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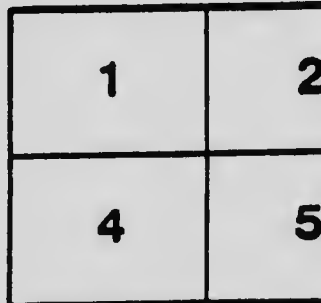
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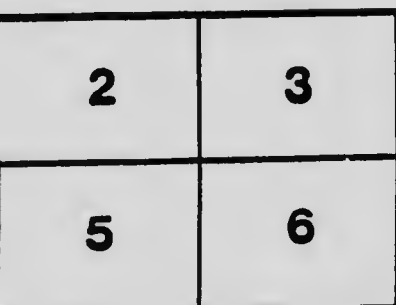
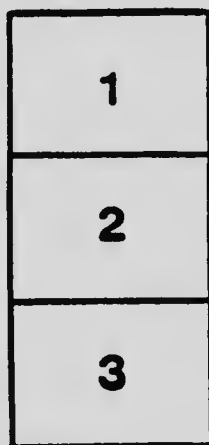
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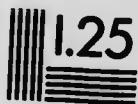
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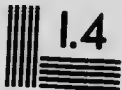
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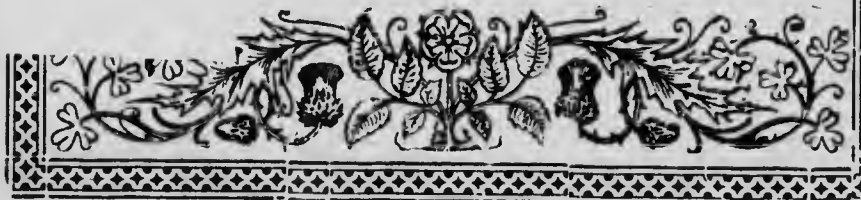
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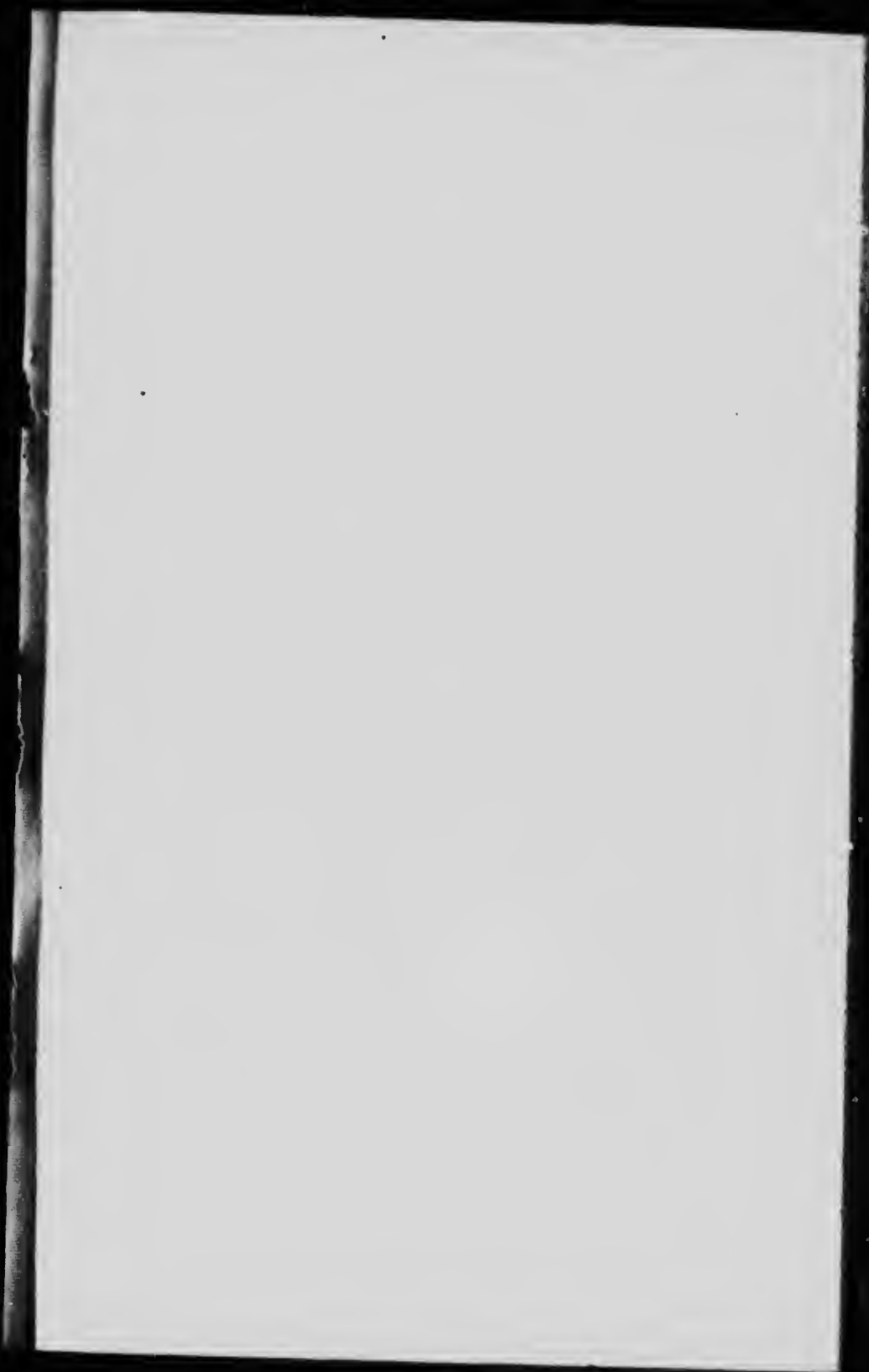
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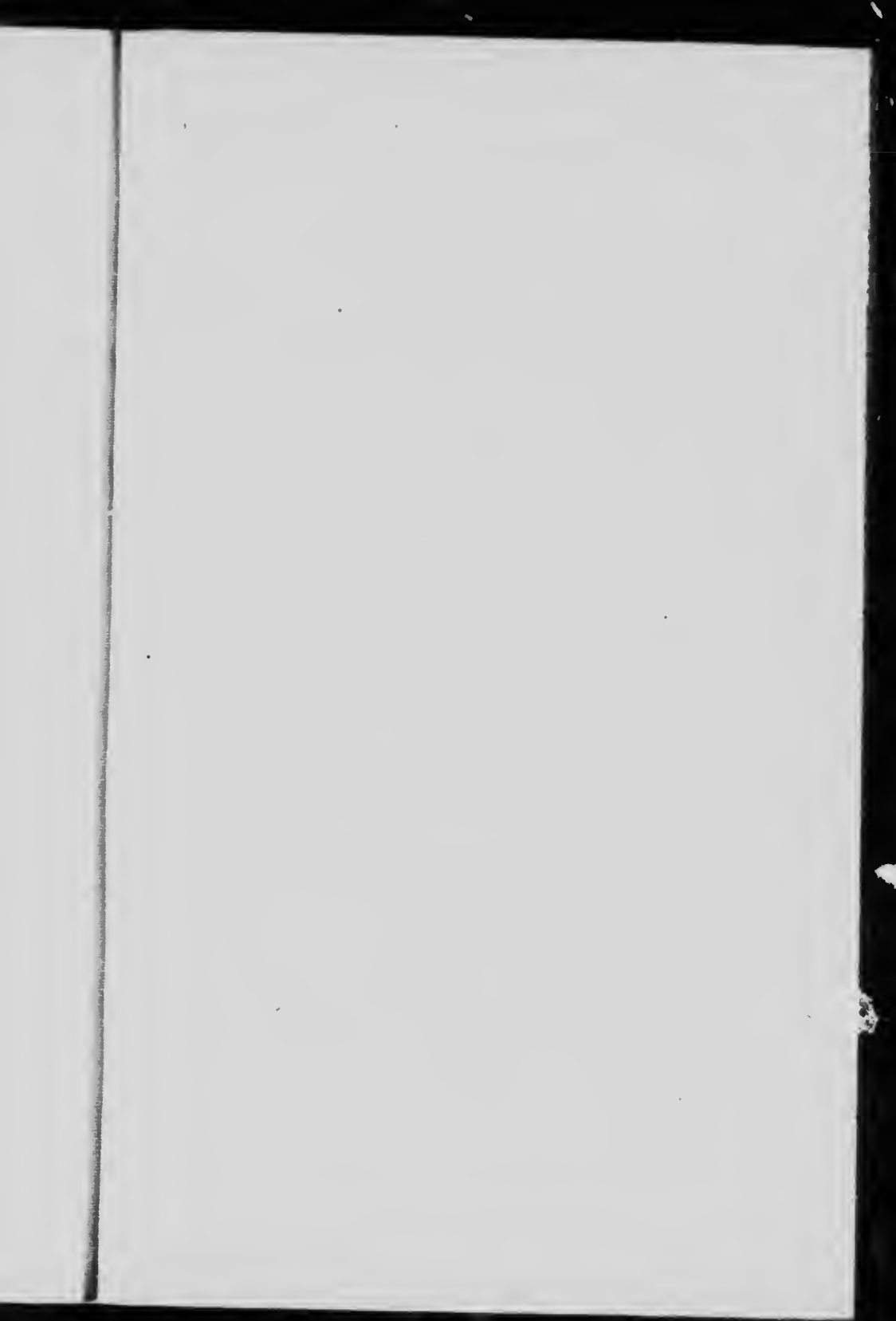














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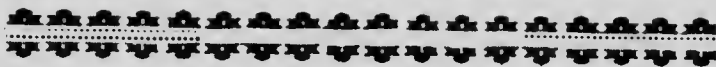
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## PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

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1. This Compendium of a Catechism (**First Grade**) is for backward oral-pupils.

It contains the Fundamental Truths, the knowledge of which is indispensable in order that they may receive the Sacraments in a becoming and profitable manner.

2. The speech of these pupils being as a general Rule defective, owing to their lack of memory and understanding, in teaching them catechism — while study and oral Recitation should not be neglected — **Lip-Reading** followed by **Graphic Reading** and **Writing** are the principal means to be employed.

3. Care should be taken before the studying of each lesson, to explain clearly to the pupils, at the blackboard (by the devices in common use, that is by comparisons, synonyms, contraries, etc.) the new words and sentences, the meaning of which would be beyond the reach of their intelligence. They will thus study with more relish and facility.

4. When each pupil has recited the lesson well, the Catechist will make use of questions; then he will further vary the questions and write on the blackboard some PHRASES TO BE COMPLETED and CORRECTED, so as to be sure that the lesson recited by heart has been thoroughly understood.



## THE FLY INTO EGYPT

An Angel of the Lord appeared in sleep to Joseph, saying: Arise and take the child and his Mother, and fly into Egypt.

*(St. Matthew, II, 13.)*

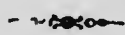


## COMMIT THY WAY TO THE LORD

The foxes have holes,  
and the birds of the air nests;  
but the Son of man hath not where to lay his  
head. *(St. Matthew, VIII, 20.)*



## A Course of Religious Instruction



THIS COURSE OF RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION for Deaf-Mutes comprises *three grades*.

1. THE SHORT CATECHISM (**First Grade**) is intended for beginners. It will especially help the older *backward* pupils to acquire a sufficient knowledge of the Truths of Religion and of the means of practicing their religious duties.

2. THE SHORT CATECHISM (**Second Grade**) which corresponds to the *diocesan Catechism* is the course to be followed in preparing the more intelligent pupils for communion and confirmation.

3. THE LARGE CATECHISM (**Third Grade**) is intended for *older pupils* better gifted and capable of making greater progress in the study of Religion.

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NOTE. — The Large Catechism may be of great use to *advanced pupils* who have left their Institution. Being unable in the world to understand either a sermon or a religious conference, or a series of religious discourses, they will find in this Book, written for them and in a style familiar to them, clear *explanations* of Christian Doctrine, *answers* to *current objections*, *solutions* of cases . . . . in a word, a great many *practical details*, which knowledge will help them to keep their faith intact and to serve God with greater fervor in proportion as their Piety will be more intelligent.

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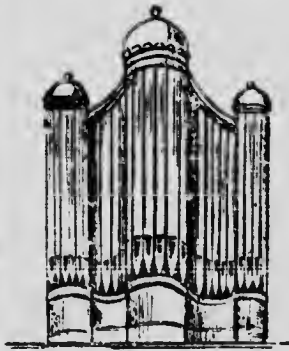
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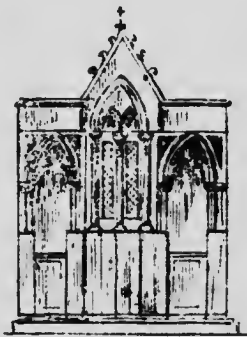
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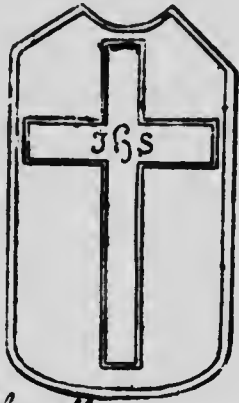
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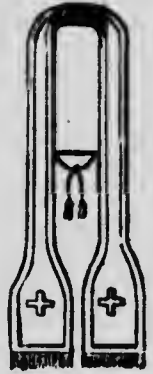
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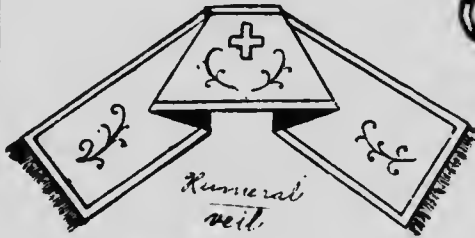
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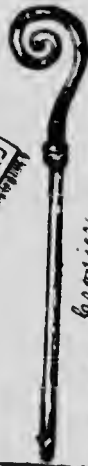
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*Skull cap*



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God sees us and hears us when we pray.



