

Christian Prayer

The last part of the Catechism deals with the meaning and importance of prayer in the life of the believers (Section One). It concluded with a brief commentary on the last seven petitions of the Lord's Prayer (Section Two), for indeed we find in these the sum of the all the good things which we must hope for and which our heavenly Father wants to grant us.

Unit A: Christian Prayer

Faith requires believing, celebrating and living in a vital and personal relationship with the living and true God. This relationship is prayer. Prayer can be personal or communal. Prayer can be vocal, meditative or contemplative.

| Prescribed Learning Outcomes | Suggested Achievement Indicators |
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| <p><i>It is expected that students will:</i></p> | <p><i>The following set of indicators may be used to assess student achievement for each corresponding Prescribed Learning Outcome.</i></p> <p><i>Students who have fully met the Prescribed Learning Outcome are able to:</i></p> |
| <p>A1 define individual prayer with respect to the essence and expressions of vocal and meditative / contemplative prayer.</p> | <p>illustrate with examples the essence of prayer based on CCC#2558 compare expressions of prayer CCC#2700-2704 to CCC#2705-2719</p> |
| <p>A2 engage in Christian Communal Prayer that may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opening/closing - Scripture Reading - Music - Response/Reflection - Ritual/Shared Action - Silence | <p>create and lead a prayer service using the readings from Sunday Eucharistic Liturgy model a form of meditative or contemplative prayer (e.g. rosary, <i>lectio divina</i>).</p> |

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| <p>A3 analyze the obstacles to both individual prayer and communal prayer and identify ways to overcome them.</p> | <p>write a journal reflection on their personal experience with prayer commenting on the obstacles they encounter design a prayer service using these readings to identify obstacles to prayer and Jesus' response to them:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Temptation in the Desert (Mark 1:12-13; Luke 4:1-13; Matthew 4:1-11)- Our Father (Matthew 6:5-15; Luke 11:1-13)- Prayer of Jesus / Garden of Gethsemane (John 17:1-26) |
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