

**Religion Curriculum
Student Outcomes
Grade Seven**

I Content Theme

Our faith calls us to listen and respond to the message of Jesus.

CCC Reference
3, 422-29
We Believe in Jesus

II Instructional Focus:

A To discover the teachings of Jesus through Christian Scriptures;

CCC Reference
124-27
The New Testament

B To understand and recognize visible signs of God's grace;

2003-05
Fruits and Outer Signs of Grace

C To respond to Christ's message with action.

1701-24
Our Response to Christ

III Student Performance Outcomes

A Church/Doctrine

Students will:

1. Cite that Jesus continues His mission and presence in the world through the Church;
2. Recognize the communion of saints as the unity of all those who follow Jesus;
3. Identify how national holidays share and celebrate many Catholic/Christian values;
4. Recognize there are many different ways to express faith within the Church;
5. Explain that we are all called to be saints;
6. Discuss and give examples of how martyrs exist even in our time;
7. Discuss and give examples of role models in addition to the saints;
8. Discuss and give examples of how the Church is a human institution with a divine mission;
9. Explain how Mary is a modern day role model;

CCC Reference
3, 250, 1085

946-48, 957,
960

791, 806, 814

823, 946

459, 1808,
2473-74, 2506

2013, 2014,
2028

771, 825

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| 10. | Illustrate how the Church proclaimed the Gospel and teaching of Jesus from its earliest times; | 126 |
| 11. | Assess types of respect for all diversity in our society; | 126 |
| 12. | Witness the Good News of Jesus throughout the study of the Scripture and tradition; | 2, 84-5, 131-33, 572-73 |

B Scripture

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| Students will: | | <u>CCC Reference</u> |
| 1. | Analyze the writings of the Evangelists and St. Paul; | 76, 106, 133 |
| 2. | Recognize and apply the style and message of the parables; | 546 |
| 3. | Indicate the demands of discipleship (Sermon on the Mount); | 425, 1716-24, 1816 |
| 4. | Recognize the message of healing and reconciliation through the parables and narrative; | 981, 1421, 1443-44 |
| 5. | Cite and compare the prediction, passion and resurrection narratives in the four gospels; | 124, 595-655 |
| 6. | Compare the theme of compassion in the four gospels; | 543-46 |

C Worship

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| Students will: | | <u>CCC Reference</u> |
| 1. | Describe/define how the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist are sacraments of initiation; | 1239, 1241, 1244, 1289, 1533 |
| 2. | Evaluate the Rite of Christian Initiation and how it brings adults and children into the Church; | 1229-33 |
| 3. | Describe/define the sacraments of healing – Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick; | 1421 |
| 4. | Describe how the sacraments of service, Marriage and Holy Orders, help us to fulfill our vocation; | 1534-36, 1601, 1617 |
| 5. | Describe/define the special symbols of individual sacraments and relate their meaning; | 774, 1116 |
| 6. | Demonstrate how the sacraments are community celebrations that call us to share the love of God with others; | 1234-43, 1293-1301, 1346-55, 1446-49, 1517-19, 1572-74, 1621-24 |

7. Name the main forms of prayer: blessing and adoration, prayer of petition, prayer of intercession, prayer of thanksgiving, prayer of praise;
8. Name three major expressions of prayer: vocal prayer, meditation, contemplative;

D Christian Living

Students will:	<u>CCC Reference</u>
1. Recognize all people as children of God;	1929-33, 2055
2. Explain the gift of life with all its diversity;	2258
3. Clarify how conscience is a gift from God that helps us discern right from wrong;	1776-82
4. Construct a process for conscience development that utilizes a variety of resources;	1783-85, 1798, 1971
5. Recognize that hunger, poverty, and violence are forms of injustice;	2258, 2317, 2439, 2443-45, 2448
6. Describe how for Christians, Gospel values are the foundation of social, economic and political choices;	1716-24, 2447
7. Cite examples of peace and peacemakers in the Bible;	2304-6
8. Identify the needs of others, both in our own community and throughout the world;	1928-33
9. Participate in parish, school, and/or class service projects;	
10. Identify that each person should be respected and treated equally because they are creations of God.	1934-38
11. Identify that respect for human dignity is key to justice;	1700-9
12. Demonstrate the relationship of choices and actions in their lives;	1734, 1781
13. Recognize that every right has a corresponding responsibility;	1731, 1913-17
14. Express a deepening personal relationship with God through prayer;	
15. Recognize the impact media has on the family of God.	

