

APPENDIX B: RELIGION TEXTBOOKS & RESOURCES  
APPROVED & RECOMMENDED FOR USE BY  
PARISHES/SCHOOLS OF THE ARCHDIOCESE  
OF SEATTLE

The following textbooks have been found to be in conformity with the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

**Elementary (Pre-K to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

**Company:** Loyola Press

**Sales Representative:** Susan Appleton  
800 256-0589 x213  
[appleton@loyolapress.com](mailto:appleton@loyolapress.com)

**Textbooks:** *Christ Our Life: God Loves Us* (K) © 2019  
*Christ Our Life* (K-8) © 2009 (Parish/School ed.)  
*Christ Our Life* (1-8) © 2024  
*Christ Our Life: New Evangelization Ed.* (K-8) © 2016  
*Adaptive Finding God* (1-8) © 2016  
*Finding God: Our Response to God's Gifts* (1-6) © 2013, 2021 (English and bilingual)  
*Finding God* (7-8) © 2014  
*Finding God: Our Response to God's Gifts* (K)

- Ages 4-6
- Kindergarten © 2018

*God Made Everything* (Pre-K and K)

- 3 yr. old and 4 yr. old © 2019
- Kindergarten © 2008, 2010

*God's Gift: Reconciliation and Eucharist* © 2016 (English and bilingual, Primary, Intermediate, and Restored Order)  
*Confirmed in the Spirit* © 2007 (English/Spanish)  
*Conociendo nuestra fe católica* (1-3) © 2011 (Bilingual)

**Supplemental Resources:** *Called to Be Catholic* ©2014  
*Bridges of Faith* ©2014  
*Adaptive First Eucharist Kit for Individuals with Special Needs* (English and Spanish) © 2012  
*Adaptive Reconciliation Kit for Individuals with Special Needs* (English and Spanish) © 2013  
*Adaptive Confirmation Kit for Individuals with Special Needs* (English and Spanish) © 2014

**Company:** Our Sunday Visitor  
**Sales** 855-202-4625/260-359-2549  
**Representative:**

**Textbooks:** *Allelu! Growing and Celebrating with Jesus*  
(Pre-K-Age 5) © 2019  
*I Am Special* (Pre-K) © 2007-2009  
*Alive In Christ* (1-6) © 2014  
*Alive In Christ* (7-8) © 2014  
*Alive in Christ: Discovering and Sharing the Kerygma* (1-6)  
© 2023  
*Call to Faith* (K-6) © 2009  
*Celebrating our Faith: Reconciliation & Eucharist* © 2007  
*Celebrating our Faith: Reconciliation & Eucharist Encounter*  
*with Christ: Reconciliation* © 2016 *Encounter with Christ:*  
*Eucharist* © 2016  
Level II © 2007 (10-14 year olds) (Bilingual)  
*Un Llamado a la Fe (Nivel A to F)* © 2008  
*Un Llamado a Celebrar la Reconciliacion y la Eucaristia* © 2008

**Supplemental Resources:** *Faith Fusion* (3-5, 6-8) © 2010, 2016, 2023

**Company:** St. Mary's Press  
**Contact:** 507-457-7927/800-533-8095  
[smpress@smp.org](mailto:smpress@smp.org)

*Connect: Bringing Faith to Life* (6-8) © 2022  
*Discover! Finding Faith in Life* (1-5) © 2019  
*Catholic Connections* (6-8) © 2009, 2010, 2014 (titles below)

- Catholic Connections Handbook
- The Old Testament, the Trinity, and the Mission of Christ
- The New Testament, the Church, and the Sacraments
- Christian Morality and Prayer

**Company:** Pflaum Publishing Group  
**Contact:** 800-543-4383 x.1169  
[service@pflaum.com](mailto:service@pflaum.com)

**Textbooks:** *Pflaum Gospel Weeklies: What the Church Believes and Teaches* © 2010, 2018  
(This series is approved for parish use only when catechists have received training on how to correlate this program with the Archdiocesan K-8 Religious Education Curriculum. It is only for supplemental use for Catholic schools.)