### MORNING PRAYERS

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

My God, Thou art present everywhere. At this moment, Thou art here and Thou seest me.

O Holy Trinity, O my God, I believe in Thee, I adore Thee and I love Thee with all my heart.

My God, Thou hast created me; Thy Divine Son, Jesus Christ, redeemed me by His Death on the cross; the Holy Ghost sanctifies my soul. Thou art good to me, O my God, and Thou hast given me all I have. I thank Thee for all Thy favors. I ask pardon of Thee for the faults I have committed since last night.

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER.

OUR FATHER who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive them who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; But deliver us from evil. Amen.

#### THE ANGELICAL SALUTATION.

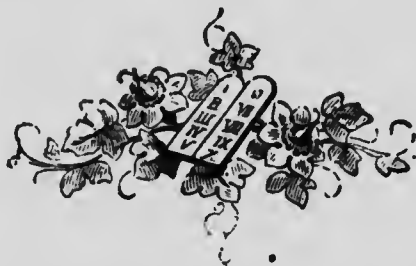
HAIL MARY, full of grace, the Lord is with Thee, blessed art Thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

#### THE APOSTLES' CREED.

I BELIEVE IN God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was con-

ceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried: He descended into hell: the third day He rose again from the dead, He ascended into heaven, sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy Catholic Church, the communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.



#### THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD.

1. One God shalt thou adore and Him only shalt thou love above all things.
2. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.
3. Remember that thou keep holy the Sunday.
4. Honor thy father and thy mother that thou mayest live long in the land.
5. Thou shalt not kill, nor shalt thou desire to kill.

6. Thou shalt not do any unchaste or immodest act.
7. Thou shalt not steal.
8. Thou shalt not lie.
9. Thou shalt not desire to do any unchaste or immodest act.
10. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's goods.

#### COMMANDMENTS OF THE CHURCH.

1. To observe the holy-days of obligation.
2. To hear Mass on Sundays and all holy-days of obligation.
3. To confess our sins at least once a year.
4. To receive the Blessed Sacrament at Easter or within the time appointed.
5. To fast on Ember days, the Eve of fests, and during Lent.
6. To abstain from flesh-meat on Fridays.
7. To contribute to the support of our pastors.







ACT OF ADORATION.

My Jesus! all on earth and in Heaven must obey Thee. I kneel before Thee, to *adore* Thee, because Thou art the Creator and Master of all.



AN ACT OF FAITH.

O my God, I firmly believe all the truths which the Church teaches, because it is Thou who hast revealed them, and because Thou canst neither deceive nor be deceived.

AN ACT OF HOPE.



O my God, I most firmly hope that Thou shalt give me all that Thou hast promised me, *grace* during my life; and *Heaven* after my death. — because Thou art infinitely good and always faithful to Thy promises.

AN ACT OF CHARITY.



O my God, I LOVE Thee with all my heart and above all things, because Thou art infinitely good and infinitely amiable; — and I love my neighbor, as myself, for the love of Thee.



ACT OF OFFERING.

My God, I OFFER Thee, through the Most Blessed Virgin, all my thoughts, words, actions and sufferings of this day. I wish to honor Thee to-day in union with Jesus Christ, Thy Son and my Saviour.



### PRAYER TO OUR GUARDIAN ANGEL

Angel of God who art my guide, enlighten,  
direct and protect me now and at the hour of  
death.

### INVOCATIONS.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us.

O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us  
who have recourse to thee.

Saint Joseph, pray for us.

My good Angel Guardian, watch over me.





### EVENING PRAYERS

✠ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

My God, Thou art present everywhere. At this moment Thou art here and Thou seest me.

O Blessed Trinity, O my God, I believe in You, I adore You and I love You with all my heart.

My God, Thou hast created me; Thy Divine Son, Jesus Christ, redeemed me by His death on the cross: the Holy Ghost sanctifies my soul. Thou art good to me, O my God, and Thou hast given me all I have.

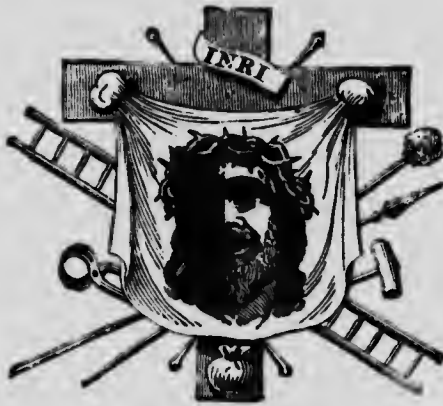
I thank Thee for all Thy benefits.

O my Jesus, who shall one day be my judge, I am on my knees before Thee, to ask pardon of Thee for the faults that I have committed *to-day*: pray, give me a heartfelt contrition.

CONFITEOR.

I confess to Almighty God, to the Blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the Archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul and to all the Saints, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech the blessed Mary ever Virgin, blessed Michael the Archangel, blessed John the Baptist, the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul, and all the Saints, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

*Ask pardon of God for the sins committed this day.*



ACT OF CONTRITION.

My God, I have a heartfelt sorrow for having offended Thee because Thou art infinitely good, and infinitely amiable, and because sin displeases Thee. FORGIVE ME my sins because of the sufferings and death of Jesus Christ, my Saviour.

I PROMISE Thee, O my God, to reform my life and to do penance, with the help of Thy grace.

ACT OF FAITH..... OF HOPE..... and of CHARITY....

ACT OF OFFERING.

My God, I offer Thee my night's rest and my awaking of to-morrow. Each beating of my heart shall be an *act of love for Thee*.

When the Angelus bell rings, say the "Hail Mary" three times.



PRAYER TO THE HOLY FAMILY

Jesus, Mary and Joseph! I give you my heart, my soul and my life.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph! assist me at the hour of my death.

Jesus, Mary, Joseph! let me die peaceably in Thy holy company.

(300 days indulgence.)

## INDULGENCES

When we make a good confession God pardons all our sins : but it is generally necessary to do penance for our sins on earth, or satisfy for our sins in Purgatory.

The Church grants indulgences to pay our debts towards God.

Indulgences come from the superabundant merits of Jesus Christ, of the Blessed Virgin, and of the Saints.

To obtain indulgences we must :

1. Do what is prescribed.
2. Be in a state of grace.
3. Have no affection for sin.

## DECREE OF PIUS IX

By a benevolent concession of the 15th March 1852, Pius IX, allowed the Deaf and Dumb to participate in all the indulgences, provided they fulfil the following conditions : 1stly, If there be a church to be visited, it is sufficient that the deaf and dumb go there and pray mentally. 2ndly, If there are public prayers that they unite in mind with the faithful. 3dly, If there are private prayers to be said, they may be changed into other good works, by the confessor.



## DIVERSE PRAYERS

IN THE MORNING ON AWAKING.

My God, I give Thee my heart. Help me  
this day to live without committing any sin.  
O Mary, my Mother, I greet thee, Bless me  
and protect me during this day.

BEFORE STUDY.



Come, HOLY GHOST, fill  
the hearts of Thy faithful  
and kindle in them the fire  
of Thy love.

Send forth Thy Spirit and  
they shall be created — and  
and Thou wilt renew the

face of the earth.

O God, who by the light of the Holy Ghost  
didst instruct the hearts of the faithful, give  
us this same Holy Spirit, who may make us  
love good, and who may always pour forth in  
us Holy consolation. Through Jesus Christ,  
our Lord. Amen.

GRACE.

BEFORE MEALS.

Bless us, O Lord! and these, Thy gifts,  
which of Thy bounty we are about to receive.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GRACE

AFTER MEALS.

We give Thee thanks, Almighty God, for the  
food Thou hast given us. Do Thou help us  
now to better fulfill all our duties. Amen.





THE ANGELUS.

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary that she would become the Mother of the Son of God and she conceived of the Holy Ghost. *Hail Mary! etc.*

Behold the handmaid of the Lord; — be it done unto me according to Thy word. *Hail Mary! etc.*

And the Word was made flesh, — and dwelt among us. *Hail Mary! etc.*

§. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

℞. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

LET US PRAY: — Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may, by His passion and cross, be brought to the glory of the resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

A PRAYER TO BE SAID ON ENTERING A CHURCH

My Jesus, I *adore* Thee in the Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist, wherein Thou art really present by Thy Body, Thy Blood, Thy Soul and Thy Divinity. I *thank* Thee for all that Thou hast done for me and for all that Thou hast done for me.

O Jesus, I *love* Thee with all my heart and above all things, and I am pleased to be remembered by Thee. To please Thee, I wish to be pious and recollected in Thy holy presence.

THE MEMORARE.



Remember, O most glorious Virgin Mary, that never was it known to any one who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, and sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with thy confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of Virgins, my Mother! To thee I come before thee I stand sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



## ACTS BEFORE COMMUNION

### ACT OF FAITH.

My Jesus! In the sacred Host there are Thy Body, Thy Blood, Thy Soul, Thy Divinity. *I believe it, it is true.* The sacred Host is not bread. The sacred Host is Thyself, O Jesus.

### ACT OF ADORATION.

My Jesus! All on earth and in Heaven must obey Thee. I kneel before Thee, to *adore* Thee, because Thou art the Creator and Master of all.

### ACT OF HUMILITY.

My Jesus! Thou art infinitely Holy and Almighty. I do not deserve to receive Thee, for I have sinned; I am ignorant and I have many defects. Look upon me with kindness, O Jesus, and *have mercy on me.*



#### ACT OF CONTRITION.

O Jesus! infinitely good, Thou hast wept, Thou hast suffered and Thou hast died to deliver me from hell and to bring me to Heaven. And I have offended Thee by my sins. Do Thou forgive me again; with Thy grace, I will not *offend Thee any more in future.*

#### ACT OF LOVE.



My Jesus, I love Thee with all my heart and above all things, because Thou art infinitely good and infinitely amiable.

Thou hast given me all and Thou still wishest to come into my heart by communion!....

Yes, I love Thee, O Jesus.

ACT OF DESIRE.



O Jesus, present in the sacred Host, come and *unite Thyself to me*. I want Thee, I desire Thee. With Thee, I will be wiser, *and* virtuous, happier. Come, Lord Jesus, come!

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ACTS AFTER COMMUNION

ACT OF THANKSGIVING.

O Jesus! Thou, my Creator, my Master, my Saviour, Thou art present in me. I adore Thee and I *thank* Thee with all my heart. I pray the Blessed Virgin and the Angels to thank Thee with me for the communion I have just received.

ACT OF OFFERING.

O Jesus! to thank Thee for all Thy favors, I *offer* Thee all that I have and all that I am.

I give Thee my *heart* that it may love Thee; — I give Thee my *mind* that it may think of Thee often; I give Thee my *body* that it may serve Thee and work for the love of Thee.

ACT OF PETITION.

O Jesus! Thou *art able* to do me good, because Thou art Almighty, Thou *wishest* to do me good, because Thou art good.

Make me wise, obedient, modest. Give me a great love of virtue and a hatred of sin. Give me Heaven after my death. — O Jesus! Bless my parents, my superiors, my benefactors, and my companions.

Convert all these who sin against Thee and deliver the souls who are suffering in purgatory.

TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN.



O Mary, my Mother! I rejoice very much to have Jesus within my breast. O how good He is, how amiable He is!

Ask Him for many graces for me. Help me to adore Him, to thank Him. Help me to adore Him, to thank Him, and to love Him with all my heart.



## PREPARATORY EXERCISES

### THE CHAPEL.

I see the CHAPEL, the steeple, the bell, the windows, the façade, the sacristy.

I go into the chapel. I see the altar, the Tabernacle, the cross, the large candlesticks, the tapers, bunches of flowers, — lustres, a lamp, the Communion-Table, — the holy water font, the holy water.

I see the pulpit, the organ, the harmonium, the confessional, statues, stalls, pews, chairs, prie-dieus, tribunes.

### PRAYER IN THE CHAPEL.

I enter the chapel, I take holy water, I make the sign of the cross, I make the genuflection before the altar and I go to my pew.

I kneel down, I clasp my hands, I look at the Tabernacle, and I say my prayers slowly.

I do not turn my head round, I do not amuse myself, I do not speak with the pupils.

### THE TABERNACLE.

In the TABERNACLE, there is a ciborium. In the ciborium, there are round white Hosts. Every host is Jesus Christ, is God. God is present in the sacred Host. — He looks at me, He hears my prayers, He blesses me. I do not see God, because He is hidden in the sacred Host.

The chapel is God's house.

### THE SACRISTY.

In the SACRISTY, I see a cope, a chasuble, a stole, an alb, a surplice, a birretta.

I see a chalice, a paten, a ciborium, a monstrance.

