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Catechist Update

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Random Notes For This Week:

- I'm back! My office hours will vary, but I will be in most Sundays and Tuesdays.
- If you could just print an extra copy of your parent letter, whole punch, and then put in the Catechist Parent Letters folder near the check-in binder.
- I have not received any portfolio projects for the year. I would anticipate that students have completed a project on the Trinity and one on Morality.

Upcoming Events:

- K4J Dec 12th
- First Reconciliation Dec 13th
- High School Retreat Dec 12th-14th
- Penance Service Dec 12th
- Faith Formation Commission Meeting Jan 5th

Faith Formation Commission

The Faith Formation Commission is a advisory board to the Faith Formation Office. Our first meeting of the year will be Jan 5th from 7pm-8pm. All members of the parish are welcome to attend.

We will be discussing the current year and talking

about changes to occur once we are able to worship in the new church. RSVP with Jamie if you plan on attending. Contact information is on page 4.

We will also be review recommendations made last year and their imple-

mentation.

It would be nice to have people who have been volunteering in the program come to voice concerns and share ideas.

Portfolio Ideas for Unit 3: The Living Word of God
 Bible, Scripture Stories, The Parables of Jesus,
 The Teachings of Jesus, The Miracles of Jesus
 Nov30—Jan 6



Idea 1:

Idea 2:

Idea 3:

Idea 4:

Catechists of K-5th:
I haven't received any portfolio projects yet for Units 1 and 2. Are they coming?

Questions and Answers for Week 11: Teachings of Jesus

Kindergarten:
 No Journal Pages

Yes

need to work together.

First Grade:
 Pg. 8 NT people who followed Jesus...*Mary, Peter, Paul, Phoebe, James, John, etc...*

3. What does it mean to love God? *To make sacrifices for God and for others.*

Name a common good you can help promote in your community. *Varied answers.*

4. How can you be like the Good Samaritan? *See the needs of others and try to help.*

Fourth Grade:

1. Pg. 33 What are the Spiritual Works of Mercy?

- Share Knowledge
- Give Advice
- Comfort the sorrowful
- Be patient
- Forgive others
- Give correction
- Pray for the living and the dead.

Second Grade:
 Pg. 57 Jesus taught in a special way when he was here on earth. What do we call the special way he taught? *Parables*



Third Grade:

1. Pg. 36 We have been given many gifts from God. What does God expect us to do with our gifts? *Share them with others.*

Pg. 39 Name a parish organization that helps those in need. *Ministry to the Homebound*

What do they do? *Bring the Eucharist to those who can not leave their homes.*

Pg. 44 Why do we need to participate in our community? *We are Jesus hands and feet in the world today. We all*

What are the Corporal Works of Mercy?

- Feed the hungry
- Give drink to the thirsty.
- Shelter the homeless

See page 4

The Role of the Christian Family In the Modern World: Article 9



To the injustice originating from sin-which has profoundly penetrated the structures of today's world-and often hindering the family's full realization of itself and of its fundamental rights, **we must all set ourselves in opposition through a conversion of mind and heart,** following Christ Crucified **by denying our own selfishness:** such a conversion cannot fail to have a beneficial and renewing influence even on the structures of society.



civilization itself, by beginning from what they have already received of the mystery of Christ, may patiently be led forward, **arriving at a richer understanding and a fuller integration of this mystery in their lives.**

What is needed is a *continuous, permanent conversion* which, while **requiring an interior detachment from every evil and an adherence to good in its fullness,** is brought about concretely in steps which lead us ever forward. Thus a **dynamic process develops,** one which advances gradually with the progressive **integration of the gifts of God and the demands of His definitive and absolute love** in the entire personal and social life of man. Therefore an **educational growth process is necessary,** in order that individual believers, families and peoples, even

Questions to reflect on:

- What injustices are set before us today?
- What areas of our lives are selfish?
- What gifts has God given you? Do you use them to spread God's love?
- Do you pray to understand God more fully in your life?
- Do you pray to have a deeper relationship with God?
- How do you nurture this relationship?

Northwest Family Services

Northwest Family Services will join us again this Wednesday from 7-8:30pm. This week's topic is "Get the Facts." A presenter will come help parents to know the facts of teen promiscuity in our area. While this is a religiously neutral presentation, it should not be a deterrent to attendance. This is about statistics and life lived, Deacon Harold already came to talk about the Theology of the Body in September. Please call to let me know if you are coming, I will have yummy cookies for attendees!



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- Clothe the naked
- Care for the sick
- Help the imprisoned.
- Bury the dead.

Name some ways YOU can live them out today.

Answers will vary.

2. Pg. 35

How can you be a witness to God's love?

God showed us ultimate love when he died on the cross for us. He gave all, his entire life so that we might live and have abundant life. His sacrifice was the model of love. So, when we sacrifice for another we are a witness to God's love.

How can you serve others?

I can serve others by using the gifts God has given me to make the world a better place. Specific answers will vary.

Fifth Grade:

No Journal Pages

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Idea for Middle School and High School Reflection:

1.