

SOGL: Stories of God's Love

I. Catechesis Promotes Knowledge of the Faith

(Catechism of the Catholic Church, 26-1065; General Directory for Catechesis, 84-85, 87)

A. The Person of Jesus Christ

Jesus loves and invites every person to be in relationship with him

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| <p>I. A. 1. Identify Jesus as Son of God and son of Mary (CCC 495)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 9, 24, 25</p> |
| <p>I. A. 2. Know that Jesus' love is unending and complete (CCC 220-221, 1337; Mt 28:20b; Jn 13:1b)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 5, 7, 16</p> |

B. Understand Scripture

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

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| <p>I. B. 1. Recognize the Bible as a holy and special book that tells us about God (CCC 103-104)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Welcome Chapter</p> |
| <p>I. B. 2. Demonstrate respect and reverence while listening to and handling the Bible</p> | <p>SOGL K: Welcome Chapter, Ch. 16</p> |
| <p>I. B. 3. Discover that the creation story teaches that God is good and created all things good (CCC 299, 339; Gen 1:12, 18, 21, 25, 31)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 1</p> |

C. Creeds and Doctrines of the Church

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

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| <p>I. C. 1. Know that God, the Creator, made the world and all living creatures (CCC 290-291, 295; Gen 1:1-31)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 1</p> |
| <p>I. C. 2. Understand that God loves and takes care of all people (CCC 54-55, 303-305; Mt 6:25-34; Rom 8:28; 1 Pet 5:7)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 1, 3, 4</p> |

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I. C. 3. Identify the Holy Spirit as the gift of God
(CCC 243-244; Jn 14:25-26; CFCL I.A.7&9)

SOGL K: Ch. 12, 20

I. C. 4. Define "Heaven" (CCC 1024-1025; Jn 14:2-3)

SOGL K: Ch. 22

I. C. 5. Know that God gives each person a guardian angel (CCC 336)

SOGL K: Ch. 24

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

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

I. D. 1. Nothing at this age

E. Christian Thought and Culture

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

I. E. 1. Know that God's family includes the saints in heaven (CCC 954)

SOGL K: Ch. 22

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

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

A. Paschal Mystery Forms and Transforms

The liturgical and sacramental life of the Church informs, forms, and transforms us as disciples of Jesus in the world (CCC 654, 1066-1067)

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II. A. 1. Recognize that by baptism we become members of Jesus' family (CCC 1213)

SOGL K: Ch. 14

II. A. 2. Know that Jesus is present with his family, the Church, when they pray and celebrate together (CCC 1373)

SOGL K: Ch. 13, 14, 16

B. Sacraments

Sacraments are special celebrations of God's love for us

II. B. 1. Recognize that a sacrament is a special celebration of God's love (CCC 1131-1134)

SOGL K: Ch. 14, 16

II. B. 2. Recognize that baptism is a gift from God (CCC 1279)

SOGL K: Ch. 14

C. Liturgical Catechesis

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

II. C. 1. Know that the Church celebrates different seasons with various symbols and colors (CCC 1163, 1171, 1194)

SOGL K: Ch. 24, 25, 28, 29;
Liturgical Calendar

II. C. 2. Identify the special seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter (CCC 524-526, 1438, 1169)

SOGL K: Ch. 24, 25, 28, 29;
Liturgical Calendar

II. C. 3. Know that Sunday is a special day for the Church (CCC 1167, 1193)

SOGL K: Ch. 16

II. C. 4. Know that we use our bodies to pray at Mass (CCC 1153-1155)

SOGL K: Ch. 16

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D. Dimensions of Priesthood: Baptismal and Ordained

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

II. D. 1. Nothing at this age

III. Catechesis Promotes Moral Formation in Jesus Christ

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

A. Commandment to Love

The 'new commandment' of Jesus, to love one another as he, God, has loved us is one of the defining characteristics of the Christian faith (Jn 13:34-35)

III. A. 1. Know that God is love and shows us how to love.
(CCC 221; 1 Jn 4:3, 16; CFCL I.A.1)

SOGL K: Ch. 4, 6, 8, 10, 18, 19, 27

III. A. 2. Understand that Jesus wants all people to love God and love one another (CCC 1878, 1970; Lk 10:25-28)

SOGL K: Ch. 7, 15, 16, 18, 19, 27, 28

B. Ten Commandments and Beatitudes

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

III. B. 1. Know that in the Bible God tells us how to love him and other people (CCC 1962, 1965)

SOGL K: Welcome Chapter, Ch. 27

III. B. 2. Know that Jesus shows everyone how to love (CCC 520, 1823; Jn 15:9, 12; CFCL I.A.9)

SOGL K: Ch. 5, 7, 18, 19, 27

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C. Sin and Grace

God's love can overcome the evil of sin in our world

- III. C. 1. Recognize that good choices can make us feel happy and bad choices make us feel sad (CCC 27)
- III. C. 2. Know it is important to say "I'm sorry" when one hurts others (CCC 1443; Lk 15:11-32)