I see a censer, an incense-box, a small b  
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THE PRIEST.

1. *The priest says mass.* — He wears an alb, a cincture, a manipule, a stole, and a chasuble. He walks to the altar, on the altar there are a chalice, and a paten, a host and a large prayer-book. The priest makes a genuflection, he bows, he clasps his hands, he extends his arms, he prays.

He changes the host into the Body of Jesus Christ; he changes the wine into the Blood of Jesus Christ.



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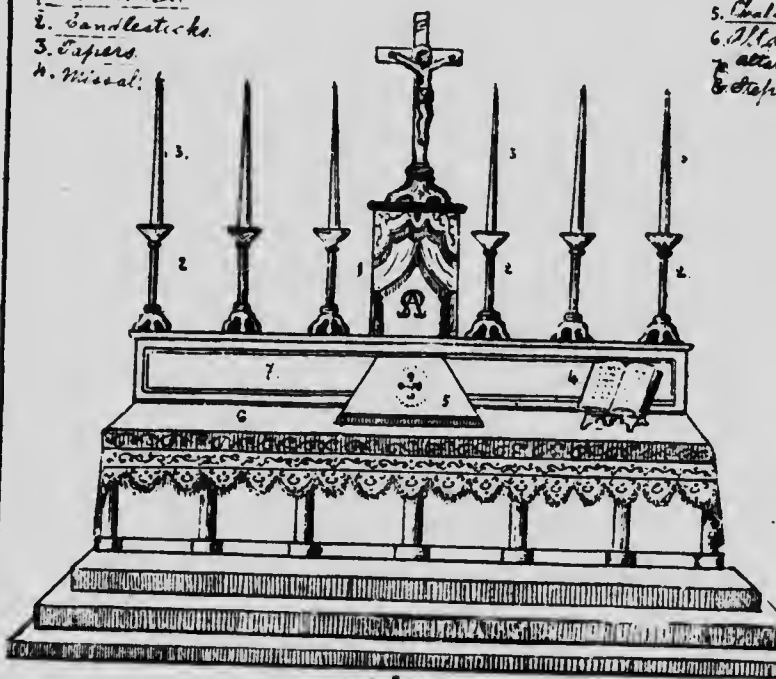
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 2. *Candlesticks*  
 3. *Capers*  
 4. *Missal*

5. *Chalice*  
 6. *Alms*  
 7. *Book*  
 8. *Staff*



*Ciborium*



*Monstrance*



*Host*



*Chalice*



*Incense*



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*Incense burner*



*Alms boxes*



*Missal*



*Missal book stand*



*Holywater font*

2. *The Priest gives communion.* — The priest opens the Tabernacle and takes hold of the Ciborium full of Hosts.

He goes down the steps, he goes to the Communion rail and gives a Host, that is he gives Jesus Christ to the people who communicate.

3. *The priest sings the Vespers and gives us Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.*

He opens the Tabernacle, he takes a large Host and puts it in the Monstrance.

He offers *incense* to Jesus Christ, he walks up the steps to the altar, he takes hold of the Monstrance and he blesses us. It is Jesus Christ, present in the Sacred Host, Who blesses us.

4. *The priest preaches.* — The priest ascends the pulpit, he makes the sign of the cross and he talks about God, Jesus Christ, the Blessed Virgin, etc.

5. *The priest hears confessions.*—The priest goes into the confessional, he hears sins, he forgives them. The priest baptizes children, he teaches Catechism, he visits the sick, he officiates at the burials.

GOD

1. God COMMANDS all children to be good.  
God is my master, I must OBEY God.  
The good child loves God.  
The child that loves God, shall go to Heaven.  
The child that does not want to love God, shall go into hell.

2. IT IS BAD to be IDLE; — IT IS GOOD to be ACTIVE and ATTENTIVE.

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It is bad to be *DISOBEDIENT* and *STUBBORN*;  
it is good to be *obedient* and *gentle*.

It is bad to be *greedy*; — it is good to be  
*temperate*.

It is bad to be *passionate*; it is good to be  
*patient*.

It is bad to be *impolite, rude* and *sulky*;  
it is good to be *polite, amiable, smiling*.

It is bad to *take what belongs to others*;  
it is good to be *honest*.

It is bad to be *inattentive* while praying;  
it is good to be *attentive* and *pious* while pray-  
ing.

The good boy has a *rosary*; he says the  
rosary in the chapel.



The good boy has a *scapular* and a *medal*;  
he kisses the scapular and medal morning and  
evening.

He has a *prayer-book*; he reads his prayer  
book with attention.

NOTE. — Have the pupils do short exercises by re-  
sponding to indications such as the following "Show me  
the....." (Name the object). "Touch the.... Count  
the...." (Name the object each time).

Let the pupils have a *close view* of the objects so as  
to notice their *color, shape* and *use*. Let them do what  
is indicated and reply at the same time.

Train them thoroughly to make the sign of the cross  
and to genuflect respectfully and to articulate distinctly  
all the words of the prayers which they recite.

## PART I

### 1. I HAVE A BODY AND A SOUL.

1. My name is.... I am.... years old.
2. I was born on.... 19.... at....
3. I have a BODY and a SOUL.
4. Here is my body (my hands, my feet, my head, my mouth, my eyes, etc.....)
5. My soul is in my whole body.
6. I see my body.
7. I do not see my soul; *it is spiritual.*
8. My BODY walks, works, eats and sleeps.
9. My SOUL thinks, studies, understands and wills; *it is intelligent.*
10. My body shall die.
11. My soul shall never die; *it is immortal.*
12. The soul is an *intelligent and immortal* SPIRIT.

### QUESTIONS.

1. What is your name? How old are you? --
2. On what day were you born? Where? --
3. Have you a body and a soul? -- 4. Where is your body, your head, your eyes? -- 5. Where is your soul? -- 6. Do you see your body? --
7. Do you see your soul? It is.... 8. What does your body do? -- 9. What does your soul do? It is.... 10. Shall your body die? -- 11. Shall your soul die? It is.... 12. What is the soul?

## 2. — GOD



1. Formerly, there was neither sky, nor earth, nor plants, nor animals, — *There was nothing.*

2. Formerly there was neither Angels, nor men. — *There was nobody.*

3. GOD ALONE existed.

4. God is a pure spirit eternal, infinite perfect, Creator of Heaven and Earth, and Master of all things.

### GOD IS A SPIRIT

5. I have a body. *God has no body.* He is a SPIRIT.

6. I see plants, animals, men, because they have a body.

7. I do not see God, because he has no body. He is a spirit.

### GOD IS IMMENSE

8. God is in Heaven, on earth and *everywhere*. He is IMMENSE.

9. God sees all, knows all, hears all.

### GOD IS ETERNAL

10. I was born. God was not born. *He has always existed.*

11. I shall die some day. God will never die.

12. God was not born and He will never die : He is ETERNAL.

### QUESTIONS.

1. AT ONE TIME was there a Heaven, an earth, plants and animals? What was there?

2. Were there Angels and men? Was there anybody?

3. Who alone existed?

4. Who is God?

5. Have you a body? Has God a body? He is.... Can you see plants, animals, men? Why?

6. Can you see God? Why not?

7. Where is God? He is.... 8. Does God see all things? Does He know all things? Does He hear all things?

9. Were you born? Was God born? Why not? 10. Will you die some day? And will God die?

11. God was not born and He will never die because He is....

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GOD IS THE CREATOR.



1. Now there is a heaven, an earth, plants, and animals.

2. Now there are Angels and men.

3. It is God that CREATED heaven, earth, plants and animals.

4. It is God that CREATED the angels and men.

5. God CREATED ALL THINGS, because He is ALMIGHTY; that is to say, He can do all that He wishes to do.

6. God ALONE can create, because He alone is ALMIGHTY.

7. God is the MASTER of all, because He CREATED ALL.

8. To CREATE means to make something *out of nothing*, without *materials* or *tools*, — without *trouble* or *work*.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. Is there now a heaven, and an earth? are there plants and animals now? 2. Are there angels and men now? 3. Who created heaven, earth, plants and animals?

4. Who created *all* THINGS? Why did God create all things? 5. God is Almighty; that is to say, . . . 6. Who alone can create? Why? — 7. Who is the Master of all? Why is God the Master of all? — 8. What does "to create" mean?

#### 4. — GOD

##### GOD IS MY CREATOR.

1. 15, 20 years ago, I was not living.
2. Now I am living.
3. God has GIVEN me life, that is, God created me.
4. I have been given life *to know God, to love Him, to obey Him and to go to heaven after my death.*

I want to study my catechism well. — The CATECHISM is the book which teaches me to know God, to love Him, to obey Him and to go to heaven after my death.

##### GOD IS INFINITELY GOOD.

5. God has GIVEN me a body and a soul.
6. He gives me food and clothes.
7. He gives me good thoughts that I may be good.
8. He wishes to give me heaven after my death.
9. God is INFINITELY GOOD, because He has *given me all I have.*

My father is good; my mother is good. But God is very good, infinitely good.

##### GOD IS INFINITELY JUST.

The teacher *punishes* the pupils when they are bad: *it is just to do so.* The teacher *rewards* the good pupils: *it is just to do so.*

10. If I am good and pious, God shall *reward* me in heaven.

11. If I am wicked, God shall *punish* me in hell.

12. God is INFINITELY JUST, for He *rewards* the good in heaven and *punishes* the wicked in hell.

GOD IS INFINITELY PERFECT.

13. God is INFINITELY PERFECT, that is to say : God is a pure spirit, eternal, immense, infinitely powerful, infinitely good, infinitely just, infinitely beautiful, infinitely holy, etc.

QUESTIONS.

1. Were you alive 20 years ago? — 2. Are you alive now? — 3. Who gave you life? Who created you? — 4. Why are you alive? — 5. Who gave you your body and your soul? — 6. Who gives you food and clothes? — 7. Who gives you good thoughts that you may be good? — 8. What does God wish to give you after your death? — 9. Is God infinitely good? Why? — 10. The teacher punishes the pupils when they are bad: is it just to do so? — 11. He rewards the good pupils: is it just to do so? — 12. If you are good and pious, shall God reward you? Where? — 13. If you are wicked, shall God punish you? Where? — 14. Is God infinitely just? Why? — 15. Is God infinitely perfect? that is to say...

## THE HOLY TRINITY



### 5. — THE MYSTERY OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

1. There are not several Gods.
2. There is **BUT ONE GOD.**
3. There are three persons in God.
4. The three persons in God are the *Father*, the *Son*, and the *Holy Ghost*. The *Father* is the first person of the Holy Trinity.  
The *Son* is the second person of the Holy Trinity.

The Holy Ghost is the third person of the Holy Trinity.

5. The Father is God. — The Son is God. — The Holy Ghost is God.

6. But the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost *are not three Gods.*

The Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost *are one and the same God.*

7. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost are equal in all things.

One God in three persons; this is the mystery of the Holy Trinity.

8. The mystery OF THE HOLY TRINITY is the mystery of one God in three persons.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. Are there several Gods? — 2. How many Gods are there? — 3. How many persons are there in God? The three persons in God are....
- 4. Who is the first person of the Holy Trinity? The second? The third? — 5. Is the Father God? Is the Son God? Is the Holy Ghost God? — 6. Are the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost three Gods? — 7. Are the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost EQUAL or not EQUAL?
- 8. What is the MYSTERY OF THE HOLY TRINITY? Point to the picture of the Father the Son, and the Holy Ghost. Point to the picture of the Holy Trinity.



TRINITY.

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6. — WHAT I OUGHT TO DO FOR GOD

1. I ought to adore God (to think of God  
to pray to God) because He is the Creator  
Master of all things.

My God, I adore Thee (I obey Thee, I pray to Thee)  
because Thou art the Creator and Master of all things.

2. I must LOVE God above all things, because  
He is infinitely good.

My God, I love Thee above all things, because Thou  
art infinitely good.

3. I must OBEY God because He is the  
Master.

My God, I wish to obey Thee, because Thou art the  
Master.

4. I must THANK God, because He has given  
me all.

My God, I thank Thee because Thou hast given me all.

5. I must FEAR God, and be good always,  
because He is infinitely just.

My God, I fear Thee and I will always be good be-  
cause Thou art infinitely just.

6. I must adore, love, thank and fear the  
Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost EQUALLY  
because They are one and the same God.

O God the Father, O God the Son, O God the Holy  
Ghost, I adore you, I love you, and I thank you equally  
because you are one and the same God.

## PRAISE TO THE HOLY TRINITY

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son  
and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the  
beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

(300 days indulgence.)

### QUESTIONS.

1. Must you adore God? Why? — 2. Why  
must you love God above all things? — 3. Must  
you obey God? Why? — 4. Why must you  
thank God? — 5. Why must you fear God and  
always be good? *To be good means:* to pray  
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7. — THE ANGELS





1. God created the Angels.
2. The ANGELS are pure spirits. They have no body.
3. I do not see the Angels because they have no body.
4. The Angels are forever with God in HEAVEN.
5. The Angels shall never die. They are immortal.



6. *Each* of us has an Angel by his *side*.
7. This Angel, who is *near* us, is called our GUARDIAN ANGEL.
8. My Guardian Angel protects me, prays for me, and *guides* me to Heaven.
9. I must *pray* to the Angels and *love* them.



