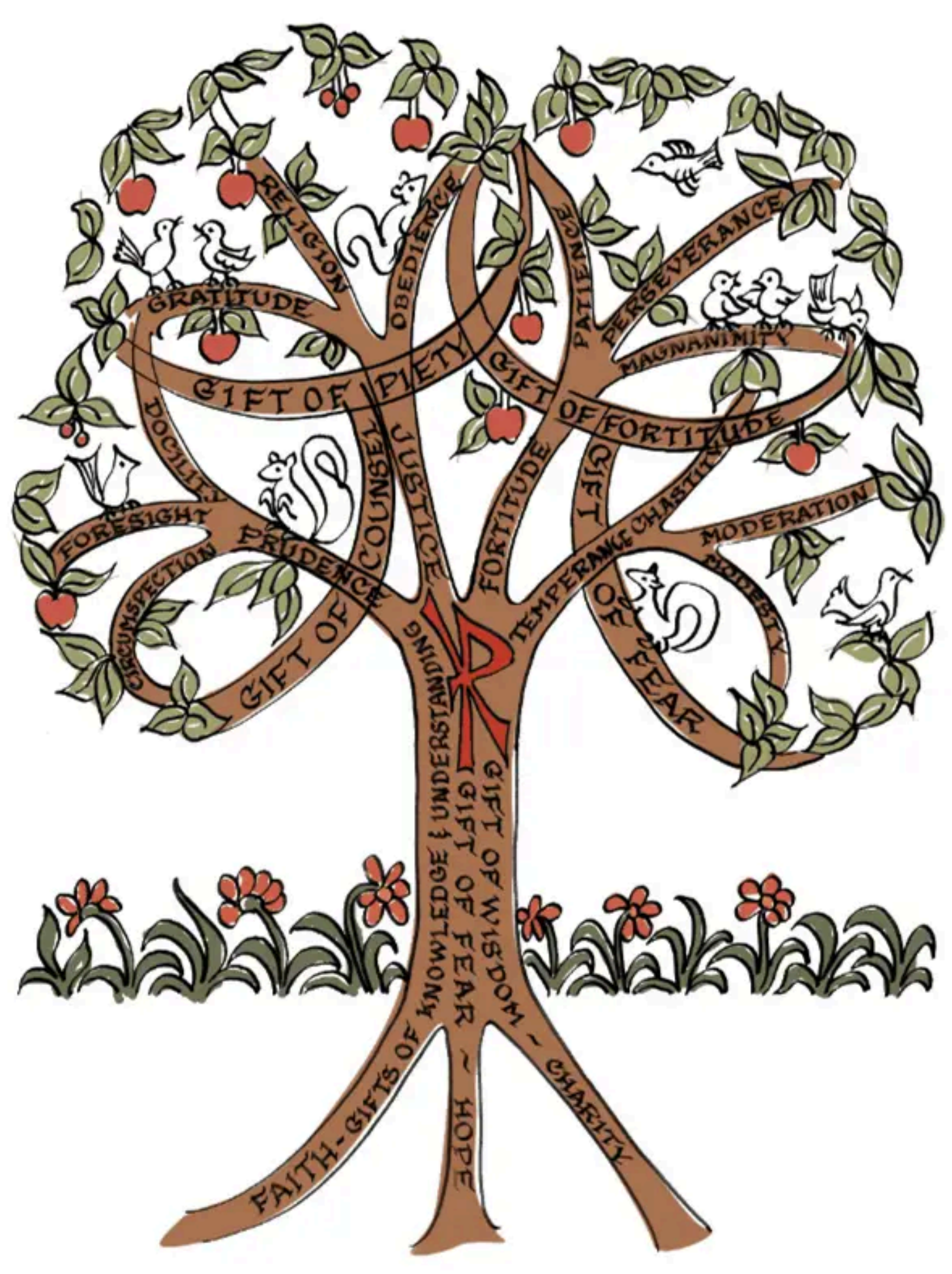


VIRTUE



What is virtue?

