

Church History

UNIT ONE: Apostolic Age to A.D. 1500

UNIT TWO: A Call to Renewal: A.D. 1500 to Present

CHAPTER 1—MAKE DISCIPLES OF ALL NATIONS: A SCRIPTURE STORY

Faith Concepts: Jesus inaugurated the Church; Jesus crucified; the Resurrection of Jesus; the Great Commission; faith and witness in Church history

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 28:2–10, 16–20; Luke 1:68–79

Faith Vocabulary: Church, Apostles, Resurrection, Great Commission, Paschal Mystery, Pentecost

Did you know . . . : God prepared for the Church in the Old Testament

Our Church Makes a Difference: The “catholic” Church

Faith-life Skills: How to Follow God’s Ways

Prayer: The Canticle of Zechariah

Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC): 74–75, 638–640, 761–768, 777

CHAPTER 2—THE CHURCH GROWS: A.D. 50–A.D. 400

Faith Concepts: The first disciples; Paul’s mission to the Gentiles; the Council of Jerusalem; proclaiming the Gospel; defenders of the faith; early Christian worship

Sacred Scripture: Acts of the Apostles 6, 7, 8:1–3, 9:1–25, 15: 1–21; 2 Timothy 1:12–14

Faith Vocabulary: Gentiles, Council of Jerusalem, presbyters, Deposit of Faith, heresies, apologists, apostolic succession

Did you know . . . : The Apostles’ Creed

Our Church Makes a Difference: Religious Communities

Faith-life Skills: What Is Community?

Prayer: Prayer for the Church

CCC: 80, 84, 97, 1096, 1229

CHAPTER 3—“BLESSED ARE THE PERSECUTED”

Faith Concepts: Persecutions; the culture of paganism; martyrs; Saint Ignatius of Antioch; Saints Agatha, Lucy and Agnes; Emperor Constantine

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 28:20

Faith Vocabulary: Paganism, martyrs, polytheism

Did you know . . . : Time Line

Our Church Makes a Difference: Martyrs in El Salvador

Faith-life Skills: Change Brings Stress

Prayer: The Beatitudes

CCC: 464–465

CHAPTER 4—JESUS COMMISSIONS PETER: A SCRIPTURE STORY

Faith Concepts: Call narratives; New Testament call stories; Jesus calls Peter; the Petrine Ministry

Sacred Scripture: John 21:15–19

Faith Vocabulary: Call narratives, Petrine ministry

Did you know . . . : Miraculous catches of fish

Our Church Makes a Difference: Teachings of Pope John Paul II

Faith-life Skills: The Corporal Works of Mercy

Prayer: Prayer for the Christ in Others

CCC: 880–882

CHAPTER 5—THE RISE OF CHRISTENDOM

Faith Concepts: Christendom; the Fathers of the Church; Saint Ambrose and Saint Augustine of Hippo; the papacy; Pope Saint Sylvester I and Pope Saint Leo the Great; the spread of monasticism

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 16:18

Faith Vocabulary: Christendom, Fathers of the Church, papacy, monasticism, Edict of Milan

Did you know . . . : The monastery of Monte Cassino

Our Church Makes a Difference: Saints Monica, Benedict and Scholastica

Faith-life Skills: Who Can Be a Leader?

Prayer: Praise to the God of All Nations

CCC: 925–927

CHAPTER 6—MYSTICS, MENDICANTS, AND SCHOLASTICS

Faith Concepts: Monasticism during the Dark Ages; Saint Columba and Saint Bernard of Clairvaux; Saint Hildegard of Bingen; Pope Innocent III; the Scholastics; the Mendicants; Saint Francis of Assisi and Saint Dominic

Sacred Scripture: Isaiah 62:11–12

Faith Vocabulary: Dark Ages, mystics, Scholastics, Mendicants, East-West Schism

Did you know . . . : Pope Innocent III and Francis of Assisi; the Great Western Schism

Our Church Makes a Difference: Church and Media

Faith-life Skills: Herald and Servant

Prayer: A Prayer for Heralds of the Gospel

CCC: 2684, 2693

CHAPTER 7—THE HOLY SPIRIT: A SCRIPTURE STORY

Faith Concepts: The role of the Holy Spirit; Mary; Jesus and the Holy Spirit; the promise of the Holy Spirit; Pentecost; The Holy Spirit in Church history

