

Grade 4, Chapter 10 – The Catholic Church

Bible story connections:

- Matthew 18:15-18
- Matthew 28:16-20

Social Justice tie-in:

- Solidarity – learn about the plight of Christians somewhere else in the world and support them with your prayers. If you find a way to materially support them as well, that is wonderful.

Discussion Questions:

- Why is it so important to share our faith with others?
- Why is Apostolic Succession so important?

Memory Work (Baltimore Catechism):

136. What is the Church?

The Church is the congregation of all baptized persons united in the same true faith, the same sacrifice, and the same sacraments, under the authority of the Sovereign Pontiff and the bishops in communion with him.

145. To whom did Christ give the power to teach, to sanctify, and to rule the members of His Church?

Christ gave the power to teach, to sanctify, and to rule the members of His Church to the apostles, the first bishops of the Church.

146. Did Christ intend that this power should be exercised by the apostles alone?

No, Christ intended that this power should be exercised also by their successors, the bishops of the Church.

Catholic Brain Connections:

Printables

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Videos

[Adventure Catechism – What is the Catholic Church?](#)

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Review:

Vocabulary

- Marks of the Church – Four characteristics of Christ's Church: one, holy, catholic, apostolic
- Apostolic Succession – The unbroken line of authority handed on from the apostles through the bishops

1) What are the four Marks of the Church?

One, holy, catholic, apostolic

2) What does the word "catholic" mean?

Universal

3) Who founded the Catholic Church?

Jesus

Discussion Question:

Why are the four Marks of the Church important?

Activity:

As a family, learn about some ministry at your parish. Consider getting involved in that ministry, or at least attending one of their events.

God thinks You are worth Dying for!