CCC 1804 Human virtues are firm attitudes, stable dispositions, habitual perfections of intellect and will that govern our actions, order our passions, and guide our conduct according to reason and faith. They make possible ease, self-mastery, and joy in leading a morally good life. The virtuous man is he who freely practices the good. **The moral virtues are acquired by human effort.** They are the fruit and seed of morally good acts; they dispose all the powers of the human being for communion with divine love.

CCC 1810 Human virtues acquired by education, by deliberate acts and by a perseverance ever-renewed in repeated efforts are purified and elevated by divine grace. With God's help, they forge character and give facility in the **practice of the good.** The virtuous man is happy to practice them.



4 CARDINAL VIRTUES

Prudence, Fortitude, Temperance, and Justice

CCC 1805 Cardinal because all the others are grouped around them

To live well is nothing other than to love God with all one's heart, with all one's soul and with all one's efforts; from this it comes about that love is kept whole and uncorrupted (through temperance). No misfortune can disturb it (and this is fortitude). It obeys only God (this is justice), and is careful in discerning things, so as not to be surprised by deceit or trickery (and this is prudence).

4 CARDINAL VIRTUES

Prudence/Wisdom: Determines and directs conduct in accordance with this judgment. With the help of this virtue we apply moral principles to particular cases without error and overcome doubts about the good to achieve and the evil to avoid.

Fortitude/Courage: Ensures firmness in difficulties and constancy in the pursuit of the good. It strengthens the resolve to resist temptations and to overcome obstacles in the moral life. Enables one to conquer fear, even fear of death, and to face trials and persecutions.

Temperance/Self-control: Moderates the attraction of pleasures and provides balance in the use of created goods. It ensures the will's mastery over instincts and keeps desires within the limits of what is honorable. The temperate person directs the sensitive appetites toward what is good and maintains a healthy discretion

Justice/Fairness: Constant and firm will to give their due to God and neighbor. Justice toward God is called the "virtue of religion." Justice toward men disposes one to respect the rights of each and to establish in human relationships the harmony that promotes equity with regard to persons and to the common good

3 THEOLOGICAL VIRTUES

CCC 1812 The human virtues are rooted in the theological virtues, which adapt man's faculties for participation in the divine nature.⁷⁶ for the theological virtues relate directly to God. They dispose Christians to live in a relationship with the Holy Trinity. **They have the One and Triune God for their origin, motive, and object.**

CCC 1813 The theological virtues are the foundation of Christian moral activity; they animate it and give it its special character. They inform and give life to all the moral virtues. **They are infused by God into the souls of the faithful** to make them capable of acting as his children and of meriting eternal life. They are the pledge of the presence and action of the Holy Spirit in the faculties of the human being.

3 THEOLOGICAL VIRTUES

Faith/Belief: virtue by which we believe in God and believe all that he has said and revealed to us, and that Holy Church proposes for our belief, because he is truth itself. By faith "man freely commits his entire self to God."⁷⁸ For this reason the believer **seeks to know and do God's will**. The disciple of Christ must not only keep the faith and live on it, but also profess it, confidently bear witness to it, and spread it

Hope/Trust: Virtue by which we **desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness**, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying not on our own strength, but on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit. It keeps man from discouragement; it sustains him during times of abandonment; it opens up his heart in expectation of eternal beatitude. Buoyed up by hope, he is preserved from selfishness and led to the happiness that flows from charity.

Charity/Love: Virtue by which we love God above all things for his own sake, and our neighbor as ourselves for the love of God. Jesus makes charity the new commandment.⁹⁶ By loving his own "to the end,"⁹⁷ he makes manifest the Father's love which he receives. By loving one another, the disciples imitate the love of Jesus which they themselves receive.

Food for thought....

Compare how often we speak to learners about vice, sin, and forgiveness to how often we speak of how to avoid sin in the first place.



The Classroom

<https://recatholic.org/virtue/hope/>

How do we teach values? Through our example!

