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Issue includes: 1) Roman Liturgical Calendar for March and “Looking Ahead”; 2) Video for Katherine Drexel; 3) Catholic Teacher Resource themes; 4) Reminder of late items; 5) Lenten Printed Resources for Teachers; 6) Lent and Easter Media for EC - A; 7) Media for Passover Suggestions; 8) CD Suggestions. 9) Now available: The Prophets: Messengers of God’s Mercy; 10) Three new items from Liguori Publications; 11) Online Resources

MARCH Roman Calendar Notes

March 01 **Ash Wednesday** - The beginning of the Lenten season. The annual observance of Lent is the special season for the ascent to the holy mountain of Easter. Through its two fold themes of repentance and baptism, the season of lent , both the catechumens and the faithful celebrate the paschal mystery. A day of universal fast and abstinence in the Church. Lent runs from Ash Wednesday until the Mass of the Lord’s Supper exclusive on Holy Thursday. A season of fasting, prayer and almsgiving.

March 03 **Saint Katherine Drexel**, virgin 3 March 1955 died at the age of 97; Philadelphia heiress and foundress of the Missionary Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament; established some 49 foundations including Xavier University in New Orleans; canonized 1 October 2000 by Pope John Paul II. Please be aware that video [The Gift of Katherine Drexel](#) vc 12517 is available.

March 04 **St. Casimir**, 1484; Polish prince known as the “brother and defender of the poor”; led an austere life; patron saint of Poland and Lithuania.

March 05 **First Sunday of Lent**

March 07 **Saints Perpetua and Felicity** suffered martyrdom in the persecution of Septimus Severus at Carthage in 203. An accurate account of their death still exists

March 08 **Third Sunday of Lent**

Saint John of God, 1550 religious, converted at age 42; laid the foundation for the Order of Hospitallers, today numbering about 1,333 religious; patron of hospitals and the sick.

March 09 **St. Frances of Rome**, Religious, 440; noblewoman , wife, mother, founded a community of Benedictine women oblates committed to serving the poorest of the poor; patroness of widows and motorists.

March 12 **Second Sunday of Lent** .

March 17 **St. Patrick**, Bishop, – 389 St. Patrick was born in Great Britain but was sold as a slave in Ireland. Having escaped from slavery, he chose to enter the priesthood, and later, as a bishop, he tirelessly preached the Gospel to the people of Ireland where he converted many to the faith and established the Church. He died in 461. Patron of Nigeria; apostle and patron of Ireland.

March 18 **St. Cyril of Jerusalem**, 386, bishop, doctor of the Church. Great pastor and teacher; authored 18 “Catecheses” and 3 “Mystagogical Catecheses” devoted to the liturgy and the sacraments. Was exiled three times by Arians.



MARCH / APRIL Roman Calendar Notes (Continued)

March 19 **Third Sunday of Lent** (The solemnity of St. Joseph, the Husband of Mary, is transferred from Sunday to Monday the 20th.)

March 20 **St. Joseph Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary** – St. Joseph protected and cared for Mary and Jesus. Honored on this day since the end of the 10th c; declared Patron of the Universal Church in 1870 by Pope Pius IX; He is also the patron saint of carpenters and workers and a role model for husbands and fathers.

March 23 **St. Turibius of Mogrovejo**, Bishop, 1606; as archbishop of Lima, he presided over the III Council of Lima (1583); established the first seminary in the New World; sought to alleviate poverty among the native population, patron of Latin American bishops.

March 25 **The Annunciation of the Lord**

March 26 **Fourth Sunday of Lent** As Jesus cures the blind man, so too are we brought from darkness into light through the grace of baptism.

April 02 **Fifth Sunday of Lent** The second presentation to the elect is that of the Lord's Prayer, normally made during the week following the third scrutiny (RCIA, 178-184)

April 06 **The Mass of Chrism** will be celebrated today (Thursday) at 2:00 by Bishop with his clergy. It is a sign of unity and communion of the priests with their bishop. Deacons of the diocese and the laity are also invited. The newly blessed holy oils are distributed to the individual parishes of the diocese.

April 09 **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - The Beginning of Holy Week** Today the church celebrates Christ's entrance into Jerusalem to accomplish his paschal mystery. **HOLY WEEK** – Holy Week is the commemoration of Christ's passion, beginning with his Messianic entrance into Jerusalem. Holy Week climaxes in a three-day liturgy called Triduum. Children need to understand that participation in Lent culminates in their participation in the liturgies of the Sacred Triduum. They need to understand the significance of these three days – the most sacred days of our liturgical year.

April 13 **Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper** – Lent ends before Evening Prayer is celebrated. The Easter Triduum begins with the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil and closes with the conclusion of Vespers on Easter Sunday. The Mass of the Lord's Supper is our entrance into the Triduum. The liturgy this evening recalls the Passover meal, the institution of the Eucharist and ministerial priesthood. We also participate in the foot washing.



April 14 **Good Friday of the Passion of the Lord Beginning of Holy Week** – Good Friday is a day of fast and abstinence. After the reading of the Passion there is a more lengthy form of the General Intercessions. We venerate the Cross and we are nourished by Communion. It is the only day that no Mass is celebrated.



April 15 **Holy Saturday The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**

The Triduum reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil. All that we believe and celebrate are expressed in the proclaiming of the Good News of salvation history, the responses and the singing of the liturgy. At this "night of nights" we tell the stories of our roots, we rejoice, we process with lighted candles singing "The Light of Christ has come into the world." This is who we are and what we are to be: Paschal Christians living, dying, and rising daily with Christ. Those not baptized wishing initiation into the Church are baptized, confirmed, and celebrate their first Communion. Those wishing to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church who have been baptized make a profession of faith followed by confirmation and then receive their first communion.



APRIL Roman Calendar Notes (Continued)

April 16 **Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord.** We celebrate the resurrection of our Lord as He promised. EASTER SEASON - "The Fifty Days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better as one "great Sunday." These above all others are days for the singing of the Alleluia." (GNLYC, 22) For prayer suggestions and background consult *Preparing Liturgy for Children and Children*, pages 92-96. For a variety of weekly activities for the Easter season see *Take Me Home Notes* and *Take Me Home Notes Too*. Suggestions for planning, decorating and maintaining Easter time can be found in *Children's Daily Prayer*. The liturgical color during the Easter season is white. Catechesis should explore the symbols of the paschal candle and the baptismal waters.



