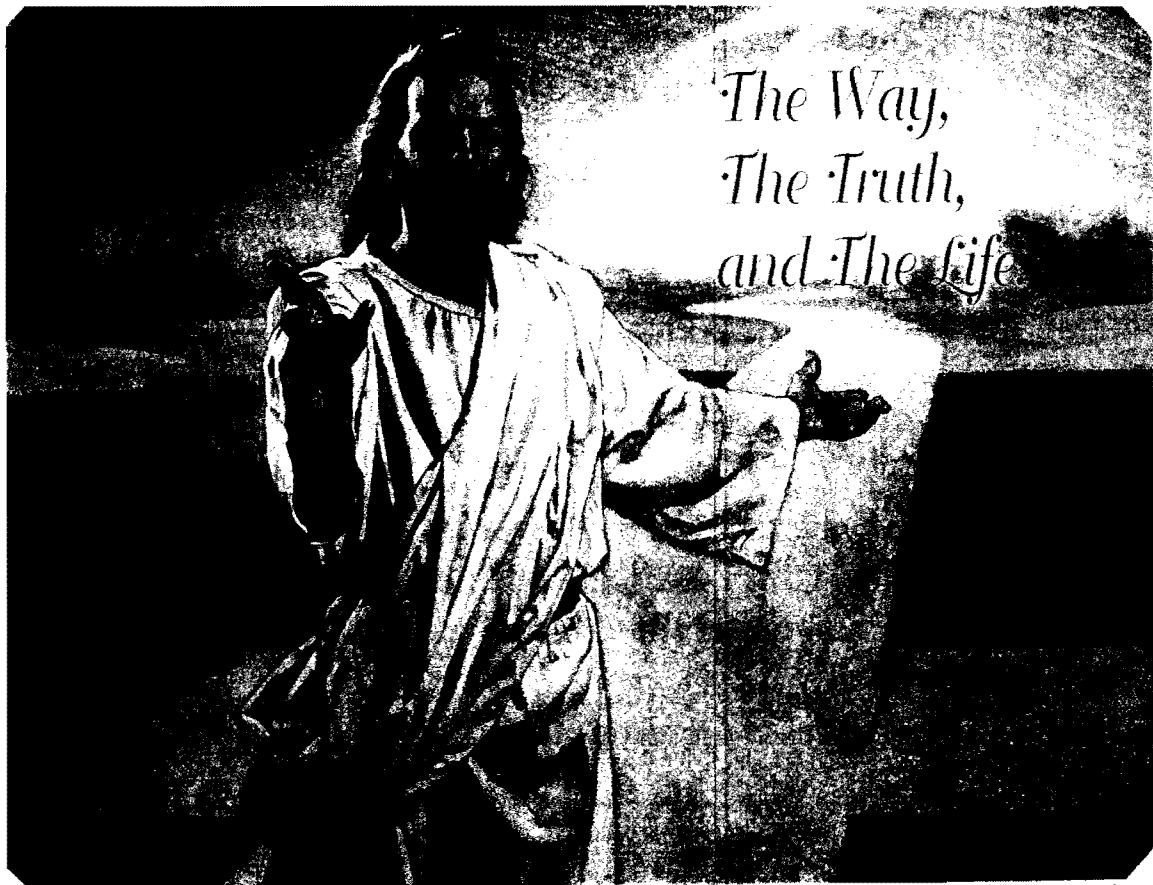


# Sacramental Preparation



**for Teens**

## General Class Information

**Objective:** To prepare for  
**initiation** into the Church *AND* lifelong Christian **discipleship**  
by engaging in a fast-paced, thorough overview of

- The **Chief Truths** of the Faith = (**CREED**)
- The **Chief Means** of obtaining grace = (**CULT**)
- The **Chief Duties** of Catholics = (**CODE**)

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**Expectation:** That, prior to initiation, you will  
**know** (be able to recite) and **better understand** (be able to discuss/explain)  
all the following

**CREED** -The Apostles' Creed

**CULT**-Christian prayers: **Sign of the Cross, The Lord's Prayer,  
Hail Mary, Glory Be, Acts of Faith/Hope/Love/Contrition**  
- **The Sacraments of the Church and Gifts of the Holy Spirit**

**CODE** - **The Two Great Commandments and Ten Commandments**

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### **Materials:**

*St. Joseph's Baltimore Catechism #2* - always comes to class

*New American Bible - Revised Edition* - always comes to class

*Faith Explained* by Fr. Leo J. Trese - stays home (used by parents also)

*Compendium Catechism of the Catholic Church* - always comes to class

*Teenage Guide for Confession* by Fr. Frank E. Papa - comes to some classes

Folders with handouts and notes - always comes to class

# Class Syllabus

## **CREED:**

September 8- Introduction to Class/Purpose of Man's Existence  
September 15 - God and His Perfections/The Unity and Trinity of God  
September 22 - Creation and the Angels  
September 29 - The Creation and the Fall of Man/Actual Sin  
October 6 - Actual Sin continued/God's Promise  
October 13 - The Incarnation  
October 20 - The Redemption  
October 27 - The Holy Spirit and Grace  
November 3 - The Catholic Church  
November 10 - The Resurrection and Life Everlasting

