

**CHAPTER 1 — Faith in History**

**Faith Concepts:**

- Jesus is one person who is fully human and fully divine.
- God is One in Three Divine Persons.
- God calls you to live your faith through your actions.

**Sacred Scripture:** Mark 8:27-29 (Peter confessing that Jesus is the Messiah); John 1:1, 14 (Word became flesh.); Philippians 2:11 (Every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord.);

**Disciple Power:** fortitude

**Faith Vocabulary:** dogma, ecumenical council, heresy

**Catholics Believe:** Dogma

**The Church Follows Jesus:** Prominent martyrs of the faith

**Prayer:** The Apostles' Creed

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 27-184

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 2-26

**CHAPTER 3 — The Word of God**

**Faith Concepts:**

- God inspired human authors to write the Bible in his name.
- The Bible reveals God's Covenant with humanity. In Jesus the Covenant is fulfilled.
- Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition comprise one deposit of faith.

**Sacred Scripture:** Genesis 9:8-10, 12-13 (Covenant with Noah); Jeremiah 33:14-15 (Raise up a shoot of David); John 1:14 (Word became flesh.); Revelation 21:9-27 (New Jerusalem)

**Disciple Power:** prayer

**Faith Vocabulary:** canon, covenant, divine inspiration, exegesis

**Catholics Believe:** Original Sin

**The Church Follows Jesus:** The Liturgical Year

**Prayer:** Lectio divina

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 54-67, 80, 105-108, 110, 120

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 27-28, 32

**CHAPTER 5 — Divine Activity**

**Faith Concepts:**

- God makes his presence known through his creation.
- We can know that God exists through his plan of Salvation in Jesus Christ.
- Seeing with eyes of faith helps us to detect God's presence in the world.

**Sacred Scripture:** Genesis 1:1-3 (God created the heavens and the earth.); Exodus 3:13-14 (I am who am); Exodus 15:1-2 (The Lord is my strength and my courage.); Exodus 20:5a-6 (God is jealous but merciful.); Isaiah 49:14-16 (God's love is like that of a nurturing mother.); Mark 10:52 (Jesus cures Bartimaeus.)

**Disciple Power:** wonder and awe

**Faith Vocabulary:** grace, freedom, parable, soul

**Catholics Believe:** Stewards of creation

**The Church Follows Jesus:** The mission of discipleship

**Prayer:** Based on Daniel Chapter 3

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 232-267

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 49-63

**CHAPTER 2 — Faith of the Church**

**Faith Concepts:**

- We have been created to live in friendship and communion with God, and we can come to know him through his creation.
- God's revelation of himself and his will is called Divine Revelation.
- God is a mystery who can never be fully understood or explained.

**Sacred Scripture:** Mark 12:29-31 (The Greatest Commandment); 1 Corinthians 13:12 (At present I know partially.)

**Disciple Power:** knowledge

**Faith Vocabulary:** Divine Revelation, faith, mystery

**Catholics Believe:** God is the First Cause

**The Church Follows Jesus:** Catholic Education (Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton)

**Prayer:** Prayer to the Triune God

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 27, 32-34, 50-53, 153-162

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 12-18

**CHAPTER 4 — Images of God**

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Bible uses many different images and descriptions for God.
- Jesus, the Word of God Incarnate, is the full revelation of God.
- Each of us is created in the image and likeness of God.

**Sacred Scripture:** Genesis 1:26-27; 2:7 (Creation of man and woman); Deuteronomy 6:4-5 (Hear, O Israel); Isaiah 54:10 (God's love is everlasting); Psalm 139:13 (God formed my innermost being.); Romans 1:20 (Eternal power of God); Colossians 1:15-16 (All things were created in Christ.); 1 John 4:8 (God is love.)

**Disciple Power:** perseverance

**Faith Vocabulary:** monotheism, omnipresence, original justice

**Catholics Believe:** God is neither male or female; angels

**The Church Follows Jesus:** Archbishop Helder Camara

**Prayer:** Ephesians 3:14-21

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 302-305, 356-373, 378-379, 385-409

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 55-56, 66-67, 364-365

**CHAPTER 6 — The Holy Trinity**

**Faith Concepts:**

- God is One in Three Divine Persons: Father, Son, Holy Spirit.
- Within the Trinity, there is one divine nature and Three Divine Persons.
- Our relationships with one another are to reflect the communion of the Holy Trinity.

**Sacred Scripture:** Deuteronomy 6:4-5 (The Shema); Matthew 28:19 (Baptize in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit); Mark 1:10-11 (Baptism of Jesus); John 14:16-17 (The Advocate, the Spirit of truth); Acts 2:2-3 (Pentecost)

**Disciple Power:** understanding

**Faith Vocabulary:** nature, sanctifies, Salvation

**Catholics Believe:** God is a community of love; The divine mission of the Trinity

**The Church Follows Jesus:** Symbols of God

**Prayer:** Glory to the Trinity

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 230, 232-249, 257-260

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 51-53

**CHAPTER 7 — Unity from Diversity**

**Faith Concepts:**

- Through her diversity, the Church expresses oneness and universality.
- The Catholic Church is one and holy because of God.
- The Church has continually reformed in order to be the light of Christ in the world.

