

8th Grade Study Guide

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PRAYERS

(Glory Be, Hail Mary, Our Father and the following)

Act of Contrition

Oh my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee.
I detest all of my sins because of Your just punishment,
But most of all because they offend Thee, my God,
Who art all-good and deserving of all my love.
I firmly resolve, with the help of Your grace,
To sin no more and avoid near occasions of sin. Amen.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of Heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ, His only son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into Heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty.
From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

THE FOUR MARKS OF THE CHURCH

ONE, This means that all the members of the Church profess the same faith, have
the same sacraments, and are united under the leadership of the Pope.

HOLY, because it was founded by Jesus Christ, and because it teaches according to the will of Christ.

CATHOLIC, This word also means, “universal”, because it is meant for all people.

APOSTOLIC, because it was founded by Christ on the apostles, and according to His divine will, has always
been governed by the successors of the apostles.

THE SEVEN GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Wisdom: This gift helps us stay focused on God's will and his plan for us.

Understanding: Let us grasp truths. It means seeing with the heart, not just the mind.

Counsel: also called "right judgment," counsel enables us to weigh all the alternatives to make the right choice.

Fortitude: The ability to remain firm against all pressures. (Also called "courage.")

Knowledge: A person with knowledge sees more than one dimension of an issue to determine the right path.

Piety: Helps us think of ourselves as children of God and be eager to serve Him.

Fear of the Lord: The wonder and awe God inspires encourages us to respect Him and all his creations.

THE SEVEN SACRAMENTS:

1.) Baptism:

Matter = water Form = words of the priest/deacon

2.) Reconciliation/Penance/Confession

Matter = sins Form = words of absolution said by the priest

3.) Holy Eucharist

Matter = wine & bread Form = words of consecration prayed by the priest

4.) Confirmation

Matter = oil Form = "be sealed with the Holy Spirit" said by the Bishop

5.) Matrimony

Matter = a man & woman Form = the vows spoken by the man & woman

6.) Holy Orders

Matter = laying on of hands by Bishop Form = words of consecration prayer

7.) Anointing of the Sick

Matter = oil & the Eucharist, laying on of hands Form = prayer by the priest

WORKS OF MERCY

Spiritual Works

1. Forgive all injuries
2. Comfort the sorrowful
3. Counsel the doubtful
4. Admonish the sinner
5. Pray for the living and the dead.
6. Bear wrongs patiently
7. Instruct the ignorant

Corporal Works (Body)

1. Bury the dead
2. Give drink to the thirsty
3. Clothe the naked
4. Visit the imprisoned
5. Feed the hungry
6. Shelter the homeless
7. Visit the sick

VIRTUES

A virtue is a strength which helps us to avoid evil and do good.

THEOLOGICAL VIRTUES:

Faith: the belief in God

Hope: the trust in God

Charity: the love of God and your neighbors.

CARDINAL VIRTUES.

Prudence – This virtue helps us to make the right choices in life.

Fortitude – This virtue helps us to face every difficulty or danger with courage.

Justice – Respect the rights and dignity of all human beings.

Temperance – This virtue helps us to control our desires.

THE BIBLE

1. The bible is divided into 2 major parts, the Old Testament and the New Testament.
2. There are 4 Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke & John.
3. The Gospels are in the New Testament.
4. The life, death and Resurrection of Jesus are in the New Testament.
5. The first book of the bible is Genesis and the last book of the bible is Revelation.

OTHER TERMS

Redemption is used in reference to how Jesus redeemed us from sin. He offered His suffering and death to the Father out of total obedience and love to the Father for all mankind so that our sins would be forgiven and we would have eternal life with God in Heaven.

Salvation is a result of Jesus' death and resurrection. Salvation is being one with God, that is, in sharing His life and being in union with Him when we die.

The Resurrection: When Jesus rose from the dead, following His crucifixion and death on the cross.

The Incarnation refers to Jesus' birth on earth.