April 23 – **Second Sunday of Easter (or Divine Mercy Sunday)**

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May **May** is the month in which the Church honors Mary our Blessed Mother.

May 1 **Saint Joseph the Worker** As God chose Joseph to care for Mary and Jesus, so are fathers today entrusted to care for their families: their material and spiritual well-being.

May 14 – **Mother's Day**

May 25 – **The Ascension of the Lord**

June 04 - **Pentecost Sunday**

June 05- **Beginning of Ordinary Time and Memorial Day**

June 11- **The Most Holy Trinity**

June 18 – **The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ and Father's Day**

June 23 – **The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

July 04 – **Independence Day**

August 06 – **The Transfiguration of the Lord**

August 10 – **Saint Lawrence – deacon, martyr**

August 15 - **The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin**

September 04 - **Labor Day**

MARCH 03 – FEAST OF KATHERINE DREXEL

Please be aware that the video [The Gift of Katherine Drexel](#) vc 12517 is available:

This is a dramatic film on the life of a dynamic American whose concern for the recognition and personal fulfillment of Native Americans and African Americans was far ahead of her time. St. Katharine Drexel (1858-1955) founded the order of Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament to serve the desperate need she saw in the South and on the Indian reservations of her day. The film provides a moving insight into the evolution of a religious vocation. St. Katharine Drexel became the second American-born saint during the canonization ceremony celebrated by Pope John Paul II on October 1, 2000. (JH-A 28 minutes)



CATHOLIC TEACHER RESOURCES NOW PART OF MEDIA CENTER

These CTA books were part of the Education Dept. Library. These books are now classified as CTR or Catholic Teacher Resource and can be requested for use like the hundreds of other printed materials within the Media Center. We have further catalogued these teacher resources under Printed Resource Themes as shown below:

Catholic Teacher Resource – Arts (Art, Music, P.E, Life Skills) .81

Catholic Teacher Resource – Counseling .82

Catholic Teacher Resource - Curriculum Planning .83

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Catholic Teacher Resource – Social Studies (History, Geography, Psychology, Sociology Government, Civics) .90

Catholic Teacher Resource - Student/Paraeducational Teacher Training .91

Catholic Teacher Resource – Technology .92

These twelve themes are on our web site with the appropriate book titles listed. The titles are also listed alphabetically under Printed Resources. A click on the book title will provide the ID code, a short summary, author, publisher, length, and level. To request an item, simply click on “Add to Basket” and fill out the order sheet. A confirmation will usually be sent the same day. For anyone visiting the Chancery, they are welcome to browse through these books. We hope this expansion of teacher resources will be of value to the various academic areas within our Catholic schools. More books will be added as they become available. If there are questions please contact us at Larrys@scdiocese.org or call at 712-233-7529

LATE ITEMS:

There are a number of items that are PAST DUE. We will have to call or send reminders if these are not returned soon. Please return these ASAP. Thank you for your cooperation.



LENTEN PRINTED RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS

Advent & Lent Activities For Children: Camels, Carols, Crosses, and Crowns pr 30206

Authors Sheila Kielly and Sheila Geraghty look at customs and traditions in the following way: "Origin" traces where the custom or tradition may have started. "Connection" looks at a central theme of each custom through the eyes of faith. "Extension" brings the customs or tradition alive with ideas for activities that can easily be recreated in home or classroom. 112 pages

Children In Lent: A Resource Book For Home, School and Parish pr 30188

This colorful resource book is designed to help parents and teachers provide stimulating, informative and creative projects for children right through the season of Lent. It outlines six themes which may be adapted for the weeks of Lent and then provides six short stories, six sets of prayers, six games, six crafts, and six pictures for coloring. 93 pages.

My Catholic Lent And Easter Activity Book pr 30286

Moving from Ash Wednesday through Pentecost, this activity-filled book by Jennifer Galvin helps kids journey with Jesus through his last days, then celebrate with the disciples his Resurrection. Prayers, scripture, and catholic rituals are presented through kid-pleasing word finds, crossword puzzles, dot-to-dot, mazes, and more. These thirty reproducible pages offer 7-10 year olds a real teaching explaining, for example, Lenten sacrifices, symbols of the season, and such Triduum practices as the Washing of Feet, Stations of the Cross, Veneration of the Cross, and the Easter Vigil. 32 pages

My Catholic School Holiday Activity Book pr 31012

This resource by Jennifer Galvin provides activities for major holidays found in parochial school calendars. Children ages 6-9 will learn Catholic traditions of saint's days and holy days, as well as discover a firm spirituality beneath secular holidays - all while having fun every day. 32 pages.

A Pictionary of Lent: Facts and Activities From A to Z For Grades 3 to 6 pr 30018

This reproducible resource by Mary Kathleen Glavish, SND introduces children to Lent, the Easter Triduum and Easter in a fun, alphabetical format. The explanations of terms and activities that accompany them help the children understand, participate in, and appreciate our liturgical traditions and deepen their faith. 44 pages

LENTEN PRINTED RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS (Continued)

School Year Church Year: Customs and Decorations for the Classroom pr 30198

This encyclopedia resource by Peter Mazar will walk you through the school year, give you a crash course on the church's year, suggest customs you can use with children of all ages from Advent to Easter, fall to summer, and help you set up and decorate a classroom that will form your students in the tradition of biblical and liturgical images and icons that help us see the face of the invisible God. 290 pages

School Year Activities For Religion Class pr 30258

These hands-on activities and ice-breakers by Gwen Costello relate directly to feast days and holy days while encouraging children to remember the reason for the celebration. An excellent addition to religion classes, this book is filled with great ideas for effective teaching with its motivating and engaging resources. 64 pages

Seasons of the Church Activities: Intermediate Level pr 30238

This reproducible resource covers the seasons of the Church for the intermediate student. It gives a brief description of the history and colors of the Mass typically used during this time. It includes Advent, Christmas, Ordinary Time, Lent, Paschal Triduum, and Easter. 32 pages

LENTEN / EASTER VIDEOS / DVDs FOR EC - A

Please check in the Media Center Catalog or our Website for more information.

