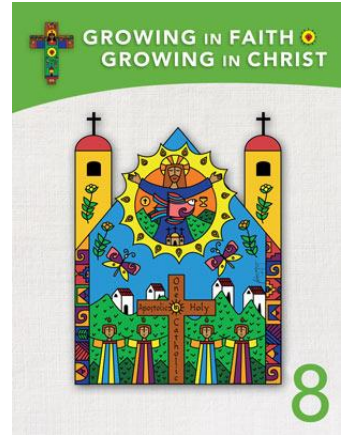


# Growing in Faith; Growing in Christ

The Grade 8 program, and its resource, *Growing in Faith; Growing in Christ*, follows the liturgical year, respecting the different seasons with all the moods and colours found in them. Each season has its own theological emphasis, guiding the young people through the story of salvation. The content of the units informs and forms our students. Using their gifts and witness of faith, teachers evangelize as they hand on the faith.



The Grade 8 program fits within the Church's evangelizing mission. In Grade 8, your child will explore the six tasks of catechesis (Believing, Celebrating, Living a Moral Life, Living in Communion, Living in Solidarity and Praying) in an age-appropriate and engaging manner through five units that revolve around the liturgical year with the following themes:

Unit 1: Seeking Truth and Justice

Unit 2: We are United as Our Universal Church

Unit 3: The Person, Presence, and Power of the Holy Spirit

Unit 4: The Holy Spirit Inspires and Transforms Us

Unit 5: Our Call to Evangelize

Religious education is an essential and integral part of the life and culture of a Catholic school. Through religious education, students are invited to develop the knowledge, beliefs, skills, values and attitudes needed to build a relationship with God and community through the person of Jesus Christ. In Catholic schools, students participate in a religious education program that is authorized by the Bishop of the local diocese.

Religious education shares the same goals and objectives set forth for all good education; that is, the growth and development of the whole person in all his or her dimensions—physical, intellectual, emotional, social and spiritual.