

STANDARDS CHECKLIST

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SUBJECT: RELIGION

ARCHDIOCESAN GOAL #1: CREED UNDERSTAND, BELIEVE AND PROCLAIM THE TRIUNE GOD AS REVEALED IN THE SIGNS OF CREATION, SACRED SCRIPTURE, CATHOLIC TRADITION AND HUMAN EXPERIENCE.		A/ S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M/ J
8.01.01	Show understanding that the mystery of the Holy Trinity is central to the mystery of the Christian faith and of Christian life.									
8.01.02	Show understanding of God as <u>transcendent</u> .									
8.01.03	Articulate understanding that god is <u>holy</u> and completely deserving of our love and <u>worship</u> .									
8.01.04	Describe how we are attracted to the grandeur and beauty of God as we see this in creation.									
8.01.05	State how the desire for God is written in the human heart because we are created by God and for God.									
8.01.06	Show understanding that there is no contradiction between faith and reason.									
8.01.07	Show how faith helps me to face the hardships of suffering, disappointment and tragedy.									
8.01.08	State that God created us in a state of original holiness and justice.									
8.01.09	State the meaning of <u>original sin</u> .									
8.01.10	Recognize that God's permitting evil is a mystery that God helps us to understand through his Son Jesus Christ.									

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8.01.11	State the <u>Incarnation</u> is the mystery of the union of the divine and human natures in Jesus Christ.									
8.01.12	Show understanding that the whole of Jesus’ life, death and resurrection is the fulfillment of revelation.									
8.01.13	State belief that Jesus died for our sins opening the possibility of eternal union with God.									
8.01.14	State belief that Jesus’ death saves all people even though they do not know Christ.									
8.01.15	Recognize that God gives us only one life, unique and unrepeatable, that when we die in God’s friendship we live forever in union with God in heaven.									
8.01.16	Recognize that Mary collaborate with the whole redemptive work of her Son.									
8.01.17	Describe how we pray and work for the coming of the Kingdom, but its fullness only comes at the end of time.									

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8.02.01	Recognize that the benefits of the sacramental life are personal and <u>ecclesial</u>.									
8.02.02	State the conditions for Baptism being necessary for <u>salvation</u>.									
8.02.03	State the conditions for being saved without Baptism.									
8.02.04	Recognize Confirmation as a sacrament of initiation carrying an <u>indelible character</u> sealing the confirmands with the Gift of the Holy Spirit.									
8.02.05	Show understanding that every baptized person can and should receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.									
8.02.06	State the requirements for validly receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.									
8.02.07	State the essential elements of the Sacrament of Confirmation.									
8.02.08	State the <u>gifts of the Holy Spirit</u> and their meaning in the Christian life.									
8.02.09	Choose a baptized Catholic to be your sponsor for Confirmation.									

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8.02.10	Select the name of a saint or holy person as the Confirmation name.									
8.02.11	Show understanding that the Sacrament of Confirmation strengthens our bond with the Church and her mission.									
8.02.12	Recognize the bishop as the ordinary minister of the Sacrament of Confirmation.									
8.02.13	Complete the immediate preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.									
8.02.14	Be familiar with the order of the Rite of Confirmation.									
8.02.15	Show understanding of the importance of the presentation of the candidates.									
8.02.16	State significance of the <u>laying on of hands</u> in relationship to the Sacrament of Confirmation and to scripture.									
8.02.17	Describe the meaning of the anointing with <u>chrism</u> in the Sacrament of Confirmation.									
8.02.18	State that the Sacrament of Penance/ Reconciliation provides a means to ongoing <u>conversion</u> and renewal in the Christian life.									
8.02.19	State the meaning of <u>transubstantiation</u> in the Holy Eucharist.									