TITLE - CODE NUMBER - LEVEL

Angel's Lenten Lesson, The – vc 11856 OR **dv 61249** (P-I)
Ash Wednesday and Lent In Two Minutes - DV 61904
Bedbug Bible Gang: Easter Party – vc 12751 OR **dv 61050** (EC-P)
Bedbug Bible Gang: Passover Potluck – vc 12754 (EC-P)
Celebrating The Church Year For Children: Easter – vc 11461 (P-I)
Celebrating The Church Year For Children: Holy Week – vc 11848 (P-I)
Celebrating The Church Year For Children: Lent – vc 11462 (P-I)
Celebrating the Seasons of Advent and Lent - **dv 61282** (A)
Church Celebrates Lent and Easter, The **dv 61050** (A)
Coming Of The Stranger – vc 11229 (JH-A)
Cross of Christ: A Meditation with Ron Rolheiser, The - dv 61084 (A)
Donkey's Tale, The – vc 11618 (P-I)
Easter In Art - DV 62065 (SH-A)
Easter Triduum, The **dv 61295** (JH-A)
First Easter Bunny, The - DV 61936 (P)
Following Jesus Through the Church Year: Holy Week Crossing – vc 11406 (P-I)



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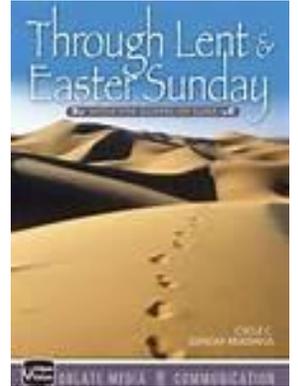
- Following Jesus Through the Church Year: Lenten Lane – vc 11405 (P-I)
Following Jesus Through the Church Year: Resurrection Road – vc 11407 (P-I)
Fourth Wise Man, The – vc 11401 (JH-A)
Gospels For Lent: Cycle A,B,C – Week 2 – The Transformation, vc 12452 (I-JH)
Holydays & Holidays: Charles Caterpillar – vc 12677 (EC-I)
How Can I Celebrate Passover? A Young Christian's Introduction to the Seder - **dv 61019** (EC-P)
Incarnate: Keeping God in the Flesh - DV 61847 (A)
Interview With Pontius Pilate, An – vc 11090 (JH-A)
Jesus Of Nazareth Series (on 14 tapes) vc 11172- vc 11185 (JH-A)
Jesus Of Nazareth Series (on 3 tapes) vc 12198 – vc 12200 (JH-A)
Journey To Easter – vc 11099 (I-A)
Keeping Incarnate the Paschal Mystery - DV 61848 (A)
Lent: A Time Of Renewal – vc 11164 (I-A)
Lent: Celebrating The Season – vc 12686 (I-JH)
Lenten Journey, A - dv 61144 (SH-A)
Listen To The Butterfly – vc 11207 (I-A)
Liturgies Of The Triduum: Holy Thursday – vc 12406 (JH-A)
Liturgies Of The Triduum: Good Friday – vc 12407 (JH-A)
Liturgies Of The Triduum: Easter Vigil – vc 12408 (JH-A)
One Who Was There – vc 11089 (JH-A)
Other Wise Man, The – vc 11092 (JH-A)
Passion of Christ: A Meditation with Ron Rolheiser, The **dv 61169** (SH-A)
Proud Tree, The – vc 11395 (P-I)
Road To Emmaus - DV 61618 (SH-A)
Saint Peter: Icon for Lent - Meditations with Cardinal Dolan DV 2069 (SH-A)
Son of God - DV 62098 (SH-A)
Stations of the Cross – vc 11454 (I-A)
Stations Of the Cross For Children – vc 11989 OR dv 61360 (P-I)
Story Behind the Cross, The – vc 12372 (I-A)
Story of Benjamin Burro, The – vc 12170 (EC-P)
Take Up Your Cross And Follow Me – vc 11738 (JH-A)
Through Lent and Easter with the Gospels of Matthew and John DV 62003 (A)
Via Dolorosa Experience, The - DV 62105 (SH-A)
Vine And The Branches, The – vc 11209 (JH-A)
Walking With Jesus – vc 11451 (P-I)
Wall, The – vc 12387 (SH-A)
Way Of The Cross, The – vc 11241 (JH-A)
Way of the Cross for Kids - DV 62106 (P-I)
Way Of The Cross: Stations On Our Journey Of Faith, The – vc 12129 (JH-A)



More DVDs

Through Lent And Easter Sunday With the Gospel of Luke DV 61870 - JH-A

Journey through Lent with the Sunday readings, featuring the Gospel of Luke. The Cycle C readings for Lent and Easter Sunday are presented as scriptures that have enduring significance, both for the ancient and contemporary Church. Opportunities abound for small discussion groups, personal reflection and religious education. Prepare for each Sunday's Liturgy by understanding the background of the readings, what the authors are telling us, and how we might apply their message in our daily spiritual lives. Points for discussion are included on the screen and in a guide that can be downloaded and printed for group use. 30 minutes



ROAD TO EMMAUS STORY

Road To Emmaus dv 61618

This production helps viewers discover what may have happened during the miraculous journey on the road to Emmaus. Here is a story that has captivated the imagination of many generations. Mourning the death of Jesus, two first-century travelers were joined by a mysterious stranger. Over the next few hours, the stranger revealed mysteries hidden in the ancient Scriptures. Soon, the purpose of Jesus' life became clear...and the traveler's sadness turned to great joy. Now you can learn what they learned. Discover the key to life...on the Road to Emmaus. JH-A 30 minutes

ANOTHER IDEA FOR LENT ON PRAYER

OREMUS: A GUIDE TO CATHOLIC PRAYER - DISC 1 OF 3 (Includes DV 61961 - DV 61963)

The Oremus Study program, presented by Fr. Mark Toups, teaches you the essentials of an effective and fruitful prayer life. Over the course of eight weeks you will discover how God speaks to you, even in the smallest encounters.

Following the Tradition of the Catholic Church and the wisdom of the saints, you will learn how to express yourself to God in prayer, and how to hear His voice. Groups will discover how Christ fulfilled the Law and set us free to live in the Spirit: learn what justification means; and learn how to live your faith by working in love. Groups will become aware of God's presence in their lives and discover the simple yet profound steps of Catholic prayer. Additional copies of materials can be purchased at Ascension Press: 1-800-376-0520 or at www.AscensionPress.com **Disc 1** includes: 1. What is Prayer? 2. Before You Pray; and Leader's Introduction. **Disc 2** includes: 3. Lectio Divina; 4. Relational Prayer, and 5. Spiritual Senses. **Disc 3** includes: 6. Discernment In Prayer, 7. Dealing With Distraction; and 8. Desolation and Consolation. This program includes a set of 3 DVDs (eight, 30 minute sessions); 1 Student Workbook; and 1 Leader's Guide. Additional copies of materials such as the Student Workbook are available for purchase through Ascension Press at 1-800-376-0520. 90 minutes.



