

Scope & Sequence **GRADE 4**

Unit Theme	What Catholics Believe	How Catholics Worship	How Catholics Live	How Catholics Pray
UNIT 1 The Goodness of God All of our moral teaching stems from the fact that we learn goodness from God, who is the perfect good. God is revealed through creation and through the people of God in the Old and New Testaments.	1. God's Goodness <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Realize that God created the world Learn a Scripture story of creation Understand that God reveals himself through the Trinity Discuss ways to respect and care for God's creation Praise God with a blessing prayer CCC 53, 105, 107, 135, 150–53, 215–17, 303–05, 321–22, 759–68, 778 	2. Praise and Thanksgiving <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name special gifts that God has given us Understand that at Mass we give thanks and praise to God, especially for the gift of Jesus Learn the Scripture story of the Last Supper Explain ways Jesus Christ is present in the Mass Pray a liturgical prayer of praise and thanksgiving CCC 1082–83, 1110–12, 1358 	3. The Commandments and God's Covenant <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss the importance of keeping promises Recognize that our relationship with God is based on the first three commandments Learn the Ten Commandments Explore responses to the presence of God in our lives Pray the litany of Saint Joseph CCC 55–64, 390–94, 396, 2032–37, 2052, 2131–32, 2162, 2185 	4. Our Father in Heaven <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe ways we communicate our thoughts and feelings Learn how Jesus taught us to pray Discover how prayer leads us towards God's kingdom Understand the meaning of the Lord's Prayer Pray the Lord's Prayer using sign language CCC 1082–83, 1110–12, 1358
UNIT 2 Jesus is the Son of God Jesus Christ is the perfect image of God, sent to show us divine goodness and human potential for good.	5. Jesus, the Image of God <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss how role models influence us Understand that Jesus, our Role Model, is both human and divine Learn that sacrifice is part of the Christian way of life Explore ways of following the example of Jesus Christ Pray one of Saint Teresa of Ávila's prayers using drawings CCC 349, 373, 486, 497, 520–21, 624, 627, 630, 654, 668–78 	6. Baptism in Christ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss experiences of belonging to a group Realize the significance of the gift of Baptism Learn that in Baptism we are united with Christ and the Church Understand our call to live Christian lives Renew the promises made at Baptism CCC 232, 265, 1082–83, 1110–12, 1283 	7. The Commandments and Beatitudes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name things that make us and other people happy Understand why Jesus wants us to follow the Ten Commandments Learn the Beatitudes from Matthew's Gospel Discuss ways to live out the Beatitudes Reflect on the Beatitudes CCC 1711–1716–18, 1725 	8. Thy Kingdom Come <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss experiences of unfairness Explore how worldly justice and Godly justice differ Realize that we are called to live holy lives Identify ways we experience the kingdom of God at Mass Pray for the coming of God's kingdom CCC 2609, 2613, 2621, 2771–72, 2776
UNIT 3 The Holy Spirit Jesus sent us the Holy Spirit to be our guide and our source of strength as we keep our eye on the kingdom of God and our responsibility to proclaim it to all.	9. The Holy Spirit Guides Us <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the Holy Spirit as our Guide Understand that Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit to guide us Learn about Pentecost and the Trinity Explore ways to lead lives that reflect God's goodness Pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance and forgiveness CCC 150, 153, 731–32, 734–35, 746, 759–68, 778 	10. Confirmed in the Spirit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Write about the Holy Spirit's presence in our lives Learn about the sacrament of Confirmation Understand the special link between Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist Suggest ways to apply the gifts of the Spirit to everyday life Pray a prayer to the Holy Spirit CCC 1275, 1285, 1287, 1302, 1830–31, 1845 	11. The Commandments and the Law of Love <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Name ways Christians show love for people Recognize how we show our love for God by following the Ten Commandments Learn the fourth through sixth commandments Apply the commandments to daily life Pray a web prayer CCC 2205, 2234, 2261, 2268–69, 2303, 2333–34, 2380, 2476 	12. Thy Will Be Done <ul style="list-style-type: none"> List ways people live according to the commandments Learn how Mary, Jesus' mother, accepted God's will Explore ways we can live according to God's will Identify ways in we can do more to help others Pray a prayer from the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament CCC 1001, 1003, 2771–72, 2776, 2885

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<p>UNIT 4 The Church Our moral lives are lived primarily through the Christian community, where we are both inspired and supported. Our relationship with God is strengthened through the sacraments.</p>	<p>13. Sacraments in the Church</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn that Christians work together to share God's goodness Relate the seven sacraments to the moral life of the Church Learn how the Church carries out Christ's mission in the world Identify ways in which the sacraments nourish and strengthen us Pray as members of the Body of Christ <p><i>CCC 166, 832–34, 865, 1117, 1129</i></p>	<p>14. The Sacrament of Reconciliation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss the consequences of making selfish choices Learn about the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick Learn about the sacrament of Reconciliation Review the steps of the sacrament of Reconciliation Make an examination of conscience <p><i>CCC 980, 986, 1445, 1482, 1504, 1511</i></p>	<p>15. The Commandments and Forgiveness</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Examine ways that people can reconcile and forgive Explain how following the seventh through tenth commandments relates to our understanding of sin Learn the meaning of conscience and how it is formed and developed Apply ways we can make good moral decisions Pray a prayer from the Penitential Rite of the Mass <p><i>CCC 1734, 1736, 1757, 1764, 1768, 1776, 1797, 1866</i></p>	<p>16. Forgive Us Our Trespasses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify ways we can follow Jesus' example of forgiveness Learn how God's peace and forgiveness is celebrated through the liturgy Name ways Christians share God's forgiveness with others Use Bible readings to reflect on God's mercy and forgiveness Pray a prayer of forgiveness using Scripture <p><i>CCC 2655, 2771–72, 2776</i></p>
<p>UNIT 5 Social Justice Morality in its fullest sense extends to or responsibilities in a wider context than our own lives and families. God's justice is advanced through a caring community.</p>	<p>17. Our Vocation to the World</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Know that Christians have a responsibility to help those in need Identify the many vocations that allow us to serve one another Understand that as priest, prophet, and king, all Christians carry on Christ's mission Explore ways to determine our vocations Pray a meditation prayer <p><i>CCC 783–86, 791, 897–99, 901, 903–05, 909–12, 956–57</i></p>	<p>18. The Eucharist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss how people help us learn about God and the world Learn about the Last Supper and its link to the Eucharist Discuss ways in which the Eucharist is central to our faith Understand the priest's role in the liturgy and in the parish community Pray the Litany of Saints <p><i>CCC 1166–67, 1193, 1370, 1440, 1462, 1469, 1566–67, 1595</i></p>	<p>19. The New Commandment and the Works of Mercy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand the need to respect others and share what we have with one another Learn the corporal works of mercy and how they stem from the New Commandment Learn the spiritual works of mercy and how they stem from the New Commandment Identify ways we can take care of the needs of others Pray a prayer from the Rite of Acceptance <p><i>CCC 1703, 2447, 2534, 2536, 2552</i></p>	<p>20. Deliver Us from Evil</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore ways to work for justice and peace in the world today Appreciate the power of prayer Learn how prayer helps us bring God's love to the world Identify ways to bring peace and justice to the world Pray a commissioning prayer <p><i>CCC 1674, 2687</i></p>