

WORD OF LIFE GRADE 5 PARISH SCOPE AND SEQUENCE

Liturgy and Worship

Unit 1	God Works and in Justice We Respond
Chapter 1	God Creates, Orders, and Adorns
Proclamation	God alone is worthy of worship.
Focus 1	In the beginning, God created, ordered, and adorned (see Genesis 1:1–27, 31; 2:2–3).
Focus 2	God created us to share in His life and in His work.
Focus 3	Humans are given supernatural virtue for a supernatural end.
Focus 4	Worship is the work we offer in response to God for His goodness.
Chapter 2	Our Response of Love to God Is Just
Proclamation	With great piety and obedience, we are disposed to give to God and others what is due to them.
Focus 1	Jesus' life fulfilled God's work in the Old Testament (see Matthew 5:17–18).
Focus 2	Jesus challenges us to live with justice (see Mark 12:14–17).
Focus 3	We are called to be pious and obedient to God.
Focus 4	We are called to be pious and obedient to our country and families.
Unit 2	God Became Man so that Man Might Become like God
Chapter 3	Mary Lived with Justice and Obedience
Proclamation	Mary perfectly participated in God's work of salvation.
Focus 1	Mary responded to God's goodness with justice and obedience. She became the Mother of God (see Luke 1:26–38).
Focus 2	By participating in God's work with justice and obedience, Mary became the New Eve.
Focus 3	Mary is our model in holiness and virtue.
Focus 4	We imitate Mary by preparing for Christ in Advent.
Chapter 4	The Word of God Made Present among Us
Proclamation	God is present to His people.
Focus 1	Mary visited Elizabeth while carrying Jesus, the Son of God, in her womb (see Luke 1:39–45).
Focus 2	In the Old Testament, the Ark of the Covenant was the dwelling place of God's presence on earth (see Exodus 25:10–22).
Focus 3	Mary is the New Ark of the Covenant.
Focus 4	The Word of God "tabernacled" among us (see John 1:1–3, 14).
Chapter 5	God Entered Time and History
Proclamation	God entered time and space to make us holy like Him.
Focus 1	God entered time and history at the Nativity of Jesus (see Luke 2:1–20).
Focus 2	Jesus is Emmanuel, God with us.
Focus 3	God entered time and history and sanctified certain signs.
Focus 4	God sanctifies us with grace through our worship of Him in liturgy and the sacraments.

Chapter 6	The Holy Family
Proclamation	The Holy Family models justice and its related virtues.
Focus 1	Mary and Joseph lived with justice by obeying religious customs and presenting Jesus in the Temple (see Luke 2:22–39).
Focus 2	The Holy Family models holiness and virtue for all families.
Focus 3	The boy Jesus was found teaching in the Temple (see Luke 2:41–51).
Focus 4	We learn to worship God in prayer by our Blessed Mother’s example.
Unit 3	Christ’s Victory through Water and the Spirit
Chapter 7	God Prepared Water for the Grace of Baptism
Proclamation	God used water to bring life to His creation.
Focus 1	God created and ordered water to bring life to His creation (see Genesis 1:2; 2:9–15).
Focus 2	God used water to cleanse His creation, save His people from their enemies, and bring new life (see Genesis 6:14–21; 7:7; Exodus 14:21–23, 26–28).
Focus 3	God saved His people with miraculous water at Marah (see Exodus 15:22–27).
Focus 4	God led the people of Israel across the Jordan River (see Joshua 1:1–3; 3:2–4, 7, 14–17).
Chapter 8	Christ Sanctified the Waters of Baptism
Proclamation	Through His baptism, Jesus sanctified the waters of Baptism for us.
Focus 1	Jesus has made a way for us through water and the Spirit (see Matthew 3:11, 13–17).
Focus 2	Jesus sanctified the waters of Baptism.
Focus 3	The words in the liturgical Rite of Baptism reveal God’s work in us through the sacrament.
Focus 4	In Baptism, we are anointed to share in Jesus’ work and mission.
Chapter 9	Following His Baptism, Jesus Conquered His Enemies
Proclamation	Through Baptism, we share in Jesus’ victory over temptation, sin, and death.
Focus 1	Following His baptism, Jesus was tempted in the wilderness by Satan (see Matthew 4:1–11).
Focus 2	Jesus conquered temptation and sin.
Focus 3	Jesus modeled truthfulness in the face of temptation and admonished Satan for not living with justice.
Focus 4	During Lent, we participate in Jesus’ work to defeat Satan by living with justice.
Chapter 10	God Makes Us New Creations in Christ through Baptism
Proclamation	Baptism makes us new creations in Christ.
Focus 1	Jesus revealed that Baptism is necessary for salvation (see John 3:1–7).
Focus 2	Baptism makes us new creations through sanctifying grace and supernatural virtue.
Focus 3	When we become new creations through Baptism, we receive the light of Christ and an indelible mark on our souls.
Focus 4	Baptism is always necessary for salvation.
Chapter 11	God Gives Us Power and Strength in the Spirit
Proclamation	We receive power and strength through the Holy Spirit.
Focus 1	Jesus is the Messiah, who pours out His Holy Spirit (see Luke 4:16–22, 24).
Focus 2	The graces of our Baptism are increased and deepened.
Focus 3	God strengthens and gives power through the signs and words of Confirmation.
Focus 4	The Holy Spirit strengthens the Church through the Apostles and their successors (see Acts 8:14–17).

