

Task VI: A Missionary Spirit that Prepares the Faithful to Transform the World

Diocese of Columbus: Religion Course of Study 2015

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

Preschool

VI. A. 1. Nothing at this age

Kindergarten

VI. A. 1. Identify a disciple as someone who follows Jesus Christ and learns from him how to live (CCC 1694, 1816; 1 Jn 1:1-4)

First Grade

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

Second Grade

VI. A. 1. Understand that disciples of Jesus are called to share his love with others (CCC 1823; Jn 13:34)

VI. A. 2. Identify the Holy Spirit as a guide and helper in living out the Christian calling (CCC 852; Jn 14:26)

Third Grade

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

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

Fourth Grade

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

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

Fifth Grade

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

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

Sixth Grade

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

Seventh Grade

VI.A.1. Define what is meant by the “New Evangelization”

Eighth Grade

VI.A.1. Understand that the Sacrament of Confirmation strengthens one to live as a disciple (CCC 1303)

VI.A.2. Identify some church documents which present the New Evangelization and its importance

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

Preschool

- VI. B. 1. Know that God gives special gifts to each person, so they may serve him and others (CCC 52; Mt 4:18-22; Mt 9:9)

Kindergarten

- 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)

First Grade

- VI. B. 1. Understand that each person is called to love God in a special way (CCC 52, 2093; Dt 6:4-5; Mt 9:9-13)
- VI. B. 2. **Know that in Baptism we are made members of God's family** (CCC 1279)

Second Grade

- VI. B. 1. Know that God loves and calls each person to follow him (CCC 2093; Jn 1:39)
- VI. B. 2. Identify some of the ways God calls people to serve him: priest or deacon, consecrated religious, single, married (CCC 934-945)

Third Grade

- VI. B. 1. Know that "vocation" is a call to love and serve God and others in a special way (CCC 825)
- VI. B. 2. Know that "apostolate" is a special work done in service to God and his people (CCC 900)
- VI. B. 3. Identify the different vocations within the Church, e.g. clergy, consecrated religious life, married and single lives (CCC 934-945)

Fourth Grade

- VI. B. 1. Understand that every baptized person is called to love and serve God at every stage of life (Jas 2:14-17)
- VI. B. 2. Name some of the particular vocations within the Church **and how each vocation is a response to love (CFCL I.A.21)**

Fifth Grade

- VI. B. 1. Know that each person shares responsibility for the mission of the Church (CCC 849; Mt 28:18-20)
- VI. B. 2. **Explain how the various vocations function to build God's kingdom, and further the mission of the church**
- VI. B. 3. **Know that all people are called to live the virtue of chastity (CFCL I.A.20)**