**Company:** Sadlier  
**Sales Representative:** Angela Wirzbach  
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**Textbooks:** *We Believe* (K-6) © 2004, 2011 (Parish/School ed.)  
*We Believe Catholic Edition* © 2015  
*Christ in Us* (K-6) © 2020  
*Christ in Us* (7-8) © 2023  
*Believe\*Celebrate\*Live Sacrament Program* © 2017, 2018  
*Creemos* (Bilingual, K-6) © 2005  
*Sacrament Program (First Reconciliation & Eucharist)*  
*Confirmation: Vietnamese, Spanish* (Bilingual materials)

**Supplemental Resources:** *Our Catholic Faith (4-6)* ©2009  
*One Faith One Lord (7-8)* ©2009  
*One Faith, One Lord* (Bilingual, 7-8) © 2003

**Company:** Sophia Institute for Teachers 1-800-  
**Contact:** 1-800-888-9344  
[Teachers@SophiaInstitute.com](mailto:Teachers@SophiaInstitute.com)

**Textbooks:** *Spirit of Truth (Parish & School Editions)* (K-8) © 2018, 2023  
*Walking with Jesus* (K-8) © 2023

**Company:** RCL Benziger  
**Contact:** 1-800-826-0472  
[RCLBenziger.com](http://RCLBenziger.com)

**Textbooks:** *Be My Disciples, 1-6* © 2013  
*Be My Disciples, 7-8* © 2014, 2019, 2023  
*Stories of God's Love (PreK-K)* © 2009, 2011, 2024  
*Blest are We Faith & Word Edition (1-6)* © 2008, 2010  
*Blest are We Faith & Word Edition (7-8)* © 2010  
*Blest are We Faith & Action Edition (K-8)* © 2019  
*Faith First Legacy Edition Church History (7-8)* ©2007  
*Faith First Legacy Edition/Parish (K-8)* ©2006, 2007  
*Faith First Legacy Edition/School (1-8)* ©2007  
*Eucharist: We Give Thanks and Praise (Primary/Intermediate)* © 2006, 2015  
*Reconciliation: Pardon and Peace (Primary/Intermediate)* © 2006, 2015  
*Benedicinos* © 2007

**Supplemental Resources:** *Our Catholic Heritage* ©2013  
*Family Life Series* © 2011 (This set of textbooks are the only approved materials for *Formation in Love & Chastity*)

**Company:** Ignatius Press/Augustine Institute  
**Contact:** 1-888-615-3186/1-866-767-3155  
[Ignatius.com](http://Ignatius.com) / [augustineinstitute.org](http://augustineinstitute.org)

**Textbooks & Resources:** *Word of Life (K-8)* © 2019-2024  
*Faith and Life Series* © 2002-2005  
*Faith and Life* © 2011  
*Image of God Series (5-8, Confirmation)* © 2019  
*Youcat* © 2011

**Program:**  
**Contact:**

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd  
National Association for Catechesis of the  
Good Shepherd  
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[cgs@cgsusa.org](mailto:cgs@cgsusa.org)

Catechists using this method of faith formation with children are required to attain certification through the National Association for Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. They also must receive training on how to correlate this method with the Archdiocesan K-8 Religious Education Curriculum.

The following are different age levels with approximate corresponding grade levels:

Level I: 3–6 years (pre-K–1)

Level II: 6--9 years (1–3)

Level III: 9–12 years (4–6)

**Recommended References:** *The Religious Potential of the Child: Experiencing Scripture and Liturgy with Young Children 3<sup>rd</sup> Ed.* by Sofia Cavalletti, Patricia M. Coulter and Julie M. Coulter (2020) (Level I)  
*The Good Shepherd and the Child: A Joyful Journey* by Patricia Coulter, Gianna Gobbi, Silvana Quattrocchi Montanaro and Sofia Cavalletti (2014) (Level I)  
*The Religious Potential of the Child, 6 to 12 Years Old, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ed* (Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Publications) by Sofia Cavalletti (2020) (Level II)  
*Listening to God with Children: The Montessori Method Applied to the Catechesis of Children* by Gianna Gobbi and Rebekah Rojcewicz (1998)  
*Living Liturgy: Elementary Reflections* by Sofia Cavalletti (2007)  
*Life in the Vine: The Joyful Journey Continues* by Rebekah Rojcewicz (2021)  
*History's Golden Thread: The History of Salvation* by Sofia Cavalletti (May 31, 2007) (Level III)