Grade 3: Creed

Parish Catechetical Programs

Creed: What we believe...

- From the Old Testament OT
- From Jesus and the New Testament NT
- From Church History CH

Students will...

(3.1.1 OT, NT, CH) ... explain how the Bible is organized by Books, Chapters, and Verses.

Examples: The Bible, Table of Contents, St. Jerome, Latin, Greek, CCC 120-125

(3.1.2 OT, NT, CH) ... define the Holy Trinity.

Examples: Three Persons in one God, God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit, Nicene Creed, 10 Commandments, Sign of the Cross, CCC 232, 234

(3.1.3 NT, CH) ... recognize that Jesus is a Person who lived, died, and rose historically; and He is alive and with us now. Examples: Infancy Narratives of Luke and Matthew, John's Prologue, Nicene Creed, Pontius Pilate, The Ascension, Mt. 28:16-20, John 21:24-25, CCC 464-469

(3.1.4 NT, CH) ... explain the twelve apostles were chosen by Jesus to be His followers, and to help Him begin His Church here on earth.

Examples: Mt. 10:2, Mk. 3:14, Mk. 6:30, Lk. 6:13, Acts 2:42, Mt. 16:18 CCC 857-860

(3.1.5 OT, NT, CH) ... describe how the season of Advent prepares us for Christmas and for the second coming of Christ. Examples: Liturgical calendar, Color Violet/Purple, Nicene Creed, Infancy Narratives of Luke and Matthew, CCC 524

(3.1.6 NT, CH) ... explain the Marks of the Church.

Examples: The Church is One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic, Nicene Creed, CCC 811, 866-870

(3.1.7 NT, CH) ... explain the Communion of Saints.

Examples: Nicene Creed, any person in heaven is a saint, Canonization, popular saints, patron saints of Archdiocese-Francis Xavier, Theodora Guerin, CCC 946-948

Grade 3: Sacraments

Parish Catechetical Programs

Sacraments: How we celebrate and worship...

- From the Old Testament OT
- From Jesus and the New Testament NT
- From Church History CH

Students will...

(3.2.1 NT, CH) ... explain how Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist are the Sacraments of Initiation.

Examples: 7 Sacraments, Age of Reason (7 years old), Liturgy, Bread, Wine, Holy Water, Holy Oils, White Garment, Godparents, indelible mark on soul, full initiation to the Catholic faith, CCC 1212

(3.2.2 NT, CH) ... explain how Reconciliation/Penance and Anointing of the Sick are the Sacraments of Healing.

Examples: 7 Sacraments, Confession, Act of Contrition, Absolution, benefits of frequent Confession, Oil of the Sick, Forgiveness of Sins, CCC 1420-1421, 1422-1424, 1499-1505

(3.2.3 NT, CH) ... describe how Holy Matrimony and Holy Orders are the Sacraments at the Service of Communion.

Examples: 7 Sacraments, Vocation, Man and Woman, Vows, Deacon, Priest, Bishop, Chrism Oil, Laying on of Hands, CCC 1533-1535, 1536, 1601-1602

(3.2.4 NT, CH) ... describe the Eucharist as recalling/remembrance of the Last Supper, the sacrifice of the cross, the Lord's passion, death, and resurrection.

Examples: Mass, Eucharistic prayers, Holy Communion, Pascal sacrifice, blood on the doorpost of Israelites, Resurrection, CCC 610-611, 1365-1368

(3.2.5 NT, CH) ... explain that Jesus makes himself present in the bread and wine as his body and blood through the power of the Holy Spirit, and the prayers of the bishop or priest.

Examples: Mass, Liturgy of the Eucharist, gifts of bread and wine, Offertory, Stewardship, Words of Consecration, Priest in persona Christi, Prayers, Holy Communion, CCC 737, 1352-1354, 1378, 1411

(3.2.6 NT, CH) ... define the elements of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Examples: Examination of Conscience, Confession, Act of Contrition, Penance, Absolution, CCC 1480, 1491

(3.2.7 NT, CH) ... identify the basic structure of the Mass.

Examples: Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word, Offertory, Stewardship, Liturgy of the Eucharist, Communion Rite, Concluding Rites, CCC 1145-1162

(3.2.8 NT, CH) ... describe the function and purpose of the Priest.

