

BASIC CATHOLIC QUESTIONS: 1ST GRADE 2020-2021

Faith and Life 1: Our Heavenly Father

Chapter 1 – Our Father

1. *Who made you?* God made me (CCC 355).
2. *Why is God called Father?* God is called Father because he is the Creator of the world (CCC 238).
 - a. *How do we know God is the Creator?* We know God is the Creator through the beauty and order of nature.
3. *How does God our Father show His love?* God our Father shows His love by caring for His children (CCC 239).
 - a. *How can we experience God's love?* We can experience God's love through the love of others, such as family and friends.
 - b. *Does God love us?* Yes, God loves each of us very much and wants us to be happy with Him forever in Heaven.
 - c. *Is each person special to God?* Yes, each person is special to God because He made us in His image.

Chapter 2 – Sign of the Cross

4. *What is Heaven?* Heaven is God's home and a place of perfect happiness (CCC 326, 1024).

Chapter 3

5. *Where is God?* God is in Heaven, on earth, and in every place (CCC 2794-96).
6. *Can God do all things?* Yes, God can do all things (CCC 268-69).
7. *Does God know all things?* Yes, God knows all things, even our thoughts (CCC 305).
8. *Why is God called "the Creator of Heaven and earth"?* God is called the Creator of the Heaven and earth because He made all things out of nothing (CCC 290-91).
 - a. *Are all good things gifts from God?* Yes, all good things are gifts from God.
9. *What are angels?* Angels are invisible spirits. They are God's helpers (CCC 328-30).

Chapter 4 – Guardian Angel Prayer

10. *What makes you a human person?* I am a human person because I have a body and a soul (CCC 362-65).
11. *Will your soul ever die?* No, my body will die, but my soul will live forever (CCC 366).
12. *What must you do to gain the happiness of Heaven?* To gain the happiness of Heaven I must know, love, and serve God in this world (CCC 202; Mk 12:30).
13. *Does everyone have a guardian angel?* Yes, everyone has a guardian angel who is with him all the time (CCC 336).
 - a. *Does our guardian angel help us get to Heaven?* Yes, our guardian angel helps us get to Heaven.

Chapter 5

14. *Who were the first man and woman?* Adam and Eve were the first man and woman (CCC 375).
15. *What was the special gift God gave Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden?* The special gift that God gave Adam and Eve was grace, God's life in their souls (CCC 54, 356, 375).
 - a. *What is Grace?* Grace is God's life in our souls.

Chapter 6

16. *What is sin?* Sin is saying no to God. It is a failure to love God. It is any evil thing that we choose to do, think, or say (CCC 1849, 1850).

a. *Can we choose not to sin?* Yes, we can choose not to commit actual sins.

b. *What is the Great Commandment Jesus gave us?* You shall love the Lord with all your Heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and all your mind. You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

17. *Who committed the first sin on earth?* Adam and Eve, our first parents, committed the first sin on earth (CCC 399, 416).

18. *What happened to Adam and Eve because of this sin?* Because of this sin, Adam and Eve lost grace, heaven, and life in the Garden of Eden (CCC 390; Gen. 3:23-24).

19. *What has happened to us because of Adam and Eve's sin?* Because of Adam and Eve's sin, we are born with Original Sin and without grace. We inherit their punishment (CCC 418).

Chapter 7

20. *What did some people do as they waited for the Savior?* Some people believed in God and obeyed Him so they would be ready for the Savior (CCC 58-64).

Chapter 8

21. *What are the Ten Commandments of God?* The Ten Commandments of God are the moral law that God gave to Moses on Mount Sinai (CCC 2056).

Chapter 9 – Hail Mary and Glory Be

22. *Who is the Mother of Jesus, the Savior?* Mary is the Mother of Jesus, the Savior (CCC 488).

23. *Was Mary kept from having Original Sin?* Yes, Mary was kept from having Original Sin (CCC 491).

