

### Scope and Sequence for *Your Christian Vocation*

	Focus Question	Main Ideas	Key SLP Points	CCC References	Scripture References	Church Documents	Saints
Introduction Calling You to Commitment	Are you willing to make a lifelong commitment?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As you near high school graduation, it is important to formulate and ponder important life questions in consideration of making lifelong commitments.</li> <li>A vocation is more than a career, but both are related and can serve each other.</li> <li>Discernment is the process of making decisions in light of what God wants for you.</li> </ul>	IA1 IA2 IB1 IB2a IB3a IB3b IB6a IB6b IIIB1a VIB1 VIB2 VIB3 VIB4	Glossary 1731 1832	Ruth 1:16 1 Samuel 18:1–5, 20:1–42 Sirach 6:14–17 Matthew 5:1–12	<i>Address to Volunteers</i> <i>World Youth Day 2013</i> <i>Final Homily World Youth Day 2016</i>	St. John Paul II St. Joan of Arc St. Michael the Archangel St. Margaret of Antioch St. Catherine of Alexandria
Chapter 1 Your Call to Holiness	What is essential in order to be happy in this life and to achieve eternal happiness?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To understand the questions of your present life, it is essential to examine your origin. God created you out of love to have union with him. Human persons hold a unique place within creation.</li> <li>You will feel</li> </ul>	IA1 IA2 IA3 IA4 IA5 IA6 IB1 IB2 IB3a IB3b IB4a IB4b IB4c IB4d IB5 IB6a IIA1 IIA2	27 52 221 280 294 787 816 824 828 898 916 1131 1534 1601 1602 1658 1701 2015	Genesis 1:1; 1:27 Psalms 104:24 Jeremiah 1:5 Matthew 5:48 Luke 12:7 John 6:56; 10:1–18; 14:16–17; 14:18; 15:4–5; 15:5; 15:12; 16:33; 17:25–26 Ephesians 1:4b–6; 5:21–33; 5:25–27 1 Thessalonians 4:2 Hebrews 1:1–2; 4:14–16 1 John 4:8, 16	<i>Address at Vigil of Prayer World Youth Day 2000</i> <i>Christifideles Laici (The Lay Members of Christ's Faithful People) 29</i> <i>Familiaris Consortio (On the Christian Family), 105–106 11</i> <i>Gaudium et Spes (The Church in the Modern World) 24, 48</i> <i>General Audience</i>	St. Irenaeus St. Thérèse of Lisieux St. Francis de Sales St. Aloysius Gonzaga

		<p>most fulfilled when you have union with Christ. This is called holiness or saintliness.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Your universal vocation is to holiness, but God has a unique path for you to reach this goal. Being a disciple is part of walking this path.</li> <li>One's personal path to holiness is lived out through specific vocations, or states of life, which are marriage, priesthood, and consecrated life.</li> <li>Every vocation is marked by a total self-gift that images the love of the Divine Persons of the Blessed Trinity.</li> </ul>	<p>IIB1 IIB2 IIIB IIIB1c IIIB1d IIIB1e IIID2h IIID3c1 IIIE5 IVD3c1 IVD3c2 VA1 VA2 VA3 VA4 VA5 VA6 VA7 VB VIA1</p>	<p>2331 Glossary</p>	<p>Revelation 19:7</p>	<p>November 19, 2014; October 2, 2013 <i>Lumen Gentium</i> (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church), 31, nn. 19–42 <i>Novo Millennio Ineunte</i> (At the Beginning of the New Millennium) 32, 381 <i>Rite of Baptism Sacrosanctum Concilium</i> (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy) 10 <i>Unitatis Redintegratio</i> (Restoration of Unity) 3 <i>Vita Consecrata</i> (On the Consecrated Life), 16</p>	
<p>Chapter 2 The Vocation to Marriage</p>	<p>What is the nature of marriage and how does one prepare for</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>God is the author of marriage from the very beginning of time. Sacred Scripture</li> </ul>	<p>IA3 IA6 IB3b IB6a IB6b IIA1 IIB1</p>	<p>260 371 1615 1617 1652 2207 2332</p>	<p>Genesis 1:1–31; 1:26, 27, 28, 31; 2:4–3:24; 2:15, 18, 23, 24 Tobit 8:6–7 Songs 8:6–7a Matthew 19:5, 6, 8</p>	<p><i>Familiaris Consortio</i> (On the Christian Family), 105–106 11, 56 <i>Gaudium et Spes</i> (The Church in</p>	<p>St. Paul St. Edith Stein Saint John Paul II Bl. Luigi Beltrame</p>

