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DOMAIN 1 - KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH
The learner will be able to understand that:
- God takes care of us and is always faithful to us.
- the Bible is organized into books, chapters, and verses.
- we meet Jesus in the Word of God.
- God loves us like a parent.
- Jesus came to bring us God’s Word.
- God is the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- Jesus is a person who lived historically and is alive now.
- the Holy Spirit is the gift of God and Jesus Christ who enables the life of the Church on earth.
- the apostles were twelve followers whom Jesus chose to help him begin his church.
- through the parables, Jesus tells us to love ourselves and one another.

DOMAIN 2 - LITURGICAL LIFE
The learner will be able to understand that:
- the season of Advent prepares us for Christmas and for the second coming of Christ.
- Lent is a special time for praying, sacrificing, and sharing because of Jesus' suffering.
- Christians celebrate Jesus' rising from the dead on Easter Sunday.
- Baptism, confirmation and Eucharist are sacraments of initiation.
- penance/reconciliation and anointing of the sick are sacraments of healing.
- matrimony and holy orders are the sacraments of service.
- Holy orders is a sacrament of special service and commitment to the Church.

DOMAIN 3 - MORAL FORMATION
The learner will be able to understand that:
- life is precious in plants, animals and persons.
- when we care about people, especially those who are unable to help themselves, we are recognizing their human dignity.
- all life is a gift of God which must be respected.
- through the parables, Jesus tells us to love ourselves and one another.
- whatever we do for people in need, we do for Jesus.
- we share in Jesus' mission to bring a message of love, justice, and hope to the poor and victims of injustice.
- the Ten Commandments help us live good lives.
- Jesus sums up the commandments for us in his law of love.
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DOMAIN 4 - PRAYER
The learner will be able to:
- understand that the Holy Spirit is with us to help us pray.
- understand that God hears our prayers.
- understand that when we listen to God's Word in Scripture, we hear God speaking to us today.
- participate in spontaneous prayer.
- participate in liturgical prayer.
- understand Apostles' Creed.

DOMAIN 5 - COMMUNAL LIFE
The learner will be able to understand that:
- the Catholic Church is one, holy, catholic and apostolic.
- Jesus began his new Church on earth.
- the apostles were twelve followers whom Jesus chose to help him begin his church.
- the church community includes the pope, clergy, religious and lay people.
- the Church is the communion of saints.

DOMAIN 6 - MISSIONARY SPIRIT
The learner will be able to understand that:
- Jesus came to bring us God's Word.
- the Church continues Jesus' ministries of community, word, worship, and service.
- as Christians we accept responsibility for caring for God's creation.
- we are called to share in Jesus' ministry of love and service.