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8.02.20	State that the essential elements of the Mass make up one complete act of worship.									
8.02.21	Show understanding that the entire assembly make up the Body of Christ.									
8.02.22	State that sacramental marriage consists of a man and woman freely pronouncing vows agreeing to share their lives in fruitful love.									
8.02.23	Show understanding that Christian marriage is a sign of Christ’s love for the Church.									
8.02.24	Show understanding of the effects of Christian marriage.									
8.02.25	State understanding of the permanence of sacramental marriage.									
8.02.26	State that in the Sacrament of Holy Orders the bishop ordains priests and deacons as co-workers with him in serving the people of God.									
8.02.27	Stat that the bishop blesses the oils used for the sacraments including <u>chrism</u> for the Sacrament of Confirmation.									
8.02.28	Show understanding that because Christ is at work in the sacraments, they are effective independent of the disposition or holiness of the priest.									
8.02.29	State the sacraments in service of communion and mission.									

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ARCHDIOCESAN GOAL # 3 CHRISTIAN LIVING UNDERSTAND AND LIVE THE MORAL TEACHINGS OF THE CHURCH THROUGH A LIFE OF DISCIPLESHIP IN JESUS CHRIST EXPRESSED IN LOVE FOR GOD, CONVERSION, SELF-IMAGE, PERSONAL INTEGRITY, SOCIAL JUSTICE, THE DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON AND LOVE OF NEIGHBOR.		A/ S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M /J
8.03.12	Show understanding that <u>legitimate defense</u> is a grave duty for whoever is responsible for the lives of others or the common good.									
8.03.13	Recognize that the legitimate use of the death penalty is practically non-existent.									
8.03.14	Describe the relationship between having the right to private property and the common good.									
8.03.15	State the Church's teaching that human life begins with <u>conception</u> and ends with <u>natural death</u> .									
8.03.16	State the conditions for <u>abortion</u> being a grave sin.									
8.03.17	Recognize that the Church has a right and duty to teach <u>moral truth</u> .									
8.03.18	State meaning of <u>justification</u> as a gift from God and not merited by human endeavor.									
8.03.19	State that God's <u>sanctifying grace</u> helps us to seek <u>holiness</u> by our free response to doing God's will in living the Christian life.									
8.03.20	Recognize that the Holy Spirit guides Christians to set their hearts on the Kingdom of God rather than on material riches.									
8.03.21	Show understanding that the Christian life requires preferential love for the poor.									
8.03.22	Identify the fruits of the Holy Spirit as signs of the Christian life.									

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ARCHDIOCESAN GOAL # 5 LITURGY UNDERSTAND AND CELEBRATE THE LITURGICAL RITES OF THE CHURCH IN THE CHURCH YEAR AND EPITOMIZED IN THE EUCHARIST, THE SOURCE AND SUMMIT OF CHRISTIAN LIFE.		A/ S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M /J
8.05.01	Show understanding that all participating in the liturgical rites have particular roles.									
8.05.02	Show understanding of all parts of the Mass and the role of the assembly.									
8.05.03	Show an understanding of the liturgical year.									
8.05.04	Show an understanding of the liturgical colors and their significance in the liturgical year.									
8.05.05	Recognize the different areas of the church and their significance.									
8.05.06	Identify the symbols used in the church.									
8.05.07	Identify the vessels and other common objects used in liturgical rites and their use.									
8.05.08	Identify the <u>vestments</u> used in liturgical celebrations and their use.									
8.05.09	Identify devotional and artistic symbols in the church.									
8.05.10	Show understanding of the roles of the priest and deacon in the Mass.									

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8.05.11	Show understanding that the Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life.									
8.05.12	Show understanding of public devotion in parish life especially Eucharistic adoration and <u>benediction</u> .									
8.05.13	Name the special signs of the bishop: the <u>miter</u> , <u>crozier</u> , <u>pectoral cross</u> and ring.									

