

GRADE 5-DECEMBER 14

The Church

CHAPTER 11: The Teaching Church (pages 165–174)

Key Concept: The Apostles proclaimed Christ's Good News and spread the Reign of God as Jesus commanded. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the Pope and the bishops continue the Apostles' mission to teach.

Catholic Faith Words: *Pope, Magisterium, infallibility*

Discover: The images of the Church tell us something about being a community of Jesus' followers. When Jesus sent the Apostles out to spread the Good News, he established the mission and authority of their successors. The Church teaches what God revealed through Jesus.

- Read pages 166-167. Write down who has taught you about the Catholic faith and what you learned from them.
- Read pages 168-169. The Pope and the bishops make up the Magisterium, or "body of teachers." As Peter's successor, the Pope, guided by the Holy Spirit, protects and explains the Word of God.
- Print and complete Chapter 11 Handout: Decipher the Clues.
- Make a Faith Toolbox: Take an empty shoebox and brown paper or a grocery bag. Cover the shoebox and its lid with the paper, and decorate it as a Toolbox. Fill your Toolbox with items that keep your faith strong: notes to God, a rosary, birthday or First Communion cards, or photos. It is a good idea to add to the box as you come to understand your Faith throughout the years! What is in your box?

Live :

- Read Words for understanding on page 170.

Family + Faith (Pages 173-174)

- Print and complete Chapter 11 Review.