Chapter 10

24. *Where was Jesus Christ born?* Jesus Christ was born in a stable in Bethlehem, and was placed in a manger (CCC 525; Lk 2:7).

a. *What is this called?* It is called the Nativity.

25. *Who is Jesus Christ?* Jesus Christ is the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, the Son of God made man (CCC 454, 495).

26. *Why did the Son of God become man?* The Son of God became man to save us from sin and to regain Heaven for us (CCC 457-60).

Chapter 11 – Morning Offering

27. *What did the wise men do when they found Jesus?* They knelt before Jesus and gave Him gifts (CCC 528).

28. *Where can we go to kneel before Jesus?* We can kneel before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament (CCC 1373, 1378).

Chapter 12

29. *Is Saint Joseph the father of Jesus?* No, Saint Joseph is the foster-father of Jesus and the husband of Mary (CCC 484-497).

a. *What are Jesus, Mary and Joseph called?* Jesus, Mary, and Joseph are called the Holy Family.

30. *What does Jesus teach us in His family life?* Jesus teaches us in His family life to love and obey our parents (CCC 520, 532).

Chapter 13

31. *Who are the Apostles?* The Apostles were special men who helped Jesus teach and lead his followers. Their successors today are called bishops (CCC 551).

Chapter 14

32. *What did Jesus tell the people?* Jesus told the people the Good News of God's love for them (CCC 543-544).

a. *What is the Bible?* The Bible is the Word of God.

Chapter 15

33. *Why did Jesus perform miracles?* Jesus performed miracles to show us that He is truly the Son of God (CCC 515).

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Chapter 16

34. *What is the reward for faith?* The reward for faith is pleasing God and attaining Heaven (CCC 161).

Chapter 17

35. *At the Last Supper, what did Jesus do with the bread and wine?* At the Last Supper, Jesus changed the bread and wine into His Body and Blood (CCC 1339).

36. *Why can priests today change bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Jesus?* Jesus gave this power to His Apostles and they gave it to the bishops and priests who came after them (CCC 1341).

37. *Why is Holy Communion a special gift from God?* Holy Communion is a special gift from God because, in Communion, Jesus Himself comes to live in us (CCC 1384).

a. *Is Jesus truly present in the Holy Eucharist?* Yes, Jesus is truly present, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity.

Chapter 18

38. *How did Jesus suffer?* Jesus was scourged, crowned with thorns, He carried his Cross, He was crucified, and He died (CCC 572, 596, 619).

39. *Why did Jesus suffer?* Jesus suffered to atone for Adam's sin and our sins, and to open again the gates of Heaven (CCC 615).

Chapter 19

40. *After His death, what did Jesus do?* After His death, Jesus rose again from the dead, taking up His body that had been buried (CCC 646).

41. *How long did the body of Jesus remain buried?* The body of Jesus remained buried from Friday evening to the day we now call Easter Sunday (CCC 639).

Chapter 20

42. *What is the Church?* The Church is the group of baptized persons who profess the Catholic Faith and come together to worship God (CCC 751-52).

43. *Who founded the Church?* The Church was founded by Jesus Christ (CCC 763-66).

44. *Who is the Pope?* The Pope is the successor of Saint Peter. He is the visible head of the Catholic Church (CCC 882).

a. *Who is the current Pope?* Pope Francis.

Chapter 21

45. *What did Jesus do after His Resurrection?* After His Resurrection, Jesus remained on earth for forty days, and then He ascended to Heaven (CCC 659).

- a. *What is the Resurrection?* The Resurrection is when Jesus rose from the dead.
- b. *What is the Ascension?* The Ascension is when Jesus ascended to Heaven body and soul.

Chapter 22

46. *What happened on Pentecost?* On Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came to Mary and the Apostles (CCC 731; Acts 2: 1-4).

47. *What did the Holy Spirit do for the Apostles?* The Holy Spirit gave grace to the Apostles, and the courage to continue Jesus' work (CCC 737, 739).