	this vocation?	<p>teaches that God's plan for marriage is a covenant of love.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Although marriage was distorted by sin, it still retains its original purpose of being an image of the love of the Divine Persons of the Blessed Trinity.</li> </ul> <p>Christian spouses are called to be witnesses to the self-giving love of Christ and the Church.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christian marriage is a sacred covenant between a husband and wife requiring promises of indissolubility, faithfulness, and fruitfulness. Keeping these promises aids the married couple in living out their vocation as God intended.</li> <li>• All persons are called to live chastely in their state of life. Chastity within marriage</li> </ul>	<p>IIIA IIIA1 IIIA2a IIIA2b IIIA2c IIIA3 IIIB IIIB1 IIIB1a IIIB1b IIIB1c IIIB1d IIIB1e IIIB2 IIIB2c IIIB2d IIIC2c IIID2a IIID2b IIID2c IIID2d IIID2e IIID2g IIID2h IIID2f1 IIID2f2 IIID3c1 IIID3c2 IIID3c3 IIIE1 IIIE2 IIIE3 IIIE4</p>	<p>2333 2335 2337 2339 2349 2352 2356 2363 2364 2477 Glossa ry</p>	<p>John 2:1–12 Ephesians 5:21; 5:22–23, 25– 26a, 31; 5:25–27 Revelation 19:9</p>	<p><i>the Modern World</i>), 48, 48 § 2, 50</p>	<p>Quattrocchi and Bl. Maria Corsini</p>
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		<p>is based on respect for the complementarity of men and women and on respect for the two ends of the sexual act: union and procreation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Making wise decisions and choosing good experiences now will help you to discern well if you are later called to the married life.</li> </ul>					
<p><b>Chapter 3</b> The Celebration of the Sacrament of Matrimony</p>	<p>How does a Catholic couple prepare for and celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony, and what are its effects?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sacramental marriage is a participation in the New Covenant of Christ and, when celebrated validly, is a sign to the world of God's love.</li> <li>• Remote preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony begins in each individual family. Proximate and immediate preparations occur when a man and a woman become engaged and desire to be married in the Church.</li> </ul>	<p>IA6 IIA1 IIB IIIB IIIB1 IIIB1a IIIB1b IIIB1d IIIB1e IIIB6 IIIB6a IIIB6b IIIC1 IIIC2a IIIC2b IIIC2c IIIC2d IIIC3 IIIC4 IIIC4a IIIC4b IIID1 IIID2a IIID2b IIID2e IIID2f IIID2f1 IIID2f2 IIID2i IIID3a IIID3b</p>	<p>381 1252 1621 1624 1631– 1632 1632 1634 1636 1637 1641 1656– 1657 2207 2362 Glossary</p>	<p>1 Corinthians 7:14; 13:4–13</p>	<p><i>Gaudium et Spes (The Church in the Modern World)</i>, 48, 49, 52 <i>General Audience</i> October 27, 2010 <i>Lumen Gentium (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church)</i> 11 <i>Preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage</i> 50</p>	<p>St. Monica Sts. Woolos and Gladys Farfog Servant of God Elizabeth Leseur St. Bridget of Sweden St. Catherine of Sweden Sts. Louis and Zélie Martin St. Thérèse of Lisieux Sts. Joachim and Anne Sts. Zechariah and Elizabeth Sts. Gregory the Elder and Nonna St. Gregory Nazianzen Sts. Basil the Elder and Macrina</p>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Freedom makes people responsible for their choices and enables them to grow in truth and holiness. There are different types of freedom, limits to freedom, and abuses of freedom.</li> <li>• The Sacrament of Matrimony is based on the free and mutual consent of the spouses given during the profession of vows to each other at a wedding Mass.</li> <li>• The effects of the Sacrament of Matrimony create an unbreakable bond through which the couple are given grace to perfect their love, strengthen their unity, and grow in holiness.</li> <li>• Marriage between a Catholic and a non-Catholic requires</li> </ul>	<p> IIID3c1  IIID3d  IIID3e  IIIE1  IIIE2  IIIE3  IIIE4  IIIE5  IIIF2  IIIF4  IIIG3  IVC2e2 </p>				<p> St. Basil the Great  St. Gregory of Nyssa)  Sts. Aquila and Priscilla  St. Paul  St. Stephen of Hungary  St. Elizabeth of Hungary  St. Frances of Rome  St. Elizabeth Ann Seton  St. Edward the Confessor  St. James </p>
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		special permissions and pastoral care from the Church. Couples should be aware of the challenges that face them in such cases.					
Chapter 4 The Christian Family in God's Plan	Why are Catholic married couples called to have children and raise them in the Catholic faith?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Family life is rooted in the complementarity of spouses, which is reflected in the love they give their children. This love and communion is an image of the love between the Three Divine Persons of the Trinity.</li> <li>The family is the fundamental building block of society, where people learn best the virtues that will help them to be good members of society. Healthy societies are built on healthy families.</li> <li>Children are a gift from God. Married couples are called to practice</li> </ul>	IA3 IA6 IIA2 IIB IIIB1a IIIB1b IIIB1c IIIB1d IIIB1e IIIB2b IIIB6b IIID2a IIID2b IIID2c IIID2e IIID2f1 IIID2f2 IIID2i IIID3a IIID3b IIID3c IIIE4 IIIE5 IIIF1 IVD2a IVD2b	267 2202 2207 2218 2223 2225 2232– 2233 2366 2368 2373 2378 2379	Genesis 1:28; 2:18; 2:23; 15:2 Sirach 7:27–28 Matthew 5:9; 22:39 Luke 2:52	<i>Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love)</i> 11 <i>Donum Vitae (Respect for Human Life)</i> II, 8 <i>Familiaris Consortio (On the Christian Family)</i> 14, 17, 32, 46, 85 <i>Gaudium et Spes (The Church in the Modern World)</i> 50 <i>Humanae Vitae (On Human Life)</i> 11, 16 <i>Lumen Gentium (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church)</i> 10, 11 <i>Words to Love By</i>	St. Teresa of Calcutta St. Augustine St. Thomas Aquinas St. Elizabeth Ann Seton St. Joseph

