

Grade 8 – Possible Way of Clustering the Overall Expectations

Theme	New Curriculum Ideas and Expectations	Links to <i>We are Stronger Together</i>	Additional Resources
Building Community (Ordinary Time) The Church Magisterium Sacred Scripture and tradition Mission (Church) Precepts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God is revealed through Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition, which is authoritatively interpreted by the Magisterium (BL1) • The Church is One, Holy; Catholic, Apostolic (BL3) • The Holy Spirit, Jesus and the Father are one. (BL2) • The mission of the Church involves all Christ’s Faithful (BL3) • The Church is the People of God, the Body of Christ and the Temple of the Holy Spirit (LC1) • Called to service: life and mission of the Church community (evangelization and witness) guided by the Holy Spirit (LC1) • God-given gifts/talents: building God’s reign on earth (LC2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unit 2 (Holy Church) - Unit 3 (one, holy, catholic, apostolic) 	Holy Spirit Prayer Service (new school year)
Personal Faith Development (Ordinary Time)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Through our conscience (reason aided by faith) we can judge the morality of our actions (ML2) • Conscience formation: Scripture and the Magisterium (ML2) • Christian Life: The Decalogue, the Sermon on the Mount, particularly the Beatitudes and the Tradition (ML1) • The Communion of Saints includes all those who inspired by the Holy Spirit have lived lives of virtue and holiness (LC2/ML3) • The Holy Spirit inspires the saints (LC2) - Sin forgiveness, God’s grace and living in the Holy Spirit The life of prayer requires the development of habits (ML3) - The Church, through the example of the saints, provides models of a life of prayer ((PR2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unit 4 (communion of saints) - Unit 4 Theme 2 (Saints) - Unit 5 Theme 1 (Decalogue) - Unit 5 Theme 2 (Sin) - Unit 5 Theme 3 (Forgiveness) - Unit 5 Theme 4 (Reconciliation and Eucharist) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Saints – cf. Fr. James Martin YouTube series “Who cares about the Saints” - What is a Saint? Peter Kreeft - Cf. portal for Grade 8 prayer links - Conscience formation - What makes a saint?
The Word Made Flesh: Jesus (Advent & Christmas) Jesus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In the New Testament, Jesus the Messiah fulfills the Covenant of the Old Testament (BL1) - Jesus’ mission (LS3) - Jesus modelled and taught his disciples how to pray (PR1) - The Our Father is a prayer of faith, hope and charity (PR1) - The Way of Prayer is through Jesus (Mediator) in the power of the Holy Spirit to God the Father (PR2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appendix 5 (pages 303f) Gr. 8 Teacher Manual (Advent) - 	



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Catholic Foundations (Ordinary Time) Creed Prayer Beatitudes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Sacraments of the Church rooted in Scripture (CL1) - Through the sacramental action of the priest i.e. words and symbols, in the celebrations of the Seven Sacraments, the Holy Spirit pours out the Grace of God - Sacraments of Initiation: As members of the Body of Christ we are united to Christ and one another; guided by the Holy Spirit and we called to participate in the Church’s mission in the world (CL1/LC1) - Sacrament of Confirmation & grace of the Holy Spirit (ML3) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unit 2 Theme 1 (7 sacraments) - Unit 2 Theme 2 (Sacraments of Initiation) - 	
Jesus’ passion, death and resurrection (Lent & Easter) Jesus/Eucharist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Liturgical Year of the Church celebrates God’s plan of salvation revealed in the Life, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus i.e. Paschal Mystery (CL3) - The Holy Spirit and Jesus are inseparable and are one with God the Father. (BL2) - Holy Spirit revealed by the Father & the Son reveals the presence of Christ and pours out God’s grace (BL2) - Celebration of the Eucharist and active participation (CL2) - The Mass is the source and summit of Christian life where we encounter Christ’s presence (CL2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Unit 8 Theme 2 and 3 (Mass) - Unit 1 Theme 1 (Salvation History) - 	
Reaching Out / We are Sent (Ordinary Time)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God provides us with the gifts and talents we need to build the reign of God on earth (LC2) • The principles of social justice rooted in Scripture (LS1) • Principles of Catholic Social Justice Teachings (LS2) • Ecumenism and inter-religious dialogue (LS3) • The Church maintains its unity while celebrating diversity within its liturgical traditions (rites) (CL3) • Vocation: called to make a difference (LS1) • Addressing sin and inequities in the community (LS2) 		Principles of Catholic Social Teaching <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catholic Social Teaching • Ontario Bishops Inter-religious Dialogue Popes and interfaith dialogue



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