Sixth Grade

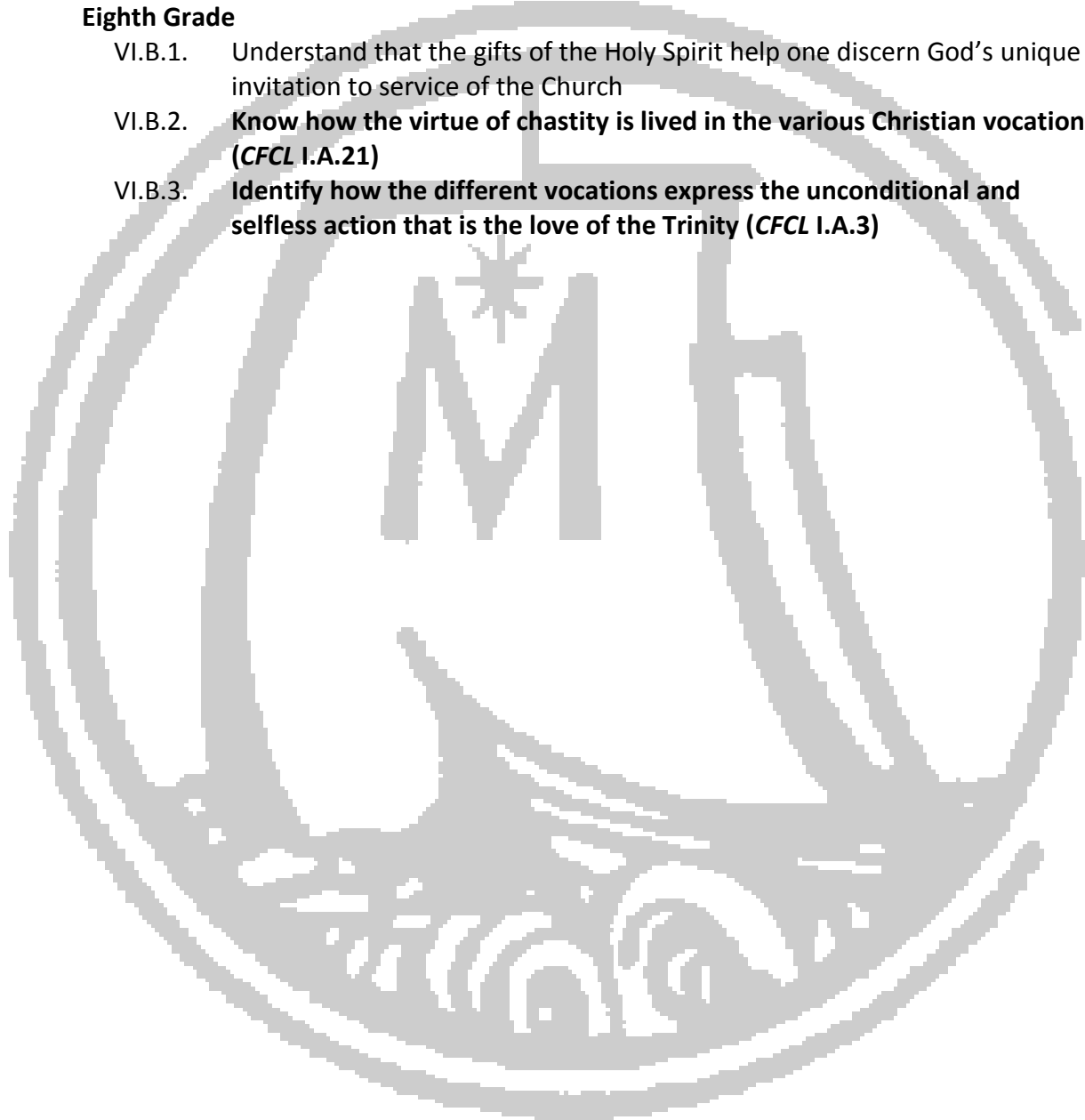
- VI.B.1. **Identify how the vocations of single, consecrated/Holy Orders, and married life live out chastity** (CCC 2348-2349, 1579; **CFCL I.A.21**)
- VI.B.2. **Describe the difference between "career" and "vocation"**
- VI.B.3. Describe the role of prayerful discernment in the life of the disciple when discerning a vocation

Seventh Grade

- VI.B.1. Know that a personal apostolate is a means of living out the missionary spirit of the Church
- VI.B.2. Reflect and describe how a personal apostolate can be lived out in a vocation and/or career
- VI.B.3. **Know that all people are called to live chastely (CFCL I.A.20)**

Eighth Grade

- VI.B.1. Understand that the gifts of the Holy Spirit help one discern God's unique invitation to service of the Church
- VI.B.2. **Know how the virtue of chastity is lived in the various Christian vocations (CFCL I.A.21)**
- VI.B.3. **Identify how the different vocations express the unconditional and selfless action that is the love of the Trinity (CFCL I.A.3)**



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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

Preschool

VI. C. 1. Recognize that Jesus wants us to help each other (Mt 25)

Kindergarten

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

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

First Grade

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

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

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

Second Grade

VI. C. 1. Recall that God asks us to take care of each other and all creation (CCC 307)

Third Grade

VI. C. 1. Know that Jesus asks all Christians to help build the Kingdom of God on earth

VI. C. 2. Understand that building the Kingdom of God means following Jesus' example (CCC 1816)

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

Fourth Grade

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

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

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

Fifth Grade

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

Sixth Grade

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

VI.C.2. Describe how the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy are expressions of Catholic Social Teaching (CCC 2447)

Seventh Grade

V.C.1. Understand that Catholic Social Teaching provides principles for reflection, criteria for judgments, and guidelines for action when building the Kingdom of God (CCC 2423)

V.C.2. Know that the common good and human dignity are foundational principles for building a better world (CCC 1807, 1928-1933)

V.C.3. Identify the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching (CCC 1943-1948, 2419-2425)

Eighth Grade

VI.C.1. Recall the seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching

VI.C.2. Know that the Sacrament of Confirmation completes one's initiation into the life and mission activity in the Church (CCC 1303)



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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

Preschool

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Kindergarten

VI. D. 1. Nothing at this age

First Grade

VI. D. 1. Nothing at this age

Second Grade

VI. D. 1. Nothing at this age

Third Grade

VI. D. 1. Know that there are other religions in addition to Christianity

Fourth Grade

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

Fifth Grade

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

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

Sixth Grade

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

Seventh Grade

VI.D.1. Define the term "monotheism"

VI.D.2. Identify the three world religions rooted in monotheism (Judaism, Christianity, and Islam) (CCC 839-841)

Eighth Grade

VI.D.1. Know that the Church acknowledges the spiritual and moral truths of other religions as a preparation for hearing the Gospel (CCC 843)