

Chapter Title	The Four Pillars of the Catechism	Chapter Themes	Faith Focus	Outcomes	Church Documents
1 Foundations of Our Faith Scripture and Tradition	Introduction	God reveals himself to us through Scripture and Tradition. Four pillars of a relationship with God, God's Revelation. The established Church and Jesus' authority.	The Creed, sacraments, moral living, and prayer draw us into relationship with Jesus, the most important Revelation of God.	Name the four pillars of our relationship with God. Describe how God's Revelation comes to us through Scripture and Tradition. Explain the concepts of faith and trust. Describe how the Catholic Church teaches with authority. Share in a service for the renewal of baptismal promises. Define <i>Beatitudes, Creed, faith, Revelation, sacraments, Scripture, Ten Commandments, Tradition</i> .	CCC #74–82 NDC #16 <i>Dogmatic Constitution on Revelation</i> #9 <i>Dogmatic Constitution on the Church</i> #42
2 United in Love The Trinity	The Creed	Our God is a Trinity of Persons—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The Three Persons of the Trinity.	We believe in one God, revealed in Scripture and Tradition as three distinct and equal Persons united in love—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.	Identify the three main points in the doctrine of the Trinity. Explain how Scripture and Tradition teach us about the Trinity. Describe what it means to call God Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Express how the doctrine of the Trinity relates to your life. Define <i>Father, Holy Spirit, Sign of the Cross, Son, theologians, Trinity</i> .	CCC #51–53 NDC #28 <i>Dogmatic Constitution on the Church</i> #4 <i>Dogmatic Constitution on Revelation</i> #17
3 Source of Our Redemption Jesus	The Creed	Through his Death and Resurrection, Jesus saved us from sin and won for us the possibility of everlasting life. Salvation.	We continue the saving work of Jesus Christ today through service to others, participation in the Eucharist, and active membership in the Church.	Define <i>Original Sin</i> and identify its consequences. Explain how Jesus repaired the damage done by Original Sin. Give examples of how the work of Salvation continues today. Discuss why the cross is a symbol for Christianity. Participate in an Examination of Conscience and prayer asking forgiveness. Define <i>Eucharist, Original Sin, Resurrection, Salvation, sin</i> .	CCC #388–389, 431–435 NDC #41 <i>Dogmatic Constitution on the Church</i> #3 <i>Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church</i> #3
4 One Body, One Family The Church	The Creed	The four Marks of the Church—one, holy, catholic, and apostolic—are visible signs that identify the Church and its mission. The Church, Mary, and the saints.	In carrying out its mission, the Church has the example and intercession of Mary, Mother of the Church, and the saints.	Name the four Marks of the Church. Explain how the Church is one. Describe ways the saints can help us. Discuss reasons why Mary is worthy of our devotion. Define <i>apostolic, Assumption, Body of Christ, canonized, catholic, Fathers of the Church, Immaculate Conception, intercede, laity, Marks of the Church, People of God, pope</i> .	CCC #811–870, 148–149, 2030 NDC #29 <i>Dogmatic Constitution on the Church</i> #8 <i>Dogmatic Constitution on the Church</i> #65
5 Worshiping as a Community The Sacraments	Sacraments	God alone is worthy of worship. Worship, liturgy, sacraments.	Through liturgical celebrations of the sacraments, the Church community acknowledges God as Lord and Savior.	Identify the principal seasons in the liturgical year. Differentiate between the three types of sacraments. Describe the Paschal Mystery. Name at least three sacramentals and explain the purpose of each. Define <i>Anointing of the Sick, Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Holy Orders, incense, liturgical year, liturgy, Matrimony, Ordinary Time, Paschal Mystery, Penance and Reconciliation, sacramentals, vestments</i> .	CCC #1066–1209 NDC #32–35 <i>Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy</i> #59 <i>Decree on the Ministry and Life of Priests</i> #5

