



The Easter Season began on Sunday, April 5th and last until Pentecost Sunday, May 24th. Prayer Table cloths should be changed to white throughout this season, returning to green on May 25th.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth.

O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ our Lord. Amen

Online Resources Pentecost

[Sunday Connection](#) - Loyola Press Readings for Pentecost

[3 Minute Retreat](#) - A Variety of 3 Minute Retreats focusing on the Holy Spirit and / or Pentecost Sunday

[Pentecost 101](#) – Catholicism.about.com Information about Pentecost

Pentecost

May 24, 2015 – Pentecost Sunday

“The Birthday of the Church”

Pentecost is celebrated 50 days after Easter and marks the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles. For that reason, it is often called “The Birthday of the Church.”



Catholic Christian Leadership Camp 2015

*For Students entering
Grades 9-12*

Please help to spread the news about this great opportunity with your students!

For information visit the [Diocese of London Website](#)

<http://wp.dol.ca/webportal/diocese/content/1/10/Events/199>



CCLC 2015
Catholic Christian Leadership Camp

Entering Grades 9, 10, 11 or 12
this September?

What: CCLC is a 5 day, 4 night summer opportunity to grow as a leader in faith. At camp, you will strengthen your leadership skills through activities focused on communication, team work, trust, creativity and more.

Social Justice, faith and prayer will be key aspects throughout the week at camp. The strength of CCLC is its staff, which is made up of 20 faith-filled, dynamic post-secondary students. Staff members are dedicated to engaging and serving each and every camper.

When: June 29-July 3
July 27-31
August 10-14
August 17-21

Where: The Diocese of London hosts CCLC at multiple facilities in southern Ontario, such as Scouts Canada's Camp Sullivan and the Huron Church Camp. Please see the website for more information.

"I learned a lot about myself. I feel that my faith is stronger and I have more confidence in everything I do. I learned that I have a lot to share with others."

"In high school, there's such an intense pressure to be doing and to fit a certain shape at all of the time. Hearing all of this advice from leaders closer to our age had such an impact on me... CCLC was an AMAZING experience and I wish every teenager could have a chance to go. I can't wait until next summer!"

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June Teacher Resources

Click [here](#) for resources to support your program in June / Graduation support etc.

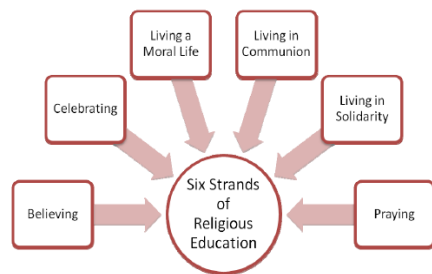
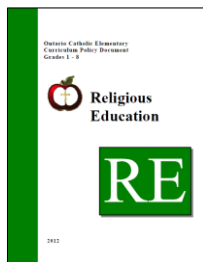
Summer Reading for the Soul – Loyola Press



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Curriculum Connections

This year we have highlighted one of the six strands in the Religious Education Policy Document in each newsletter. This month we focus on the **Living a Moral Life Strand**.



Check Out These Websites For Catholic Educators

<http://www.4catholiceducators.com/>

<http://www.catholicfaitheducation.blogspot.ca/>

<http://www.thereligionteacher.com/catholic-lesson-plans/>

Living a Moral Life Strand

We are all called to a life of holiness, to be saints (saint from the Latin word *sanctus* meaning holy). At the same time, we are well aware of the fact that we do not always live a holy, moral life: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me (Psalm 51:3). The strand, **Living a Moral Life**, examines the ways we are called to be holy.

In the *Religious Education Curriculum Policy Document Grades 1-8*, we read that through the teaching of this strand we provide for our students the means with which: to make sound moral choices and judgements in both personal and social spheres of life; the formation in the virtues of the faith; an understanding of Gospel values; and, the "...building blocks for an understanding of conscience, conscience formation and human freedom ..." (page 29).

Through this strand we invite our students, through our words and actions, to walk in the footsteps of Christ, to examine what it means to be a Christian. Jesus serves as model of the call to holiness and gives us the directions for the pathway to the blessed (happy) life in Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5).

Here is the paradox: We are responsible to work towards living a life of holiness and, at the same time, we are all too aware of the fact that it is with God's grace that we can. So we work, practicing those good habits (virtues) that are in line with living a moral life, opening ourselves to the ever present grace of God. (borrowed with permission from Joe Bezzina, London Catholic District School Board)



"*Growing in Faith, Growing in Christ*", a new Catholic resource for Grade 1 has just been released from Pearson Publishing in consultation with the Catholic Bishops of Ontario. *We are excited to be able to provide 1 copy of the materials for each school!*

Grade 1 teachers will be invited to participate in a day of support and collaboration June 16, 2015.

AWE Conference August 17-21, 2015 London, ON

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**A conference for all those who serve and lead
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- *Revive your passion*
- *Engage your intellect*

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