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ARCHDIOCESAN GOAL # 6 CHRISTIAN PRAYER AND SPIRITUALITY UNDERSTAND AND EXPRESS THE DIFFERENT FORMS OF PRAYER CONSCIOUSLY RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE MEANING OF SELF-SURRENDER TO GOD.		A/ S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M /J
8.06.01	Exhibit facility in praying to the Holy Spirit as a sign of awareness that the Holy Spirit is at work in me.									
8.06.02	Describe how the gifts of the Holy Spirit are essential to Christian spiritual life.									
8.06.03	Identify psalms used in the Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles.									
8.06.04	Show understanding that prayer is a way of life.									
8.06.05	State that Christians pray the way Jesus prayed.									
8.06.06	Exhibit facility in finding psalms in the Bible and choosing appropriate psalms for group prayer.									
8.06.07	Describe <u>contemplation</u> as quiet prayer.									
8.06.08	Recognize the Liturgy of the Hours as a prayer form that Christians of all states in life may pray.									
8.06.09	Describe how prayer leads to peaceful attitude.									
8.06.10	State that the Church prays for both the living and the dead.									

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8.07.01	Show understanding that the Church is a living institution, both human and divine, gifted by the holy Spirit with a mission to the world.									
8.07.02	The Church has special <u>charisms</u> that she receives from the Holy Spirit to accomplish its work.									
8.07.03	Recognize that the members of the Church have contributed and have undermined the mission throughout her history.									
8.07.04	Show understanding that the Church is a sign to the world of its salvation in Christ.									
8.07.05	Identify that the Pope, as the visible head of the Church, is a world leader to whom people look for inspiration, guidance, and hope.									
8.07.06	Describe the origin of the Church at the time of <u>Pentecost</u> .									
8.07.07	Recognize that the Church’s gifts and growth are evident through all periods of history in the last 2000 years.									
8.07.08	Identify the early period of the Church from 30 CE to 313 CE including the Apostolic Age, the role of deacons and deaconesses, Roman persecutions, move from Jewish to Gentile membership, the contributions of the early fathers, and the importance of <u>councils</u> .									
8.07.09	Identify main events of the Church’s Age of Expansion from 313-700 CE beginning with the <u>Edict of Toleration</u> , the organization of the Church after the persecutions, the decisions of the <u>ecumenical councils</u> , the expansion of the Church across Europe through missionary activity, and the growth of <u>monasticism</u> .									
8.07.10	State other world events during the Age of Expansion and the <u>evangelization</u> of Europe.									

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8.07.11	Identify the major events during the Age of Medieval Europe from 700 to 1500 CE, the Romanization of the papacy and its effects, the contribution of Charlemagne Emperor of the Roman Empire to the peace of <u>Europe</u> , the <u>Crusades</u> , the <u>claiming of land for religion</u> , the <u>Black Death</u> , the architecture and art of Medieval Europe and their influence on the building of cathedrals, the role of the <u>Inquisition</u> , the <u>Great Schism</u> resulting in the split between Eastern and Western Christianity, the rise of the <u>mendicant</u> religious orders as a way to reform the Church.									
8.07.12	State the <u>Eastern Rites</u> as rites of the Catholic Church faithful to the Pope.									
8.07.13	State the challenges to the Church in the later Medieval Period, the move of the papacy to France, the <u>Renaissance</u> and <u>Christian humanism</u> .									
8.07.14	Show understanding of the causes of the <u>Reformation</u> , the rise of <u>Protestantism</u> and the <u>Counter-Reformation</u> of the Catholic Church to begin the inner work of reform begun in the <u>Council of Trent</u> in the Age of Reform from 1517 to 1891 CE.									
8.07.15	Show understanding of the growth of missionary orders in the Church, the establishment of dioceses in the New World, the rise of anti-Catholicism, the rise of Deism, and the <u>Age of Enlightenment</u> , the growth of <u>apostolic religious life</u> , the popes in the Modern Age.									
8.07.16	Describe the Age of the <u>Modern Church</u> beginning in 1890 as a sign of hope for society undergoing vast change through the rise and fall of totalitarian governments.									