Oremus is a Catholic prayer study program that will teach you the essentials of a fruitful prayer life

CDs NOW AVAILABLE

AFTER THE NEW TESTAMENT: THE WRITINGS OF THE APOSTOLIC FATHERS - CD 52143 to CD 52154 The Great Courses 2005 A

At the very foundation of the Christian religion stand the writings of the New Testament, a collection of 27 books that represent the earliest surviving literary productions of the rapidly developing Church and that eventually came to be regarded as Sacred Scripture. The writings produced by Christians *after* the New Testament are also important, however, as they can reveal to us how Christianity changed, developed, and grew after the first Christian century had passed. The writings of the Apostolic Fathers date from early to mid 2nd century. There are 10 or 11 authors traditionally included in the collection of the Apostolic Fathers. The 12 Discs containing 24 30-minute lectures of this course are set up in "pairs", in which the first lecture discusses the writing of one of the Apostolic Fathers and the second deals with the broader implications of the writing for understanding key issues in the early history of Christianity.

GREAT FIGURES OF THE NEW TESTAMENT - CD 52155 to CD 52166

The Great Courses 2005 A

Great Figures of the New Testament, taught by Professor Amy-Jill Levine, takes a closer look at 24 "great figures"; who they are, what they do, and how they have been assessed across the centuries by historians and artists, theologians at their desks and worshipers in the pew. The figures encountered range from the great figures of the developing church, then on to the dangerous world of the first century. The 12 Discs containing 24 30-minute lectures of this course offer a wealth of information about early Christianity, the diverse cultural understandings, and the overabundance of historical problems.

MASS: WELCOME TO THE SACRED BANQUET, THE - CD 52167 to CD 52170

Now You Know Media 2009 A

Whether you are looking for a deeper personal understanding of the liturgy of the Eucharist, or you want to be better able to address questions about this most important liturgy, you will profit greatly from this course by John F. Baldwin, S.J.

SAINT AUGUSTINE'S CONFESSIONS - CD 52171 to CD 52182

The Great Courses 2004 A

The 24 30-minute lectures of this course are devoted to an analysis of one of the world's greatest and most beloved books, the *Confessions* of Saint Augustine of Hippo (354-430). The first four lectures provide several types of useful background for an intelligent reading of the *Confessions*. The authors, Professors William R. Cook and Ronald B. Herzman, deal with everything from Roman history to Christian controversies at the time of Augustine to the corpus of the writings of Augustine. The 24th lecture looks forward from antiquity to the 21st century, pointing out authors who have been influenced by Augustine from his time to ours. All the other lectures are a continuous exegesis of and meditation on the 13 books that make up the *Confessions*.

CDs NOW AVAILABLE (Continued)

UNIVERSAL SACRAMENT OF SALVATION: CATHOLIC THEOLOGY ON THE CHURCH CD 52183 to CD 52188

Now You Know Media 2012 A

Glimpse into the sublime mysteries of the Catholic Church in this remarkable 18 lecture course. Leading Catholic scholar Monsignor Michael Magee guides you through a study of the meaning of the Church as found in the Sacred Scriptures and in Catholic doctrine through these spellbinding lectures. By more fully understanding the Church, you will gain invaluable insight into the enduring power of our faith.

The Dynamics of God's Grace CD 51907 - 51911

How do you understand the concepts of grace and sin? In this program, along with Fr. Brian McDermott, S.J., you will explore the ways that God works in our lives to draw us closer to Divine Mystery, to forgive our sinfulness in a transformative way and to liberate us for generous service in the world. This program includes 15 25-minute lectures on 5 CDs. To access the written guide, insert the accompanying CD into your computer's CD-ROM drive and open PDF file contained within. 75 minutes

The History of the Mass CD 51912 - 51915

The Liturgy of the Eucharist or Mass is the most important liturgy we celebrate. Each time we celebrate it, we act in obedience to Jesus command to 'do this in memory of me.' But if you are like many intelligent Catholics, you have questions about how the first Christians celebrated this liturgy, how and why it has changed over time and what has remained constant. This course by Rev. John F. Baldovin, S.J. Ph.D. will answer all your questions. This program includes 12 25-minute lectures on 4 CDs. To access the written guide, insert the accompanying CD into your computer's CD-ROM drive and open PDF file contained within. 75 minutes

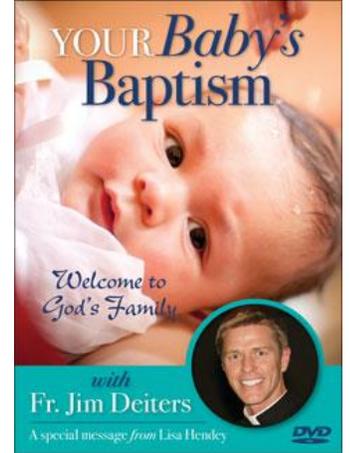
Legends of the First Apostles CD 51916 - 51919

They were Christ's closest companions, disciples, and followers in spreading the Gospel message. This course by Audrea Lorenzo Molinari, Ph.D. takes us beyond the four Gospels accounts and the Acts of the Apostles to explore the legends of these amazing Apostles passed down by generations of early Christians. This program includes 12 25-minute lectures on 4 CDs. To access the written guide, insert the accompanying CD into your computer's CD-ROM drive and open PDF file contained within. 75 min.

