

Grade 7

ANCHOR STANDARD 1 – KNOWLEDGE OF FAITH (K)

STRANDS: CREED, REVELATION, SALVATION AND REDEMPTION

<u>Standard</u>	<u>Standard Description</u>
K.7.1	Express belief in the resurrection of the dead and explain that we have already risen with Christ in our Baptism and participate in the life of the Risen Christ
K.7.2	Describe how we are called to respond to God’s revelation through the gift of faith
K.7.3	Explain what it means to say that God’s revelation is “economic” that God reveals Himself over time and in human history
K.7.4	Show understanding of God’s revealing word in Sacred Scripture, as unfolding throughout the Old and New Testaments, and in Sacred Tradition, as unfolding through the Church
K.7.5	Explain that the Magisterium has the authority to teach and interpret Sacred Scripture
K.7.6	Articulate that the central mystery of the Christian faith is the Holy Trinity: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit
K.7.7	Articulate that our Salvation is connected to the saving work of Jesus Christ through His life, passion, death, and resurrection

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

STRANDS: SACRAMENTS AND SACRAMENTALS AND LITURGY

<u>Standard</u>	<u>Standard Description</u>
SL.7.1	Explain sacraments as visible signs of God’s grace and actions of the Holy Spirit at work in the Church
SL.7.2	Recognize that every baptized person is called to lead a chaste life, regardless of one’s vocation/state in life
SL.7.3	Define rites as being prescribed actions of the Church
SL.7.4	Describe why every Catholic has the obligation to attend Mass on all Sundays and holy days of obligation
SL.7.5	Describe the funeral Mass as a liturgy of blessing for the departed and commendation to God of the deceased person by the Church

ANCHOR STANDARD 3: MORAL FORMATION (M)

STRANDS: MORAL LIVING AND CONSCIENCE

<u>Standard</u>	<u>Standard Description</u>
M.7.1	Identify the 5 precepts of the Church (<i>To attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation and resting from servile works, To observe the days of abstinence and fasting, To confess our sins to a priest, at least once a year, To receive Our Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist at least once a year during the Easter Season, To contribute to the support of the Church</i>)
M.7.2	Recognize that God inscribes the natural law in our hearts so that we can differentiate good from bad in our actions
M.7.3	Describe that Catholic morality is founded upon the dignity of the human person which finds its origin in creation and the Incarnation of Jesus Christ
M.7.4	Differentiate between original sin, personal sin, and social sin
M.7.5	Discuss poverty, chastity, and obedience as guiding rules for every Christian
M.7.6	Define Conscience as the voice of God echoing in our hearts calling us to love and to do what is good and avoid what is evil

ANCHOR STANDARD 4: PRAYING WITH CHRIST (P)

STRANDS: PRAYER, MARY AND THE SAINTS, AND MEMORIZED PRAYERS AND PRECEPTS

<u>Standard</u>	<u>Standard Description</u>
P.7.1	Explain how prayer provides a deepening awareness and living of our covenant relationship with God
P.7.2	Outline the steps for Lectio Divina and participate in this way of praying with Scripture
P.7.3	Explain the seven petitions of the Our Father as outlined in the Catechism of the Catholic Church
P.7.4	Explain how Mary and the Saints exemplify the work of evangelization and how we celebrate them in the Liturgical year
P.7.5	Recognize that the Church names Mary as Mother of God and Mother of the Church
P.7.6	Demonstrate the Biblical basis for the Hail Mary
P.7.7	Memorize the following prayers and precepts: Nicene Creed, Prayer to the Holy Spirit, Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Spiritual Works of Mercy, Corporal Works of Mercy, Beatitudes, and Capital Sins

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

STRANDS: CHRISTIAN LIVING AND THE CHURCH

<u>Standard</u>	<u>Standard Description</u>
C.7.1	Recognize that Jesus founded the Catholic Church that reflects the unity of the Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, a mystery of divine love which exists as a sign of the Reign of Christ in our midst
C.7.2	Explain that the Pope is the sign and instrument of Christian unity and the visible head of the Catholic Church throughout the world
C.7.3	Explain that the Church is the universal sacrament of salvation

ANCHOR STANDARD 6: LIVING AS A CHRISTIAN IN SOCIETY (CS)

STRANDS: CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING, EVANGELIZATION AND DISCIPLESHIP, AND VOCATIONS

<u>Standard</u>	<u>Standard Description</u>
CS.7.1	Explain with examples how the principles of Catholic Social Teaching inform and critique personal and societal situations
CS.7.2	Recognize the inherent dignity of and respect for human life in all its stages, from conception until natural death
CS.7.3	Show an understanding that Christian discipleship requires following Jesus Christ as the way, the truth, and the life
CS.7.4	Explain that Catholics are called to work and pray for unity in the Church because Jesus prayed “that they all may be one”
CS.7.5	State that evangelization involves the good stewardship of our God-given gifts of time, talent and treasure which witness to the world
CS.7.6	Identify the practices of personal prayer & discernment & a generous response to God’s plan for our lives
CS.7.7	Describe service as action rooted in and flowing from prayer and give examples of how we can model Jesus’ life of service in our relationship with others in our lives
CS.7.8	Describe how both the vocations of Marriage and Holy Orders are important to the life of the Church as they are sacraments of the service of communion and mission

ANCHOR STANDARD 7 – THEOLOGY OF THE BODY (TOB)

<u>Standard</u>	<u>Standard Description</u>
TOB.7.1	Explain that original sin happened because man distrusted and disobeyed God
TOB.7.2	Explain “historical man” and the “redemption of the body”
TOB.7.3	Explain the difference between rightly ordered desire, given by God and disordered desire
TOB.7.4	State that self-mastery is needed for a person to make a gift of himself to the other
TOB.7.5	State that “life according to the Spirit” and following the law of God leads to true freedom and happiness
TOB.7.6	Explain the “spousal meaning of the body” and why the male/female difference is fruitful and good

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](#)