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1 Foundations of Our Faith Scripture and Tradition	The prayer in this chapter focuses on our mission to be witnesses to Jesus Christ in virtue of our Baptism and baptismal promises.	Beatitudes Creed faith Revelation sacraments Scripture Ten Commandments Tradition	Matthew 28:18–19 Luke 22:42 Matthew 5:3 Matthew 28:18 Matthew 28:19	Baptism	The Bible	Abraham
2 United in Love The Trinity	The prayer in this chapter focuses on praise of the Trinity.	Father Holy Spirit Sign of the Cross Son theologians Trinity	Luke 3:21–22 John 10:30 John 20:22 Luke 3:22 Genesis 8:11	The Sign of the Cross	Dove	Saint Patrick
3 Source of Our Redemption Jesus	The prayer in this chapter focuses on Jesus our Redeemer, who saved us from sin and strengthens us through the Eucharist.	Eucharist Original Sin Resurrection Salvation sin	1 Corinthians 15:20–22 Genesis 3:1–24 John 1:29 John 13:1–17 Matthew 26:26–28 Matthew 28:19–20	Words of Absolution	The Lamb of God	Saint Paul
4 One Body, One Family The Church	The prayer in this chapter is a Litany of Saints whose lives of service are an example for us.	apostolic Assumption Body of Christ canonized catholic Fathers of the Church Immaculate Conception intercede laity Marks of the Church People of God pope	John 14:2–3 Ephesians 4:5–6 Luke 22:19 John 19:27	Holy Water	Scapular	Venerable Pierre Toussaint
5 Worshiping as a Community The Sacraments	The prayer in this chapter focuses on the Eucharist as the source and summit of our faith.	Anointing of the Sick Baptism Confirmation Eucharist Holy Orders incense liturgical year liturgy Matrimony Ordinary Time Paschal Mystery Penance and Reconciliation sacramentals vestments	1 Corinthians 11:23–26 Mark 1:15 Acts of Apostles 20:7 Psalm 141:2	Proclaiming the Word of God	Incense	Saint Pius X

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<p>6</p> <p>Welcome, Strength, and Nourishment</p> <p>Sacraments of Initiation</p>	Sacraments	Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist are the Sacraments of Initiation into the Catholic community. Sacraments of Initiation.	Through Baptism we have new life in Christ, which is strengthened by the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation and sustained by reception of the Eucharist.	<p>Identify the Sacraments of Initiation. Explain the significance of water in the Sacrament of Baptism.</p> <p>Describe what it means to be sealed with the Gift of the Holy Spirit.</p> <p>Discuss the meaning of the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist.</p> <p>Define <i>baptismal promises, godparents, Pentecost, Real Presence, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), Sacraments of Initiation.</i></p>	<p>CCC #1210–1419</p> <p>NDC #36</p> <p><i>Decree on Ecumenism #22</i></p> <p><i>Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church #11</i></p>
<p>7</p> <p>Forgiveness and Discipleship</p> <p>Sacraments of Healing and Service</p>	Sacraments	God strengthens and guides us through the grace of the sacraments. Sacraments of Healing and Service.	We are graced with healing through the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Anointing of the Sick and with vocational guidance through the Sacraments of Matrimony and Holy Orders.	<p>Name the Sacraments of Healing and the Sacraments of Service.</p> <p>Recall the three parts of the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation.</p> <p>Explain the three essential elements of the marital promises given in the Sacrament of Matrimony.</p> <p>Identify the three degrees of the Sacrament of Holy Orders and describe the role of each in the Church.</p> <p>Define <i>confession, contrition, penance, penitent, Penitential Rite, viaticum.</i></p>	<p>CCC #1420–1532, 1533–1666</p> <p>NDC #36</p> <p><i>Dogmatic Constitution on the Church #11</i></p> <p><i>Decree on the Apostolate of the Laity #11</i></p>