Unit 4	Jesus Fulfills God's Work
Chapter 12	Jesus Elevated the Dignity of Marriage
Proclamation	In Jesus, the love of man and woman can become a source of grace.
Focus 1	Jesus performed His first miracle at a wedding (see John 2:1–13).
Focus 2	Jesus elevated the dignity of marriage to a sacrament.
Focus 3	The love of man and woman in Matrimony mirrors the love of Jesus and the Church (see Ephesians 5).
Focus 4	Jesus teaches us about true and perfect friendship.
Chapter 13	Jesus Cleansed the Temple
Proclamation	Jesus fulfilled and perfected our worship of God.
Focus 1	Jesus cleansed the Temple during Israel's greatest feast: Passover (see John 2:13–22).
Focus 2	The Temple in Jerusalem was a physical sign of God's covenant with King David (see 2 Samuel 7:2, 12–14).
Focus 3	In the Temple, God prepared His people to worship Him with grace and virtue.
Focus 4	Jesus is the new Temple, meaning that through Him, we can worship God in justice and in charity.
Chapter 14	Jesus Is the Bread of Life
Proclamation	God uses bread to feed and show His people He is present to them.
Focus 1	Jesus is the Bread of Life to be consumed (see John 6:29–33, 47–55).
Focus 2	Bread was set up in the Temple as a sign of God's faithfulness and work (see Exodus 25:23–30; Leviticus 24:5–9).
Focus 3	Jesus promised He will abide in those who eat His Flesh and drink His Blood (see John 6:55).
Focus 4	Peter responded with faith (see John 6:66–71).
Chapter 15	God Works through Priests to Reconcile Us with God and Others
Proclamation	Jesus reconciles us with the Father and with one another.
Focus 1	Jesus healed ten lepers (see Luke 17:11–19).
Focus 2	Priests participate in God's work of reconciling sinners with the community.
Focus 3	Because of Jesus, we can be reconciled with God and the Church in the Sacrament of Reconciliation (see Luke 17:11–19).
Focus 4	We should respond with gratitude for God's great mercy.
Chapter 16	Jesus Comforts and Strengthens Those Who Are Suffering
Proclamation	Through the sacraments, God is close to us when we suffer from illness.
Focus 1	Jesus sent the Twelve Apostles on a mission to heal and strengthen those who suffered from illness (see Mark 6:7–13).
Focus 2	The Apostles continued Christ's work through the authority He gave them (see James 5:14–16).
Focus 3	The Church is close to those near death through the celebration of Last Rites.
Focus 4	We experience illness because of Original Sin and our fallen nature.
Unit 5	Our Life of Grace Flows from the Paschal Mystery
Chapter 17	Jesus Prepared His Disciples to Continue God's Work on Earth
Proclamation	Because of Holy Orders, God is present to His people through our bishops, priests, and deacons.
Focus 1	During the Last Supper, Jesus washed His Apostles' feet to give them an example to follow (see John 13:1–15).
Focus 2	Followers of Christ are called to lay down their lives in service (see John 15:12–17).
Focus 3	The Sacrament of Holy Orders empowers a man to a life of complete service to God, the Church, and the world.
Focus 4	The liturgical actions of the Rite of Ordination reveal the sacred duties the ordained men will fulfill.

Chapter 18	Jesus Established a Memorial of His Paschal Mystery
Proclamation	Jesus is with us in the memorial of His Last Supper.
Focus 1	The priest and king Melchizedek offered a sacrifice of bread and wine (see Genesis 14:17–20).
Focus 2	God worked through the Passover sacrifice and meal to save His people from their enemies (see Exodus 12:1–14).
Focus 3	Jesus instituted the Mass as the fulfillment of the Passover memorial meal (see Luke 22:7–20).
Focus 4	At the Last Supper, Jesus made His Apostles priests to offer sacrifice and thanksgiving.
Chapter 19	Jesus' Death on the Cross Fulfilled God's Plan of Salvation
Proclamation	Jesus accomplished God's work for our salvation on the Cross.
Focus 1	Jesus is the Paschal Lamb provided to us by God (see John 19:17–22, 25–31).
Focus 2	The Church was born from the side of Christ on the Cross.
Focus 3	Grace and the sacraments flowed from the New Temple on the Cross.
Focus 4	We look to Mary, our Mother, to see how we can participate in God's work of saving us.
Chapter 20	The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass Makes Present to Us Jesus' Paschal Mystery
Proclamation	At Mass, we participate in God's work to sanctify us.
Focus 1	At the moment of Christ's Death, the veil in the Temple was torn in two (see Matthew 27:51).
Focus 2	The early Church obeyed Christ's command to "do this in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19).
Focus 3	The liturgical actions and gestures of the Mass connect us with our history as God's people in the Catholic Church.
Focus 4	The various liturgical rites of the Church express its universal nature.
Chapter 21	We Receive New Life from Jesus' Resurrection and Ascension
Proclamation	Christ has conquered death and invites us to share in His victory.
Focus 1	Like Mary Magdalene, the Church awaits the Savior's Resurrection in the most solemn liturgy of the liturgical year (see John 20:1–10).
Focus 2	During the Easter Vigil, the Church welcomes new members to the Body of Christ.
Focus 3	We are sent to evangelize others with the joy of the Resurrection (see John 20:11–18).
Focus 4	Before ascending into Heaven, Jesus promised that He would be with us always.
Chapter 22	The Church Is the Universal Sacrament of Salvation
Proclamation	The Church participates in God's work to sanctify the world and those who dwell in it.
Focus 1	The Church is the Mystical Body of Christ in the world (see 1 Corinthians 12:12–16, 27).
Focus 2	The Church's first purpose is to be the sacrament of the inner union of men with God.
Focus 3	The Church is also the sacrament of the unity of the human race.
Focus 4	As members of the Mystical Body of Christ, we can merit grace for one another.