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A Note from the Editor:

"Give them some food yourselves." (cf. Mk: 6:37) Jesus spoke these words to the disciples. He speaks the same words to us as we plan for what kind of nourishment we can provide for the spiritual and professional lives of our catechists. In the midst of summer, why not take some time to pursue the help that is available? There are tremendous resources at your fingertips, and we are always ready to help you find just the right one for your needs. Keep this newsletter! It contains necessary information for your programs. It has the most recent listing of the approved catechetical textbooks and the current list of our publisher representatives. It also has a list materials for helping you enrich your own and your students' understanding of the Eucharist.

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Updated List of Approved Catechetical Texts for the Archdiocese of Chicago

It's time to update the list of approved religious education texts. A number of new titles have been found in conformity with the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* by the Bishops' commission. A couple of items have been removed as they are no longer in print. As you already know the Cardinal has requested that all parishes and schools use basal catechetical series that are on the conformity list. There is a wide selection of excellent materials that fall into this category, and even more has been developed recently and are approved for use. The following is the new list of the basal series that have been approved for use in the Archdiocese of Chicago. Check to see if the text you are using is on this list. Be sure to verify not only the title of the series, but also the copyright date and edition you are using. Sometimes a school or parish edition is in

conformity with the Catechism while the other is not. Check out the Bishops' website at www.usccb.org/catechism/document/Springlist.pdf to see all the other approved materials. You will need Acrobat Reader to view the list. Any questions? Give us a call at 312-243-4562.



Approved Basal Catechetical Series

Benziger

- Christ Jesus the Way! School/Parish © 2003 K-6
- Cristo Jesús, el Camino Parish © 2003 K-6
- Come Follow Me School/Parish © 1998 K-8
- Share the Joy Parish © 1997 K-6

Harcourt Religion Publishers

- Call to Faith Parish © 2005 1-6
- Walking by Faith School/Parish © 1999 K-6

Ignatius Press

- Faith and Life ©1984-1987 1-8
- Faith and Life ©2002 1-2 ©2003 3-8
- Image of God © 1986-1993 K-8

Loyola Press

- Christ Our Life School/Parish © 1997-2002 K-8
- Finding God: Our Response to God's Gifts Parish © 2005 1-6

RCL - Resources for Christian Living

- FaithFirst School/Parish © 2000, 2001 K-6
- FaithFirst Junior High © 2001 7-8

Sadlier (William H. Sadlier, Inc.)

- Acercandote a La Fe/ Coming to Faith © 1999 K-6
- Coming to Faith/Keystone Edition School © 1998 & Parish © 1999 K-6
- Faith and Witness Program School/Parish © 1998-1999 Jr. High
- One Faith, One Lord © 2003 Jr. High (English and bi-lingual editions)
- We Believe School/Parish © 2004 K-6

Silver Burdett Ginn

- Blest Are We Parish © 2002, School © 2004 1-6
- Blest Are We Junior High Parish © 2003
- This Is Our Faith School © 1998 K-8



Sacramental Preparation Texts in Conformity with the Catechism

Ave Maria Press

Send Out Your Spirit © 2003 Confirmation: HS

Harcourt Religion Publishers

Celebrating Our Faith: Confirmation © 2000 Jr H
Celebrating Our Faith: Reconciliation and Eucharist
© 2000 Primary Level
Celebrating Our Faith: Reconciliation and Eucharist,
Level II © 2002 Intermediate

Ignatius Press

Image of God: Confirmation © 1986-1993

Loyola Press

Christ Our Life: Confirmed in the Spirit © 1997

Pauline Books and Media

Be Sealed © 1998 Confirmation Jr H
Jesus Brings Us Life © 1996 Reconciliation and
Eucharist Primary Level

RCL – Resources for Christian Living

Eucharist © 2003 Primary Level
Eucharistía © 2003 Primary Level
Reconciliation © 2003 Primary Level
Reconciliación © 2003 Primary Level

Sadlier (William H. Sadlier, Inc.)

Sacrament Program: First Reconciliation & Eucharist
© 2000 Primary Level
The Spirit Sets Us Free: Confirmation Prep for Youth
© 2000

Silver Burdett Ginn

The Gift of Eucharist © 2000 Primary Level
The Gift of Reconciliation © 2000 Primary Level

High School Texts in Conformity with the Catechism

Ave Maria Press

Catholic Social Teaching: Learning and Living Justice
© 2001
Encountering Jesus in the New Testament © 2003
Our Sacramental Life: Living and Worshiping in Christ
© 2003
The Church: Our Story © 1999
Your Life in Christ: Foundations of Catholic Morality
© 2001

C. R. Publications

Catholicism Series © 1996-1997

Harcourt Religion Publishers

Journey Through the Old Testament © 2002
The Light of Faith © 2005

Midwest Theological Forum

Introduction to Catholicism © 2003
Our Moral Life In Christ © 2003

Priory Press

Dominican Series © 2000

RCL – Resources for Christian Living

Understanding the Catechism: Creed © 1999
Understanding the Catechism: Liturgy and Sacraments
© 1999
Understanding the Catechism: Morality © 1999
Understanding the Catechism: Prayer © 1999

St. Mary's Press

Living Justice and Peace © 2002
The Catholic Faith Handbook for Youth © 2003
Written on Our Hearts (Old Testament) © 2002

Other titles are listed on the Bishops' Conformity List. At the Jegen Center we are currently pursuing obtaining copies of these materials for you to peruse. Refer to the Bishops' website for the complete list.