<p>8</p> <p>Guided by God's Grace</p> <p>The Moral Life</p>	Moral Life	Moral living is an expression of our love for God and all people. Sin, mercy, commandments.	The Commandments, the Beatitudes, and virtues are our guides to living and acting morally.	<p>Understand the concept of sin.</p> <p>Identify the three conditions that must be met to commit a mortal sin.</p> <p>Explain why the Ten Commandments are considered the Law of Love.</p> <p>Describe the role of the Beatitudes and the Ten Commandments.</p> <p>Name the virtues.</p> <p>Define <i>Cardinal Virtues, mercy, mortal sin, sins of commission, sins of omission, the Law of Love, Theological Virtues, venial sin, virtues.</i></p>	<p>CCC #2052–2082, 1803–1829</p> <p>NDC #29</p> <p><i>Decree on the Apostolate of the Laity #3</i></p> <p><i>Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World #43</i></p>
<p>9</p> <p>Our Faith in Action</p> <p>Serving Others</p>	Moral Life	Faith in God requires serving the spiritual and temporal needs of others. Social justice, Works of Mercy, conscience.	The Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, as well as Catholic Social Teaching, guide us in our service to others.	<p>Identify the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy.</p> <p>Explain why the Church has social teaching.</p> <p>Discuss free will and its effect on your life.</p> <p>Give an example of a time you might use your conscience.</p> <p>Define <i>common good, conscience, Corporal Works of Mercy, free will, solidarity, Spiritual Works of Mercy, subsidiarity.</i></p>	<p>CCC #1928–1948</p> <p>NDC #43</p> <p><i>Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World #42</i></p> <p><i>Decree on the Apostolate of the Laity #31c</i></p>
<p>10</p> <p>Thanks and Praise</p> <p>Prayer</p>	Prayer	Prayer is our communication and our connection with God. Models of prayer.	Through prayer we acknowledge God's holiness, express our dependence on his goodness, and offer thanks for his many blessings.	<p>List the five main types of prayer.</p> <p>Express reasons why we pray since God knows everything about us.</p> <p>Identify three ways to pray.</p> <p>Explain what it means to pray always.</p> <p>Define <i>adoration, centering prayer, contemplation, daily examen, imaginative prayer, intercession, meditation, petition, spontaneous prayers, traditional prayers, vocal prayer.</i></p>	<p>CCC #2558–2758</p> <p>NDC #60, 61, 34</p> <p><i>Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy #12</i></p> <p><i>Decree on the Ministry and Life of Priests #5</i></p>

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<p>7</p> <p>Forgiveness and Discipleship</p> <p>Sacraments of Healing and Service</p>	<p>The prayer in this chapter focuses on our need for spiritual and physical healing.</p>	<p>confession contrition penance penitent Penitential Rite viaticum</p>	<p>Luke 5:30–32 John 20:22–23</p>	<p>The Exchange of Rings</p>	<p>Laying On of Hands</p>	<p>Saint Augustine</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Guided by God’s Grace</p> <p>The Moral Life</p>	<p>The prayer in this chapter focuses on giving of ourselves to God and others through practice of the virtues.</p>	<p>Cardinal Virtues mercy mortal sin sins of commission sins of omission the Law of Love Theological Virtues venial sin virtues</p>	<p>Mark 12:28–31 Matthew 25:31–46 Mark 10:17–19 Matthew 5:1–10</p>	<p>Striking the Breast</p>	<p>Crucifix</p>	<p>Saint Monica</p>
<p>9</p> <p>Our Faith in Action</p> <p>Serving Others</p>	<p>The prayer in this chapter focuses on using our resources to meet the spiritual and physical needs of those who are struggling.</p>	<p>common good conscience Corporal Works of Mercy free will solidarity Spiritual Works of Mercy subsidiarity</p>	<p>Luke 3:10–11 Matthew 25:40</p>	<p>The Sign of Peace</p>	<p>Religious Habit</p>	<p>Saint Francis of Assisi</p>
<p>10</p> <p>Thanks and Praise</p> <p>Prayer</p>	<p>The prayer in this chapter focuses on the words that Jesus used when teaching his Apostles how to pray.</p>	<p>adoration centering prayer contemplation daily examen imaginative prayer intercession meditation petition spontaneous prayers traditional prayers vocal prayer</p>	<p>Matthew 7:7–8 Luke 11:1</p>	<p>Kneeling</p>	<p>The Paschal Candle</p>	<p>Saint Thérèse of Lisieux</p>