

Religious Education Curriculum Evaluation

Directions: Check each statement that applies to each program being evaluated

The Program				
The Scope and Sequence teaches the truths of the Catholic faith across the grade levels.				
The program has been found to be in conformity with <i>Catechism of the Catholic Church</i> .				
The four pillars of the Catholic Church (Creed, Sacraments, Morality, and Prayer) are presented at each grade level.				
Sacred Scripture is an integral element of the program.				
Lessons for teaching and celebrating the Liturgical Year are provided at every grade level.				
Catholic Social Teachings are presented throughout the program.				
Doctrinal content is summarized in every chapter.				
The program has an integrated web site with resources for catechists/teachers, students, and parents.				
Separate Guides are provided for parish and Catholic School catechists/religion teachers.				
Provides both English and Bilingual resources				
The program promotes respect for and awareness of different races, cultures, and genders through lesson content, photographs, and contemporary and classic religious art.				
Student Book				
The catechetical process in the student book is easy to follow.				
Doctrine and Scripture are presented in every chapter.				
Evangelizes students by inviting them to develop a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and to transform their lives and hearts to life in Christ.				
Helps students grow in their understanding of the Catholic faith each year.				
Reinforces and deepens important doctrinal concepts at every grade level.				
Every chapter begins by assessing the students' prior knowledge of the chapter theme and/or enables students to identify their experiences in living the Catholic faith.				
Faith literacy is developed through the presentation and				

explanation of Catholic vocabulary.				
Text content and activities are age-appropriate.				
Doctrinal content is summarized in every chapter.				
Catholic identity is developed through the study of the saints, Catholic culture and practices, Church ministries and vocations, and Church history in every text.				
Opportunities are provided in every chapter for students to apply learning to their daily lives.				
Incorporates chapter prayer experiences into the student text.				
Integrates chapter reviews and other assessment tools to reinforce learning.				
Includes a take-home family page that supports the theme of the lesson.				
Catechist/Teacher Guides				
Guide Chapters present a consistent and easy-to-use catechetical process.				
A Scope and Sequence chart for the year is provided in the guide.				
Provides background information and ongoing formation for the catechist/teacher teaching in every chapter opener.				
Clearly states the focus and/or chapter goal				
Includes a step-by-step chapter planning overview, materials needed to teach, and options/alternatives				
Provides reduced full-color student chapter pages in the guide lesson plan.				
Incorporates strategies for engaging the students in prayer				
Special boxes are integrated throughout the lesson plan to provide such background information as: teaching tips, strategies for working with Scripture, Liturgy, Special Needs students, and additional chapter enrichment				
Catechist/teacher chapter evaluation opportunities are included in every chapter				
The Guide includes a section to help catechists/teachers to learn about and deepen their commitment to the catechetical ministry and to become more confident and capable as they share faith with students.				
Supplemental Resources				
Reproducible Activity Masters are offered for every chapter.				
Chapter and Unit tests are provided to assess student knowledge and comprehension.				
Grade-level DVDs/videos support and enrich the content of the student texts.				
Music Resources or a music correlation is provided.				
A Program Director's Manual is available to assist with				

planning, implementing, and evaluating the catechetical program.				
The program offers strong Web support for catechists/teachers, students, and families.				