



## Five-Day Implementation Model Parish Summer Intensive

The five-day summer intensive program takes place over five seven-hour days. Approximately 50 minutes is devoted to each chapter, leaving time for breaks. Chapters may be extended to fill the time available by using all the optional activities, especially activities such as field trips and projects that require additional time. Adapt the letters home to correspond with your program's time frame or omit the discussions of the letters home. Encourage children to respond to the call for a New Evangelization with the Gather and Go Forth pages at the end of each chapter.

### DAY 1 CHAPTERS 1-5

#### Getting Ready for the Day

Review the catechist preparation pages in the Catechist's Guide that introduce the background information and preparation steps for the chapters you'll be covering.

#### Words to Know

Christ  
Jesus

Creation  
Creator

Baptism  
Christian

Church

#### Begin by Praying Together

Pray an opening prayer. Emphasize the gestures as you pray the Sign of the Cross before and after the prayer.

#### Action Plan

Follow the detailed step-by-step directions in the Catechist's Guide to lead students through each chapter. Teach the Centering activities for the first chapter of the day only. Skip the Acting activities for all chapters unless otherwise directed.

- **Chapter 1** Pages 1–7. Emphasize the gestures and words of the Sign of the Cross. **BLM 1**
- **Chapter 2** Pages 11–17. **BLM 3**
- **Chapter 3** Pages 22–24.
- **Chapter 4** Pages 30–32. Explain that God is the all-holy one. Display and explain familiar holy objects. Have students take part in the drawing activity. **BLM 6**
- **Chapter 5** Pages 37–40. Describe water as a gift from God. **BLMs 8, 9**

#### Review and Assessment Options

See Day 2.

#### Conclude by Praying Together

Pray a closing prayer. Emphasize the gestures as you pray the Sign of the Cross before and after the prayer.

**DAY 2**  
**CHAPTERS 6–10**

**Getting Ready for the Day**

Review the catechist preparation pages that introduce the background information and preparation steps for the chapters you'll be covering.

**Words to Know**

Bible	grace	Savior	Joseph
prayer	heaven	angel	Mary

**Begin by Praying Together**

Pray an opening prayer. Emphasize the gestures as you pray the Sign of the Cross before and after the prayer.

**Action Plan**

Follow the detailed step-by-step directions in the Catechist's Guide to lead students through each chapter. Teach the Centering activities for the first chapter of the day only. Skip the Acting activities for all chapters unless otherwise directed.

- **Chapter 6** Pages 48–50. Choose role-play or drawing activity or allow students to choose which activity they wish to do. **BLM 11**
- **Chapter 7** Pages 55–61.
- **Chapter 8** Pages 65–67. Emphasize the meaning of the Our Father and praying it. **BLMs 14, 15**
- **Chapter 9** Pages 77–81.
- **Chapter 10** Pages 85–89. **BLMs 18, 19**

**Review and Assessment Options**

- **Unit 1 Review** Pages 69–70
- **Unit 1 Test** **BLM 16**

**Conclude by Praying Together**

Pray a closing prayer. Emphasize the gestures as you pray the Sign of the Cross before and after the prayer.

**DAY 3**  
**CHAPTERS 11–15**

**Getting Ready for the Day**

Review the catechist preparation pages that introduce the background information and preparation steps for the chapters you'll be covering.

**Words to Know**

Christmas

Mass

apostle

Holy Family

parish

**Begin by Praying Together**

Pray an opening prayer. Emphasize the gestures as you pray the Sign of the Cross before and after the prayer.

**Action Plan**

Follow the detailed step-by-step directions in the Catechist's Guide to lead students through each chapter. Teach the Centering activities for the first chapter of the day only. Skip the Acting activities for all chapters unless otherwise directed.

- **Chapter 11** Pages 93–97  
**OPTION** Christmas **BLM 46**
- **Chapter 12** Pages 101–105. **BLM 22**
- **Chapter 13** Pages 115–119. **BLM 24**
- **Chapter 14** Pages 124–127
- **Chapter 15** Pages 131, 133–135.

**Review and Assessment Options**

- **Unit 2 Review** Pages 106–108
- **Unit 2 Test** **BLMs 23A–B**

**Conclude by Praying Together**

Pray a closing prayer. Emphasize the gestures as you pray the Sign of the Cross before and after the prayer.

**DAY 4**  
**CHAPTERS 16–20**

**Getting Ready for the Day**

Review the catechist preparation pages that introduce the background information and preparation steps for the chapters you'll be covering.

**Words to Know**

Easter

Eucharist

Resurrection

**Begin by Praying Together**

Pray an opening prayer. Emphasize the gestures as you pray the Sign of the Cross before and after the prayer.

**Action Plan**

Follow the detailed step-by-step directions in the Catechist's Guide to lead students through each chapter. Teach the Centering activities for the first chapter of the day only. Skip the Acting activities for all chapters unless otherwise directed.

- **Chapter 16** Pages 139–143.
- **Chapter 17** Pages 147–150. Have children do the “Sorry” envelopes activity (T182).
- **Chapter 18** Pages 156–157.
- **Chapter 19** Pages 167–173 and T202–T203. Emphasize Palm Sunday, the Last Supper, Good Friday, and that Jesus gives himself to us in Holy Communion.  
**OPTION** Holy Week and Stations of the Cross, pages 241–242.
- **Chapter 20** Pages 178–181. **BLMs 32–34**  
**OPTION** The Easter Celebration (T221).

**Review and Assessment Options**

- **Unit 3 Review** Pages 158–160
- **Unit 3 Test** **BLMs 30A–B**

**Conclude by Praying Together**

Pray a closing prayer. Emphasize the gestures as you pray the Sign of the Cross before and after the prayer.

**DAY 5**  
**CHAPTERS 21–25**

**Getting Ready for the Day**

Review the catechist preparation pages that introduce the background information and preparation steps for the chapters you'll be covering.

**Words to Know**

Holy Spirit

Catholic

pope

Gospel

**Begin by Praying Together**

Pray an opening prayer. Emphasize the gestures as you pray the Sign of the Cross before and after the prayer.

**Action Plan**

Follow the detailed step-by-step directions in the Catechist's Guide to lead students through each chapter. Teach the Centering activities for the first chapter of the day only. Skip the Acting activities for all chapters unless otherwise directed.

- **Chapter 21** Pages 187–191.  
**OPTION** Pentecost, page 245. Use the corresponding pages in the Catechist's Guide and program components to teach the Centering and Acting sections or an activity from Enriching the Faith Experience on page T233.
- **Chapter 22** Pages 195–198. Lead the children to pray for the Church, page 200.
- **Chapter 23** Pages 203–207. Emphasize that Mary is the Mother of the Church. **BLM 38**
- **Chapter 24** Pages 211–215. Emphasize the role of the Holy Spirit and reverence for the Gospels.
- **Chapter 25** Pages 219–223. **BLMs 41, 42, 48**

**Review and Assessment Options**

- **Unit 4 Review** Pages 224–226
- **Unit 4 Test** **BLMs 43A–B or 44A–B**

**Conclude by Praying Together**

Pray a closing prayer. Emphasize the gestures as you pray the Sign of the Cross before and after the prayer.