## **CULT:**

November 17 - Christian Prayer  
November 24 - The Seven Sacraments of the Church  
December 8&15 - Baptism and Confirmation (Discuss Essay Content and Format)  
January 12 - The Eucharist: 3-Part Sacrament  
January 19- The Eucharist: 3-Part Sacrament continued (Practice Communion)  
January 26 - Penance/Contrition/Confession (Practice Going to Confession)  
February 2&9 - The Life of Grace: Virtues and Gifts of the Holy Spirit

## **CODE:**

February 16 - The Two Great Commandments  
February 23- The Ten Commandments: 1st-3rd Commandments of God  
(\*Service Hours Log and Sponsor Certificate DUE\*)  
March 2 - 4th-10th Commandments of God  
March 9 - 4th-10th Commandments of God continued

## **Final Preparation:**

March 13 - (Thursday) First Penance/Confession (6P.M.)  
March 16 - Content Wrap-Up and Begin Test (\* Essay DUE\*) (2 Hours)  
April 6 - Practice(Confirmation/Communion) and Finish/Turn In Test (2 Hours)  
Confirmation Mass Rehearsal: Wednesday, April 9 -5:30 P.M./Confirmation Mass: Saturday, April 12 -11 A.M.  
Easter Vigil Mass Rehearsal: Saturday, April 19 - 1P.M./ Easter Vigil Mass: Saturday, April 19 - 7 P.M.

## Class Reading Schedule

### CREED:

September 8: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 1/ *F.E.* Chapter 1  
September 15: *St. J B.C.* Lessons 2&3/ *F.E.* Chapters 2&3  
September 22: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 4/ *F.E.* Chapter 4  
September 29: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 5/ *F.E.* Chapter 5  
October 6: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 6/ *F.E.* Chapter 6  
October 13: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 7/ *F.E.* Chapter 7  
October 20: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 8/ *F.E.* Chapters 8&32  
October 27: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 9/ *F.E.* Chapter 9  
November 3: *St. J B.C.* Lessons 11-13/ *F.E.* Chapters 11-13  
November 10: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 14/ *F.E.* Chapter 14

### CULT:

November 17: *St. J B.C.* Lessons 37&38/ *F.E.* Chapters 37&38  
November 24: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 23/ *F.E.* Chapter 23  
December 8&15: *St. J B.C.* Lessons 24&25/ *F.E.* Chapters 24&25  
January 12: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 26/ *F.E.* Chapter 26  
January 19: *St. J B.C.* Lessons 27&28/ *F.E.* Chapters 27&28  
January 26: *St. J B.C.* Lessons 29-32/ *F.E.* Chapters 29-31  
February 2&9: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 10/ *F.E.* Chapter 10

### CODE:

February 16: *St. J B.C.* Lesson 15/ *F.E.* Chapter 15  
February 23: *St. J B.C.* Lessons 16-18/ *F.E.* Chapters 16&17  
March 2: *St. J B.C.* Lessons 19&20/ *F.E.* Chapters 18-21  
March 9: *St. J B.C.* Lessons 19&20/ *F.E.* Chapters 18-21

## **Sacramental Preparation for Teens Information Sheet**

### **ATTENDANCE:**

**\*Mass:** Catholics are bound, under pain of mortal sin, to obey the Third Commandment of God (“Thou shalt keep holy the Lord’s day.”) and the Precept of the Church to attend a Catholic mass on each Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation. It is **IMPERATIVE** that you fulfill your obligation in this matter.

**\*Class:** 100% is expected. Three (3) excused absences are allowed. Please call Mrs. Draper (878-1215 Ext. 310) to inform her as to the cause. For each additional missed class, the student must attend a makeup session - date and time to be determined later.

**\*Youth Group:** Sunday, January 12, 2014 - after 5P.M. Mass (Confirmation students)

**\*Confirmation Retreat:** March 28 and 29, 2014 Confirmation students must attend a retreat. If a student is unable to attend at St. Lucie, he/she will have to seek out and attend a Confirmation retreat at another parish and provide proof of attendance to Mrs. Draper.

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### **DUE DATES:**

**\*Confirmation Service Hours Log:** Due on February 23, 2014

Confirmation students must complete/log 15 hours of service as follows:

5 Hrs. - Church Service at St. Lucie Parish

5 Hrs. - Community Service

5 Hrs. - Family Service

Contact person: Mrs. Loretta Barnes, Director of Youth and Family Life  
(878-1215)

**\*Confirmation Sponsor Certificate:** Due on February 23, 2014

**\*Confirmation Essay:** Due on March 16, 2014

Confirmation students must submit a **PRINTED** 2 page, 12 font, single-spaced essay written in accordance with the outline provided.

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**NOTE:** Confirmation students who have fulfilled **ALL** requirements/ submitted all forms and papers by **the above due dates** receive the sacrament(s) at the Confirmation Mass or Easter Vigil Mass, as scheduled.

Confirmation students who fail to meet these deadlines will be permitted to fulfill the requirements late and receive the sacrament(s) on Pentecost Sunday (June 8, 2014).