### THE BAD ANGELS OR DEVILS.

1. In the beginning all the Angels were *good and happy*.
2. Many of the Angels disobeyed God.
3. God *punished* these disobedient Angels and He cast them down into hell.
4. The disobedient Angels are called DEVILS.
5. The devils were cast into the fire of HELL to remain there forever.
6. They *tempt* us (incite us to disobey God in order to drag us into hell *with them*).

My God! I detest the devil. — My God! help me to repel the temptations of the devil.

QUESTIONS.

1. Who created the Angels? — 2. What are Angels? Have they a body like yours? — 3. Do you see the Angels? Why not? — 4. Where are they? — 5. Will the Angels die? — 6. Has each of us an Angel? Where is he? — 7. What is he called? — 8. What does your Guardian Angel do? — 9. Must you pray to the Angels and love them?

1. Were all the Angels good and happy in the beginning? — 2. Did any of the Angels disobey God? — 3. Did God punish the disobedient Angels? Into what place did He cast them? — 4. What are they called? — 5. Where are the demons? What do they do? Why?



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## 8. — MAN

1. MAN is a *reasonable creature*, who has a body and a soul.
2. I have a body and a soul.
3. I am neither a flower, nor a bird, nor an Angel: I am a HUMAN PERSON.
4. I am a *human person*, because I have a body and a *reasonable* (intelligent) soul.



ADAM AND EVE.

1. God created the first man.
2. The first man was called ADAM.
3. God created the first woman.
4. The first woman was called EVE.
5. God placed Adam and Eve in the *earthly Paradise*.
6. The *earthly Paradise* was a beautiful Garden.



ADAM AND EVE DISOBEYED TO GOD.

1. Adam and Eve were at first good and happy.
2. But *they* disobeyed God, they committed the first sin.
3. God punished them.
  1. He *drove them out* of the earthly paradise ;
  2. He *condemned them* to sufferings and death.
4. Adam and Eve became unhappy.

ORIGINAL SIN.

1. We are all born *ignorant, wicked and unhappy*, because Adam and Eve disobeyed God.
2. We are all born with a sin on our soul; this sin is called *original sin*.
3. ORIGINAL SIN is the sin which we all have on our soul at birth, because Adam and Eve disobeyed God.
4. Original sin closes Heaven against us.

QUESTIONS.

1. What is man? — 2. Have you a body and a soul? — 3. Are you a flower, a bird, or an Angel? — 4. Why are you a human person?
1. Who created the first man? — 2. What was his name? — 3. Who created the first woman? — 4. What was her name? — 5. Where did God place Adam and Eve? — 6. What was the earthly Paradise?
1. Adam and Eve were.... — 2. But what did they do? — 3. How did God punish them? What became of them?
1. How are we all born? Why? — 2. At birth, has everyone a sin on his soul? — 3. What is original sin? — 4. What does original sin close against us?



## JESUS IS OUR SAVIOUR



### 9. — THE MYSTERY OF THE INCARNATION.

1. *Because of Adam's sin, we could not go to Heaven.*

2. *But God had mercy on us: He gave us a SAVIOUR.*

3. Our Saviour is *Jesus Christ*.
4. JESUS CHRIST is the *Son of God* made man.
5. To become man, the Son of God took to Himself a *body* and *soul* on the day of the *Annunciation*.
6. The Blessed Virgin MARY is the Mother of Jesus Christ
7. Jesus Christ is GOD and MAN at the same time.

1. Jesus Christ is *God* as well as the Father and the Holy Ghost, because He is the Son of God.
2. Jesus Christ is a *man* like we are because He has a body and a soul like we have.

The Son of God made man: this is the mystery of the Incarnation.

8. The mystery of the INCARNATION is the mystery of God made man *to save us*.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. *Because* of Adam's sin, could we go to Heaven? — 2. Did God have compassion on us? What did He give us? — 3. Who is our Saviour? — 4. Who is Jesus Christ? — 5. What did the Son of God do to become man? On what day was the Son of God made man? — 6. Who is the Mother of Jesus Christ? Who is the Blessed Virgin Mary?
  7. Who is God and man at the same time? —
  8. Jesus Christ is God like . . . — Why? — 9. Jesus Christ is man like . . . — Why? — 10. What is the MYSTERY OF THE INCARNATION?
- What is the Son of God? How many persons are there in God? One God in three persons is



the mystery of..... The Son of God became man: this is the mystery of .... Did the Father become man? Did the Holy Ghost become man? Who became man?

## 10. — THE LIFE OF JESUS CHRIST



Jesus born in a stable (Christmas day).

1. Jesus Christ WAS BORN in a *stable* at Bethlehem.
2. He was born on CHRISTMAS DAY, the 25th of December, at midnight.

3. He lived on earth for about 33 years.
4. He worked at Nazareth like the *workmen* there.
5. He obeyed Mary and Joseph.
6. Saint *Joseph* was the spouse of Mary -- and the Guardian of Jesus.
7. During three years, Jesus Christ PREACHED and wrought MANY MIRACLES.
8. Some of the miracles or tests at the following: He cured *instantly* the sick, the infirm, the dumb, the lame, the blind, and lepers -- He raised Himself and some people to life, etc.
9. *Bethlehem* and *Nazareth* are small towns.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. Where was Jesus Christ born? -- 2. On what day was He born? At what o'clock? -- 3. How many years did He live on earth? -- 4. Like whom did He work? Where? -- 5. Whom did He obey? -- 6. Who was Saint Joseph? -- 7. What did Jesus Christ do during three years? -- 8. Mention some of the miracles of Jesus. -- 9. What are Bethlehem and Nazareth? Point to the picture of the Infant Jesus, of the Blessed Virgin Mary, of Saint Joseph. Point to the stable, the manger.



11. — THE MYSTERY OF THE REDEMPTION.



Jesus dying upon the cross.

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1. Jesus Christ SUFFERED very much.
  1. He was *scourged* ;
  2. He was *crowned with thorns* ;
  3. He was *crucified* (that is, He had His hands and feet nailed to a cross).
2. Jesus Christ DIED on the cross on Good Friday.
3. Jesus died to SAVE us, that is, to cleanse from our sins, — deliver us from hell — and bring us to Heaven with Him.
4. Jesus Christ died for me and for all men.
5. *On the evening after His death*, Jesus Christ WAS BURIED, that is, He was laid in a tomb.

Jesus Christ dying on the cross is the mystery of the Redemption.

6. The mystery of the REDEMPTION is the mystery of Jesus Christ DYING on the cross to save us.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. Did Jesus Christ suffer much? What did He suffer 1. 2. 3? He was crucified, that is... — 2. On what day did Jesus Christ die? Where did He die on a cross to save us?

3. *Why did* Jesus Christ die? — 4. *For whom* did Jesus Christ die? — 5. Where was Jesus Christ laid in the evening after His death? — 6. What is the mystery of THE REDEMPTION?

Point to the picture of Jesus Christ — to the nails — to the crown of thorns. — Jesus dying on the cross is the mystery of...? What is the mystery of the Blessed Trinity? of the Incarnation?

12. — THE RESURRECTION.



Jesus risen from the dead (Easter).

1. The third day after His death, Jesus Christ ROSE from the dead.
2. He came forth *alive* from the tomb.
3. Jesus Christ rose from the dead on *Easter Sunday*.

QUESTIONS.

1. What did Jesus Christ do on the third day after His death? — 2. How did He come forth from the tomb? — 3. On what day did Jesus Christ rise from the dead?



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### 13. — THE ASCENSION.



Jesus ascends into Heaven (Ascension day).

1. Jesus Christ ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN 40 days after His resurrection.
2. He ascended into Heaven on *Ascension day*.
3. *At the end of the world*, Jesus Christ shall come upon earth again, to JUDGE ALL MEN.
4. He will give Heaven to the good forever. — He will cast the WICKED into hell forever.
5. At present Jesus Christ is *in Heaven and in the consecrated Host*.

QUESTIONS.

1. What did Jesus Christ do 40 days after His resurrection? — 2. On what day did He ascend into Heaven? — 3. Will Jesus Christ come upon earth again? *Why? When?*
4. What will He give to the good? Where will He cast the wicked? — 5. Where is Jesus Christ now? Point to the picture of Jesus risen from the dead — of Jesus ascending into Heaven.

14. — THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



1. Jesus Christ has a mother — the Blessed *Virgin Mary*.
2. The Blessed *Virgin Mary* is the MOTHER of Jesus Christ.



3. Mary is not God; but she is the Mother of Jesus Christ, who is God.

At birth each one's soul is stained by original sin.

4. Mary *alone* was not stained by original sin.  
5. She never committed sin; — she never disobeyed God.  
6. *At one time* Mary lived upon earth with Saint Joseph her spouse and Jesus her son.  
7. *Now* the Blessed Virgin Mary is in Heaven.  
8. She went to Heaven on the day of the *Assumption*.  
9. The Blessed Virgin is also my mother.

She is kind, she loves me, she prays for me, she wishes to bring me to Heaven with her.

10. I must LOVE Mary very much and PRAY to her every day, because she is my mother.  
11. I must also pray to *Saint Joseph*.

QUESTIONS.

1. Has Jesus Christ a Mother? — 2. Who is the Blessed Virgin? — 3. Is Mary God? — 4. Was Mary stained by original sin as we were? — 5. Did she commit any sins?  
6. Where did Mary live at one time? With whom? — 7. Where is the Blessed Virgin Mary now? — 8. On what day did she go to Heaven? — 9. Is the Blessed Virgin also your mother? — 10. Why ought you to love Mary and pray to her? — 11. Should you also pray to Saint Joseph?

15. — I AM A CHRISTIAN.



1. I am a CHRISTIAN, that is, a child of God and of the Church.
2. I am a Christian, because I have been baptized, and because I adore Jesus Christ and obey the pope.
3. The CHURCH is the *society* of all the Christians who adore Jesus Christ and obey the pope.
4. The POPE is the Head of all Christians. The Pope is in *Rome*.
5. Jesus Christ *chose* 12 APOSTLES ; — and He established the Pope and the Bishops as their successors, to teach men.
6. Saint *Peter* was the first *Pope*.
7. The Apostles were the first *Bishops*.
8. The Pope and Bishops *teach* and *command* us.
9. To go to Heaven, 1. I must BELIEVE all that the Pope *teaches* ; — 2. I must DO all that the Pope *commands*.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. Are you a Christian? — 2. Why are you a Christian? — 3. What is the Church? — 4. What is the Pope? — 5. How many Apostles did Jesus Christ choose? Whom did He establish to teach men? — 6. Who was the first Pope? — 7. Who were the first Bishops? — 8. What do the Pope and Bishops do? — 9. What must you do to go to Heaven?

## PART II THE COMMANDMENTS



GOD IS OUR MASTER.

16. — THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OF GOD.

1. God may **COMMAND** us, that is, give us *orders*, because He is our **MASTER**.
2. God has given us **TEN COMMANDMENTS**.
3. All must obey the **Commandments** of God.

God gave Moses the Ten Commandments. God had written them on two tables of stone.

1. One God shalt thou adore and Him only shalt thou love above all things.

1. By the first Commandment God COM-  
MANDS me 1. To *adore Him alone* — and to  
*love Him more* than anybody or anything. —  
God commands me 2. To love my *neighbor*.

My neighbor: that is every man, without  
any exception.

I will adore God alone (Father, Son, and Holy Ghost).  
— I will love God above all persons and all things.  
— I will also love my neighbor.

2. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord, thy  
God in vain.

2. By the Second Commandment God FOR-  
bids me to *blaspheme*: that is, to utter *bad*  
words against God, the Church, Jesus Christ  
and the Saints.

I will never utter bad words against God, Jesus Christ,  
the Church or the Saints.

3. Remember that thou keep holy the Sunday.

3. By the Third Commandment 1. God COM-  
MANDS me to go to *Mass* every Sunday;—  
2. God FORBIDS me to *work* on Sunday.

I will always go to mass on Sunday; — I will not  
work on Sunday.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. May God command us? Why? — 2. How  
many Commandments did God give us? Say  
them. — 3. Is it necessary to obey the Com-  
mandments of God?

1. What does God command you by the First  
Commandment? Who is your neighbor? What  
will you do? — 2. What does God forbid you by  
the Second Commandment? What will you do?  
— 3. What does God command you by the

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Third Commandment? What does He forbid? What will you do?

4. Honor thy father and thy mother.

4. By the Fourth Commandment God COMMANDS me to love my *parents* and *superiors*, — to obey them — and to pray for them.

I will love my parents and superiors. — I will obey them respectfully — and I will pray for them, because God commands me to do so.

5. Thou shalt not kill, nor shalt thou desire to kill.

5. By the Fifth Commandment God FORBIDS me 1. To kill my neighbor, to strike him, to *hate him*, or to give him bad *example*.

God FORBIDS me 2. To kill myself or to desire to kill myself.

1. I will not kill my neighbor, I will not strike him. I will not hate him, I will not give him bad example.  
2. I will not kill myself, I will not desire to kill myself, because God forbids me to do so.

6. Thou shalt not do any unchaste or immodest act.

6. By the Sixth Commandment God FORBIDS me to look at, to say or to do wilfully *things impure*.

I will not look at, I will not say, I will not do voluntarily things impure, because God forbids me to do so.