IV Key Scripture References

Isaiah 7:10-14	Immanuel, "God with us"
Isaiah 11:1-2	Characteristics of the Messiah
Isaiah 40:1-11	Promise of Salvation

Isaiah 42:1-4, 49:1-7, 50:4-7, 52:13-53:12 Isaiah 61:1-3	Suffering Servant passages How Jesus understands his own mission (see Luke 4:18-19)
Jeremiah 31:31-34 Ezekiel 11:19, 36:25-6 Psalm 22 Luke 6:20-21 Mark 8:27-29 Luke 3:21-22 John 13:1-17 Luke 22:19-20 Luke 10:30-35 Matthew 22:37-39 John 15:2 Matthew 4:1-11 Psalm 92:13-16 Ephesians 4:14-16 Luke 9:28-36 Matthew 1:18-2:23, Luke 1-2 Matthew 26-28, Mark 14-15, Luke 22-24, John 18-21 Matthew 5:1-12	Promise of a new covenant, instituted by Jesus The Messiah will bring a new Spirit Jesus' prayer from the cross Beatitudes Peter's Profession of Faith Jesus is Baptized The Last Supper The Institution of the Eucharist Good Samaritan The Greatest Commandment The True Vine Temptation in the Wilderness Christ the Head The Transfiguration Infancy Narratives Passion, Death, and Resurrection Narratives

V Vocabulary	
Abba	Father in Aramaic
Abraham	Father of God's chosen people
Ark of the Covenant	The special box that contained the tablets with the Ten Commandments
Ascension	The feast that celebrates the time when Jesus was taken into Heaven
Beatitudes	Eight ways God wants us to live our life, given to us by Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount
Canon Law	The law of the Catholic Church
Canonization	The process by which a person is officially recognized as a saint by the Church
Capital Sins	The seven deadly or most feared sins- pride, covetousness, lust, anger, gluttony, envy, and sloth
Cardinal Virtues	Spiritual habits that support us in our relationships with others – prudence, justice, temperance, and fortitude
Catacombs	Underground sacred place of Christians
Catechumenate	Period of preparation for those desiring to receive the Sacrament of Baptism
Catholic	A baptized follower of Jesus who belongs to the Catholic church
Central Christian Mystery	Refer to "Trinity"
Chosen People	God's special friends, descendants of the ancient Hebrews
Christ	Name derived from a Greek word meaning "anointed one"
Christian Scriptures/New Testament	The second part of the Bible that focuses on the life, death and resurrection of Jesus
Communion of Saints	The union of believers, living and dead, who form on body in Christ
Conclave	The closed room or hall specially set aside and prepared for the cardinals when electing a pope; also the assembly of the cardinals for the canonical execution of this purpose
Concordat	An agreement between the Church and a government allowing the Church to exist in a country
Confirmation	The sacrament in which we receive the gift of grace and guidance of the Holy Spirit in a special way. It is one of the three sacraments that welcome us into the Catholic church
Conscience	The ability to choose between right and wrong

