

GRADE 4: CHAPTER 12

UNIT 4: The Church

CHAPTER 12: The Church Teaches (pages 175–179)

Key Concept: Jesus gave leaders of the Church the authority to interpret Scripture and Tradition for the faithful. The Holy Spirit directs the Church in teaching and guiding the People of God.

Catholic Faith Words: *Magisterium, Precepts of the Church*

Discover (pages 176-179):

- We know that we can follow the examples of the Saints before us, and ask for their help as we answer God's call.
- Saints are holy people who are models of faith for us!
- The Church and her leaders, from the very beginning, teach and help us live as Jesus' disciples.
 - Who did Jesus choose as the leader of the Apostles?
 - Jesus gave Peter and the Apostles, and their successors the Pope and bishops the authority to teach and lead in his name.
 - The Holy Spirit directs the Magisterium in teaching and guiding the people of God.
- What does the Magisterium do? What are the Precepts of the Church?
 - Who has taught you about your faith and what is your role in the Church?

Live (pages 180-181):

- Live Your Faith Activity: Our Hands... On an 8 ½ x 11 sheet of paper. With a marker, trace your left hand. Then trace your sibling's right hand so the thumb and pointer fingers are touching. When the paper is upside down, the space between the hands should form a heart!
 - God has no hands but ours.
 - We are called to do God's work together.
- Write in your hand print how you can bring the love of God to the world this week.
- Keep your hands as a reminder that making a difference means working together!
- Print and complete the **Chapter 12 Handout: Precepts Poem**.

Family + Faith (Pages 183-184):

- Print and complete **Chapter 12 Review**.