#### QUESTIONS.

4. What does God command you by the Fourth Commandment? What will you do? — 5. What does God forbid you by the Fifth Commandment? And what else? What will you do? — 6. What does God forbid you by the Sixth Commandment? What will you do?

7. Thou shalt not steal.

7. By the Seventh Commandment, 1. God FORBIDS me to *steal* — or to *keep* things stolen or found. 2. God COMMANDS me to *give back* anything stolen or found by me.

I will not steal — I will not keep things stolen or found by me. I will give back to the owner things stolen or found by me.

8. Thou shalt not lie.

8. By the Eighth Commandment God FORBIDS me to *lie*, — and to *speak evil* of my neighbor.

I will not lie. — I will not think evil, I will not speak evil of my neighbor.

9. Thou shalt not desire to do any unchaste or immodest act.

9. By the Ninth Commandment God FORBIDS me wilfully to *think of*, or to *desire anything* contrary to Purity.

I will not wilfully think of immodest things; I will not wilfully desire to do immodest things.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's goods.

10. By the Tenth Commandment God FORBIDS me to wish to steal, or to *desire* unjustly my neighbor's goods.

I will not voluntarily wish to steal, or desire unjustly my neighbor's goods.

#### QUESTIONS.

7. What does God forbid you by the Seventh Commandment? What does He command you? What will you do? — 8. What does God forbid you by the Eighth Commandment? What will you do? — 9. What does God forbid you by the Ninth Commandment? What will you do? —

10. What does God forbid you by the Tenth Commandment? What will you do?

17. — THE COMMANDMENTS OF THE CHURCH

1. The Church (that is, the Pope and Bishops) has given us 7 *Commandments chiefly*.

2. We must KEEP the 7 *Commandments of the Church*, because Jesus Christ commands us to do so.

1. To observe the holy-days of obligation.

1. By the First Commandment the Church COMMANDS me to *pray* and FORBIDS me to *work* on holy-days of obligation.

There are 6 feasts of obligation: The Circumcision of our Lord, January 1st.; The Epiphany of our Lord, January 6th.; The Ascension of our Lord; All Saints day, November 1st.; The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, December 8th.; Christmas Day, December 25th.

I will pray and I will not work on holy-days of obligation.

2. To hear Mass on Sundays and all holy-days of obligation.

2. By the Second Commandment the Church COMMANDS me to *go to Mass* on Sundays and Holy-days of obligation.

I will go to Mass on Sundays and Holy-days of obligation.

3. To confess our sins at least once a year.

3. By the Third Commandment the Church COMMANDS me to *confess my sins* at least once a year.

I will confess all my sins at least once a year.



QUESTIONS.

1. How many Commandments has the Church given us? Say them. — 2. Must we obey the Commandments of the Church? Why?

1. What does the Church command you by the First Commandment? What does she forbid you? What will you do? — 2. What does the Church command you by the Second Commandment? What will you do? — 3. What does the Church command you by the Third Commandment? What will you do?

4. To receive worthily the Blessed Sacrament at Easter or within the time appointed.

4. By the Fourth Commandment the Church **COMMANDS** me *to receive Holy Communion* at least once a year at Easter-time.

I will receive Holy Communion at least once a year at Easter-time.

*But Jesus Christ wishes me to confess my sins and receive Holy Communion oftener, during the year, so that I may become more virtuous and go more easily to Heaven.*

5. To fast on Ember days, the Eves of Feasts, and during Lent.

5. By the Fifth Commandment 1. the Church **FORBIDS** me *to eat flesh-meat* without necessity on Ember days, on the Eves of *certain feasts*, and during Lent.

2. The Church **COMMANDS** people who are 21 years old *to fast*.

If I am not sick, I will not eat flesh-meat on Ember days, Vigils, and during Lent. — When I am 21 years old I will fast.

6. To abstain from flesh-meat on Fridays.

6. By the Sixth Commandment the Church FORBIDS me to eat flesh-meat on Fridays.

I will not eat flesh-meat on Fridays.

7. To contribute to the support of our Pastors.

7. By the Seventh Commandment the Church COMMANDS me *to contribute to the support of my Pastors.*

I will contribute to the support of my Pastors.

#### QUESTIONS.

4. What does the Church command you by the Fourth Commandment? What will you do? — But what does Jesus Christ desire?

5. What does the Church forbid you by the Fifth Commandment? What does she command people who are 21 years old? What will you do?

6. What does the Church forbid you by the Sixth Commandment? What will you do?

7. What does the Church command you by the Seventh Commandment? What will you do?

#### 18. — SIX.

1. Those who obey God and the Church will go to Heaven. Those who will not obey God and the Church will go to Hell.

2. To obey God and the Church is *to do good*. To disobey God and the Church is *to do evil*: it is a SIX.

3. SIN is a *wilful* offence against any of the Commandments of God or of the Church.

4. Besides *original* sin there are two kinds of sin : *mortal* sin and *venial* sin.

5. ORIGINAL sin is the sin that is on one's soul at birth, because Adam and Eve disobeyed God.

Original sin no longer stains my soul, because I have been baptized.

6. MORTAL SIN is a *grievous* and *wilful* offence against any of the Commandments of God or of the Church.

Not to go to Mass on Sundays through one's fault, — to eat flesh-meat on Fridays without necessity, — to strike one's parents violently, — to do impure things ..... are mortal sins (big sins).

7. Mortal sin makes us *enemies* of God and *deserving of hell*.

8. VENIAL SIN is a *wilful* but *slight* offence against any of the Commandments of God or of the Church.

To say one's prayers badly, — to tell a small lie, — to steal a little fruit, are venial sins.

9. Venial sin makes us *less pleasing* in the eyes of God and *deserving of purgatory*.

Venial sin does not deserve hell.

10. There are other sins that are called the *Seven Deadly Sins*.

11. The SEVEN DEADLY SINS are : Pride, Covetousness, Lust, Anger, Gluttony, Envy, and Sloth.

12. We can sin by thought, — by word or by action, — by sign and by desire.

13. God wishes to *forgive* us all our sins because He is infinitely good.

14. In order that God may forgive me all my sins I must CONFESS THEM.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. Where shall those who obey God and the Church go? Where shall those go, who will not obey God and the Church? — 2. To obey God and the Church is.... To disobey God and the Church is.... this is.... 3. What is a sin? — 4. What sins are there? — 5. What is original sin? — 6. What is mortal sin? — 7. What does mortal sin make us? What does it deserve? — 8. What is venial sin? — 9. What does it make us? What does it deserve?

10, 11. What are the Seven Deadly Sins? — 12. How can we sin? — 13. Does God wish to forgive us? — 14. What must you do in order that God may forgive you your sins?

#### 19. — THE VIRTUES,

1. I wish to love God.

2. If I love God, I *will avoid* mortal sin — and I will practice virtue.

*To avoid mortal sin*: that is, not to commit mortal sin. — *To practice virtue*: that is, to be virtuous (good, pious, meek, etc.)

3. Three virtues are *necessary* to go to Heaven: they are *Faith, Hope, and Charity.*

4. FAITH is a virtue that makes me *believe* all that the Church through the priest, teaches me.

Act of Faith..... I believe in God the Father.....

5. HOPE is a virtue that makes me *hope* that God will give me His *help* (His grace) during my life and Heaven after my death.

Act of Hope.....

6. CHARITY is a virtue that makes me *love* God above all things — and my neighbor as myself, for the love of God.

Act of Charity.....

7. There are other virtues: some of the other virtues are: humility, generosity, purity, sobriety, meekness, love of work, obedience, etc.

To be proud, avaricious, impure, jealous, (envious) greedy, angry, lazy, or to be a thief, is to be *vicious*, to have *vices*, to have *bad habits*.

To be humble, generous, pure, temperate, meek, industrious, obedient, is to be *virtuous*, to have *virtues*, to have *good habits*.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. Do you wish to love God? — 2. If you love God, what will you do? — 3. Which are the three virtues that are necessary in order to go to Heaven?

4. What is Faith? — 5. What is Hope? — 6. What is Charity? Are there any other virtues?

Say the Acts of Faith, Hope, and Charity —  
Say the "I believe in God."



20. — THE FOUR LAST THINGS.

1. The four last things are: Death, judgment, — Heaven, — or Hell.

DEATH.



2. Some day *I will die*. — All men will die.

3. DEATH is the *separation* of the soul from the body.

I am alive because my soul is in my body.

4. When my soul will leave (will separate from) my body, I will die.

The happy death of Saint Joseph.

QUESTIONS.

1. What are the four last things? — 2. Will you die? Will all men die? — 3. What is death? 4. I will die when my soul....

PARTICULAR JUDGMENT.

1. After my death they will bury my BODY in the earth (in the *cemetery*).

2. My SOUL will go before God, and God WILL JUDGE it.

3. In judging my soul, God *will examine* all my *good actions* and all my *sins*. — This is the PARTICULAR judgment.

4. After the particular judgment:—

1. The soul which is *entirely pure*, shall go to Heaven forever.

2. The soul which is *not wholly pure*; shall go to Purgatory for a time.

3. The soul which is *in a state of mortal sin*, shall go to Hell forever.

PURGATORY.



1. PURGATORY is the abode of souls which are not pure enough to go to Heaven.

2. There is fire in Purgatory. This fire thoroughly purifies the souls in Purgatory.



3. When a soul is entirely pure, it comes out of Purgatory and goes to Heaven.

QUESTIONS.

1. After your death, what shall they do with your body? — 2. Before whom will your soul go? Who will judge it? — 3. What will God do in judging your soul? — 4. After the Particular judgment, where shall the soul go, which is entirely pure? The soul which is not pure enough? The soul in a state of mortal sin?

1. What is Purgatory? — 2. Is there fire in Purgatory? What does this fire do? — 3. When do the souls come out of Purgatory? Where do they go?

RESURRECTION. — GENERAL JUDGMENT.

1. At the end of the world, I WILL RISE from the dead, that is, my body will return to life.

2. All men shall rise from the dead.

3. *After the Resurrection*, Jesus Christ shall come again upon earth TO JUDGE all men; that will be the GENERAL judgment.

4. *After the judgment*, Jesus Christ shall give Heaven to the *good* (to the blessed) — He will cast the *wicked* (the damned) into Hell.

5. The BLESSED shall go, soul and body, into Heaven.

6. The DAMNED shall go, soul and body, into Hell.

QUESTIONS.

1. When will you rise from the dead? — 2. Shall all men rise from the dead? — 3. Shall Jesus Christ come again upon earth? Why? Which judgment will this be? — 4. What shall Jesus Christ do after the judgment? — 5. Where shall the blessed go? — 6. Where shall the damned go?

20. — HEAVEN — HELL

1. HEAVEN is the home of God, Jesus Christ, the Blessed Virgin, the Angels and Saints.

2. In Heaven the blessed see God, love Him, and are perfectly HAPPY.

3. If I die in the love of God, that is, *without mortal sin* on my soul, I will go to Heaven forever.

4. HELL is the home of the devils and the damned.

5. In Hell the damned never see God, and suffer eternally the *pains of Hell-fire*.

6. If I die *in the state of mortal sin*, I will go to Hell forever.

QUESTIONS.

1. What is Heaven? Who dwell in Heaven?  
2. What do the blessed do in Heaven? — 3. I will go to Heaven if.... — 4. What is Hell? Who are in Hell? — 5. Do the damned see God in Hell? What do the damned suffer? — 6. I will go to Hell if....

**PART III**  
**GOD HELPS US TO GO TO HEAVEN**



21. — GRACE.

1. I wish to go to Heaven.
2. By myself, I cannot be always good, avoid all sins — and go to Heaven.
3. But God wishes to give me His *grace* to help me to go to Heaven.
4. GRACE is an *aid* that God gives me to help me to get to Heaven.
5. In order to obtain grace (the help of God) I must 1. *Pray*, and 2. *Receive the Sacraments*.

PRAYER.

1. To pray, is to think of God, to speak to God, to *adore* Him, to *thank* Him and to *ask* Him for *grace*.

2. I must pray in the morning and in the evening.

3. I must pray *especially* on Sunday during Mass, — when I go to confession and receive Holy communion — and when the devil tempts me.

4. I must pray with *respect* and *attention*.

5. The most beautiful prayers are : the "Our Father" and the "Hail Mary".

6. I should pray for myself, for my parents, my superiors, for the souls in Purgatory and for the sinners.

THE SACRAMENTS.

1. There are Seven Sacraments.

2. The Seven Sacraments are : Baptism, Confirmation, Penance, Eucharist, Extreme Unction, Holy Orders, and Matrimony.

3. Jesus Christ INSTITUTED the Seven Sacraments to *give us grace*, which helps us to get to Heaven.

4. But in order to obtain grace we must receive the Sacraments with devotion, *respect* and *love*.

QUESTIONS.