		<p>responsible parenthood and to avoid methods of delaying pregnancy that disregard the dignity of human life.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Parents are the primary educators of their children, especially in the faith. Children are called to honor and respect their parents and love their siblings.</li> <li>• The Christian family is called to be a place where members grow in love, virtue, wisdom, and holiness. The Church calls the family the domestic church.</li> </ul>					
Chapter 5 Challenges to Marriage and Family Life	How do the graces of the Sacrament of Matrimony help couples face the challenges that come with marriage and family life?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The institutions of marriage and family life are facing a number of unique challenges in society. Many of these issues spring from flawed ideologies.</li> <li>• God created marriage to be</li> </ul>	<p>IIB1 IIIA2b IIIB IIIB1a IIIB1b IIIB2 IIIB2a IIIB2b IIIB2c IIIB2d IIID2c IIID2d IIID2e IIID2h IIID2i IIID3c1</p>	<p>1606 1608 1638 1642 1646 2354 2357 2358 2391 Glossary</p>	<p>Genesis 2:24 Songs 8:7 Matthew 5:28; 19:4–6; 19:21 Romans 5:20 Ephesians 5:21</p>	<p><i>Familiaris Consortio (On the Christian Family)</i> 84 <i>Family, Marriage and "De Facto" Unions Humanae Vitae (On Human Life)</i> 17 <i>Meeting with Priests of Diocese of Albano August 31, 2006</i> <i>Persona Humana (Declaration on</i></p>	<p>St. Monica St. Augustine St. Francis of Assisi</p>