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8.07.17	Recount the <u>Vatican II Council</u> as the ecumenical council leading the Catholic Church into a place of spiritual leadership in modern society, addressing particularly the work of <u>ecumenism</u> and <u>religious dialogue</u> , the role of bishops in <u>subsidiarity</u> , and the current challenges of the Church in the era of global economics and quest for peace.									
8.0718	Show understanding of the leadership role of Pope John Paul II in the Church and the world through the call for a new evangelization.									
8.07.19	Show understanding that the Catholic Church from early times until the present responds to the Holy Spirit through reform and inner <u>conversion</u> .									
8.07.20	State the understanding of the Church as the <u>Body of Christ</u> , the <u>Pilgrim Church</u> and the <u>Church as Sacrament</u> as images of the Church expressed in the <u>encyclicals</u> and documents of modern popes an the Vatican II Council.									
8.07.21	Show understanding and commitment to the Church and its service to the poor.									

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ARCHDIOCESAN GOAL # 8 PARISH LIFE UNDERSTAND AND PARTICIPATE IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH AS LIVED IN THE PARISH THROUGH ITS COMMUNITY, CULTURAL ASPECTS, WORSHIP, SACRA- MENTAL LIFE, SERVICE, MISSIONARY ENDEAVORS AND ORGANIZATION.		A/ S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M /J
8.08.01	Recognize that my life as a confirmed Catholic is actively lived in the parish.									
8.08.02	Show understanding of <u>stewardship</u> as a spiritual commitment to taking responsibility for global environmental and human concerns.									
8.08.03	Describe stewardship in parish life as giving my time, talent, and treasure as a response of gratitude to the treasury of blessings God gives to me.									
8.08.04	Show understanding of the organizational structure of the parish.									
8.08.05	State the cultural, racial and ethnic <u>diversity</u> of the parish as gifts that enrich the entire community.									

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ARCHDIOCESAN GOAL # 9 VOCATION UNDERSTAND AND UNDERTAKE DISCIPLESHIP IN CHRIST RESPONDING IN FAITH BY PARTICIPATION IN THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH THROUGH LIVING A SPECIFIC CALL IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH.		A/ S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M /J
8.09.01	Recognize that every baptized Catholic has a specific call from the Holy Spirit to be lived in the life of the Church.									
8.09.02	State that every Catholic has a <u>vocation</u>.									
8.09.03	Recognize the Church’s understanding of vocation as a call from God to engage in the mission of the Church.									
8.09.04	Know the different calls in the Church as vocation.									
8.09.05	State that catechists respond to a specific call of the Church to witness and teach the Gospel.									

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ARCHDIOCESAN GOAL # 10 ECUMENISM AND DIALOGUE UNDERSTAND AND PARTICIPATE IN THE CALL OF THE CHURCH TO BE A SIGN OF UNITY IN THE WORLD THROUGH KNOWLEDGE OF AND COLLABORATION WITH CHRISTIAN CHURCHES, JEWS, MUSLIMS AND ALL FAITH TRADITIONS.		A/ S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M /J
8.10.01	Show that <u>ecumenism</u> and <u>dialogue</u> are evangelizing works of the Church in the task of creating unity and peace in the world.									
8.10.02	Recognize the growth of <u>Islam</u> as a world religion, its contributions to culture and world peace.									
8.10.03	Describe the Five Pillars of Islam.									
8.10.04	State the religious holy days of <u>Eid al-Fitr</u>, at the end of <u>Ramadan</u>, and <u>Eid al-Adha</u>.									
8.10.05	Identify the life of present day Judaism as organized around the <u>synagogue</u> and the <u>rabbi</u>.									
8.10.06	Describe how <u>anti-Semitism</u> began and how Catholics do not engage in any form of anti-Semitism today.									
8.10.07	Name Lutheran, Episcopal, Baptist, Methodist an Apostolic churches as some of the churches evolved from the time of the Reformation.									
8.10.08	Describe the <u>Orthodox</u> Church as the eastern church resulting from the Great Schism.									