus chose the Apostles to lead	Ask: What is your favorite Scripture story about Saint Peter the Apostle? Optional	Drawing paper
the Church.	• Read the text about the mission given the Apostles.	
	Explain the meaning of college.	
	Activity: Write a list of ways that others help us to keep faith. Optional	
	Discuss: What can you use to help others keep the faith? Optional	
Page 249 The pope and the bishops are the	Ask: What is the name of the current pope, Peter's successor, the leader of the Church? Optional	Additional Activities: Guide, page 249
successors to the Apostles.	Present the text about the role and mission of the Apostles and their successors today.	
	Highlight the meaning of the Faith Word: deposit of faith.	
	Discuss: Why do you think it is important to pray for our pope and bishops often? Optional	
Page 250	Ask: How can we serve in the Church? Optional	Additional Activities:
Within the Church there are many ways of serving.	Present the text about the roles of the laity, consecrated life, and the ordained ministry.	Guide, page 250
	Highlight the meaning of the Faith Word: common vocation.	
	Discuss: How does the work you do now contribute to the world? What can you do to enhance that contribution? Optional	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Page 251	Ask: How would you describe your parish to someone from another parish? Optional	Map of the United States
Within our parishes we continue Jesus' mission.	* Read the text about the members of our parish and their role in sharing God's life with all people.	Additional Activities: Guide, page 167
	Activity: Role-play ways to proclaim Christ's message.	
	Discuss: Which two of the parish roles listed would you like to do in the future? Why? Optional	
3 Responding		
Page 252	 Discuss <i>The Big Question</i>. Complete the <i>Recognizing Our Faith</i> activity. 	Optional: Living Our Faith Partners in Faith Curriculum Connection: Social Studies— research and report on Uganda
Page 253	Review the chapter goals in <i>Putting Faith to Work</i> and discuss ways of responding in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 254	 The Worship Connection More to Explore Catholic Social Teaching Checklist	Student Edition, page 254
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Assessment		
Chapter 23 Assessment	Complete Chapter 23 Assessment Alternative Assessment activity	Student Edition, page 253
	Alternative Assessment activity.	Guide, pages 253-254



Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
Taking a Break		
5 Believing		
Page 258 Jesus Christ calls all of us into communion with his Father.	 Ask: What do you think is one of the most important things that Jesus taught his followers? Optional Read the text about Jesus' disciples' unity with God and one another. Discuss: Are you willing to be in communion with God and one another? What are your reasons for this response? Optional 	Colored paper: brown, green, purple Scissors, paste Additional Activities: Guide, page 258
Page 259 Together all faithful members of the Church are joined in the communion of saints.	 Ask: When you are not with members of your family, how do you experience being joined to them? Optional Present the text about the communion of saints. Activity: Highlight the most important statements in the text and write an announcement of the good news. Discuss: How does belonging to the communion of saints help you to live out your faith? Optional 	Highlighters or colored pencils
Page 260 Mary is our greatest saint and the perfect example of discipleship.	 Ask: How can we help one another to grow in holiness? Optional Discuss the text about Mary. Discuss: What concerns will you bring to Mary in prayer? Optional 	instrumental or Marian music Ave Maria recording Additional activities: Guide, page 260
Page 261 We are the Pilgrim people of God.	 Ask: What is a pilgrim? Optional Read the text about what it means to be Pilgrim People of God. Activity: Write a mission statement for the Pilgrim People of God. Discuss: How will you put the mission statement into action? Optional 	

Session Steps	Session Presentation	Session Notes
6 Responding		
Page 262	Discuss <i>The Big Question</i> . Complete the <i>Recognizing Our Faith</i> activity.	Optional: • Living Our Faith • Partners in Faith • Curriculum Connection: Social Studies Locate Thailand and identify its neighbors.
Page 263	• Review the chapter goals in <i>Putting Faith to Work</i> and discuss ways of responding in faith.	Optional: Encountering God's Word
Page 264	 The Worship Connection More to Explore Catholic Social Teaching Checklist	Student Edition, page 264
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