Examples: Pastor, "Father", celebrate sacraments, Connection with Jesus Christ – in persona Christi, counselor, teacher, healer, CCC 1142, 1549, Vocation Lessons Grade 3 - Priesthood

(3.2.9 NT, CH) ... appreciate the way non-ordained consecrated brothers and sisters live.

Examples: Evangelical counsels: poverty, chastity, obedience, CCC 914-916, 944-945, Vocation Lessons Grade 3 - Religious Life

Grade 3: Morality

Parish Catechetical Programs

Morality: How we are to live as disciples of Jesus...

- From the Old Testament OT
- From Jesus and the New Testament NT
- From Church History CH

Students will...

(3.3.1 OT, NT, CH) ... provide examples that life is precious in plants, animals, and especially human beings.

Examples: Genesis 1 & 2, Right to Life, Environment, Good and Evil, Cultivating the Earth, CCC 343, 356, 373, 378, TOB 5:4, 6

(3.3.2 OT, NT, CH) ... recognize that every human life is a gift from God which must be respected.

Examples: Genesis 1 and 2, 10 Commandments, CCC 1700, 1930-1931

(3.3.3 OT, NT, CH) ... explain that whatever we do for people in need, we do for Jesus.

Examples: 10 Commandments, Beatitudes, Venial and Mortal Sin, The Great Commandment, Mt. 25:31-46, CCC 2443, 2447, 2831

(3.3.4 OT, NT, CH) ... recognize we share in Jesus' mission to bring the Gospel message of love to the poor and victims of injustice.

Examples: 10 Commandments, The Great Commandment, Mt. 25:31-46, CCC 2443-2449

(3.3.5 OT, NT, CH) ... recite from memory The Great Commandment.

Examples: 10 Commandments, The Great Commandment, Mt. 22:34-40, Mk.12:28-34, Lk.10:25-28, CCC 2055, 2196

(3.3.6 OT, NT, CH) ... recite from memory the 10 Commandments.

Examples: 10 Commandments, The Great Commandment, Mortal sin and Venial sin, Ex.20:1-17

(3.3.7 OT, NT, CH) ... explain that each person is created for a self-giving relationship with God.

Examples: 10 Commandments, Genesis 1 &2, CCC 340, 344, 357-358, 371-373, 374

(3.3.8 NT, CH) ... recognize that man's relationship with God has been redeemed through Jesus, and sustained through the Church and her Sacraments, especially Baptism.

Examples: CCC 374, 1265, 1272-1273

(3.3.9 NT, CH) ... relate being connected to Jesus the True Vine to manifesting the fruits of the Spirit.

Examples: John 15:4-5, Gal. 5:22-23, CCC 736, 1831-1832, 2074, TOB 51

(3.3.10 NT, CH) ... learn the concept of Circle of Grace.

Examples: Safe environment lesson

Grade 3: Prayer

Parish Catechetical Programs

Prayer: What prayer is and how we pray...

- From the Old Testament OT
- From Jesus and the New Testament NT
- From Church History CH

Students will...

(3.4.1 OT, NT, CH) ... explain that God always hears our prayers.

Examples: Talking to God, listening to God, individual prayer, communal prayer, Holy Bible, silence, Mass, Liturgy, personal reflection, CCC 2735-2737, 2738-2741

(3.4.2 OT, NT, CH) ... recognize when we listen to God's Word proclaimed in Scripture, we hear God speaking to us today.

Examples: Holy Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, Lectio Divina, individual Scripture reading, CCC 101-104, 109

(3.4.3 NT, CH) ... together in a group, recite the Apostles' Creed.

Examples: Apostles' Creed, Rosary, CCC 194, 196, 197

(3.4.4 NT, CH) ... recite from memory the following prayers, see examples below.

Examples: Sign of the Cross, Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, Act of Contrition, grace before and after meals

(3.4.5 NT, CH) ... explain how the season of Lent is a special time for praying, sacrificing, and sharing because of Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection.

Examples: Prayer, Fasting, Almsgiving, Reconciliation, Conversion, Ash Wednesday, the Triduum, Good Friday, Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, CCC 1163

(3.4.6 OT, NT, CH) ... marvel at God's purpose and love in creating each person for himself.

Examples: Genesis 1 & 2, CCC 343, 356-358, Vocation Lessons Grade 3 – God Calls

