

# CURRICULUM

## GRADES K-6 CALL TO FAITH

Call to Faith is a comprehensive religious program:

- it is the springboard for lifelong catechesis
- it presents the content of Catholic faith drawn from Scripture and Tradition in age-appropriate ways
- it engages children in the many ways we pray as Catholics
- it encourages children to share their faith, connect their faith, and live their faith

Each grade level contains seven essential content areas:

- Revelation
- Trinity
- Jesus Christ
- The Church
- Morality
- Sacraments
- The Kingdom of God

Call to Faith helps students deepen their faith through compelling stories and Scripture, activities, prayers, and seasonal celebrations.

Family Faith pages help families participate in their children's faith formation.

Call to Faith draws on the following sources of Catholic wisdom and experience:

**Scripture** The treasure of God's word is highlighted and integrated into the program instruction, reflection, sharing, and prayer.

**Doctrine** Each lesson of *Call to Faith* draws on Church doctrine in ways that help students, catechists, and families appreciate the Church's teachings as they apply to life today.

**Lives of Saints and People of Faith** *Call to Faith* takes the importance of models and witnesses of faith as a factor in the faith development of both children and adults.

**Church Feasts and Seasonally** Complete seasonal lessons and celebrations introduce children to the feasts and seasons of the Church year. Music, prayer, and ritual actions draw children to participate in the liturgical life of the Church.

**Cultural Customs and Celebrations** *Call to Faith* is unique in that it involves the customs, devotions, and culture of many local communities. This component assists parishes in making the curriculum their own.

**Catholic Social Teachings** *Call to Faith* provides a curriculum for Catholic Social Teaching: "Faith in Action," a comprehensive, age-appropriate lesson at the end of each unit that correlates to the text and critical Catholic Social Teaching themes. It is the first of its kind in an elementary religious series.