PRE-KINDERGARTEN (Ages 3 & 4)

ANCHOR STANDARD 1—KNOWLEDGE OF THE FAITH (K)
STRANDS: CREED AND SCRIPTURE

Standard	Standard Description
K.PK.1	State that God is the creator of the world
K.PK.2	State that Jesus helps us to know God's love
K.PK.3	Identify the Bible as a special book that we treat respectfully
K.PK.4	With prompting and support, tell some stories from the Old Testament that show God's love for creation
K.PK.5	With prompting and support, tell the story of how God entrusted creation to humans
K.PK.6	Name the members of the Holy Family
K.PK.7	With prompting and support, retell age-appropriate parables told by Jesus

ANCHOR STANDARD 2—KNOWLEDGE OF SACRAMENTS AND LITURGY (SL)
STRANDS: SACRAMENTS AND LITURGY

Standard	Standard Description
SL.PK.1	State that through Baptism we become children of God and members of the Church
SL.PK.2	State that the Eucharist is a special meal
SL.PK.3	State that Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter are important seasons of the liturgical year
SL.PK.4	State that Easter, when Jesus rose from the dead, is a celebration of new life
SL.PK.5	Demonstrate the following liturgical gestures: the sign of the cross, kneeling, bowing, and the sign of peace
SL.PK.6	State the meaning of and use properly these liturgical words: amen & alleluia

ANCHOR STANDARD 3—MORAL FORMATION (M)
STRAND: MORAL LIVING

Standard	Standard Description
M.PK.1	State that we are called to know, love, and serve God, to love others as ourselves, and to respect all of creation
M.PK.2	Express love and gratitude to God for life and God's gifts to us
M.PK.3	Demonstrate honesty, sharing, and respect for others
M.PK.4	Based on Jesus' teachings, show forgiveness of others and ask forgiveness from others

ANCHOR STANDARD 4—PRAYING WITH CHRIST (P)
STRAND: PRAYER

Standard	Standard Description
P.PK.1	Define prayer as talking to and listening to God
P.PK.2	Demonstrate different ways to pray
P.PK.3	Identify praise and thanksgiving as forms of prayer

ANCHOR STANDARD 5—LIVING IN THE COMMUNITY OF THE CHURCH (C)
STRAND: THE CHURCH

Standard	Standard Description
C.PK.1	State that the people of the Church are God's family
C.PK.2	Identify Mary as the mother of Jesus and our Mother
C.PK.3	Identify saints as models of Christian living and our friends and helpers

ANCHOR STANDARD 6—LIVING AS A CHRISTIAN IN SOCIETY (CS)
STRAND: CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Standard	Standard Description
CS.PK.1	Show respect for God's gifts and care for the environment

ANCHOR STANDARD 7 – THEOLOGY OF THE BODY (TOB)

Standard	Standard Description
TOB.PK.1	With prompting and support, state we are created to love, by love, and for love
TOB.PK.2	State the two great commandments that Jesus taught: love of God and love of others

RESOURCES

I.   CATECHIST RESOURCES

Organizations
- Archdiocese of Cincinnati—catholiccincinnati.org
- Ruah Woods—ruahwoods.org
- United States Conference of Catholic Bishops—usccb.org
- The Vatican—vatican.va

Web Sites of Publishers of Parish & School Catechetical Programs for Early Childhood through Grade 8
- Ignatius Press – ignatius.com
- Loyola Press—loyolapress.com
- Our Sunday Visitor —osvcurriculum.com
- Pflaum Publishing—pflaum.com
- RCL Benziger—rclbenziger.com
- Sadlier —sadlier.com/religion
- Sophia Institute – sophiainstitute.com

Web Sites to Assist Catechists
The web sites listed below contain a variety of resources for planning catechetical sessions, including activities, prayers, and background information for catechists.
- catechist.com (an online companion to "Catechist" magazine)
- catholiccatechist.org
- thereligionteacher.com

II.   THEOLOGY OF THE BODY RESOURCES

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) Website Resources:
- Overview of St. John Paul II's General Audiences commonly known as Theology of the Body
- The Theology of the Body According to St. John Paul II by Dr. John Grabowski
- John Paul II's New Vision of Human Sexuality and Family Life by Fr. Richard M. Hogan
- For Your Marriage, practical resources and Catholic teachings on the nature of Christian marriage

Books:
- Pope John Paul II, *Love and Responsibility: A New Translation of John Paul II's Classic Work,* Pauline Books, 2013.
- Sri, Edward, *Men, Women and the Mystery of Love: Practical Insights from John Paul II's Love and Responsibility, Second Edition,* Servant Publishing, 2015.
- West, Christopher, *Theology of the Body For Beginners, Revised Edition,* Ascension Press, 2014.

General Background of Theology of the Body (Print):
- Introduction to Theology of the Body, Dr. Patti Zordich
  A clinical psychologist's experience using Theology of the Body in counselling youth and families.
- The New Language: A Crash Course in the Theology of the Body
  A popular and accessible overview of Theology of the Body.
- Archbishop J. Michael Miller, CSB, Telling Lies With Our Bodies
  An overview of the theological role of the human body in God's plan for our salvation.

Theology of the Body Institutes and Training Centers:
- Theology of the Body Institute
- Ruah Woods