

We Are Baptized into the Body of Christ

Learning Focus

This chapter will help the children

- I. understand that the Incarnation is the mystery of the Son of God becoming man in Jesus Christ.
- learn that Baptism frees us from original sin and makes us children of God and members of Christ's Body.
- appreciate the lives of Saint Maximilian Kolbe and Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne.

Faith Words

Incarnation
Baptism
original sin
Body of Christ

Teaching Steps

Materials

Multimedia Resources

Share 15 minutes (p. 69)

- Pray the Scripture verse.
- Read the text and discuss personal experiences.
- Complete the activity on role models.

Additional Activity

 Create a strong Catholic identity for the classroom.

- materials for prayer corner (p. 66C) or see <u>Prayer Corner</u>
- pens or pencils

Activity Master 5a

 See Catechist Guide, p. 66D.

Books

 The Hidden Treasure of Glaston Eleanore M. Jewett (Bethlehem Books, 2000)

Hear & Believe 25 minutes (pp. 70–71)

- Discuss the illustration.
- Read and discuss the story of Jesus' baptism.
- Teach the doctrine in "Our Church Teaches."
- Discuss We Believe and review the Faith Words.

Additional Activity

Make dioramas.

- DVD player
- TV monitor

Additional Activity

- shoe boxes
- · tape or glue
- drawing paper
- scissors
- colored markers or crayons
- decorating materials for making dioramas

Videos

 *DVD Quick Clips 5, Segment 3, "Lord, Bless These Waters"

Books

 Maximilian Kolbe: Saint of Auschwitz Elaine Murray Stone (Paulist Press, 1997)

Self-Evaluation

This session was

one of the best

☐ pretty good
☐ in need of improvement

What worked out best was
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For next time I would change
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Respond 20 minutes (pp. 72–74)

- Read and discuss the saint stories.
- Do the activity.
- Pray "A Prayer for the Body of Christ."

Additional Activity

• Make puzzles.

CD player

Additional Activity

- poster paper
- colored markers or crayons
- scissors
- brown bags

Activity Master 5b

 See Catechist Guide, p. 67.

Music

- "Who Calls You by Name"
 (Unit 2 song, page 66)
 *BLEST ARE WE music CD 5,
 track 3
 *BLEST ARE WE Song Book, #24
 *Gather Comprehensive II
 Hymnal, #794
- "Song of the Body of Christ"
 *BLEST ARE WE music CD 4,
 track 6
 *BLEST ARE WE Song Book, #21
 *Gather Comprehensive II
 Hymnal, #807

- Complete the Chapter Review, p. 75.
- Complete Faith in Action Parish Ministry: Godparents, p. 76.
- Distribute the **Take Home Family Time** pages for the next chapter.



Baptism and Confirmation

Learning Focus

This chapter will help the children

- I. review that the Sacraments of Initiation are Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.
- 2. learn that adults and older children receive the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil.
- 3. appreciate the life of Dorothy Day.

Faith Words

Confirmation chrism

Teaching Steps

Materials

Multimedia Resources

Share 15 minutes (p. 79)

- Pray the Scripture verse.
- Read the text and discuss personal experiences.
- Complete the activity by writing a story ending.

Additional Activity

• Role-play the story.

- materials for prayer corner (p. 76C) or see Prayer Corner
- pens or pencils

Activity Master 6a

See Catechist Guide, p. 76D.

Books

 Life in a Medieval Abbey Tony McAleavy (Enchanted Lion Books, 2003)



Hear & Believe 25 minutes (pp. 80–81)

- Discuss the illustrations.
- Read and discuss the story about the Easter Vigil.
- Teach the doctrine in "Our Church Teaches."
- Discuss We Believe and review the Faith Words.

Additional Activity

 Choose a Confirmation name.

- DVD player
- TV monitor

Videos

- *DVD Quick Clips 5, Segment 4, "Sacraments of Initiation," and Segment 5, "Dorothy Day"
- Confirmation "Sacrament" series (20 min.) (Ikonographics, 1992)

Self-Evaluation

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Respond 20 minutes (pp. 82-84)

- Discuss the photograph.
- Read and discuss the story about Dorothy Day.
- Do the activities.
- Pray "A Renewal of Baptismal Promises."

Additional Activity

Make Dorothy Day-inspired collages.

CD player

Additional Activity

- poster paper
- colored markers or crayons
- scissors
- glue
- colored markers

Activity Master 6b

See Catechist Guide, p. 77.