The Immaculate Conception refers to St. Ann's conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is called the Immaculate Conception because Mary was born without Original Sin, for she was to be the Mother of God

The Assumption when Mary was taken body and soul up into Heaven.

The Gifts of the Holy Spirit are given to us at Confirmation in order to provide us with a means to live out our lives faithfully.

Holy Chrism is the oil used during Confirmation to anoint the candidates. It is a mixture of oil and fragrance (usually balsam) that is blessed by the bishop during the Chrism Mass, usually held on Holy Thursday.

BASIC QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH

1. Who created us?

God created us.

2. Who is God?

God is the all-perfect Being, Creator and Lord of Heaven and Earth

3. What does "all-perfect" mean?

Complete perfection is found in God, without defect and without limit.

4. What does "Creator" mean?

God made all things out of nothing.

5. Does God have a body as we have?

No, God does not have a body, he is pure spirit.

6. Where is God?

He is everywhere at all times. Nothing restricts Him.

7. Has God always existed?

Yes, God always has been and always will be.

8. Does God know all things?

Yes, God knows all things, even our thoughts; he is all knowing.

9. Can God do all things?

God can do all that he wills to do; he is the all-powerful one.

10. Can God do something evil?

No, God cannot do evil, He is all loving.. But he tolerates evil in order to leave creatures free, and he knows how to bring good even out of evil.

11. Does God take care of created things?

Yes, God takes care of created things and keeps them in existence and directs all of them toward their own proper purposes with infinite wisdom, goodness and justice.

12. What purpose did God have in mind when he created us?

God created us to know him, to love him and to serve him in this life, and then to enjoy him in the next life, in heaven.

13. What is heaven?

Heaven is the eternal enjoyment of God, who is our happiness,

14. What do the wicked deserve who do not serve God and who die in mortal sin?

The wicked who do not serve God and who die in mortal sin merit hell.

15. What is hell?

Hell is the eternal suffering of the separation from God, who is our happiness.

16. Why does God reward the good and punish the wicked?

God rewards the good and punishes the wicked because he is infinite justice.

17. Is there only one God?

There is only one God, but in three equal and distinct Persons, that we call the Holy Trinity.

18. What are the three Persons of the Holy Trinity called?

The three Persons of the Holy Trinity are called the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

19. What is the Incarnation?

When the Second Person of the Trinity was born and became man, Jesus Christ.

20. Who is Jesus Christ?

Jesus Christ is the Second Person of the Most Holy Trinity, He is the Son of God made man.

21. Is Jesus Christ God and man?

Yes, Jesus Christ is true God and true man.

22. Why did the Son of God become man?

The Son of God became man to save us, to redeem us from sin and open heaven for us.

23. What must we do to live according to God ?

To live according to God, we must believe the truths of the Faith, observe his commandments

24. What is Confirmation?

Confirmation is the Sacrament which makes us more perfect Christians and soldiers of Jesus Christ.

25. Who is able to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation?

The Bishop

26. Is it necessary to be in the state of grace to receive the grace of Confirmation?

Yes, it is a mortal sin to receive the sacrament of Confirmation if one is not in a state of grace.

27. Does the confirmation sponsor need to be a confirmed Catholic?

Yes, sponsor needs to be a confirmed Catholic.

28. What are the two symbols of the Holy Spirit?

Fire and Dove

29. What diocese is St. Timothy in?

Arlington Diocese

30. Who is the Bishop of the Diocese?

Bishop Michael F. Burbidge

31. What is our Pastor's name?

Fr. David Meng.

32. Excluding our pastor, who are the 3 other priests at St. Timothy parish?

Fr. Christoph Heyes, Fr. Sunny Joseph, Father Parthi Soosai, Father Sean Nypaver

33. What was the name of our first Pope?

St. Peter

34. What is the name of our Pope today?

Pope Francis

35. Where does the Holy Father, our Pope live?

Vatican City, Rome