By the end of Grade 1, students will have an age-appropriate understanding of the concepts in each of the following areas:

Area #1: **The Profession of Faith** (CCC #26-1065)

1. God is our loving Father and is the creator of all things (CCC# 32, 54, 279-314)
2. We can meet God through our five senses (CCC# 32-33)
3. God knows each of us and shows His love for us in many ways (CCC# 50-53)
4. Jesus is the Son of God (CCC# 65)
5. Because Mary is the mother of Jesus, she is the Mother of God; she is our mother, too (CCC# 963)
6. Jesus saves us from sin by his birth, life, death and resurrection (CCC# 595-679)
7. Jesus is human like us; he is our friend and brother (CCC# 456-487)
8. Jesus wants us to be with Him forever, on earth and in Heaven (CCC# 659-679)
9. Catholics are Christians (CCC# 787-795)
10. The Holy Spirit helped Jesus’ Apostles to begin the Catholic Church (CCC# 767-768)
11. The Bible is the Word of God, it teaches us about God and how to live as Christians (CCC# 101-104)

Area #2: **The Celebration of the Christian Mystery** (CCC 1066-1690)

1. The sacraments are signs of God’s love for us (CCC# 1114-1130)
2. The sacraments are how Catholics worship God and celebrate their faith in Jesus (CCC# 1084-1085)
3. Baptism welcomes us into God’s family, the Church (CCC# 1229-1233)
4. Signs, symbols, words and actions of the Baptismal rite (CCC# 1234-1243)
5. At the Mass we listen to God’s Word and celebrate Jesus’ presence in the Eucharist (CCC# 1345-1390)
6. When a Catholic goes to Confession, his/her sins are forgiven (CCC# 1446-1449)
Area #3:  **Life in Christ** (CCC #1691-2550)

1. Jesus was kind and fair to others, he want us to be the same way (CCC# 1716-1717)
2. Jesus wants us to take care of the creation that God gave us (CCC# 2415-2418)
3. God gave Moses the Ten Commandments to teach us what is right (CCC# 1961-1964)
4. We are free to choose to do good or to do harm (CCC# 1730-1742)
5. Sometimes we sin (CCC# 409, 396-401, 405, 407, 1739, 1849)
6. Sometimes we need to feel sorry for the bad choices we make (CCC# 1776-1782)
7. God forgives us and shows us mercy (CCC# 1440-1442)
8. The Holy Spirit helps us to live good lives and to be followers of Jesus (CCC# 1987-2005)

Area #4:  **Christian Prayer** (CCC #2558-2856)

1. Jesus taught us how to talk with God (CCC# 2599-2615)
2. Catholics like to pray to God in many ways (CCC# 2625-2643)
3. Mary prays for us (CCC# 494, 2673-2679))
4. The parish is where Catholics meet to pray together (CCC# 2179)
5. Prayer helps us to be holy (CCC# 2014, 2807-2815)
6. Jesus taught us a special prayer: The Our Father (2759-2856)
7. Grade 1 students will begin learning and frequently pray the following:
   a. The Sign of the Cross
   b. The Our Father
   c. The Hail Mary
   d. Prayer to the Guardian Angel
   e. Blessing with Holy Water
   f. Grace before and after meals
   g. Mass responses
8. Grade 1 students will celebrate each season of the Liturgical Year, in class and with the parish community (CCC# 1168-1173)