**Sacred Scripture:** John 17:22-23 (So that they may be one)

**Disciple Power:** reverence

**Faith Vocabulary:** Magisterium, rite, schism

**Catholics Believe:** The Church is the sacrament of our communion with God.

**The Church Follows Jesus:** Roman Rite and Eastern Rites

**Prayer:** John 15:5-16

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 77, 88, 95, 813-822, 890, 1471-1479, 2033-2034

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 22, 25-30, 133-134, 244-245

**CHAPTER 9 — The Son of God**

**Faith Concepts:**

- Jesus Christ is the Incarnate Word of God, the Second Person of the Trinity.
- Jesus is one Divine Person with both human and divine natures.
- Mary is the Mother of God, and role model for all members of the Church.

**Sacred Scripture:** Matthew 1:23 (Jesus is Emmanuel); Luke 1:35 (Jesus is the Son of God); Luke 4:18-19 (Jesus is the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy.) John 19:26-27 (Mary, Mother of the Church)

**Disciple Power:** joy

**Faith Vocabulary:** Incarnation, Kyrios

**Catholics Believe:** Immaculate Conception; the Assumption

**The Church Follows Jesus:** Sacred Images

**Prayer:** Canticle of Zachariah

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 456-478, 484-507, 522-524, 535-560

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 79, 81-86, 105, 143-144

**CHAPTER 11 — The Resurrection and Ascension**

**Faith Concepts:**

- Jesus' Resurrection is the source our hope for eternal life with God.
- The Resurrection is the center of our faith in Christ.
- With God's grace, we have the strength and hope to handle life's challenges.

**Sacred Scripture:** John 11:25-26 (Promise of eternal life); Acts 1:9-11 (The Ascension); 1 Corinthians 15:3-6 (Paul testifies to Christ's Death, burial and Resurrection)

**Disciple Power:** piety

**Faith Vocabulary:** Ascension, Heaven, Hell, Purgatory

**Catholics Believe:** resurrection of the body

**The Church Follows Jesus:** Easter Vigil Mass

**Prayer:** Based on Preface I for Ascension

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 639-655, 659-664, 668-679, 988-1014, 1020-1050

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 80, 93, 96-97

**CHAPTER 8 — Jesus of Nazareth**

**Faith Concepts:**

- God the Son, the Word of God, truly took on flesh and was born of a woman.
- Our faith in Christ provides us the right relationship with God and all of creation.
- The Resurrection reveals who Jesus truly is and God's plan of Salvation.

**Sacred Scripture:** Mark 1:4, 7-8, 11 (Jesus' Baptism); Mark 1:14 (The Kingdom of God is at hand.); Mark 8:27-30 (Peter confess Jesus is the Messiah.); Luke 4:16-21 (Jesus fulfills the Law.); John 1:14 (Word became flesh.);

**Disciple Power:** devotion

**Faith Vocabulary:** Gospel, messiah, metanoia

**Catholics Believe:** The Gospels are the inspired Word of God

**The Church Follows Jesus:** Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

**Prayer:** Praying the Beatitudes

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 512-594

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 79-100

**CHAPTER 10 — Jesus' Passion and Death**

**Faith Concepts:**

- Original Sin placed all of humanity in need of God's Salvation.
- The Paschal Mystery brought about our redemption.
- Christ's Resurrection gives us hope when grieving from loss.

**Sacred Scripture:** Mark 14: 32-36 (The Garden of Gethsemane); Luke 23:46 (Jesus' last words); 1 Peter 4:6 (Gospel preached to the dead.)

**Disciple Power:** trust

**Faith Vocabulary:** expiation, Original Sin, redemption

**Catholics Believe:** Kingdom of God

**The Church Follows Jesus:** Stations of the Cross

**Prayer:** Meditation on Jesus' Last Words

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 309-314, 385-390, 396-412, 599-618, 631-635

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 80, 93, 96-97

**CHAPTER 12 — The Giver of Life**

**Faith Concepts:**

- The Holy Spirit is the power and presence of God at work in the world.
- The Holy Spirit is the source of life, unity, and holiness for the Church.
- The Gifts and Fruits of the Spirit enable us to work for the Kingdom of God.

**Sacred Scripture:** Ezekiel 37:1-3, 11-12, 14 (Dry bones); John 3:5 (Born of the Spirit); 1 Corinthians 3:16 (Spirit of God dwells in us.)

**Disciple Power:** faith

**Faith Vocabulary:** Advocate, charisms

**Catholics Believe:** Holy Spirit is the principle author of Scripture

**The Church Follows Jesus:** Sacred art; Gifts of the Holy Spirit

**Prayer:** Prayer to the Holy Spirit

**Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC):** 94, 152, 190, 291, 691-692, 738-741, 1286, 1830-1832

**U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults (USCCA):** pp. 101-110