Sacred Scripture: Luke 1:32; John 7:38; Luke 11:13; Matthew 10:19–20; John 14:15–16, 26; Acts of the Apostles 1:4–5, 7–8, 2:1–8

Faith Vocabulary: Holy Spirit, Incarnation, Advocate, Ascension

Did you know . . . : The Holy Trinity

Our Church Makes a Difference: Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Faith-life Skills: The Fruits of the Holy Spirit

Prayer: To the Holy Spirit, Our Advocate

CCC: 685–686, 689, 721–723, 727–729, 731, 737–741, 858

CHAPTER 8—REFORMATION AND RENEWAL

Faith Concepts: Schisms East and West; The Protestant Reformation; Martin Luther; the Catholic Counter-Reformation; Councils of Trent and Vatican I; Saint Charles Borromeo

Sacred Scripture: John 17:21

Faith Vocabulary: Protestant Reformation, Catholic Reformation, Council of Trent, Vatican Council I

Did you know . . . : Decree of Union and the “Uniates”; the Society of Jesus; Time Line

Our Church Makes a Difference: The Eastern Rite Catholic Churches

Faith-life Skills: Dealing with Conflict

Prayer: Prayer for a Pilgrim Church

CCC: 817–819, 855

CHAPTER 9—EXPLORATION AND EVANGELIZATION

Faith Concepts: Missions in an age of exploration and discovery; Saint Francis Xavier; Saint Rose of Lima and Saint Martin de Porres; Saint Juan Diego; African missions

Sacred Scripture: Matthew 28:19

Faith Vocabulary: Canonize, evangelization, patron saint

Did you know . . . : Saint Thérèse of Lisieux; canonization of Juan Diego

Our Church Makes a Difference: The missionary travels of Pope Paul VI and Pope John Paul II

Faith-life Skills: People with a Mission

Prayer: A Prayer for Missionaries

CCC: 828, 849, 854, 905, 957

CHAPTER 10—THE MISSIONARY CHURCH: A SCRIPTURE STORY

Faith Concepts: Divine missions and the prophets; the Book of Jonah; God’s persistence; God’s Mercy and justice; the missionary, tolerant and repentant Church

Sacred Scripture: The Book of Jonah

Faith Vocabulary: Salvation History, mission, prophet, exile, parable

Did you know . . . : The city of Nineveh

Our Church Makes a Difference: Jesuit Volunteer Corps

Faith-life Skills: How to Be a Missionary

Prayer: The Prayer of Jonah

CCC: 849–856, 863, 913

CHAPTER 11—THE CHURCH IN THE NEW WORLD

Faith Concepts: Cultural heritage of the Church in the United States; Blessed Junipero Serra; Isaac Jogues; the English colonies; Church growth between 1815 and 1965; Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton and Saint John Neumann; the United States Catholic Church in the era of Vatican II

Sacred Scripture: Acts of the Apostles 1:8

Faith Vocabulary: plenary councils, Third Plenary Council of Baltimore

Did you know . . . : Father John Carroll; the legacy of Elizabeth Ann Seton

Our Church Makes a Difference: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Faith-life Skills: Living with Courage

Prayer: A Prayer of Praise and Petition

CCC: 2419–2422

CHAPTER 12—THE SECOND VATICAN COUNCIL . . . AND BEYOND

Faith Concepts: The Church between Vatican Councils I and II; the Church as Sacrament; the Second Vatican Council; the documents of the Second Vatican Council; the movement for Christian unity; the Catechism of the Catholic Church

Sacred Scripture: Ephesians 1:10, Revelation 7:9

Faith Vocabulary: Charisms, aggiornamento, ecumenism, *Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Did you know . . . : Aggiornamento; Pope John XXIII and the “prophets of doom”

Our Church Makes a Difference: Catholic Social Teachings

Faith-life Skills: Virtues

Prayer: A New Pentecost

CCC: 10–11, 74, 107, 109–114, 737–738, 748, 771, 775–776, 897–901