Music

- "Who Calls You by Name" (Unit 2 Song, page 66) *BLEST ARE WE music CD 5, track 3 *BLEST ARE WE Song Book, #24 *Gather Comprehensive II Hymnal, #794
- "Veni Sancte Spiritus" lacque Berthier *Gather Comprehensive II Hymnal, #478

- Complete the Chapter Review, p. 85.
- Complete Faith in Action Parish Ministry: RCIA Catechists, p. 86.
- Distribute the **Take Home Family Time** pages for the next chapter.



Grace: A Gift of Strength and Support

Learning Focus

This chapter will help the children

- I. understand that they receive the Holy Spirit at Baptism and are strengthened with the Holy Spirit at Confirmation.
- 2. learn about the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.
- 3. appreciate the life of Saint Katharine Drexel.

Faith Words

conversion
Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Teaching Steps

Materials

Multimedia Resources

Share 5 minutes (p. 89)

- Pray the Scripture verse.
- Read the text and discuss personal experiences.
- Complete the activity about making a sacrifice.

Additional Activity

• Create challenge stories.

- materials for prayer corner (p. 86C) or see <u>Prayer Corner</u>
- pens or pencils

Activity Master 7a

 See Catechist Guide, p. 86D.

Books

The First Christians
 Marigold Hunt
 (Sophia Institute Press)

Hear & Believe 25 minutes (pp. 90–91)

- Discuss the illustration.
- Read and discuss the story about Saul's conversion.
- Teach the doctrine in "Our Church Teaches."
- Discuss We Believe and review the Faith Words.

Additional Activity

Perform a class play.

Books

 Katie: The Young Life of Mother Katharine Drexel Claire Jordan Mohan (Young Sparrow Press, 2000)

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Discuss the photograph.
 Read and discuss the story of Saint Katharine Drexel.

- Do the activities.
- Pray "A Prayer for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit."

Additional Activity

• Make banners.

• CD player

Additional Activity

20 minutes (pp. 92-94)

- 12" by 18" piece of red felt for each child
- scissors
- glue

Respond

- dowel or branch for each child
- felt in other colors

Activity Master 7b

 See Catechist Guide, p. 87.

Music

- "Who Calls You by Name" (Unit 2 song, page 66)
 *BLEST ARE WE music CD 5, track 3
- *BLEST ARE WE Song Book, #24 *Gather Comprehensive II Hymnal, #794
- "Take, Lord, Receive" John Foley, S.J. (OCP)

- Complete the Chapter Review, p. 95.
- Complete Faith in Action Parish Ministry: Confirmation Sponsors, p. 96.
- Distribute the **Take Home Family Time** pages for the next chapter.



The Apostles' Creed

Learning Focus

This chapter will help the children

- I. learn that the Apostles' Creed contains the central truths of the Catholic faith.
- realize that the Apostles' Creed is a true summary of the Apostles' beliefs.
- 3. appreciate the life of Saint Patrick.

Faith Word

Apostles' Creed

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Materials

Multimedia Resources

Share 15 minutes (p. 99)

- Pray the Scripture verse.
- Read the text and discuss personal experiences.
- Complete the activity on values.

Additional Activity

- Discuss values.
- materials for prayer corner (p. 86C) or see <u>Prayer Corner</u>
- pens or pencils

Activity Master 8a

 See Catechist Guide, p. 96D.

Videos

• I Am David (Lion Gates, 90 min.)

Hear & Believe 25 minutes (pp. 100–101)

- Discuss the illustration.
- Read and discuss the story about Jesus' Ascension.
- Teach the doctrine in "Our Church Teaches."
- Discuss We Believe and review the Faith Words.

Additional Activity

• Interview Jesus' Apostles.

Books

 Twenty Tales of Irish Saints (Sophia Institute Press)
 Alice Curtayne

Self-Evaluation

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Respond 20 minutes (pp. 102–104)

- Discuss the photograph.
- Read and discuss the story of Saint Patrick.
- Do the activity.
- Pray the Apostles' Creed.

Additional Activity

Make stained-glass windows.

CD player

Additional Activity

- poster paper
- rulers
- colored pencils
- colored markers

Activity Master 8b

 See Catechist Guide, p. 97.

Music

- "Who Calls You by Name" (Unit 2 song, page 66) *BLEST ARE WE music CD 5, track 3
- *BLEST ARE WE Song Book, #24 *Gather Comprehensive II Hymnal, #794
- "This Day God Gives Me" Saint Patrick's Breastplate
 *Gather Comprehensive II Hymnal, #749

- Complete the Chapter Review, p. 105.
- Complete Faith in Action Parish Ministry: Defending the Faith, p. 106.
- Distribute the **Take Home Family Time** pages for the next chapter.