DVDs FROM LIGUORI PUBLICATIONS

Your Baby's Baptism: Welcome To God's Family With Fr. Jim Deiters - DV 61882

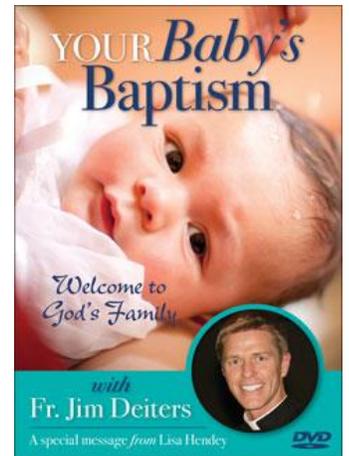
This 30-minute DVD celebrates and renews your faith while strengthening your decision to raise your child in the Catholic faith. As you ask "What name will I give this child?" and "What do I ask of God's Church?", and "Am I willing to raise my child in the practice of the faith?" be present to God's Word and symbols and experience the fullness of the prayer that happens during the rite of baptism. As Fr. Jim Deiters guides you through the sacrament, he will help you embrace our faith community and feel the difference it makes in your life. Your Baby's Baptism: Welcome to God's Family will strengthen and encourage you to clothe yourself in mercy, compassion, forgiveness, and love as you go forth to raise your child in the Catholic faith. Contents include: The Sacrament of Baptism; Holy Water and the Font; Liturgy of the Word; Intercessions and the Litany of the Saints; Prayer for Protection, Blessing of Water; Baptismal Promises; Symbols and Frequently Asked Questions. A special feature includes a 7-minute message from Lisa Hendey, creator of CatholicMom.com and the Catholic Mom Movements blog and podcast, who explains the importance of parents as the first teachers of the faith. 30 minutes



El Baptismo Bebe: Bienviendo La Familia De Diosa Con El P. Jim Deiters DV 61803

Este DVD de 30 minutos celebra y renueva tu fe, a la vez que confirma tu decision de educar a tu hijo en la fe católica. Durante la ceremonia, presta atención a las lecturas y a los símbolos para que se hace presente a lo largo del rito del Baptismo. Wl P. Deiters, al guiarte por las diversas partes de la ceremonia, te ayudará a abrazar tu fe y a ver todo lo que ella aporta a tu vida. El Baptismo de su bebé

"Bienvenido a la familia de Dios te fortalecerá y te ayudará a revestirte de compasión, perdón y amor para poder educar a tu hijo en la fe católica. This 30-minute DVD celebrates and renews your faith while strengthening your decision to raise your child in the Catholic faith. As you ask "What name will I give this child?" and "What do I ask of God's Church?", and "Am I willing to raise my child in the practice of the faith?", be present to God's Word and symbols and experience the fullness of the prayer that happens during the rite of baptism. As Fr. Jim Deiters guides you through the sacrament, he will help you embrace our faith community and feel the difference it makes in your life. Your Baby's Baptism: Welcome to God's Family will strengthen and encourage you to clothe yourself in mercy, compassion, forgiveness, and love as you go forth to raise your child in the Catholic faith. Contents include: The Sacrament of Baptism; Holy Water and the Font; Liturgy of the Word; Intercessions and the Litany of the Saints; Prayer for Protection, Blessing of Water; Baptismal Promises; Symbols and Frequently Asked Questions. A special feature includes a 7-minute message from Lisa Hendey, creator of CatholicMom.com and the Catholic Mom Movements blog and podcast, who explains the importance of parents as the first teachers of the faith. 30 minutes

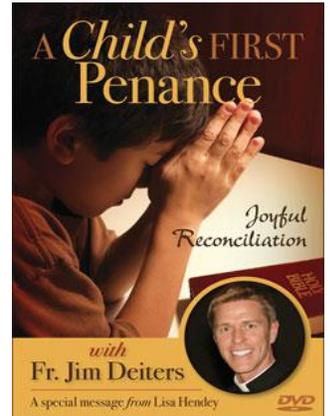


SPANISH VERSION

DVDs FROM LIGUORI PUBLICATIONS (Continued)

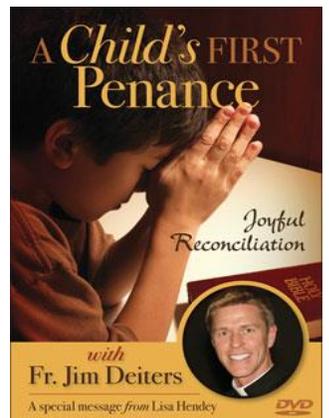
A Child's First Penance: Joyful Reconciliation With Fr. Jim Deiters DV 61831

A Child's First Penance will instruct and inspire your First Penitents and their parents - drawing them closer to Christ and the Church where they find forgiveness and reconciliation. Father Jim Deiters introduces the Sacrament and how and why we celebrate the Rite of Reconciliation. First penitents will listen as Father Deiters talks with students about God's unconditional love for us and what constitutes sin and true repentance. They explore the prayers, ritual, and gestures of the rite, learning why it is a time for repentance and joy. This DVD offers several additional segments, including material that engages adults. A) For parents, and adults who are First Penitents, an explanation of the Sacrament and how the rite has changed over the years, as well as their role in teaching and modeling the faith. B) Examinations of Conscience for children and adults. C) A message from Lisa Hendy, founder of CatholicMom.org, who talks about her First Penance and how feelings of fear were swept away by God's love outpoured in the Rite. d) A bonus feature, with footage from the companion DVD, A Child's First Communion And So Much More! and from Feeding Hungry Hearts.



Tu Primera Confesion: La Alegrta Ddel Paron Con El P. Jim Deiters DV 61865

En este Nuevo DVD, el P. Jim Deiters explica en qué consiste el sacramento de la Reconciliación y cómo se celebra. Los niños que se preparan para su primera Confesión escucharán al P. Jim hablar del amor incondicional de Dios, del sentido del pecado y del verdadero arrepentimiento. El Padre analiza también las oraciones y el rito, y explica por qué la Confesión es un tiempo para el arrepentimiento y, sobre todo, para el gozo. El DVD incluyen también breves segmentos dirigidos a los adultos. En ellos se explica, por ejemplo, cómo ha evolucionado este Sacramento a lo largo de los siglos y cómo influye en la vida espiritual de las personas. A Child's First Penance will instruct and inspire your First Penitents and their parents - drawing them closer to Christ and the Church where they find forgiveness and reconciliation. Father Jim Deiters introduces the Sacrament and how and why we celebrate the Rite of Reconciliation. First penitents will listen as Father Deiters talks with students about God's unconditional love for us and what constitutes sin and true repentance. They explore the prayers, ritual, and gestures of the rite, learning why it is a time for repentance and joy. This DVD offers several additional segments, including material that engages adults. A) For parents, and adults who are First Penitents, an explanation of the Sacrament and how the rite has changed over the years, as well as their role in teaching and modeling the faith. B) Examinations of Conscience for children and adults. C) A message from Lisa Hendy, founder of CatholicMom.org, who talks about her First Penance and how feelings of fear were swept away by God's love outpoured in the Rite. d) A bonus feature, with footage from the companion DVD, A Child's First Communion And So Much More! and from Feeding Hungry Hearts. **SPANISH VERSION**



