

Overview

In Chapter 17 the students learned that Jesus healed people. In this chapter the students will learn how Jesus gives his comfort and peace in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. They will also discover that Jesus shares in our suffering and offers the hope of eternal life.

For Adult Reading and Reflection *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Doctrinal Content

The students will learn:	Paragraph
• Jesus is with us when we are suffering.	1521
• The Anointing of the Sick continues Jesus' saving work of healing.	1520
• The Church celebrates the Anointing of the Sick.	1522
• Jesus is with those who hope for eternal life.	1517

Catechist Background

Have you ever had a massage or a muscle injury rubbed down? How did that feel?

The human touch is powerful medicine. When the woman with the hemorrhage came to Jesus, she knew that if she could but touch his cloak she would be healed. Jesus felt “that power had gone out from him” when she touched him (Mark 5:30). The blind man of Bethsaida came to Jesus and “begged him to touch him” to be healed (Mark 8:22). Jesus healed through the caring power of touch. The Church continues this healing touch in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

The celebration of this sacrament begins with an expression of our faith and trust in God. We usually begin with a Liturgy of the Word or a reading from Scripture. A prayer of faith is offered,

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- Six Tasks of Catechesis
- Catholic Social Teaching.

recalling that God “will save the sick person” (James 5:15).

After the priest lays his hands on the head of the sick person, the person is anointed with oil. Through the celebration of the Anointing of the Sick, we connect our suffering and dying to Christ's dying and rising. We celebrate our hope in eternal life.

How do you see the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick as bringing hope to people who are suffering or dying?

Lesson Planning Guide

Lesson Steps

Presentation

Materials

1 WE GATHER

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 **Prayer**

 **Focus on Life**


- Listen to Scripture.
- Respond in prayer.

For the prayer space: a crucifix and a Bible


- Discuss asking for and receiving support and comfort.

2 WE BELIEVE


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Jesus is with us when we are suffering.

- Read and discuss suffering and Christ's presence.
- Explore implications of Matthew 25:40.
-  Discuss ways to encourage others to trust God.

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The Anointing of the Sick continues Jesus' saving work of healing.

- Discuss the Church's ministry of healing.
- Read and discuss *As Catholics*.
-  Complete the activity about mottoes.

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The Church celebrates the Anointing of the Sick.

- Discuss the sacramental celebration.
-  Write a prayer for the sick.


Rite of the Anointing of the Sick


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Jesus is with those who hope for eternal life.

- Read and discuss Christ's promise of eternal life.

3 WE RESPOND

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-  Sing the song.

- copies of Reproducible Master 18, guide page 155C
-  "I Am the Bread of Life," Suzanne Toolan, #17, Grade 5 CD

pages 160–161
Project Disciple

- Complete the **Project Disciple** activities.
- Explain the *Take Home* activity.
- Discuss/send home **Sharing Faith with My Family** reproducible master for this chapter.

- copies of **Sharing Faith with My Family** reproducible master, Chapter 18 (back of book)

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Chapter 18 Test

- Complete **Chapter 18 Test**.
- Work on *Alternative Assessment* activity.

- optional: copies of Scripture reproducible master, *What's the Word?*, Chapter 18 (back of book)