Chapter 23 – Glory Be

48. *Who is the First Person of the Blessed Trinity?* The First Person of the Blessed Trinity is God the Father (CCC 254).

49. *Who is the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity?* The Second Person of the Blessed Trinity is Jesus, God the Son (CCC 254).

50. *Who is the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity?* The Third Person of the Blessed Trinity is God the Holy Spirit (CCC 254).

- a. *How many Gods are there?* There is One God in Three Divine Persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.

- b. *What is this called?* This mystery is called the Blessed Trinity or the Holy Trinity.

51. *Has God always existed?* Yes, God has always been and always will be (CCC 202).

Chapter 24

52. *How is Original Sin taken away?* Original Sin is taken away by the Sacrament of Baptism (CCC 1263).

56. *What is Baptism?* Baptism is the Sacrament that makes us followers of Christ, sons of God, and members of His Church – the Catholic Church (CCC 1213).

- a. *What happened at your Baptism?* When you were baptized, water was poured over your head three times while the minister said, “[Name], I baptize you in the Name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.”

57. *What is a Sacrament?* A Sacrament is an outward sign instituted by Christ to give grace (CCC 774, 1131).

Chapter 25

58. *What happens during Mass?* During the Mass, Jesus comes to earth in the Eucharist. We remember the Last Supper, His sacrifice, and His death of the Cross (CCC 1365-67).

59. *Why has Christ given Himself to us in the Holy Eucharist?* Christ has given Himself to us in the Holy Eucharist to be the life and food of our souls (CCC 1384).

- a. *Does God want us to go to Mass every Sunday?* Yes, God wants us to go to Mass every Sunday.

Chapter 26 - Hail Mary

60. *Who is Mary?* Mary is the Mother of Jesus and the Queen of Heaven, earth, angels, and men (CCC 501, 963, 966).

Chapter 27

61. *What is prayer?* Prayer is talking to God (CCC 2559).

- a. *Where can we pray?* We can pray everywhere and at any time.

Chapter 28

62. *Why did God make you?* God made you to know, love, and serve Him in this world, and to be happy with Him forever in Heaven (CCC 260, 358).

a. *The Church divides the year into special seasons, what is this called?* It is called the liturgical seasons or liturgical calendar.

1. *The liturgical season of Advent and Lent use what color?* The liturgical seasons of Advent and Lent use the color purple, which represents preparation and penance.
2. *The liturgical seasons of Christmas and Easter use what color?* The liturgical seasons of Christmas and Easter use the color gold or white for celebration, which represents joy and purity.
3. *What color is used during ordinary time?* The liturgical season of ordinary time uses the color green for hope, life, and growth.
4. *The Triduum uses what liturgical color?* The Triduum is when we recall Jesus' sacrifice beginning with the Agony in the Garden and continuing through His death on the cross and uses the color red.
5. *What other times does the Church use the color red?* The Church uses red on Pentecost and on martyr feast days.

Prayers

- ✠ Sign of the Cross, How to Genuflect, Grace Before Meals (K)
- ✠ Our Father, Guardian Angel Prayer, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Sign of the Cross: (K)

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

When/How to Genuflect: (K)

A genuflection is made by bending the right knee to the ground (while facing the Blessed Sacrament). We genuflect when we pass before the Blessed Sacrament, and when we enter/exit our pews at church (when the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the tabernacle).

When the Blessed Sacrament is exposed (in a Monstrance for public adoration), then we kneel on both knees.

Note: We may also genuflect to the Holy Cross during the liturgical celebration of Good Friday until the beginning of the Easter Vigil. Sometimes, when we recite the Creed (on the Annunciation and Christmas) we genuflect at the words "and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man."

Grace before Meals: (K)

Bless us O Lord, and these Thy gifts, which we are about to receive from Thy bounty through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father [The Lord's Prayer]: (1)

Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Guardian Angel Prayer: (1)

Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God's love commits me here. Ever this day be at my side to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.

Hail Mary: (1)

Hail Mary, full of grace the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Glory Be: (1)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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