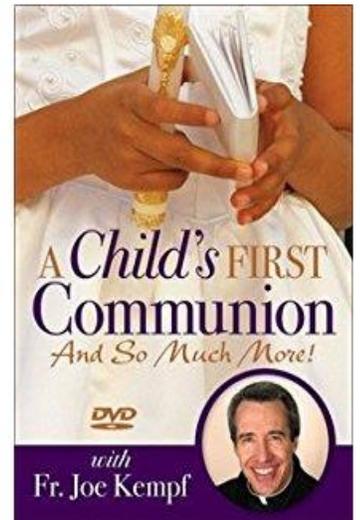
DVDs FROM LIGUORI PUBLICATIONS (Continued)

Lo Reconcimoas ASI patir El Pan: Las Partes De la Misa Con El P. Joe Kempf DV 61866

In this 45 minute four-part DVD, Father Joe Kempf walks us through the celebration of the Mass and opens us to a new appreciation of, and awe for, the sacrament of the Eucharist. Fr. Joe invites each of us to look at this sacrament of the Eucharist - and how, together when we celebrate as a community of faith at Mass, we are receiving this phenomenal gift of the meal called Eucharist. This DVD explains why we do what we do at Mass. Viewers will learn from Fr. Joe's simple explanations that when we celebrate as a community of faith we are fed and transformed by love. His easy-to-understand style works equally well with sturdy groups and as a springboard for personal reflection. In his simple, heartfelt, and direct manner, Father Joe Kempf teaches the mystery of the real presence of Jesus Christ - the body, blood, soul, and divinity - in both the bread and in the wine - is a gift that we experience through faith. He invites us to open ourselves up to learning how to be present to others and to ourselves - so that we might become present to Jesus Christ who is present to us in this Sacrament. Menu includes: Introduction; Part 1: Preparation & Introductory Rites; Part 2: The Liturgy of the Word; Part 3: The Liturgy of the Eucharist; Part 4 Concluding Rites: and Other Resources. 45 minutes. (JH-A) Reflection and discussion questions and spiritual exercises are available free at: www.liguori.org/education Please note that the English version of this DVD is also available now. See dv 61698

La Primera Comunión Y Mucho Con El P. Joe Kempf DV 61864

The Menu for this DVD featuring Fr. Joe Kempf includes: Introduction; Adults - Our Deepest Hungers - First and 1500th Communion and An Experience of Prayer. Children - Precious Child of God - The Best Food of All - A Visit with Jesus - An Experience of Prayer for Children. For Adults By showing how God feeds our deepest hungers through the Eucharist, this 3-part, 57 minute segment will recharge your presence at mass and your relationship with Jesus. Parents, grandparents, and teachers will learn to teach children the joy and challenge to be found in this incredible gift called "Eucharist". For Children whether for their 1st or 1500th Communion, children will be changed by the holiness, humor, and insight in this 4-part, 23 minute segment. Learning the fundamentals of our Catholic faith will inspire them to love the Mass, God, and each other more than ever. Use this DVD to open children's hearts to Jesus and nourish hearts and souls of all ages. It's perfect for families and educators who want to connect with Jesus Christ and the life he offers. Reflection and discussion questions and spiritual exercises available FREE at liguori.org/education. 80 minutes. Please note that the English version of this DVD is also available now. See DV 61705



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PROPHETS: MESSENGERS OF GOD'S MERCY, THE: DV 62154 to DV 62158)

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The Prophets: Messengers of God's Mercy includes ten 30-minute sessions on five DVD discs. Thomas Smith provides comprehensive teaching and commentary on the prophets. These videos are designed to follow the lessons in *The Prophets Study Set*, which contains the reading assignments, questions, and responses for the study. If we consider that God is the Divine Bridegroom and the Church is his Bride,

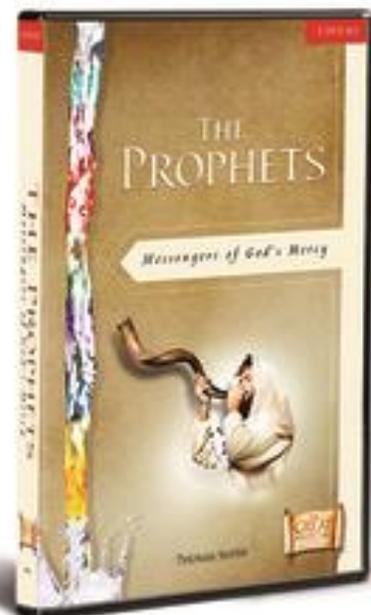
then the prophets can be seen as "spiritual marriage counselors." They afflict the comfortable and comfort the afflicted, calling us to return to our covenant relationship with God. They urge us to repentance, warn us of the dangers of sin, and announce the blessings of the faithfulness. Their prophetic words speak to us even today, as they draw us closer to our heavenly

Bridegroom. **Disc 1** includes **Session 1: Introduction to the Prophets** (31 minutes) and **Session 2: Hosea: Living God's Love Story** (37 minutes). **Disc 2** includes **Session 3: Jonah: God's Reluctant Messenger** (34 minutes) and **Session 4: Isaiah Part 1: Prophet of Woe** (35 minutes). **Disc 3** includes **Session 5: Isaiah Part 2: Prophet of Consolation** (35 minutes) and **Session 6: Jeremiah: The Broken Hearted Prophet** (40 minutes). **Disc 4** includes **Session 7: Ezekiel: God's Watchman on the Wall** (31 minutes) and **Session 8: Daniel: Faithful to the End** (33 minutes). **Disc 5** includes **Session 9: Haggai and Malachi: Messengers of Hope** (35 minutes) and **Session 10: New Testament and Modern Prophets: Messengers of the New Covenant** (39 minutes). Each session in this program includes one set of five DVD Discs and one Study Set with Questions and Responses for Sessions 2 through 5.

