

COURSE TITLE: Jesus Christ's Mission Continues in the Church

COURSE LENGTH: 1 semester

COURSE TYPE: required

COURSE CREDIT: 0.5 credit

GRADE LEVEL: 10

PREREQUISITE: n/a

COURSE GOALS:

1. Students will recognize that Jesus established His one Church to continue His presence and His work in the world.
 2. Students will describe the activity of the Holy Spirit in the history of the Church and in the world today.
 3. Students will articulate the beginning of the Church at Pentecost, Apostolic Tradition, and the role of the Apostles in the early Church.
 4. Students will identify the various images of the Church rooted in Scripture and Tradition.
 5. Students will define heresies (and note modern parallels), schisms, sects, and apostasy, as well as ecumenism.
 6. Students will see the Church as the sign and instrument of communion with God and unity of the human race.
 7. Students will identify the various vocations found in the Church and their role in evangelization, missionary efforts, and discipleship.
 8. Students will define the Magisterium of the Church in its teaching, sanctifying, and governing offices.
 9. Students will articulate why they are Catholic and the Church's role in the formation of their personal identity, prayer life, and call to discipleship.
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COURSE CONTENT:

1. Respect for the Church founded by Christ
2. Recognition of the importance of one's Baptism, of Catholic identity, and of belonging to the Church
3. Acceptance of the teachings of the Church and the Magisterium
4. Appreciation of Church as God's Family and as the People of God
5. Valuing of different vocational callings
6. Understanding the universal call to holiness while the Church is made up of both saints and sinners
7. Demonstrate pride in Catholic identity
8. Desire to serve others and to use one's gifts for the Church and others

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