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Creed

- The learner will be able to present an understanding of the human need for God based on revelation and faith.
- The learner will be able to understand that God knows us and calls us by name.
- The learner will be able to understand that God is revealed to us through Jesus.
- The learner will be able to understand that the Christian faith is a personal response to Jesus and requires a relationship with Jesus.
- The learner will be able to read, understand, and interpret, and apply Scripture to life.
- The learner will be able to understand that the Bible is a collection of many books written under God's inspiration.
- The learner will be able to understand that the Scriptures teach us about the person of Jesus and the meaning of following Jesus and living the Good News.
- The learner will be able to understand that key themes of the Good News are found in Scripture.
- The learner will be able to understand that Jesus teaches about God, prayer, justice and peace, service, and moral life.
- The learner will be able to understand that reading Scripture can be prayer.
- The learner will be able to illustrate a basic understanding of doctrine and dogma in light of the creed.
- The learner will be able to understand that as Catholics, we can recall and explain the Nicene Creed.
- The learner will be able to understand that Jesus' dying, rising, and sending of the Spirit to live forever with God's people is called the Paschal Mystery.
- The learner will be able to understand that we celebrate Jesus returning to God the Father on the Feast of the Ascension.

- The learner will be able to understand that Catholics honor Mary as the mother of God.
- The learner will be able to recognize the Trinity as God.
- The learner will be able to understand that the Father, the Son, and the Spirit as one God is called the Holy Trinity.
- The learner will be able to understand that God came into our world to save us.
- The learner will be able to understand that Jesus is both divine and human.
- The learner will be able to understand that we celebrate the Holy Spirit's coming to the disciples on Pentecost Sunday.
- The learner will be able to illustrate a basic understanding of Church.
- The learner will be able to understand that Church is the People of God and the body of Christ.
- The learner will be able to understand that Jesus' mission and ministry are continued today through the ministries of the word, worship, community-building, and service.
- The learner will be able to understand that our beliefs are sound and rooted in Scripture and Tradition.
- The learner will be able to demonstrate an appreciation for prayer as the primary way we come to know God and the community as the context for sharing faith within and beyond itself.
- The learner will be able to understand that Catholics are involved in the life, mission, and work of the parish community and family.
- The learner will be able to understand that some Catholics are called to liturgical ministries.
- The learner will be able to understand that Catholics support the Church financially.
- The learner will be able to understand that we come to know God through the faith community.

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- The learner will be able to understand that new adult members are welcomed into the Church through a faith-formation process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).
- The learner will be able to exercise responsible stewardship for the gift of creation.

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- The learner will be able to understand that we care for the world and all that is in it by respecting and protecting it.
- The learner will be able to understand that as Christians we examine the distribution and use of resources in light of the theology of stewardship.
- The learner will be able to understand that we promise stewardship.

Sacraments

- The learner will be able to demonstrate the importance of sacraments, with an emphasis on the centrality of the Eucharist, in the life of Catholics.
- The learner will be able to understand that Sacraments signify and make present God's grace.
- The learner will be able to understand that Catholics gather in the Eucharist to hear God's Word and celebrate God's presence with us.
- The learner will be able to understand that Catholics confess their sins and celebrate God's forgiveness in the sacrament of penance/reconciliation.
- The learner will be able to understand that the Eucharistic celebration (Mass) in part reminds us of the Last Supper.
- The learner will be able to understand that the Eucharist is the sacrifice of the body and blood of the Lord.

Christian Living

• The learner will be able to examine a variety of Christian vocation as a response to the baptismal call.

- The learner will be able to understand that there are a variety of Christian vocations that reflect our baptismal call to discipleship.
- The learner will be able to understand that priesthood is a unique role in the Church.
- The learner will be able to understand that religious life is a special type of discipleship.
- The learner will be able to acknowledge and affirm the dignity of the human person and community.
- The learner will be able to apply Catholic principles to interpersonal relations.
- The learner will be able to understand that life is sacred from conception to natural death.
- The learner will be able to understand that injustices are caused by discrimination and prejudice.
- The learner will be able to understand that our Church is enriched through diverse cultural expressions.
- The learner will be able to understand that pro-life activities are encouraged and fostered in the Church.
- The learner will be able to understand that Jesus told us that the greatest commandments of all are to love God with our whole heart and to love our neighbors as ourselves.
- The learner will be able to understand that Jesus taught us that relationships should be based on a life of service to others.
- The learner will be able to understand that we develop skills for being a friend and for handling peer pressure and specific problems.
- The learner will be able to understand that we learn to develop responsible relationships with an emphasis on honesty, love, and respect.
- The learner will be able to understand that skills such as listening, self-disclosure, and compromise are necessary for communication with adults and peers.
- The learner will be able to understand that sexuality is integral to one's personal identity.

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- The learner will be able to understand that Catholic Christians have specific sexual moral values.
- The learner will be able to know, critique and apply social justice principles to personal and societal situations.
- The learner will be able to understand that the Scriptures teach us the importance of working for justice, peace, equality, and stewardship in our lives.
- The learner will be able to understand that the Beatitudes challenge us to continual conversion in our personal and social lives.
- The learner will be able to engage in service to the community (i.e. family, parish, local, national and global) in response to the Gospel call.
- The learner will be able to understand that Jesus taught us about carrying a cross and living a life of loving service.
- The learner will be able to understand that service is an essential element of discipleship.
- The learner will be able to understand that service is action rooted in and flowing from prayer.
- The learner will be able to develop a moral conscience informed by Church teaching.
- The learner will be able to understand that the dignity of the human person is the foundation of Catholic Christian morality.
- The learner will be able to understand that we identify moral values in the teachings of Jesus.
- The learner will be able to understand that as we grow in faith we build a strong and realistic concept of self with an emphasis on growing autonomy and self-determination.
- The learner will be able to understand that the context of moral decision-making within the Catholic Christian tradition is human dignity, God's grace, the virtues and the Holy Spirit.
- The learner will be able to understand that we can habitually know and do what is good with the help of the theological and cardinal virtues.

The learner will be able to understand that Christ invites us to deny self and take up the cross.

Prayer

- The learner will be able to know and participate in the Catholic tradition of prayer.
- The learner will be able to understand that we develop our relationship with God through personal prayer.
- The learner will be able to understand that we pray for openness and generous response to God's call in our lives.
- The learner will be able to understand that we reflect on how the Gospel affirms and challenges our thoughts and actions.
- The learner will be able to know and participate in the Rite of Reconciliation.
- The learner will be able to understand that prayer of imagination, especially in the context of meditation, is part of our prayer life.
- The learner will be able to understand that we pray for vocations.
- The learner will be able to know and participate in Catholic devotions such as Eucharistic adoration.