

CREED

The Creed is our statement of belief. It is our common beliefs that identify us as Catholic Christians. These resources help us to learn more about our faith and share that faith with others.

Source	Links
Vatican	<u>The Catechism of the Catholic Church</u> Explains the Creed line by line.
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops	<u>USCCB Beliefs and Teachings</u> Many resources to explore about what the Church teaches. <u>US Catechism for Adults</u> in English <u>US Catechism for Adults</u> in Spanish
Catholic Websites	<u>Finding God, by Loyola Press</u> We use this text at our school. Parent resources are plentiful and free. My favorite is the interactive game called Fishers of Faith (FOF), which can be found at the end of each unit of every grade level. <u>Our Sunday Visitor Religious Education Courses</u> , Enough material here for the entire family. Once you figure out how to use the free log-in credentials provided on this PDF form, you will have access to a mountain of resources such as entire textbooks, worksheets, activities, quizzes, tests, etc. <u>Sadlier Religious Education Courses</u> , Ditto what was said above. <u>Catholic Formed</u> , Free for 40 days. Great Catholic videos for the whole family. The program "Brother Francis" is my 3-year-old granddaughter's favorite. Teen and adult movies also are available. Films vetted by concerned Catholics. <u>Loyola Press Video Correlations</u> YouTube has lots of great stuff as well as some pretty bad stuff. Safely access these videos for children 1-8th grades. <u>English and Spanish Parent Information and Ideas, Loyola Press</u> , Short articles for parents to help them better form their children in the faith. <u>A Catechist Journey</u> . Loyola Press' Joe Paprocki's website. <u>Word on Fire</u> A wealth of resources by Bishop Robert Barron covering many areas of our faith.

LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS

The liturgy and the sacraments are the source and summit from our faith. It brings us together as a community and sends us out on a mission to share the Good News. In this time of crisis, when we can't gather together, here are some resources to access the liturgy virtually and continue your prayer practices with your family.

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Vatican	<p>The Catechism of the Catholic Church Explains the liturgy and its central position in our faith life.</p> <p>The Catechism of the Catholic Church Explains each sacrament.</p>
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops	<p>USCCB Resources on Prayer and Worship Learn about the liturgy.</p> <p>USCCB Liturgy of the Word Access the Bible and daily Scripture readings that we use at Mass.</p> <p>USCCB Liturgical Calendar Learn about the liturgical year (seasons of Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter, and Ordinary Time).</p> <p>USCCB Resources on the Sacraments A deep dive into sacraments.</p> <p>USCCB on the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Learn how the Church initiates and forms new members.</p> <p>USCCB Sacraments and Social Justice The interrelationship between working for justice and the sacraments is profound.</p>
Catholic Websites	<p>Loyola Press, Liturgical Year Explore articles and activities on the liturgical year, God's time.</p> <p>Daily Mass at Spirit Juice Lively, youth-orientated.</p> <p>Archdiocese of Chicago Mass You may see a priest you know.</p> <p>Mercy Home Mass They have been doing it for years.</p> <p>EWTN Daily Mass They have been doing it for years.</p> <p>Magnificat and MagnifiKid for free. Includes Mass readings and articles (or activities for kids). WOW!</p> <p>Sunday Liturgy of the Hours From LTP, Join the Church around the world to pray the public prayer of the Church; pray together with your family or individually.</p> <p>Busted Halo Nifty videos and tons of ministry resources.</p> <p>LTP Virtual Conversations for Liturgical Ministers Sign up to chat with others about continuing our ministry during this time.</p>

PRAYER

Prayer is the foundational way that we enter into conversation with God. It is the basis of our spiritual life. We are encouraged to pray every day, at all times, bringing our prayers and thanksgiving to God.

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Vatican	The Catechism of the Catholic Church Explains prayer and its central position in our faith life.
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops	USCCB Resources Read up on the context for American Catholics in their call to live out a life of prayer.
Catholic Websites	Free Holy Week Retreats with Liturgy Training Publications - Sign up for free retreats that break open the readings and symbols of Holy Week. Loyola Press, 3-minute retreats Take a break to pray! St. Anthony Messenger, 1-minute meditations , Take a break to pray! CRS Stations of the Cross , Kids love the practical theology here. Stations of the Cross By Bishop Robert Barron. How to practice "Spiritual Communion" , Exploring mental health , A Novena for a Time of Unravelling and Lent Resource from Ave Maria Daily Meditations From Richard Rohr Daily Prayer - from LTP, A short psalm, daily Scripture reading, reflection, and intercessions (Click on the "Today's Prayer" box on the homepage). Give Us This Day By Liturgical Press, a daily prayer resource. Music of Consolation, Hope, and Healing From Psallite.

MORAL LIFE IN CHRIST

Christians are called to imitate Christ in their day to day actions. We are all called to holiness by virtue of our baptism and respond to the Holy Spirit's promptings when we act with justice, love, and mercy. We are called to care for all people and creation, seeing God in the face of our neighbors and in the wonders of his creation.

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Vatican	<p>The Catechism of the Catholic Church By merit of being made in God's image, all forms of sin, personal and social, must be uprooted, exposed and systematically addressed.</p> <p>Compendium of Social Doctrine of the Catholic Church A foundational document for why and how the Church is called to serve others.</p>
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops	<p>USCCB Human Life and Dignity Provides the foundation for interpreting both personal and social sin.</p> <p>USCCB Social Justice The American Bishops have contributed much to the Church's universal understanding of social justice.</p> <p>USCCB's Two Feet of Love and Action If we truly desire Christ's peace, humans called to first work for justice.</p> <p>USCCB's Catholic Campaign for Human Development The Bishop's arm to address the root causes of poverty.</p>
Catholic Websites	<p>Catholic Relief Services, CRS Rice Bowl, Educator Guide Meet Thomas Awipo Catholic Relief Services is the USCCB's arm to address global poverty. Ideas such as planting drought-resistant crops, addressing human trafficking and caring for God's creation are an essential part of CRS's mission.</p> <p>Maryknoll Missionary Discipleship Institute -A comprehensive program set up for Catholic middle school children to become missionary disciples.</p> <p>Catholic Climate Covenant Protecting God's creation.</p> <p>Aleteia.org This website has articles about living faith in the world today.</p> <p>Spirit Juice Studios Great inspirational videos.</p> <p>Catholic Saint Help your kids learn about the saints.</p> <p>Virtus Protecting our vulnerable populations. Log on and complete your bulletins.</p> <p>Theology of the Body Pope John Paul II's dynamic work.</p>