Do You Know Your Publisher Representatives?



ACTA Publications

Mr. Greg Pierce 773-271-1030
Mr. Andrew Yankech 773-271-1030

Benziger

Mr. Tim Downs 847-998-8225

Harcourt Religion Publishers

Ms. Jeannine Havlik 800-337-1362

Liturgy Training Publications

Ms. Maureen Como 773-486-8970

Loyola Press

Sr. Charlotte Enright 800-256-0589 ext 241

Mutual Ministries

Ms. Marion McGeary 219-272-7831

Pauline Books and Media

Daughters of St. Paul 312-346-4228

RCL - Resources for Christian Living

Mr. Dave Drown 708-301-9262

Sadlier (William H. Sadlier, Inc.)

Mr. Mike Collins 888-577-7166

Silver Burdett Ginn

Dr. Mary Sue Wielgus 773-588-6484
Ms. Judy Klein 847-309-1105



Videos on the Eucharist

VC133157 13 min Prim-Inter
The Angel's First Communion Lesson [1999] In this video, angels Michaela and friends speak of Jesus' presence at Mass and of the gift of the Eucharist in simple, clear language. They share ways to prepare for First Communion.

VC081753 13 min Prim-Inter
The Angel's Mass Lesson [1996] In this video, angel Veritas helps Danny understand that the Mass is a communal experience where Jesus is present.

VC151704 30 min Prim-Inter
Animated Stories from the New Testament; Bread from Heaven [1996] Jonas, a young street urchin, is desperate for bread. When Jonas hears that Jesus is nearby he decides to see this man for himself. This is a delightful retelling of the feeding of the 5000.

VC130018 20 min Primary
A Child's First Communion [1987] This video responds to many questions young Catholics ask as they prepare for First Eucharist.

VC151389 30 min Prim-Inter
Jesus, A Kingdom without Frontiers: Jesus Feeds the Multitudes [1997] Jesus multiplies the loaves and fishes and relates the parable of the sower.

VC151384 30 min Prim-Inter
Jesus, A Kingdom without Frontiers: The Last Supper [1997] The apostles enter Jerusalem to prepare for the Passover meal; Judas arranges for the betrayal of Jesus; Jesus celebrates his Last Supper with the twelve.

VC133668 10 min Prim-Inter
Maria's First Communion This video helps children understand that the celebration of the Eucharist nourishes the faithful with Christ, the Bread of Life. Written from a child's viewpoint, it lets children share Maria's excitement as she prepares to receive the Eucharist for the first time.

VC082091 15 min Prim/Adult
Mass for Young Children, Part I Describes the three parts of the Mass: gathering and greeting, forgiving and praising, listening and caring.

VC082092 15 min Prim/Adult
Mass for Young Children, Part 2 Deepens appreciation of the Eucharistic celebration by describing the second half of the Mass.

VC083737 13 min Prim-Inter
Why Do We Go to Mass on Sunday? In this video children discover that just as families gather regularly at home to listen to one another and celebrate each other, so does the parish family come together to listen to God's Word, and break bread in memory of Jesus.

VC084140 14 min Inter-Adol

Close Encounters with the Mass [2002] Sandra is having problems understanding the various symbols and rituals of the Mass. The "Close Encounters" angel comes to the rescue from the control room of "The Mass Channel."

VC082247 29 min Inter-Adult
Liturgies of the Triduum; Holy Thursday [1999] This video is about the Holy Thursday liturgy including proclaiming powerful scripture readings, washing of the feet, raising a collection for the poor, celebrating Eucharist, and processing with the Blessed Sacrament.

VC080110 35 min Inter-Adult
The Mass for Children; A Middle-Grader's Guide to Understanding the Mass [1993] This video centers around a group of children who are unruly and uninvolved during the celebration of the Mass. In short vignettes it shows how one can bring problems with family and friends to the Mass and experience reconciliation in the Eucharist.

VC083739 15 min Inter-Adol
Mass for Older Children [1999] This video walks students gently through the Mass and challenges them to live it in their daily lives.

VC133947 12 min Inter-Adol
Sacraments; Eucharist, We Feed This video tells the story Kim, Maria, and Carlos who attend a talk by Jen on her life in Cambodia, and learn about hunger in a new way. At a soup kitchen they realize further the need to feed the hungry, and resolve to understand the poor. Interspersed throughout the story are examples of how the Eucharist feeds the hunger in all.