Corporal Works of Mercy	Seven ways identified by Jesus to care for physical needs: 1) Feed the hungry; 2) Give drink to the thirsty; 3) Shelter the homeless; 4) Cloth the naked; 5) Visit the sick; 6) Visit the imprisoned; 7) Bury the dead
Covenant	The promise of God made with Moses and His people in the Old Testament
Crusade	The attempts to free Palestine from the Muslims by force
Doctrine	An official statement of belief by the Church
Ecumenical Councils	Legally convened assemblies of church dignitaries and theological experts to discuss and regulate church doctrine and discipline
Ecumenism	The movement toward unity among all Christians
Epistles	Letters written to communities in the early church explaining Christian beliefs
Evangelists	The writers of the Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John
Evangelize	To preach the good news of Jesus
Exodus	The Hebrews escape from slavery in Egypt which is recorded in the Old Testament, in the Book of Exodus
Genesis	The first book of the Bible which contains an account of creation
Gentile	A non-Jewish person
Grace	Sharing in the Divine Life
Hebrew	Ancient people who were selected by God to be the "chosen people"
Hebrew Scriptures/ Old Testament	The first part of the Bible that tells about God's relationship with the Hebrews
Heresy	A denial or contradiction of a truth of the Catholic Church
Incarnation	The miracle of God becoming human in Jesus
Inspiration	The guidance of the Holy Spirit that the writers of scripture received
Israelites	The name given to the Hebrew people descended from Jacob
Jew	Descendant of the ancient Hebrews
Laity	All baptized Catholics other than those who have been ordained
Last Supper	Jesus' last meal before He died; at the Last Supper, Jesus gave us His Body and Blood for the first time
Life Everlasting	Life without end
Magisterium	The official teaching office of the Church
Marks of the Church	The four identifying characteristics of the church – one, holy, Catholic, and apostolic

Martyr	A person who dies for his/her faith
Meditation	Prayerful reflection
Messiah	Anointed by God, Jesus was the Messiah promised in the Old Testament
Ministry	A way to serve others
Miracle	Something that seems to defy the laws of nature and suggests divine intervention
Morality	The rightness or wrongness of an action
Mystical Body	An image to describe all those who are part of Christ's Church
Myth	A story used to explain some mystery or custom
Occasion of Sin	Any person, place, or thing that could lead you to sin
Parable	A story used to teach a spiritual lesson
Paschal Mystery	Jesus' suffering, death, resurrection, and ascension
Passover	A special Jewish feast that marks God's deliverance of the Jewish people from Egypt
Pentateuch	The first five books of the Bible
Pentecost	The birthday of the church, the day on which we celebrate the Holy Spirit coming to the disciples
Prayer	Communication with God
Prophet	Someone called by God to speak in His name
Psalms	Collection of songs/prayers found in the Old Testament, Book of Psalms.
Resurrection	Jesus rising from death to new life
Revelation	God making himself known to man
Ritual	A formal religious ceremony
Sacrament	Supernatural sign of God's grace and love for us
Sacramentals	Objects, actions, and blessings that help us grow in holiness
Sacraments of Initiation	Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, the three sacraments which welcome us fully into the church
Schism	A split or separation in the Church coming from a refusal to obey lawful authority
Scripture	The word of God
Seder meal	The meal celebrating the Passover
Sin	Choosing to turn from God and do what we know is wrong; words, utterances, actions, or desires contrary to God's law
Spiritual Works of Mercy	1) Help the sinner; 2) Teach the ignorant; 3) Counsel the doubtful; 4) Comfort the sorrowful; 5) Bear wrongs patiently; 6) Forgive injuries; 7) Pray for the living and the dead
Spirituality	Growing, loving relationship with God
Stewardship	Show a deeper respect for our environment as

	stewards of the earth
Temptation	Feeling or desire to do something we know is wrong
Theological Virtues	The three virtues that will strengthen our relationship with God – faith, hope and charity
Theology	The study of God
Thomas Aquinas	Saint in the 1200's whose scholastic work, <i>Summa Theologie</i> , organized and clarified thinking on many religion topics
Torah	The first five books of the Bible, also called the Pentateuch
Tradition	Beliefs and practices in the Church that are passed down from one generation to the next under the guidance of the Holy Spirit
Transfiguration	The occasion when Jesus took Peter, James, and John to the mountain and they experienced a miraculous change in His appearance
Transubstantiation	The mystery of the changing of bread and wine into the Body and Blood of Christ
Trinity	The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit as three persons in one God; central mystery of Christian life
Virtue	Habit of doing good.
Way of the Cross	Traditional Christian practice of reflecting on the suffering and death of Jesus
Worship	Adoration of God expressed publicly in word, action, and sig
Yahweh	"I am who am", the name of God from the Old Testament