Each session in *The Prophets* includes four steps to help you understand the material and take it to heart. It is important that the steps be followed in order,

as each step builds upon the previous one: 1) Home Preparation involves reading Scripture and answering a series of questions which takes about 1 hour. 2) Small group discussion of the Study set Questions is guided each week by trained facilitators who can use the Responses to help facilitate the discussion and is about 40 minutes. 3) The Video Presentation "crowns" each session, providing a deeper explanation of the topic, particularly as it applies to everyday life. (30 minutes) 4) Review of Response: included in the Study Set are detailed responses to the questions for you to review before moving on to the next session and to keep for later reference. Discover who the prophets were, what their message was, and why they are important. See how God is constantly calling you to a deeper relationship with him. Understand how the central message of the prophets is one of love, proclaiming the mercy of God for his children. Finally, discover the ways you are called to be the voice of God to others and much more. This Prophets Bible study program includes: one set of five DVDs, one Study Set and one Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation. Additional Study Sets may be purchased through Ascension Press at www.ascensionpress.com or at 1-800-376-0520. 68 minutes.

Themes: Ascension Press Materials, Prophets, Adult Bible Study



NEW DVDS – NOW AVAILABLE

LECTIO: PETER: CORNERSTONE OF CATHOLICISM – UNDERSTANDING SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION –(Includes DV 62141 to DV 62145) Ignatius Press

Lectio: Peter is a five DVD program of ten sessions in which Dr. Tim Gray takes us on a journey into the life of one of history's most compelling characters. Bringing together biblical stories, historical knowledge, solid Church teaching, and personal insights, Dr. Gray gives a fresh perspective on the fisherman to whom Jesus entrusted his Church.

This first Disc includes **Session 1: Put out into the Deep:** The Making of an Apostle. The story of St. Peter begins with an ordinary act of trust, which would entirely change the ordinary course of Peter's life. Along the shore of the Sea of Galilee, Peter's brother Andrew introduced him to a traveling rabbi named Jesus of Nazareth. By deciding to follow Jesus Christ, an unknown fisherman would discover his call to become a fisher of men and become a key player in the story of salvation history. (46 minutes) and **Session 2: Capernaum:** Village of Coming Consolation. In

this session and teaching, Dr. Gray takes a closer look at the town of Capernaum, where Peter lived, and the larger area of where Jesus grew up and began his ministry. We'll discover the significance of that geographical area to Jesus' teaching and works, especially in light of the words of the prophet Isaiah. (47 minutes)

This second Disc includes **Session 3: Faith Not Fear:** Walking in Trust. Dr. Gray looks at four stories in Matthew's Gospel that highlight the conflict between faith and fear. Learn how to move out of fear and into deep faith. In each of these Passages, Jesus upbraids and challenges Peter and the Apostles with the words, "Oh men of little faith!" pushing them to grow in faith and deeper trust of him and of their heavenly Father. (33 minutes) and **Session 4: Peter the Rock:** The Primacy of Jesus. Jesus takes his Apostles to the northernmost area of the Holy Land to the town of Caesarea Philippi, and there asks them a question that will redirect the journey they've shared together thus far: "Who do you say that I am?" Peter's response, and Jesus' ensuing words to Peter, will bring about a deeper revelation of the identity and mission of both Peter and Jesus. (49 minutes).

This third disc includes **Session 5: Peter and the Keys:** The Primacy of the Church. The "keys of the kingdom" provide the key to understanding Peter's role in the Church founded upon him. The imagery of the keys goes back to the Old Testament and the office of the prime minister in the Davidic kingdom. Jesus is restoring and perfecting both the kingdom and its offices. (47 minutes) **Session 6: In the Shadow of the Galilean:** Peter's Rising Leadership. In this session, we journey with Peter from Galilee to Jerusalem. Dr. Gray continues to explore the inseparable relationship between the King and the kingdom, and how Peter acts as a bridge between the two. Peter's example encourages each of us to live as loyal subjects of the King and his kingdom. (48 minutes)





LECTIO: PETER: CORNERSTONE OF CATHOLICISM (Continued)

This fourth disc includes **Session 7: Discipleship at a Distance:** Peter and the Passion. In this session, we discover the importance of following Jesus closely, praying with him, and seeking his mercy as his disciples. In the tense Passion Narrative Peter is tested, and in his trial we learn how to persevere through our own arduous ordeals and follow Christ faithfully. **Session 8: Peter and Pentecost:** The Transforming Power of the Holy Spirit. Dr. Gray discusses the transforming power of the Holy Spirit, as seen in Peter's life starting at Pentecost. No longer do we see fear or questioning in Peter; instead he leads the Apostles and preaches to the Jews with a remarkable boldness that will characterize the rest of his life and ministry (47 minutes).

This fifth disc includes **Session 9: Peter bar Jonah:** How Peter Came to Rome. We continue to dive deeper into Peter's ministry as we explore Peter's relationship with a man named Cornelius. As Peter continues his journey to share the good news of Christ, God once again reveals his plan in the New Covenant. We also discover how this gift of grace crosses traditional lines that separate people and cultures. (51 minutes) **Session 10: "Quo Vadis?":** Peter's Way of the Cross. In this session, Dr. Gray discusses the importance of early Christian tradition in understanding our Catholic story, the cost of discipleship, and the role of Peter as shepherd and prophet. How can we use this knowledge of the early Church to regain our own story? (51 minutes) This program includes one Leader's Resource Guide and one Study Guide. Additional guides may be purchased through Ignatius Press at 1-888-615-3186 or www.ignatius.com

NEW DVDS – NOW AVAILABLE

TRUE BEAUTY: FEMININITY AND CHASTITY FOR YOUNG WOMEN

(Includes DV 62146 to DV 62149) Ignatius Press

True Beauty contains four unique and dynamic studies centered on the theme of femininity and chastity for young women. Each study is 75-90 minutes in length with a user-friendly, clear, and convenient format. Men and women differ in nature and the devil uses those differences to tempt them into sin. A woman can be tempted to think that she needs to find the perfect man to fill that empty place she feels in her heart. In **Study 1: The Heart of A Woman**, Lisa Cotter, a national youth and young adult speaker, will discuss the nature of a woman's heart. She will also discuss how this nature differs from that of a man's heart, and how a relationship with God keeps young women on the right track when they find themselves attracted to or in a relationship with a young man. In **Study 2: Passion and Purity**, Mary Bieslski, founder of ALL4HIM Ministries, will show young women how the world lures them into lies and false messages about sex, and that God has an amazing plan for their sexuality. In **Study 3: Broken, Healed, and Holy**, Crystalina Evert, international speaker and author, will teach that God wants to surround them with His grace, forgiveness, and love. Teens will learn that regardless of what's in their past, God is bigger than any situation. He wants to lead them into a new and fresh start. In **Study 4: Sisterhood**, Sarah Swafford, founder of Emotion a Virtue Ministries and national speaker, unpacks the meaning of true sisterhood through her personal story, biblical exploration, and thought-provoking questions. True sisterhood allows a young woman to be the person Christ wants her to be, and allows that person to shine brightly from the inside out. Additional Leader Guides, and Study Guides are available through Ignatius Press at www.ignatius.com or phone 1-888-615-3186.