VC241415 36 min Adol-Adult
Catholic Update; A Walk through the Mass [1998] This video takes a step-by-step look at the four principal parts of the Mass.

VC130669 10 segments of 12 min each Adol-Adult
Eucharist, A Taste of God [1996] This video explores the Eucharist in ten segments: Hunger; the Quiet Presence of God; Called to the Gathering: the Challenge; Called to the Gathering: the Gift; a Meal for Sinners; the Voice of God; Broken, Poured for Love; I Am Here for You; Mission; and To Say "Amen".

VC131012 45 min Adol-Adult
The Father's Gift: Jesus in the Holy Eucharist [1994] Looks at Christ truly present in the Eucharist and how it makes a difference in your life.

VC130075 11 min Adol-Adult
Living Eucharist [1983] This video entwines stories of everyday life, told without words, to the ongoing Eucharistic story. Deals with themes of multiculturalism, fear, discrimination, conflict of ideals and values, racism, hospitality, understanding, peace, sharing and tolerance.

VC134289 26 min Adol-Adult
The Sacrament of Eucharist, Past and Present [2002] This video leads viewers through the development and history of the sacrament of Eucharist starting from Hebrew times to post-Vatican II.

VC133742 3 segments of 8-15 min each Adol
Sacraments; God's Amazing Grace; Sacraments of Initiation [2001] This video on the sacraments of Initiation invites young people to see that sacraments are not really "magic moments" but openings into the reality of God's presence in everyday life.

VC080374 23 min Adol-Adult
Sunday Mass Video Series; Lift Up Your Hearts; The Eucharistic Prayer [1994] This video shows the liturgy of the Eucharist from the bread and wine brought forward and a table prepared through the prayer of thanksgiving, the preparing of the table, and standing around the altar raising hearts, hands, and voices.

VC080375 30 min Adol-Adult
Sunday Mass Video Series; Say Amen to What You Are; The Communion Rite [1994] In this video the communion rite at this parish has become something the people cherish. Parishioners tell how their lives lead to this table, and how they go from it full of love and service.

VC083016 21 min Adol-Adult
This Sacred Meal; The Eucharist in Our Lives [2000] In this video a catechumen and a member of the parish RCIA team talk about the Eucharist and what it challenges them to do in their lives.

VC161405 3 segments of 7 min Adol
Walks with Jesus; Eucharist [1998] Through scripture, prayer, true stories, and music this video underscores the truth that the Eucharist is of central importance to the life of the church.

VC170952 30 min Adol-Adult
What Catholics Believe About: The Mass [1991] This video deals with misconceptions about the Mass and its meaning and what the church really teaches.

VC170958 30 min Adol-Adult
What Catholics Believe About: The Eucharist [1992] This video deals with misconceptions about the sacrament of Eucharist and what the Church really teaches.

VC161318 25 min Adol-Adult
With Burning Hearts [1995] This video shows how the Eucharist is an intensely human event, revealing the deepest of human experience: sadness and loss, attentiveness and invitation, intimacy and engagement.

VC130938 34 min Adult
Catholic Update; First Communion: Taking Your Place at the Table [1996] This video offers parents a basic foundation to help their children receive First Eucharist.

VC131314 20 min Adult

How to Prepare Your Child for First Eucharist This video presents examples of what parents can do to reinforce the meaning of the Eucharist, and how First Communion is an opportunity to strengthen the faith of the whole family.

VC131784 30 min Adult
A Sacramental People: Introduction/First Communion [1999] This video explores how religious experiences and practices of Spanish-speaking congregations can be woven into a single fabric with the liturgical and sacramental life of the church.

VC133734 13 min Adult
Celebrating Sacraments; Eucharist, Celebrating Community [1998] This video on the Eucharist reminds parents of the importance of this sacrament for their faith journey as a family, and how essential their role is in nurturing the faith of their child.

VC170751 22 min Adult
Mystery of Faith: Introduction to Catholicism; Eucharist This video explains how the Eucharist tells of one's destiny, and shows why the Eucharist expresses God's commitment in love to each person.

VC240756 30 min Adult
Catholic Update; Eucharist; Celebrating Christ Present [1995] This video mirrors how Christians remember Christ in the celebration of Eucharist, offering a key to understanding the Eucharist.

Workshop - Save the Dates

June 18, 2004

1:00 - 4:00 pm

Video Fest

Come see what is new at the Jegen Center! Enjoy an afternoon of previewing videos! Details will follow.

Watch for upcoming events on the websites:
www.catechesis-chicago.org and
www.jegen.org

GOOD NEWS!

*The Jegen Center will be open all summer!
Give yourself a treat.*

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media and resource center as you enrich your
own spiritual and professional growth.*

*Plan to come in and spend some time
previewing new resources and
preparing for the coming year.*

We are air-conditioned!

Hours: 8:30 to 4:30 Monday through Friday