SOGL K: Ch. 8, 17, 20, 27

SOGL K: Ch. 17, 19, 27, 28

D. Conscience Formation

The Gospel calls us to ongoing conversion, transforming our ways of thinking and living

- III. D. 1. Know that God gives the Holy Spirit to help people make good choices (CCC 729, 1830; Jn 16:13)
- III. D. 2. Understand that adults can help one make decisions

SOGL K: Ch. 12, 20

SOGL K: Ch. 10, 26, 27

E. Objective Moral Norms

The Scriptures and Tradition of the Church teach us about right and wrong

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

SOGL K: Ch. 27

F. Gospel of Life

All life is a gift from God and is to be held sacred

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

SOGL K: Ch. 1, 6

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G. Living a Moral Life

As disciples of Jesus, we desire to follow him in his attitudes and actions

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

SOGL K: Ch. 7, 19

IV. Catechesis Teaches the Christian

How to Pray

(CCC 2558-2865; GDC 84-85, 87)

A. Christian Prayer Tradition

Prayer in all its many forms is a language of love, faith, and hope

- IV. A. 1. Know that Jesus prayed and taught his disciples to pray (CCC 2599-2602; Mt 6:5-14; Mk 11:24)
- IV. A. 2. Know/Pray the Sign of the Cross (CCC 2157)
- IV. A. 3. Identify the “Our Father,” “Hail Mary,” and “Glory Be” as basic prayers of the Catholic tradition

SOGL K: Ch. 11, 13

SOGL K: Ch. 12

SOGL K: Ch. 11, 21; CPP

B. Personal Prayer

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

- IV. B. 1. Know that prayer is both listening to and talking with God (CCC 2590)
- IV. B. 2. Understand that one must be quiet to hear God speak

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SOGL K: Ch. 12, 16

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C. Communal Prayer

We share prayer with others, and worship together as the People of God

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

SOGL K: Ch. 14, 16

D. Popular Piety and Devotions

Our families and friends share with us ways to grow closer to God

- IV. D. 1.** Identify ways to pray with family (CCC 2685)

SOGL K: Ch. 12, 14, 16

V. Catechesis Prepares the Christian to Live in Community and to Participate in the Life and Mission of the Church

(GDC 84, 86-87)

A. Spiritual Growth

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

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

SOGL K: Ch. 5, 6, 14, 22

B. Relationships and Responsibilities

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

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

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C. Marriage and Family Life—Domestic Church

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

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| <p>V. C. 1. Identify the Holy Family: Jesus; Mary, his mother; and Joseph, her spouse (CCC 532, 1655; Lk 2:39-52)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 9, 24, 25, 26</p> |
| <p>V. C. 2. Know that each family is a gift from God (CCC 2206)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 10</p> |
| <p>V. C. 3. Understand that in a family the members are called to love and care for each other</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 10</p> |

D. Faith Communities

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

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| <p>V. D. 1. Know that at baptism one becomes a member of God’s family, the Church (CCC 1213)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 14</p> |
| <p>V. D. 2. Know that praying together at Mass is an important way that God’s family comes together (CCC 1140-1141)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 16</p> |

E. Nature and Mission of the Church

The Church is the family of God, sent to bring the Good News of Jesus to all people

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| <p>V. E. 1. Understand that God wants all to live in peace and love (CCC 543; Col 3:12-17)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 5, 8, 17, 18, 19, 27</p> |
| <p>V. E. 2. Know that the Church is God’s family on earth (CCC 959)</p> | <p>SOGL K: Ch. 13, 14</p> |

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F. Ecumenism

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

V. F. 1. Nothing at this age

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

(GDC 84, 86-87)

A. Evangelization

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

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

SOGL K: Ch. 13

B. Vocation/Apostolate

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

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

SOGL K: Ch. 5, 6

C. Social Action and Transformation

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

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

SOGL K: Ch. 13, 18

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

SOGL K: Ch. 2

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D. Interreligious Dialogue

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

VI. D. 1. Nothing at this age