Saints and Witnesses-

Faith - Sts. Peter & Paul, Mother Teresa, Carlo Acutis

Hope - St. Anthony, JP II, Pope Francis

Charity - Archangel Raphael, Vincent de Paul

Wisdom - St. Thomas Aquinas, Augustine

Temperance - St. Francis de Sales

Fortitude - St. Patrick, Joseph, Thomas More

Justice - St. Martin de Porres, Joan of Arc

Lectio

CULTIVATING THE VIRTUES

SCOPE AND SEQUENCE - LOWER ELEMENTARY

VIDEO INTRODUCTORY LESSONS + WORKSHEETS

Lesson 1: The Kerygma: God's Wonderful Works

- Part 1: God's Wonderful Works
- Part 2: Sin Enters the World
- Part 3: God Keeps His Promises
- Part 4: God Saves

Lesson 3: The Virtue Tree

- Lesson 4:** Theological Virtue of Faith
- Lesson 5:** Theological Virtue of Hope
- Lesson 6:** Theological Virtue of Charity (Love)
- Lesson 7:** Cardinal Virtues

Lesson 2: Baptism

VIRTUE LESSONS

(4 Video Lessons per Virtue + Downloadable Worksheets)

	LEARN: Learn the Virtues	LIVE: Virtue Story	WITNESS: Looking to the Saints	PRAY: <i>Lectio Divina</i>
PRUDENCE VIRTUES				
1	Circumspection	Gabe learns to look around	St. John Baptiste de la Salle	The Two Foundations Luke 6:47-49
2	Foresight	Brad learns to look ahead	St. John Bosco	Parable of the Ten Bridesmaids Matthew 25:1-13
3	Docility	Grace and Mary learn to listen	St. Dominic Savio	The Flight to Egypt Matthew 2:13-15
JUSTICE VIRTUES				
4	Affability	Grace and Brad make a new friend	Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati	Visitation Luke 1:39-47
5	Courtesy	Gabe and Brad choose courtesy	St. Vincent de Paul	Mary and Martha Luke 10:38-42
6	Generosity	Brad chooses to give	St. Giuseppe Moscati	The Widow's Offering Mark 12:41-44
7	Gratitude	Gabe chooses gratitude	Bl. Solanus Casey	Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers Luke 17:11-19
8	Kindness	Brad and Grace choose kindness	St. Martin de Porres	The Parable of the Good Samaritan Luke 10:25-37
9	Loyalty	Mary stands up for a friend	St. Ignatius of Loyola	A Faithful Friend Sirach 6:14-17
10	Obedience	Brad learns obedience	St. Pio of Pietrelcina	The Annunciation to Mary Luke 1:26-38
11	Patriotism	Gabe honors his country	St. Louis IX	Live as Servants of God 1 Peter 2:16-17



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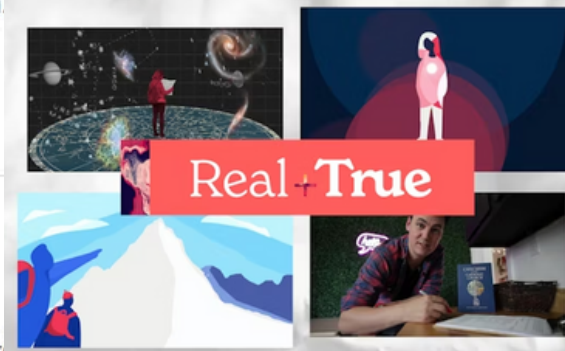
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CATHOLIC VIRTUES

Lesson Plan

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The background is a detailed oil painting of a landscape. In the foreground, a herd of animals, including cows and sheep, are grazing in a field. The middle ground features a line of trees and a small structure. The sky is filled with textured, layered brushstrokes in shades of grey, blue, and brown, suggesting a dramatic or overcast atmosphere. The overall style is reminiscent of 19th-century landscape painting.

THANK YOU