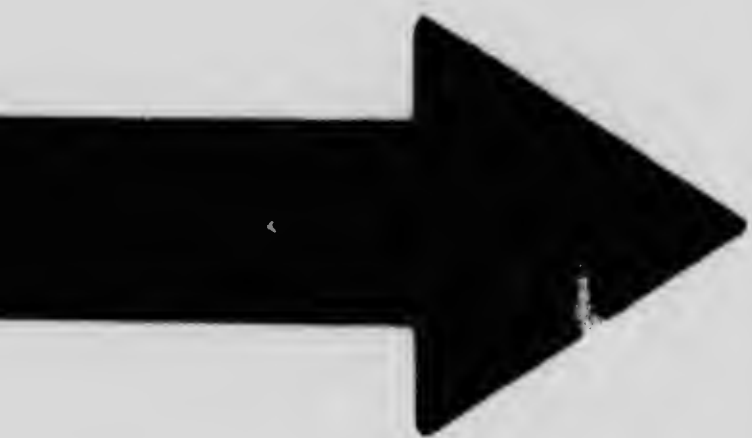
1, 2. Can you, by your own strength, go to Heaven? — 3. What does God wish to give you to help you to get to Heaven? — 4. What is grace? — 5. What must you do to obtain grace?

1. What is meant by "to pray"? — 2, 3. *When* must you pray? — 4. *How* must you pray? — 5. Which are the most beautiful prayers? *For whom* must you pray?

1. How many Sacraments are there? — 2. Name the seven Sacraments. — 3. Who instituted the seven Sacraments? Why? But how must we receive the Sacraments in order to obtain grace?

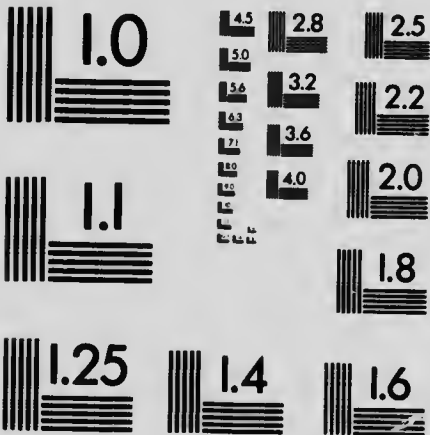






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1. BAPTISM is a Sacrament which effaces *original sin* and makes us *Christians*, children of God and of the Church.

2. I no longer have original sin on my soul and I am a Christian, because I have received Baptism.

3. *Without Baptism*, no one can go to Heaven.

4. Baptism can be received *once only*.

5. When Baptizing, the priest pours water on the head of the little child saying at the same time: "I baptize thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost".



O Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us, who have recourse to thee.

faces  
children



23. — CONFIRMATION.



The Bishop giving Confirmation.

1. CONFIRMATION is a Sacrament by means of which the Holy Ghost is given to us and we are made *perfect Christians*.

2. The HOLY GHOST is the third person of the Blessed Trinity.

3. By the Sacrament of Confirmation the Holy Ghost makes the soul *more pious* and *stronger* to resist the devil.

4. It is a BISHOP who confirms.

5. Confirmation can be received *once only*.

6. To receive Confirmation WELL we must:  
1. Make a *good confession* in order to be free from mortal sin: 2. Know the *Catechism*, —  
3. *Pray* with fervor.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. What is Baptism? What does it efface?  
— 2. Have you original sin on your soul? Why?  
— 3. If a person has not received Baptism, can he go to Heaven? — 4. How many times can Baptism be received?

1. What is Confirmation? — 2. Who is the Holy Ghost? — 3. What does the Holy Ghost do when you receive Confirmation? — 4. Who gives the Sacrament of Confirmation? — 5. How many times can Confirmation be received?

The Sacrament of..... makes us perfect Christians.

Point to the Bishop, — the cross, the mitre.  
— Point to a child who is receiving Confirmation.

#### 24. — PENANCE.

1. I commit sins.

2. Jesus Christ instituted the Sacrament of Penance to efface sins.

3. PENANCE is a Sacrament which effaces both *mortal* and *venial sins*.

4. In order that God forgive me my sins :  
1. I must *reflect* in order that I may know all the sins I have committed : this reflexion is called EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE. 2. I must be *sorry* in my heart for having sinned — and *promise* God never to sin again : this sorrow is called CONTRITION. 3. I must *tell* all my sins to a priest : this telling my sins is called CONFESSION. 4. I must *be willing to perform the penance* which the Confessor gives me : this is called SATISFACTION.

QUESTIONS.

1, 2. Why did Jesus Christ institute the Sacrament of Penance? — 3. What is Penance? — 4. In order that God forgive you all your sins, you must 1... this Reflexion is called.... You must 2.... this Sorrow is called.... You must 3.... this telling your sins is called.... — You must 4.... this is called.... — The Sacrament of.... effaces original sin. — The Sacrament of.... effaces both mortal and venial sins.



ABSOLUTION.



The priest is giving Absolution.

1. The priest effaces my sins by giving me  
ABSOLUTION.

2. The priest stretches his right hand over me and  
says: "I FORGIVE thee all thy sins, in the name of the  
Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost".

3. When the priest gives me Absolution, I must say the Act of Contrition.

4. If I receive Absolution WELL, *I have no more sins* on my soul.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. How does the priest efface your sins? — 2. What does he do? — What does he say? — 3. What do you say while the priest is giving you Absolution? — 4. If you *receive Absolution well*, have you any more sins on your soul?

#### I MUST MAKE GOOD CONFESSIONS.

1. If the priest blesses me only, that is if he does not give me absolution my sins are not forgiven.

2. It is NECESSARY to have CONTRITION for *all mortal sins* committed.

3. If a person has not contrition for *all the mortal sins* he has committed God does not pardon him and he commits a new sin called a *sacrilege* in receiving the words of absolution.

4. It is NECESSARY to CONFESS all mortal sins committed.

5. If a person knowingly and *unrepentantly* conceals a mortal sin in confession, God does not pardon him and he commits a new sin called a *sacrilege* in receiving the words of absolution.

6. *It is good* to confess also venial sins; but it is not necessary.

7. If at the hour of death there is no priest to hear my confession I will say with all my heart an ACT OF CONTRITION.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. If the priest blesses you only, are your sins forgiven? — 2. Is it necessary to have contrition for all the mortal sins we have com-



mitted? — 3. If you have not contrition, will God forgive you your sins? What will you commit? — 4. Is it necessary to confess all the mortal sins that we have committed? — 5. If you knowingly and wilfully concealed mortal sin in confession, would God forgive you? What would you commit? — 6. Is it good to confess venial sins? Is it necessary?



The Pope is the Head of the Church.  
The Pope teaches and commands us in the  
name of Jesus Christ.

## 25. — THE HOLY EUCHARIST



1. The HOLY EUCHARIST is a Sacrament which really and truly *contains* the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity, of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

2. Jesus Christ INSTITUTED the Sacrament of the Eucharist on Holy Thursday, the *evening* before His Death.

3. Jesus took bread and said: "*This is My Body*"; and the *bread* became His Body. Jesus Christ took wine and said: "*This is My Blood*"; and the *wine* became His BLOOD.

QUESTIONS.

1. What is the Holy Eucharist? — 2. On what day did Jesus Christ institute the Eucharist? What did Jesus Christ do? Point to the picture of Jesus, of the Apostles.



26. — THE MASS.



The priest is saying mass.

1. The MASS is Jesus Christ offering — on the altar — His Body and Blood to God His Father, by the hands of the priest.

2. During the Mass the priest speaks as though he were Jesus Christ.

At the altar, the priest has a large *host*, made of bread. — and a *chalice* which contains wine.

3. When the priest has said over the host: "*This is My Body*," the Host is no longer bread.

The Host is then the BODY of Jesus Christ.

4. When the priest has said over the wine: "*This is My Blood*", what is in the chalice is no longer wine, it is the BLOOD of Jesus Christ.

5. I see many hosts in the *Ciborium*: each host is Jesus Christ.

6. I see a large Host in the *Monstrance*: — this large Host is Jesus Christ.

7. I ADORE the Sacred Host because it contains Jesus Christ, who is God.

8. I do not see Jesus Christ, because He is hidden in the Sacred Host.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. What is the Mass? — 2. What does the priest do during Mass? — 3. When the priest has said: "*This is my Body*," the Host is no longer....; the Host is.... — 4. When the priest has said: "*This is My Blood*," what is in the chalice is no longer....; it is the.... — 5. In the *Ciborium*, each host is.... — 6. The large Host in the *Monstrance* is....? — 7. Why do you adore the Sacred Host? — 8. Why do you not see Jesus in the Sacred Host?

27. — HOLY COMMUNION.



1. When the priest places a *Sacred Host* on my tongue I receive Jesus Christ (*I communicate*).

2. To GO TO COMMUNION means to receive Jesus Christ Really and truly present in the Sacred Host.

I receive a white round host : I believe that this Host is no longer bread : I believe that this Host is really and truly Jesus Christ.

3. To communicate WELL I must : 1. make a *good confession* so as to be free from all mortal sin. 2. *believe* that Jesus Christ is in the Sacred Host ; 3. *to be fasting*, that is, not to have drunk nor eaten anything from midnight until communion.

4. If I receive communion *in a state of mortal sin*, I commit a great sin called : a SACRILEGE.

5. If I receive communion *without mortal sin* on my soul and with piety, Jesus gives me great GRACES to help me to get to Heaven.

#### QUESTIONS.

1. When the priest places a Sacred Host on your tongue whom do you receive? — 2. What does to go to communion mean? — 3. What must you do to receive communion well? — 4. What do you do if you go to communion in a state of mortal sin? — 5. What does Jesus give you if you communicate without mortal sin on your Soul?





I WANT ALL MY COMMUNIONS TO BE FERVENT  
AND GOOD..

1. A few days before receiving Communion, I behave better, I say all my prayers well.
2. The *day before* communion, I make a good confession.
3. I do not eat, nor drink from midnight until Communion.



4. I go to Mass, I pray. I say the "*Acts before Communion*".

5. I go to the *altar-rail* and I kneel down.

6. I spread the *Communion-cloth* over my hands, I hold up my head, I open my mouth a little and I extend my tongue upon the under lip.

7. I receive the Sacred Host and I swallow it with respect.

8. If the Sacred Host *sticks to my palate*, I will remove it with my tongue but never with my fingers.

9. I pray with all my soul, I think of Jesus, who is within me and I say the "*Acts after Communion*"; THIS IS CALLED THANKSGIVING.

10. If I remember I have eaten or drunk anything I will not receive Communion.

11. If I am in mortal sin, I will not receive Communion.



28. — EXTREME UNCTION



The priest giving Extreme Unction.

1. EXTREME UNCTION is a Sacrament which *comforts* both the soul and body of the sick person who receives it.

2. It helps the sick to die a happy death.
3. Persons, who are VERY SICK, should receive Extreme Unction.
4. To receive Extreme Unction WELL, we must *confess our sins, pray, and have confidence in God.*

If we cannot confess, we must ask pardon of God and make an act of Perfect Contrition.

5. To give Extreme Unction, the priest makes with *holy oil* the sign of the cross upon the *eyes, ears, nose, mouth, hands and feet* of the sick person, — and he prays to God to forgive the sick person all the sins he has committed through the sight, hearing, smell, taste and touch.



## 29. — HOLY ORDERS



Priests receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders *once only*.

1. HOLY ORDERS is a Sacrament by which priests are *ordained*.
2. The Sacrament of Holy Orders gives the priest the *power* to say Mass, to baptize, to hear confessions, to preach, to give Communion, etc.
3. Sacrament of Holy Orders is given by a Bishop.

## MATRIMONY



4. MATRIMONY is a Sacrament which unites a man and a woman and their union is holy in the eyes of God.

5. The Sacrament of Matrimony should be received at the *Church*, — Those about to be married should have gone to *confession* beforehand in order to be free from all mortal sin.

QUESTIONS.

1. What is Extreme Unction? — 2. What does it do? — 3. Who should receive Extreme Unction? — 4. What must we do to receive Extreme Unction well?

1. What is Holy Orders? — 2. What power does Holy Orders give to priests?—3. Who gives the Sacrament of Holy Orders? — 4. What is Matrimony? — Where should it be received? — What should those about to be married do previously?



### 30. — THE PRINCIPAL FEASTS



#### FEASTS OF OUR LORD

1. *Christmas Day* (December 25th) is the day Jesus Christ was born in a stable at Bethlehem.

2. *Epiphany* (January 6th) is the day Jesus Christ, when a little baby was adored by the Kings.

3. *Holy Thursday* is the day Jesus Christ instituted the Blessed Sacrament.

4. *Good Friday* is the day Jesus Christ died on a cross for our *Redemption*.

5. *Easter* is the day Jesus Christ *rose* from the dead.

6. *Ascension Day* (40 days after Easter) is the day Jesus Christ rose up into Heaven.

7. *Pentecost* (10 days after the Ascension) is the day the Holy Ghost came down upon the Apostles in the form of tongues of fire.

8. *Corpus Christi* is the day the Church honors the Blessed Sacrament by carrying it *in procession*.

9. The Feast of the *Sacred Heart* of Jesus is the day our Lord has asked us to honor His Sacred Heart in a special way.

#### FEASTS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN.

1. The *Immaculate Conception* (December 8th). — On this day we honor the Blessed Virgin who was conceived without sin.

2. The *Nativity, B. V. M.* (September 8th). — On this day we honor the birth of the Blessed Virgin.

3. The *Annunciation* (March 25th). — On this day we honor the mystery by which God became man. He became man by *taking to Himself a body and soul* in the womb of the Blessed Virgin.



4. *The Seven Dolors B. V. M.* — On this day we honor the sufferings of the Blessed Virgin at the foot of the cross on Good Friday.

5. *The Assumption* (August 15th). — On this day we honor the Blessed Virgin who was taken up body and soul into Heaven.

