



Ten-Day Implementation Model Parish Summer Intensive

The ten-day summer intensive program takes place over ten three-and-a-half 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. 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 1-3

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

Trinity	bishop	faith	priest
disciple	Confirmation	Original Sin	sacrament

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 children 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 1–6.
- **Chapter 2** Pages 11–14. Emphasize that Jesus showed the God's love by dying and rising to give us the promise of new life. **BLMs 2, 3**
OPTION Page 15. Read We Pray the Sign of the Cross.
- **Chapter 3** Pages 19–22. **BLM 5**

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 4–5

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

New Testament
Old Testament

saint
commandments

Lord’s Day
Ten Commandments

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 children 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 4** Pages 27–28, 31–32. Skip pages 29–30.
- **Chapter 5** Pages 37–40
OPTION Word banner activity on page 41

Review and Assessment Options

- **Unit 1 Review** Page 30
- **Unit 1 Test** BLM 17

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 6–7 (CHAPTER 8 AS REVIEW)

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

Great Commandment

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 children 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 45–49. Emphasize the Great Commandment. **BLM 11**
- **Chapter 7** Pages 53–55. **BLM 15**

Review and Assessment Options

- **Chapter 8** Pages 60–61 as Unit 2 Review
- **Unit 2 Test** **BLM 17**

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 9–10

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

reconciliation Sacrament of Reconciliation sin temptation

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 children 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.

- **Chapters 9 and 10** Pages 69–72, 78, and 80, in conjunction with T98 and **Reconciliation Booklet** pages 8–9. Skip page 79. Emphasize the importance of reconciliation in friendship with God and others. Hand out and help children familiarize themselves with the **Reconciliation Booklet; BLM 19.**
OPTION BLMs 21A–B

Review and Assessment Options

See Day 6.

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 11–12

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

confession penance

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 children 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 85–87. Emphasize an examination of conscience by exploration of **Reconciliation Booklet** pages 10–12 and T107, item 9.
- **Chapter 12** Pages 91–93. Work **Reconciliation Booklet** activity on page 15. Lead a discussion about Reconciliation and pray the “I Tell God I am Sorry” prayer, also in the **Reconciliation Booklet**.

Review and Assessment Options

See Day 6.

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 6

CHAPTERS 13 AND 15 (CHAPTER 14 AS REVIEW)

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

absolution contrition Holy Communion miracle

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 children 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. Adapt "A Letter Home" on page 112 to fit your program's time frame. Send the adapted letter home with the children at the end of the day.

- **Chapter 13** Focus on page 98 (T124) Act of Contrition and visiting your parish Reconciliation room (T131). **BLM 27**
- **Chapter 15** Pages 113–115. **BLM 36**

Review and Assessment Options

- **Chapter 14** Pages 104–105 as Unit 3 Review
- **Unit 3 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 7
CHAPTERS 16–18

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

Last Supper Passover sacrifice altar ambo

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 children 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 119–123. Emphasize that Jesus’ words at the Last Supper gave new meaning to the Passover meal.
- **Chapter 17** Pages 127–131. Emphasize that each part of the Mass has a specific function. **BLM 40**
- **Chapter 18** Pages 135–139. Emphasize that the Creed is a statement of Catholic beliefs.

Review and Assessment Options

See Day 9.

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 8
CHAPTERS 19–20

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

Body and Blood of Christ

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 children 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 19** Pages 143–144. **BLM 46**
- **Chapter 20** Pages 149–151. Emphasize the words and meaning of the Eucharistic Prayer.

Review and Assessment Options

See Day 9.

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 9
CHAPTERS 21–23

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

holy Blessed Sacrament tabernacle deacon

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 children 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 155–159. Have children practice receiving the bread and wine. **Mass Booklet** pages 20–21.
- **Chapter 22** Pages 163–165. Lead a discussion about ways we can “glorify the Lord by our lives” as called for at the end of Mass.
- **Chapter 23** Pages 173–175
OPTION Banner Activity (T221)

Review and Assessment Options

- **Unit 4 Review** Pages 164 and 166 (T209–T210).
- **Unit 4 Test** BLMs 50A–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 10

CHAPTER 24 (CHAPTER 25 AS REVIEW)

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

Review Words to Know from Day 9.

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 children 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 24** Pages 181–183. **BLM 52**
OPTION Celebrating Mary's Gift **BLM 53A–B**
- **Celebrating** Pages 191–192 and T240, items 7-9

Review and Assessment Options

- **Chapter 25** Pages 187–190 as Unit 5 Review
- **Unit 5 Test** **BLMs 55A–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.