Texts and Other Materials

2nd Semester: The Church Sacrament of Salvation. The Didache Series.

Choosing Civility: The Twenty-five Rules of Considerate Conduct. P.M. Forni

The Magic. Rhonda Byrne
The Holy Bible. Supplied by LCC

Other supplemental materials and books will be used throughout the course.

Course Description

The purpose of this course is to help students understand all that God has done for us through his Son, Jesus Christ. Through this course students will learn that for all eternity, God has planned for us to share eternal happiness with him, which is accomplished through the redemption Christ won for us. Students will learn that they share in this redemption only in and through Jesus Christ. They will also be introduced to what it means to be a disciple of Christ and what life as a disciple entails.

Objectives: Students will recognize that the roots of Christian faith are founded in the Old Testament and that the Old Testament forms the background for Jesus’ teachings.

The Mystery of Redemption and Christian Discipleship.

Chapter 1 – In the beginning
Chapter 2 – Preparing for the Messiah
Chapter 3 – The Promise is Fulfilled in Christ
Chapter 4 – Redemption and the Paschal Mystery
Chapter 5 – Christ Redeems Through His Church
Chapter 6 – Called to Be Another Christ
Chapter 7 – The Call to Evangelization
Chapter 8 – The Paschal Mystery in the Holy Mass

The Church and the Sacrament of Salvation

Chapter 1 – God Prepares the Way for His Church in the Old Testament
Chapter 2 – Jesus Christ Instituted the Church
Chapter 3 – The Story of the Early Church
Chapter 4 – The Church as Sacrament of Salvation
Chapter 5 – The Four Marks of the Church: One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic
Chapter 6 – The Church in the Life of the Faithful
Chapter 7 – The Church as a Communion of Saints
Chapter 8 – Mary, Mother of the Church and Our Mother
Course Outcomes:
After taking this course students will:

- Understand the consequences of original sin for Adam and Eve and for the human race.
- Understand God’s covenants with Noah, Abraham, Moses and David.
- Understand the redemptive value of Christ’s life and Christ’s hidden, ordinary life.
- Understand Mary as the Ark of the Covenant.
- Understand the Paschal mystery.
- Understand the significance of the Resurrection for us.
- Understand God’s cosmic plan.
- Understand The Sacraments and redemption.
- Understand the relationship between the natural law, the Decalogue, and the Law of Christ.
- Understand the Beatitudes.
- Understand expressions and forms of prayer.
- The sacraments.
- Understand the reason God became man.
- Understand Our Lady’s titles and their meanings.
- Understand the relationship between the Old and New Testament.
- Understand the mission of the Apostles
- Understand what the Holy Spirit does for the Church
- Understand the hierarchical structure of the Church.
- Understand Evangelization.
- Understand Gnosticism, Arianism, Apollinarianism, Nestorianism, and Monophysitism.
- Understand the liturgical year.
- Understand the Communion of Saints.
- Understand Purgatory.
- Understand The Immaculate Conception.
- Understand The Assumption.

Required Materials
- Two pocket folders
- Notebook or 3 ring binder for class notes
- Journal/notebook for reflection papers
Course Calendar

- There will typically be test/quizzes after every chapter covered in class. There will be a comprehensive semester and final exam. There will be required journal entries to be written in the student’s journal notebook. Participation points will also be given on a daily basis, based on responses, attitude and behavior during class. Points will be given for other projects assigned as time permits.
- All test dates, notes and projects will be posted on my web page bschmiedebusch@apps.lcchs.edu.
- Students will be required to sign a “Respect Agreement” that will be drawn up with the help of all students in class. Violation of the Respect Agreement may result in detention and/or teacher conference. **Respect will be shown to all students, teachers and visitors to our classroom, by all students and the teacher in this class.**

Class Expectations

- **Students are expected to follow all rules in the LCC school handbook.**
- Students are expected to be on time to class or have a note as to why they are tardy.
- Students are expected to come to class prepared, with their textbook, notebook and pen/pencil.
- Absolutely no eating or drinking in the classroom, unless otherwise permitted by me. Water is permitted.
- Gum fines are $1.00 per incident and must be paid by the end of the quarter. Failure to do so will result in one detention per each fine.

Grade Components

- The student is responsible for making up all work missed during an absence. The student is responsible for talking to me to see what work was missed. If work is not made up in the allotted time a “0” will be given. If absent on the day a test is given, students will be expected to make up the test on the first day that they return.
- Daily assignments and homework will NOT be accepted after the time they are due. If absent on the day the assignment is due, the student is expected to turn in the assignment on the day they return at the start of the class period.
- I will be using the Lima Central Catholic HS grading scale. Points will be assigned for each assignment. The number of points you earned at the end of the quarter will be divided by the amount of points possible to determine your final quarter grade.

Please let me know if you are struggling in this class. Use study halls or Wednesday study tables to get help when you need it. I am available before and after school, and by appointment. Please feel free to stop in, e-mail me or call me if you have a problem. My door is always open; please see me with any concerns throughout the year. I am looking forward to a GREAT year.

Mrs. S.