We pray to the Blessed Virgin in a special way during May. May is the *month of the Blessed Virgin*. We honor her also during October, the *month of the Holy Rosary*.

#### OTHER FEASTS.

1. *All Saints Day*. (November 1st). — On this day we honor and pray in a special way to all the Saints in Heaven.

I ought to pray to all the Saints and especially to my Patron-Saint.

2. *All Soul's Day* (November 2nd). — On this day we pray for the Souls in Purgatory and go in procession to the cemetery.

3. *The Feast of Saint Joseph* (March 19th). — On this day we especially honor Saint Joseph though we should pray to him every day.

*March is the month of Saint Joseph.*

4. *The Feast of Saints Peter and Paul* (June 29th). — On this day we especially honor and pray to the holy apostles Peter and Paul.

5. *The Feast of the Holy Angels* (October 2nd). — On this day we especially honor and pray to the Holy Angels.

1. **ADVENT** is a time of prayer, fasting and penance, which prepares us for Christmas. — Advent lasts four weeks.

2. **LENT** is a time of prayer, fasting and penance, which prepares us for Easter. — Lent lasts 40 days. It begins on *Ash-Wednesday* and ends on *Easter Sunday*.

3. **HOLY WEEK** is the week before Easter.

4. The **EMBER-DAYS** are three fast days (Wednesday, Friday and Saturday) at the beginning of each of the *four Seasons* (4 times each year).

5. The **VIGILS** or **EVES** of some of the more important festivals are: the *Eve of Christmas*, of *Pentecost*, of the feast of *Saint Peter and Saint Paul*, of the *Assumption* and *All Saints' day*.





O Jesus, died upon the cross for our salvation,  
we adore and love Thee.

## READINGS

GOD — PAGE 38

### 1. GOD IS A PURE SPIRIT.

I have a body, that is, I have a head, arms, hands, feet.

God has no body, (He has no head, no arms, no feet; ; *God is a pure Spirit.*

I see stones, flowers and fruits.

I see animals and men, because they have a body.

I do not see God because He has no body : He is a *pure Spirit.*

2. God is everywhere. — God is in Heaven and on Earth. He is in the chapel. He is in the classroom, He is in the dormitory and in the playground.

God is in the cities, in the fields, and on the mountains.

God is *everywhere*, because He is *immense*.

*God sees all, He hears all, He knows all.*

If a child steals fruit, cakes, pictures, God SEES him.

If a child *desires* to do evil, God *knows* it because He sees into that child's heart.

If I am inattentive or if I speak evil secretly, God sees me and hears me.

3. GOD IS THE MASTER OF ALL THINGS, because He created all. God is the Master of Heaven and Earth. God is the Master of the

Angels and the devils. God is the Master of all men.

I must *obey* God, for He is my Master.

It is evil, it is a sin to disobey God.

4. GOD IS ETERNAL. — Everything on earth *has had a commencement*. Trees, plants, flowers have a beginning. Animals are born. Men are born. I, myself, was born on... 19...

*God alone never had a beginning; God alone has always existed.*

Everything on earth *dies*.

Flowers, trees, animals die.

All men die. I will die some day.

*God will always live; God will never die.*

God has always existed and He will never die, He is eternal.

#### GOD IS THE CREATOR — PAGE 40

1. God has created the heaven, the stars, the earth, the seas.

He created the Angels and men.

He created the animals, the plants, the flowers, the fruits on the Earth.

God has created everything, because *He is Almighty*.

2. Workmen work during long hours; they work a long time and become tired.

God made everything *without fatigue or effort* because He is Almighty.

3. Masons build houses with stone, brick and mortar. Cabinet-makers make furniture with wood. Shoemakers make shoes with

leather. Tailors make clothes with cloth, etc.

All workmen have *tools* to work upon stone, wood, leather, cloth, etc.

The hammer, the saw, the plane, the trowel, the die, the needle, etc., are *tools*.

God made all things *out of nothing, without materials nor tools* of any kind.

God said. "I will to create!" and heaven, earth, plants, animals and men were created.

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THE BLESSED TRINITY. — PAGE 42

1. THERE IS BUT ONE GOD.  
THERE ARE THREE PERSONS IN GOD.

The three Persons in God are : the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

The Father is God. — The Son is God. — The Holy Ghost is God.

But the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost are not three Gods. — The Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost are *one and the same God*.

2. The Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost are EQUAL in all things.

The Father is the Creator, the Son is the Creator, the Holy Ghost is the Creator.

The Father is eternal, the Son is eternal, the Holy Ghost is eternal.

The Father is everywhere, the Son is everywhere, and the Holy Ghost is everywhere.

The Father is Almighty the Son is Almighty, and the Holy Ghost is Almighty.

The Father is equal to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

The Son is equal to the Father and to the Holy Ghost.

The Holy Ghost is equal to the Father and to the Son.

ADAM AND EVE. -- PAGE. 52

1. God CREATED Adam and Eve.

God made Adam's body out of *earth* He made Eve's body with one of Adam's



Then God *united* to Adam's and Eve's bodies an *intelligence and immortal soul*.

2. Adam and Eve were happy in the earthly paradise. If they had not sinned they would never have died. They loved God and God loved them. God *had forbidden* them to eat of the fruit of a certain tree.

But the devil *tempted* Eve. — Eve ate of the fruit of this tree; Adam also ate of it. Adam and Eve disobeyed God. God drove them out of the earthly paradise and *condemned* them to sufferings and death.

By their disobedience, they lost God's friendship and Heaven.

3. On account of Adam's and Eve's sin, we all are, at birth, the *enemies* of God — and we cannot go to Heaven.

But Jesus Christ came on earth *to save us*, (that is, *to restore to us God's friendship and Heaven*).

JESUS CHRIST. — PAGE 57

1. God, the *Father*, did not become man.

God, the *Holy Ghost* did not become man.

It was God the *SON* (the second Person of the Blessed Trinity) who became man.

To become man, the Son of God took to Himself a body and a soul like our body and soul, in the womb of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary.

*The Son of God made man* is called Jesus Christ.

2. Jesus Christ is GOD and MAN at the same time.

Jesus Christ is *God* like the Father and the Holy Ghost, because He is the Son of God.

Jesus Christ is *man like us*. (We have a body · Jesus Christ has a body. We have a soul : Jesus Christ has a soul. Jesus Christ is man like us).

### THE LIFE OF JESUS CHRIST.



1. The INFANT JESUS was very pious. He said all His prayers well ; He loved God His Father with all His heart.

He loved *Mary* His Mother, and *Saint Joseph* His Guardian. He respected them and always obeyed them with joy.

He was neither impolite, nor sulky, nor obstinate, nor noisy, nor lazy.

He was very careful to do all things well.

All children loved Him, because He was good, charitable, meek and modest.

2. When He was bigger, He worked on wood and iron.

He was a *carpenter*, like *Saint Joseph*, until He was 30 years of age.

JESUS IS MY SAVIOUR. — PAGE 55



O Jesus, Thou hast suffered and Thou hast died to save me! I adore Thee, I love Thee, and I thank Thee.

1. At birth, we all had original sin on our souls.

On account of this sin, *we were not God's friends*, and we were *shut out of Heaven* forever.

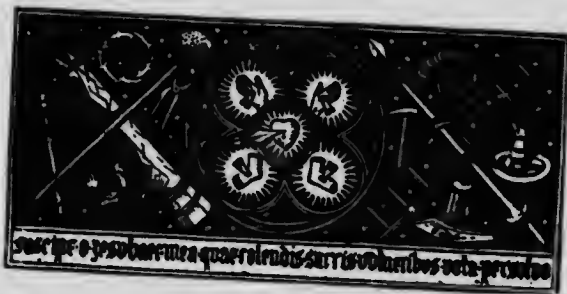
Jesus Christ suffered, and died on a cross to efface original sin, — and to open the gates of Heaven for us.

2. If we commit mortal sins, we lose God's *friendship*, we cannot go to *Heaven* and we deserve *hell*.

Jesus Christ suffered and died on the cross to wipe out our mortal sins, *to give back* to us God's *friendship* and *Heaven* and *save us from hell*.

3. By His sufferings and Death, Jesus became our SAVIOUR.

If Jesus had not died for us, we could not go to Heaven.



I MUST OBEY GOD. — PAGE 68

1. God has given me the *Commandments*.  
I must obey God's *Commandments*, because  
He is my *MASTER*.

The Church also gives me Commandments. I must obey the Commandments of the Church, because God commands me to do so.

Parents command their children.

Children must obey their parents.

Masters command their pupils.

Pupils must obey their masters.

Officers command their soldiers.

Soldiers must obey their officers .

2. If pupils, children, soldiers *do not obey*, they are PUNISHED: and it is right and just that they should be punished.

If children, pupils, soldiers *obey*, they are REWARDED; and it is right and just that they should be rewarded.

If I obey God, God shall give me *Heaven* as a reward. If I refuse to obey God, God shall punish me in *hell*.

I BELIEVE ALL THAT THE CHURCH  
TEACHES ME. — PAGE 61

*I have Faith.* I BELIEVE there is but *one God*. I believe there are *three Persons in God*; the *Father*, the *Son*, and the *Holy Ghost*.

I believe that the Son of God (the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity) *became man* and is called *Jesus Christ*.

I believe that the Blessed Virgin *Mary* is the *Mother* of Jesus.

I believe that Jesus Christ *died* on a cross to save all men.

I believe that Jesus Christ *rose from the dead*.

I believe that Jesus Christ is in *Heaven* and in the *Sacred Host* (in the Blessed Sacrament).

I believe that I *will rise* from the dead after death and that Jesus Christ shall come again upon earth to judge us.

I believe that God *forgives* us all our sins when we *make a good confession*.

I believe that the *good* shall go to Heaven — and that the *wicked* shall go into hell forever.

I WISH TO GO TO HEAVEN. — PAGE 83

To go to Heaven, I must: 1<sup>st</sup>, BELIEVE all that the Church (that is, the Pope, the Bishops) teaches me:

I must 2<sup>ndly</sup>, KEEP the Commandments of God and of the Church;

I must 3<sup>rdly</sup>, *pray*, GO TO CONFESSION and RECEIVE COMMUNION to obtain GRACE.

Grace (God's help) shall help me to avoid mortal sin which deserves hell.

Grace shall help me to love God and to die a good death which shall deserves Heaven.

BAPTISM. — PAGE 86



1. There are many little children who have never been baptized, and *without Baptism* they cannot go to Heaven. *How unfortunate they are to be unable to go to Heaven.*

I have been baptized; I am a Christian, a child of God and of the Church. *How fortunate am I to be able to go to Heaven!*

2. When I was very small, they took me to the church. There, the priest poured water on my head saying: "*I baptized thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.*"

Thereupon, Baptism effaced original sin from my soul; — my soul was beautiful, pure, holy; I became a Christian and a friend of God.

I should thank God every day for the grace of Baptism.

CONFIRMATION. —



1. To give me Confirmation, the Bishop shall extend his hands over my head and pray to the Holy Ghost. Then, he shall make the sign of the cross on my forehead with a holy oil called: *holy chrism*; he shall recite a short prayer — and he shall give me a slight stroke on the cheek.

2. Then the Holy Ghost shall come into my soul. He shall make me better, and stronger to resist the devil.

He shall give me 7 great graces called the *Seven Gifts of the Holy Ghost*.

The Seven Gifts of the Holy Ghost are: Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety and the Fear of the Lord.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST. — PAGE 95



Jesus Christ instituted the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist: 1st to offer Himself to God His Father *upon the Altar*, during Mass; 2ndly, to give Himself to us in *Holy Communion*; 3rdly, to always remain in the *Tabernacle*, amongst us.

1. *The holy Mass*. — Once, on the first Good Friday, Jesus Christ offered, His Body and Blood *upon the cross* to God the Father in order to save us: this was the SACRIFICE OF THE CROSS.

In the same manner every day, *upon the altar* Jesus offers up by the hands of the priest His Body and Blood, to God the Father: this is the SACRIFICE OF THE MASS.

During Mass I must unite myself to Jesus Christ and the priest to *adore* God, to *thank*



Him, to *ask pardon* of Him for my sins and the *grace* to go to Heaven.

I must also think of the sufferings and death of Jesus Christ.

We must hear Mass with *respect, attention* and *devotion*, especially on Sundays.

2. HOLY COMMUNION. — The word *communion* means *union with Jesus Christ*. When we receive the Sacred Host, it is Jesus Christ Himself, Who enters into our mouth, rests on our tongue and descends into our hearts.

When the priest gives us the Sacred Host, he says to us: “ *the Body of our Lord Jesus Christ bring to Eternal life!*”

If we wish to be *virtuous* and go to Heaven, *we should often go to Holy communion*; but let us always take care *to receive our Lord fervently and worthily* that is with devotion, respect and love towards Him and without mortal sin on our soul.

3. THE VISIT TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.— I do not see Jesus in church; but I know and believe that He is really present in the Sacred Host.

When passing before the Tabernacle, I bend the right knee to adore our Lord. Then I say the “*Prayer on entering the chapel*”.

Jesus looks at me, He listens to me. — If I pray to Him well, He shall grant me a great many graces.

Before going out of the church, I will always pray to the Most Blessed Virgin.



## ACTS FOR THE DEAF-MUTES

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### ACT OF ADORATION.

