

St. Christopher's

2016 – 2017 Confirmation Class

Oct 30th 2016

Opening Prayer

Lord, give us the ability to listen, the desire to learn and the understanding when to apply this knowledge that comes to us today. Help us to always be faithful to our vocation and desire all that is good, while rejecting all that can harm and confuse us. Lord give us your Love and help us to Love you in return. Amen

Christian Virtues

The (3) Theological Virtues: (Gifts of God through Grace)

1. Faith
2. Hope
3. Charity (Love)

The (4) Cardinal Virtues: (Outgrowth of Habit)

1. Prudence (Wisdom)
2. Justice
3. Temperance
4. Fortitude (Courage)

What is a Vice

- moral depravity or corruption : **Wickedness**
- a moral fault or failing
- a habitual and usually trivial defect or shortcoming

Not to be confused with Vise

- Is a tool to grip something firmly as it is worked on



A Vice and its Defeating Virtue

Capital/Deadly Sins

Pride
Greed
Envy
Anger
Lust
Gluttony
Sloth

Principal Virtues:

Humility
Charity
Kindness
Patience
Chastity
Temperance
Diligence

	Vice 1	Vice: Pride	Virtue 1	Virtue: Kindness	A	St. Thomas Aquinas: "It is a sin directly against one's neighbor, since one man cannot over-abound in external riches, without another man lacking them... it is a sin against God, just as all mortal sins, inasmuch as man contemns things eternal for the sake of temporal things."	a	PC: The desire for ease, even at the expense of doing the known will of God.	T	Definition: Moderation or self-restraint.
	Vise 2	Vice: Gluttony	Virtue 2	Virtue: Patience	B	St. Thomas Aquinas: "The name of a passion. A passion of the sensitive appetite is good in so far as it is regulated by reason, whereas it is evil if it set the order of reason aside."	b	PC: The desire for material wealth or gain, ignoring the realm of the spiritual. It is also called Avarice or Covetousness.	U	Definition: The capacity to accept or tolerate delay, trouble, or suffering without getting angry or upset.
	Vice 3	Vice: Greed	Virtue 3	Virtue: Chastity	C	St. Thomas Aquinas: "Inordinate self-love is the cause of every sin (1,77) ... the root of pride is found to consist in man not being, in some way, subject to God and His rule."	c	PC: The inordinate desire to consume more than that which one requires.	V	Definition: State or practice of refraining from extramarital, or especially from all, sexual intercourse.
	Vise 4	Vice: Anger	Virtue 4	Virtue: Humility	D	St. Thomas Aquinas: "Not any desire of eating and drinking, but an inordinate desire... leaving the order of reason, wherein the good of moral virtue consists."	d	PC: The desire for others' traits, status, abilities, or situation.	W	Definition: Careful and persistent work or effort.
	Vice 5	Vice: Lust	Virtue 5	Virtue: Charity	E	St. Thomas Aquinas: "wherever there occurs a special kind of deformity whereby the venereal act is rendered unbecoming, there is a determinate species of lust.	e	PC: Excessive belief in one's own abilities, that interferes with the individual's recognition of the grace of God. It has been called the sin from which all others arise, also known as Vanity.	X	Definition: The quality of being friendly, generous, and considerate.
	Vise 6	Vice: Sloth	Virtue 6	Virtue: Temperance	F	St. Thomas Aquinas: "According to the aspect of its object is contrary to charity, whence the soul derives its spiritual life... Charity rejoices in our neighbor's good, while envy grieves over it."	f	PC: Is manifested in the individual who spurns love and opts instead for fury. Also known as wrath.	Y	Definition: The quality of being kind and generous.
	Vice 7	Vice: Envy	Virtue 7	Virtue: Diligence	G	St. Thomas Aquinas: "Sluggishness of the mind which neglects to begin good... [it] is evil in its effect, if it so oppresses man as to draw him away entirely from good deeds."	g	PC: An inordinate craving for the pleasures of the body.	Z	Definition: A modest or low view of one's own importance.

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 - First, through being contrary to right reason, and this is common to all lustful vices;
 - Secondly, because, in addition, it is contrary to the natural order of the venereal act as becoming to the human race: and this is called "the unnatural vice.."

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Challenge of the Week

- Continue Praying nightly
 - Our Father
 - Hail Mary
 - Glory Be
- Read the Bible: Read (1) bible verse each night before bed
 - Food for the soul
- Passport Challenge: Complete one passport stamp!

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We humbly supplicate and beseech thee, O thrice-blessed Augustine, that thou wouldst be mindful of us poor sinners this day, daily, and at the hour of our death, that by thy merits and prayers we may be delivered from all evils, of soul as well as body, and daily increase in virtue and good works; obtain for us that we may know our God and know ourselves, that in His mercy He may cause us to love Him above all things in life and death; impart to us, we beseech thee, some share of that love with which thou so ardently glow, that our hearts being all inflamed with this divine love, happily departing out of this mortal pilgrimage, we may deserve to praise with thee the loving heart of Jesus for a never-ending eternity.

The background features a series of light gray rays emanating from a central point at the top. Interspersed among these rays are the words 'WISDOM', 'UNDERSTANDING', 'COUNSEL', 'FORTITUDE', 'KNOWLEDGE', 'SAFETY', and 'FEAR OF GOD' in a serif font, arranged in a circular pattern. At the bottom, there are decorative floral and scrollwork elements.

Have a Great Week!