

Diocese of Columbus
Kindergarten Religion COS
Based on the **Six Tasks of Catechesis***

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

I. A. 1. Understand that Jesus came to show God's love (CCC 458) **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**

I. A. 2. Know that Jesus' love is unending and complete (CCC 220-221, 1337; Mt 28:20b; Jn 13:1b) **ADDICTION SUICIDE**

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

I. B. 1. Recognize the Bible as a holy and special book that tells us about God (CCC 103-104)

I. B. 2. Demonstrate respect and reverence while listening to and handling the Bible

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) **ADDICTION SUICIDE**

C. Creeds and Doctrines of the Church The Creed expresses the faith of our Church and professes it to the world

I. C. 1. Know that God, the Creator, made the world and all living creatures (CCC 290-291, 295; Gen 1:1-31)

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) **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**

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

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

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

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)

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, 1085)

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

- II. A. 2. Know that Jesus is present with his family, the Church, when they pray and celebrate together (CCC 1373)
- 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)
 - II. B. 2. Recognize that baptism is a gift from God (CCC 1279)
- 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)
 - II. C. 2. Identify the special seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent and Easter (CCC 524-526, 1438, 1169)
 - II. C. 3. Know that Sunday is a special day for the Church (CCC 1167, 1193)
 - II. C. 4. Know that we use our bodies to pray at Mass (CCC 1153-1155) **ADDICTION**
- 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) **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**
 - III. A. 2. Understand that Jesus wants all people to love God and love one another (CCC 1878, 1970; Lk 10:25-28) **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**
 - 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) **RACISM SUICIDE**
 - III.B.2. Know that Jesus shows everyone how to love (CCC 520, 1823; Jn 15:9, 12; CFCL I.A.9) **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**
 - 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) **ADDICTION SUICIDE**
 - III.C.2. Know it is important to say "I'm sorry" when one hurts others (CCC 1443; Lk 15:11-32) **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**
 - 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) **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**
 - III. D. 2. Understand that adults can help one make decisions **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**

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) **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**

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)

ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE

III. F. 2. Know that God wants all people to care for his creation (CCC 299, 339)

III. F. 3. Understand that God makes people in his image (CCC 355; CFCL I.A.1) **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**

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. **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**

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

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) **ADDICTION SUICIDE**

IV.B.2. Understand that one must be quiet to hear God speak **ADDICTION**

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)

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)

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) **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**

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)
ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE

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

V. C. 1. Identify the Holy Family : Jesus; Mary, his mother; and Joseph, her spouse (*CCC* 532, 1655; Lk 2:39-52)

V. C. 2. Know that each family is a gift from God (*CCC* 2206) **SUICIDE**

V. C. 3. Understand that in a family the members are called to love and care for each other
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D. Faith Communities Participation in the life and mission of the Church is both personal and communal (*CCC* 1134)

V. D. 1. Know that at baptism one becomes a member of God’s family, the Church (*CCC* 1213)
ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE

V. D. 2. Know that praying together at Mass is an important way that God’s family comes together (*CCC* 1140-1141)

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

V. E. 1. Understand that God wants all to live in peace and love (*CCC* 543; Col 3:12-17)
RACISM SUICIDE

V. E. 2. Know that the Church is God’s family on earth (*CCC* 959) **SUICIDE**

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 the World (*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)
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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) **ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE**

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)
ADDICTION RACISM SUICIDE

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

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

*Committee on Education of the United States Catholic Conference. *Our Hearts Were Burning Within Us: A Pastoral Plan for Adult Faith Formation in the United States.* Washington, DC : United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 1999.

