

Scope & Sequence **GRADE 3**

Unit Theme	What Catholics Believe	How Catholics Worship	How Catholics Live	How Catholics Pray
UNIT 1 The Church Is One The Church is presented as united in our belief in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, our sacramental encounter with grace, and our commitment to charity.	1. Holy Spirit Guides Us to Become Church <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Experience sharing personal good news • Understand that Scripture reveals that we are called to live together as Christians • Explore the meaning of the Communion of Saints and the purpose of Baptism and Confirmation • Describe the Unity of the Church • Pray for the Church CCC 782, 804, 882, 900, 941, 946–47, 950, 960, 1169–70	2. We Receive the Sacraments of Initiation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify ways to welcome someone • Understand that Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist are sacraments of initiation • Understand that the Holy Spirit works within us • Describe ways to be active members of the Church • Pray to be faithful disciples CCC 900, 941, 1084, 1122–23, 1192, 1212, 1234–45, 1275	3. We Show Our Love for One Another <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify ways to love and care for family members • Understand that Scripture reveals God's healing power • Explore the meaning of neighbors and domestic church • Describe ways to show respect for neighbors • Pray a prayer of petition CCC 1509, 1803, 1833, 1942, 1948, 2204, 2219, 2258, 2262, 2319	4. We Pray for Unity and Each Other's Needs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand that a good father teaches and cares for his children • Learn that Jesus teaches us to call God "Father" • Understand that Scripture reveals how Jesus wants us to pray • Learn four kinds of prayer • Pray the Lord's prayer CCC 1378, 2559, 2569, 2599, 2605, 2629, 2633, 2742–45
UNIT 2 The Church Is Holy The teaching of the Gospels develops the idea of holiness in the Church and for individuals. The sacrament of Reconciliation is highlighted as part of the Church's holiness.	5. Jesus Shows Us How to Forgive and Heal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify ways we have been healed by others • Understand that Scripture reveals that Jesus can forgive sins • Explore the meaning of compassion and mercy • Describe ways to be compassionate and merciful • Pray by using drama CCC 50, 208, 457, 531–33, 564, 736, 740	6. We Celebrate Reconciliation and Healing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain the need for reconciliation • Understand that the Church celebrates healing through the sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick • Explore the meaning of sin • Review the steps in the sacrament of Reconciliation • Pray the act of contrition CCC 398, 1423–24, 1486, 1509, 1527, 1708, 1846–47, 2480–81	7. Jesus Teaches Us How to Love and Care <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify community rules that affirm love of neighbor • Understand that Jesus teaches the good news by the authority of God • Explore the meaning of the Great Commandment • Describe ways to show love to neighbors • Pray for our neighbors CCC 2055	8. We Pray to the Holy Spirit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify ways their parents provide for them • Understand that Scripture tells us to ask God the Father for what we need • Understand that the Holy Spirit is with us always • Learn about the missionary work of St. Patrick • Pray for their needs through the guidance of the Holy Spirit CCC 243, 245, 263, 685, 1878, 1890, 2590, 2629, 2686
UNIT 3 The Church is Catholic Membership in the church is not conditioned on race, nationality, gender, or status in society, nor is the Church's mission of service restricted to members.	9. Catholics Are "Open to All" <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss the gift of water • Understand that the Scriptures reveal that Jesus offers living water • Explore the meaning of catholic • Describe ways to be accepting of all people • Pray to the Holy Spirit for an attitude of openness CCC 422, 571, 605, 618, 629, 648	10. We Gather for Mass <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify reasons for celebrating • Explore the celebration of the liturgy • Understand how the Lord is present in the liturgy • Learn the order of liturgy • Pray a liturgical prayer CCC 1066, 1068, 1073, 1110, 1122–23, 1192, 1343, 1388–89, 1417, 2179	11. We Serve Others <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify qualities of a good messenger • Describe ways to be a missionary • Explore the meaning of grace • Learn about the first Black Catholic priest in the United States • Pray for the grace to spread the Good News CCC 1997, 2021, 2158, 2167, 2480–81	12. We Pray for All People <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the qualities of a role model • Understand that the Holy Spirit filled the disciples with power on Pentecost • Explore the meaning of devotions • Learn to pray the Rosary • Pray to the Holy Spirit for guidance CCC post-184, 721–26, 744, 967, 971, 2676, 2680, 2798

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<p>UNIT 4 The Church Is Apostolic The Church is committed to being faithful to the teaching of the Apostles. This fidelity is related to the ideals of vocation and ministry as expressed in the sacraments at the service of communion.</p>	<p>13. The Church Continues the Mission of the Apostles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify traditions passed on by parents Understand that Jesus commissions the Apostles to continue his work in the world Learn the marks of the Church Understand that Mary models the way to follow Christ Pray the Apostles' Creed <p><i>CCC 144, 148–49, 165, post–184, 489, 655, 659, 828–29, 967, 971, 2676–78</i></p>	<p>14. We are Committed Through the Sacraments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore the meaning of "promise" Learn about the sacraments of Matrimony and Holy Orders Explore the meaning of vocation and commitment Realize that God wants us to keep our promise to serve Pray a blessing <p><i>CCC 1212, 1536, 1554, 1593, 1603, 2378</i></p>	<p>15. We Are Faithful to Our Commitments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify ways talents can be used Understand the mission of the Apostles Explore the meaning of covenant Identify parish ministries Pray to be faithful <p><i>CCC 936, 2179, 2378, 2397</i></p>	<p>16. We Pray for Faith</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify Catholic beliefs Understand the importance of a creed Learn about Joan of Arc Explore the meaning of the Apostles' Creed Pray for Faith <p><i>CCC post–184, 190, 212, 682, 1023–24, 1033–36, 2650, 2652, 2661</i></p>
<p>UNIT 5 The Church Has a Mission to the World Basic concepts of social justice are introduced. The Church is presented as both a sacramental community and a servant community.</p>	<p>17. The Church Is a Sign of the Kingdom of God</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Describe a place of peace and happiness Learn about the kingdom of God Relate concepts of justice to the kingdom Learn to describe the kingdom of God Pray to be signs of God's kingdom <p><i>CCC 76, 97, 300, 341, 769, 778, 836, 1727</i></p>	<p>18. We Are Called to Serve</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify times to pray Learn Catholic blessings Explore the meaning of blessings Remember that God is with us always Pray a blessing <p><i>CCC 1509, 1669, 1671, 1678</i></p>	<p>19. The Church Is a Witness for Justice and Peace</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify qualities of a good neighbor Understand Jesus' definition of neighbor Explore the meaning of justice and peace Learn about Cardinal Bernardin and Henriette Delille Pray a prayer of petition <p><i>CCC 1878, 1890, 1942, 1948, 2415, 2456</i></p>	<p>20. The Church Prays for World Peace</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Realize that God wants all people to live in peace Understand that Jesus frees people from sin to live in peace Explore the meaning of peace Learn ways to pray for peace Pray for world peace <p><i>CCC 1807, 2599, 2605, 2620, 2629, 2633</i></p>