NEW DVDS – NOW AVAILABLE

TRUE STRENGTH: MASCULINITY AND CHASTITY FOR YOUNG MEN

DV 62150 to DV 62153) Ignatius Press

True Strength contains four unique and dynamic studies centered on the theme of masculinity and chastity for young men. Each study is 75 – 90 minutes in length with a user-friendly, clear, and convenient format. Our world today is obsessed with outward signs of achievement. From magazines and music to movies and social media, a man's success and strength are often correlated with how much money he has, how famous he is, how athletic he is, and how much sex he has. For teenage boys, the idea that there may be another way to be a real man is rarely, if ever, presented. Deep down, young men want to be strong, capable, and responsible and find loving and giving relationships. They want to be admired for who they are and not what they possess. In short, they want to be great. Sadly, many young men haven't had someone teach them how to achieve that goal they desire. It's time our young men learn how real men live. Based in biblical teaching and godly principles, this study will help them become not just adults, but real men...

men of greatness. In **Study 1: The Heart of a Man**, Chris Stefanick, founder and President of Real Life Catholic, is the speaker. God calls men to be something more than a big deal. He calls them to greatness.

In this study, Chris teaches about the four marks of a man of greatness, saints who were soldiers, the virtues of knighthood, and how to gain real spiritual freedom. What does it mean to be a real man?

Popular culture doesn't offer very many good examples. The sources of inspiration found there can be powerfully attractive for men; business moguls, star athletes, and fashionable men to be imitated. After all, these guys are a big deal. In **Study 2: Strength & Discipline**, Jason Evert, international speaker and author, teaches why only the chaste man is truly capable of love and how to live out chastity in daily life.

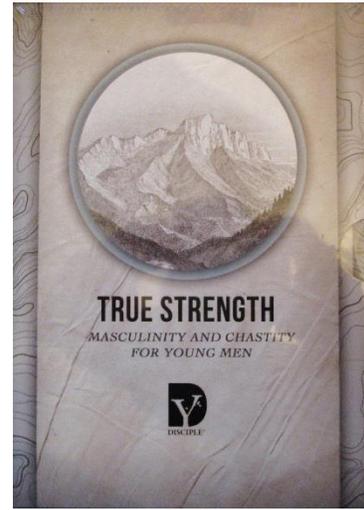
To cap off the study, Jason provides a 10-point game plan that will get your teens started on the road to living a pure life. The world bombards men every day with its counterfeit messages about love and sexuality. Men are told women should be conquered and used, marriage and fatherhood are a burden to avoid, and pornography is just normal "guy stuff." To counter this distorted view, the Church affirms chastity, a virtue that expresses, trains, and frees men to love in a noble way – to love like Christ.

In **Study 3: Every Man's Battle**, Matthew Fradd, a staff apologist with Catholic Answers and international speaker, teaches young men how to become stronger and healthier through the sacraments, prayer, fasting, and accountable relationships with brothers. The porn industry finds its way into every medium teens touch – movies, the internet, cell phones, television, and games. Pornography captures the hearts of many young men, leaving them wrestling with addiction as degrading images preoccupy their minds. Though lust is a relentless and ruthless foe, victory is available by the power of God's grace to every man in this battle.

In **Study 4: Band of Brothers**, Scott Powell, Director of Scriptural Theology at the Aquinas Institute for Catholic Thought, will teach young men what brotherhood is all about by looking at the friendship of King David and Jonathan in Scripture. He will teach that a key part of discipleship is to grow in our relationship with Jesus by growing in our relationship with one another. "Band of Brothers" is about what it means to be brothers in Christ. Friendship is a way God uses to make two people better than they ever could have been alone. Friends can be people who stand up for us, defend us, and help us to be. Friendship allows you the freedom to be yourself.

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As we strive to keep up with modern technology, the Religious Education Media Center is happy to announce that Online Resources are now available through our online catalog. On top of the Main page for the Media Center we have added two new categories, Online Resources and Online Resource Themes. To locate an alphabetical list of the 750 plus Online Resources, just click on Online Resources tab at the top of our Media Page. This simple click will take you to Online Resource Results where you may again choose to see a list of OA, OC, OL, OR, OT, OV or All. An alphabetical list of online resource titles will appear. A single click on any title will bring forth the details of that title. For example: Under OV - Number 2 title is: Advent in Two Minutes. Clicking on the title will take you to "More Detail" which provides a description, a Media ID Type, Length; Grade List, and URL. By double clicking on the URL number you will be taken to the proper link of this particular title. On the top of the Media Page is also an Online Resource Themes for locating items with specific themes such as Christmas, Easter, Prayer, etc.

Please try these great resources. I will also be adding dozens of new titles throughout the year. I would appreciate any new online resources that you would share with me via email. Thank you!

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Focusing on the main teachings about the Creed, Sacraments, Morality, and Prayers from the Catechism, this fantastic series contains dozens of short films - great for youth ministry, religious education, and Catholic school programs and classrooms. In order to effectively reach this generation with the richness and beauty of our Catholic faith, it must be done in new and relevant ways. The VCAT Video Catechism does this through creative short films and videos that use cultural analogies, creativity, humor, and always try to answer the question, "Why should a teenager care about this?" At the heart of each video is a point (or points) articulated by the Catechism of the Catholic Church. **NOTE:** These fantastic series are also available on DVDs in our Media Center library.

During the last several weeks, around 250 new titles have been placed in our Online Resources OV section.

When looking for many of these titles, please look under the **Online Resources Themes**

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