Course 4: Sacraments

4.1: Sacraments of Initiation

Objectives:
1. Develop the theological background for the Sacraments of Initiation
2. Examine the various periods and rites in the process of conversion in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults
3. Explore the mystagogical process in faith-formation

4.2: Eucharist

Objectives:
1. Review the origins and theological development of the Eucharistic Liturgy
2. Identify the Church’s teaching on the Real Presence of Christ
3. Examine the structure of the Mass and its individual parts
4. Explore the meaning of “full, active and conscious participation”

4.3: Sacraments of Healing

Objectives:
1. Identify the need for healing in our world today
2. Provide a historical/theological background for the Sacraments of Healing
3. Provide an overview of the Rite of Penance and Reconciliation
4. Present an overview of pastoral care of the sick: the Sacrament of Anointing, Viaticum and the Final Rites of the Church

4.4: Sacraments at the Service of Communion

Objectives:
1. Introduce the notion of “vocation” and its variety of forms in Christian discipleship
2. Provide a historical / theological background for the Sacraments of Service
3. Provide an overview of the Rites of Matrimony and of Holy Orders
4. Examine the effects of these sacraments on our world