Almighty God, Creator of Heaven and Earth, Thou art my Master and King. I am a great sinner. Thou canst see me. Thou knowst all my thoughts. I humbly adore Thee.

### ACT OF FAITH.

O my God, I believe that Jesus Christ died for me, that He is in the Eucharist. I believe that His mother was without sin. I believe all that the Church teaches me.

### ACT OF HOPE.

O my God! I hope Thou wilt give me the grace to obey Thy Commandments. I hope to enjoy heaven and there see Thee according to Christ's promise.

### ACT OF CHARITY.

O my God! I love Thee above all things because Thou art infinitely good, and I love my neighbor as myself.

### ACT OF CONTRITION.

O my God, infinitely good, I love Thee above all things. Thou art infinitely holy and sin displeases Thee. I am very sorry for having disobeyed Thee. Forgive me for the love of Jesus Christ. I promise to sin no more. I will do penance and love Thee.



To atone for my sins, to deliver me from hell, and because He infinitely loves me, Jesus shed all of His blood, He died upon a cross, His Heart was broken with grief and pierced with a lance.

## EXERCISES FOR CONFESSION

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### PRAYER BEFORE EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE.

O my God, I believe that Thon art present here. Being prostrate before Thee, I adore Thee.

Thon didst grant me numerous graces; I thank Thee. Thon art infinitely good, Thou infinitely lovest me, I loved Thee little; I offended Thee much, I sinned.

I sincerely repent and I beseech Thee to enlighten my soul. Do help me to know all my sins, to sincerely detest them and to make a good confession.

Meek Heart of Jesus, have pity on me.

Saint Joseph, pray for me.

Holy Guardian Angel, pray for me.

Our Father, etc.

Hail, Mary, etc.

### EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE.

Bless me, Father, for I have sinned.

I confess to Almighty God, and to you, Father.

I went to confession.... days ago.

I went to confession.... weeks ago.

I went to confession.... months ago.

I went to confession..... years ago.

I received absolution.

I did not receive absolution.

I performed my penance.  
I forgot to perform my penance.  
I willingly omitted my penance.

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I went to confession without preparation  
..... times.

(1) **I went to confession without contrition** . . . . . times.

While confessing my sins I forgot to tell  
that . . . . . times

(1) **While at confession I did not want to tell that** . . . . . times

I read others' confessions. . . . . times.

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(2) 1ST COMMANDMENT OF GOD.

Thou shalt adore only one God  
and thou shalt love Him perfectly.

I did not pray during . . . . . days.

I did not pray during . . . . . months.

I willingly prayed without attention  
..... times.

While praying I amused myself . . . . times.

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(1) If you are willing to sin again after your confession, if you are glad of having sinned, if you are not willing to avoid occasions of sin, you have no contrition.

(1) If you conceal a mortal sin in confession, you commit a great sin called a sacrilege. You must tell this sin in confession, tell how many times you have been to confession, how many times you received holy communion, and repeat all of your confessions since you first concealed this sin.

(2) When you have left the Institution, you must, if you can, attend the sermon given for you on Sundays. If you cannot attend the sermons, you must study your catechism, so that you may not forget it.

(1) I have spoken against religion . . . . times

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2nd COMMANDMENT OF GOD.

Respect the holy name of God  
and take no oath in vain.

**I have blasphemed** . . . . . times.

(2) I have taken God's name in vain . . . times.

I have sworn to do a bad action . . . . . times.

**I have taken a false oath** . . . . . times.

3rd COMMANDMENT OF GOD.

Sanctify Sunday by prayer  
and holy rest.

1st and 2nd COMMANDMENTS OF THE CHURCH.

Sanctify Holydays of obligation  
by prayer and holy rest.

Assist at mass on Sundays and Holydays of  
obligation.

**On Sunday, I have missed Mass through  
my fault** . . . . . times.

(1) **On Holydays of obligation I missed Mass  
through my fault** . . . . . times.

On Sunday, I have worked without ne-  
cessity during . . . . hour . . . . times.

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(1) It is a sin to laugh at holy things, to speak against the Church, against priests, and religious practices such as the way of the Cross, the rosary, etc. It is a sin to read heretical books (against religion).

(2) To take an oath or to swear is to call upon God, Christ, the Saints, one's soul, to bear witness to the truth of what we say. If you have sworn to do a bad action you should not do the bad action. If you swear to do a good action you should do the good action.

On Holydays of obligation, I have worked  
without necessity during . . . . hour . . . . times.

I have willingly been distracted during  
mass . . . . . times.

I have been troublesome in the Church  
. . . . . times.

4th COMMANDMENT OF GOD.

Thou shalt respect thy father and mother,  
thou shalt love and obey them.

(1) I have disobeyed my parents . . . . . times

(1) I have disobeyed my superiors . . . . . times.

I have advised others to disobey . . . . . times.

I have injured my parents . . . . . times.

I have injured my superiors . . . . . times.

I have hated my parents . . . . . times.

I have hated my superiors . . . . . times.

**I have struck my parents** . . . . . times.

I have struck my superiors . . . . . times.

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5th COMMANDMENT OF GOD.

Thou shalt not kill.

I have hated my neighbor . . . . . times.

I have refused to forgive my neighbor  
. . . . . times.

I have wished a little ill luck to my neigh-  
bor . . . . . times.

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(1) Holydays of obligation for the Province of Quebec  
are: Christmas, Circumcision, Epiphany, Ascension, All  
Saints day and Immaculate Conception.

(1) It is a great sin to disobey them, when they com-  
mand grievous things, as not to go with bad compa-  
nions, etc.

- I have wished much ill luck to my neighbor** . . . . . times.  
I have struck my neighbor . . . . . times.  
I have fought . . . . . times.  
I have injured my neighbor. . . . . times.  
(1) I have taken revenge in . . . . . times.  
I have desired to take revenge. . . . . times.  
(2) I have advised to . . . . . times.  
I made my companions angry by teasing them . . . . . times.

*For married people :*

- I have beaten my wife . . . . . times.  
I have not worked to earn a living for my family . . . . . times.  
I did not correct my children. . . . . times.  
I have advised my children to do evil . . . . . times.  
I have corrected my children with too much severity . . . . . times.  
I have hated my wife . . . . . times.

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6th and 9th COMMANDMENTS OF GOD.

Do not commit impurity.  
Do not take pleasure in impure thoughts and desires.

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(1) In striking, in speaking ill, in breaking a piece of furniture, etc.

(2) To steal, to burn a house, to take revenge, to disobey, etc.



**I have taken pleasure in impure thoughts** . . . . . times

**I have looked at impure objects with pleasure** . . . . . times

**I have committed impurity alone** . . . . . times.

(1) **I have committed impurity with** . . . . . times.

I have desired to commit impurity alone . . . . . times.

(1) **I have desired to commit impurity with** . . . . . times.

**I have invited others to commit impure actions** . . . . . times.

**I have exposed myself impurely before** . . . . . other persons . . . . . times.

**I have caused my neighbor to commit impurities** . . . . . times.

(2) **I have put myself in the occasion of sinning** . . . . . times.

7th and 10th COMMANDMENTS OF GOD.

Thou shalt not steal.

Thou shalt not covet.

I have stolen . . . . . (what?) from my parents . . . . . times.

I have **stolen** . . . . . (what?) . . . . . times.

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(1) We must say, if the person with whom we have committed impurity, or have desired to commit impurity is a man, a maid or a married woman, without naming the person.

(2) We put ourselves in the occasion of sinning by going with bad people, by going to bad theatres or bad dances, etc.

- I have **stolen** . . . . . (what?) in the church  
. . . . . times.
- (1) I have kept . . . . . (what?) found  
. . . . . times.
- I have kept . . . (what?) borrowed . . . times.
- I have desired to steal . . . . . (what?)  
. . . . . times.
- I have cheated in selling . . . . . times.
- (2) **I did not make restitution** . . . . . times.
- (3) I have caused damage in . . . . . times.

8th COMMANDMENT OF GOD.

Be thou neither a liar,  
Nor a slanderer, nor a calumniator.

- (4) I have been a liar . . . . . times.
- (1) **I have grievously calumniated my neighbor** . . . . . times.
- I have calumniated my neighbor a little  
. . . . . times
- I have grievously slandered my neighbor**  
. . . . . times.
- I have slandered my neighbor a little  
. . . . . times.
- I have listened to slander with pleasure  
. . . . . times.

- (1) When we find a thing, we must seek the owner and return it.
- (2) You are bound to give back what you have stolen.
- (3) We cause damage in not paying our debts, in wounding our neighbor, his animals, in breaking his tools, etc.
- (4) There are three kinds of lies; jocous lie, useful lie and hurtful lie; this latter is the worst.

I have ill judged my neighbor without  
reason . . . . . times.

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COMMANDMENTS OF THE CHURCH.

I have been more than a year without going  
to confession . . . . . times.  
I did not receive communion during Easter  
time . . . . . times.  
I did not fast . . . . . times.  
I have eaten flesh meat on forbidden days  
. . . . . times.  
I did not contribute to the support of our  
Pastor . . . . . times.

DEADLY SINS.

(1) I have been proud . . . . . times.  
I have boasted about myself . . . . . times.  
I have refused to give alms . . . . . times.  
I have been envious . . . . . times.  
I have been a glutton . . . . . times.  
**I got completely drunk** . . . . . times.  
I got a little drunk . . . . . times.  
I got angry . . . . . times.  
I have been impatient . . . . . times.  
I have been lazy at work . . . . . times.

I also confess many other forgotten sins  
and those of my past life; I ask pardon of  
God, and penance and absolution of you, my  
ghostly Father.

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(1) Tell if you have grievously injured your neighbor  
through your slander or calumny. You must repair the  
injury done if you can.

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## AFTER EXAMINATION OF CON- SCIENCE

Take a few minutes to excite yourself to contrition for your sins by means of the following thoughts and prayers.

Thoughts :

- 1° Hell deserved by mortal sin.
- 2° Purgatory deserved by venial sin.
- 3° Heaven lost by mortal sin.
- 4° Sufferings and death of Our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 5° The bounty of God.

Prayers :

Our Father, etc....

Hail, Mary, etc....

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## ACT OF CONTRITION

O my God! I have greatly offended Thee, Thou, Who art infinitely good and Who hast given me so many graces.

I have been ungrateful, I confess it and I repent of it.

I have sinned, I deserve to suffer eternally in the fire of hell.

I have sinned; I no more deserve to enjoy infinite happiness in heaven.

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(1) We may be proud in our thoughts, our actions, our clothes, our desires, etc.

To atone for sin, Jesus Christ suffered, He died being crucified.

To atone for my bad thoughts, Jesus was crowned with thorns.

To atone for my intemperance, Jesus had vinegar given Him to drink.

To atone for my sins of impurity Jesus was scourged, was nailed to a cross.

To atone for my pride, my vanity, Jesus was humbled, struck, covered with spittle.

To atone for all my sins, to deliver me from hell, and because He infinitely loves me, Jesus shed all of his blood, He died upon a cross. His Heart was broken with grief and pierced with a lance.

O My God! Thou art infinitely merciful: sin is a great evil. I believe it and I repent of it.

By my committing sin, I have offended Thee, O God. Thou, Who art infinitely holy, infinitely perfect!

Sin is an infinite evil. I believe it.

I sincerely repent, and I do detest all my sins.

Forgive me, pray, do!

I promise to sin no more in the future, to always love Thee and to observe Thy commandments.

Do Thou help me, Lord, for, without Thy grace, I cannot avoid sin nor do any good.

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## AFTER CONFESSION

Think of the advice given you by the priest :  
thank God and perform the penance given you.

### PRAYER

O my God ! I confessed all my sins to the  
priest, who holds Jesus Christ's place.

The priest absolved me, therefore Thou  
hast forgiven me.

What a blessing !

I had offended Thee so much and so often :  
I did not deserve pardon ; but Thou art good  
and infinitely merciful. As a father has pity  
upon his children, Thou didst have pity  
upon me, and Thou didst not punish me as I  
deserved.

My God ! I thank Thee and I beg of the  
Blessed Virgin, of the Angels and Saints to  
praise and love Thee eternally for me.

In the future, what can be done to testify  
my sincere love, my repentance and my thank-  
fulness ?

I will never offend Thee again, I will shun  
all that displeases Thee, and I will faith-  
fully observe Thy commandments.

Yes, my God ! I would rather die than sin  
again.

But my soul is weak ; by itself, it cannot  
withstand temptation nor do good. I believe  
so.

O Jesus ! do Thou help me ! do Thou fortify  
my heart and make it like unto Thine.

O Mary! protect me, especially in the hour of temptation. Holy Patron saint! pray for me.

Hail, Mary, etc.

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### NOTICE

You are bound to confess all your mortal sins. To commit a mortal sin, we must disobey God grievously, with knowledge and will.

You are not bound to confess venial sins, but it is good to do so. When you do not know whether a sin is mortal or venial, you must at least ask about it.

Perform your penance well. Recall to mind your good resolutions and the good counsels of your confessor.

Perform acts of mortification, and good works to atone for your sins and not to go into Purgatory.

A mortal sin forgotten in confession is forgiven with the others by Absolution; but if we remember it later on, we must confess it in the next confession.

Never speak of your sins, nor of your penance, nor of what the priest told you in confession.



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