		<p>for life. While a civil divorce cannot end a sacramental marriage, the Church can examine the facts of a marriage to decide whether there was an essential requirement missing that prevented the marriage from being valid.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Persons with homosexual inclinations should be treated with respect and care. At the same time, the Church must proclaim the truth that married and sexual love is based on sexual complementarity for the unity of spouses and for procreation.</li> <li>• The Church is particularly concerned about cohabitation because it is so common today and because it causes unhappiness for individuals and families. It</li> </ul>	<p>IIID3c2 IIID3c3 IIIE1 IIIE2 IIIE3 IIIF1 IIIF2 IIIF3 IIIF4 IIIF5 IIIF6 IIIF7 IIIF8 IIIG1 IIIG2a IIIG2b IIIG2c1 IIIG2c2 IIIG2c3 IIIG3a IIIG3b IIIG3b1 IIIG3b2 VIC1 VIC2 VIC3 VIC4 VIC5</p>			<p><i>Certain Questions Regarding Sexual Ethics) 8</i></p>	
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		<p>is a false imitation of the commitment to marriage</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The marriage bond is made to be perpetual and exclusive. A Christian marriage can never be dissolved.</li> </ul>					
Chapter 6 The Vocation to Holy Orders	How did Christ institute the ministerial priesthood ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The ministerial priesthood was instituted by Christ at the Last Supper and passed on through apostolic succession. The ministerial priesthood exists for you, as a member of the Church.</li> <li>• Christ is the ultimate High Priest, whose sacrifice was definitive. All baptized persons share in his priesthood, either through the common priesthood or through the ministerial priesthood.</li> <li>• Bishops are successors to the Apostles. Their role is to teach, sanctify, and govern.</li> </ul>	<p>IA1b IA1c IIA1 IIA2 IIA3a IIA3b IIA3c IB3a IIB1a2 b IIB1a1 Ob IIB2c2c IIC2 IIIA IIIG1 IIIG3 IVA IVB IVC1 IVC2 IVC3 IVC4 IVC5 IVC6 IVD VA1 VA2 VA3 VB3 VB5 VB6 VC1 VC2 VC3 VC4 VD2 VD5</p>	<p>875 891 1178 1544 1545 1547 1551 1566 1570 1571 Glossary</p>	<p>Rom 5:12–21; 7:15, 19; 13:12–14 Psalm 51:3–19 1 Jn 1:8–10 Jer 5:23 2 Sm 12:13 Genesis 2:17; 3:3–6; 3:15; 4:10; 18:20, 19:13 Deuteronomy 24:14–15; 31:27 1 Kgs 17:1–24 Luke 7:36–50 11:33–36; 15:1–10 15:11–32; 17:3–4 23:34 23:39–43 Mk 1:15; 2:5 Mt 5:22; 7:1–5 9:12–13; 12:31; 18:6; 18:15–17 25:41–46 Jn 8:3–11 Exodus 3:7–10; 22:20–22 Gal 5:19–21; 5:22–23 1 Corinthians 15:56–57 Hosea 13:14</p>	<p><i>Mystici Corporis,</i> 88</p>	<p>St. Paul St. Jerome St. Augustine St. Monica St. Ambrose</p>

		<p>The pope, the bishop of Rome, holds a role of primacy within the Church.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Imaging Christ to make him visible, a priest lays down his life for his Bride, the Church. His primary ministries are to proclaim the Word of God and celebrate the sacraments.</li> <li>• The diaconate is the third degree of Holy Orders. There are two types of deacons: permanent and transitional. The diaconate is marked by the call to service, which manifests itself both liturgically and charitably.</li> </ul>					
Chapter 7 The Celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Orders	How is the Sacrament of Holy Orders prepared for and celebrated ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The vocation to the priesthood is a calling that every Catholic man should consider. It is the duty of every Catholic to foster priestly vocations</li> </ul>	IA4 IB3 IB3a IB3b IB4c IIB2 IVC1c IVC1d IVC2a IVC2b IVD2a IVD2b	1578 1579 1582 1584	Matthew 11:29–30; 19:12; 19:29 John 15:15; 15:16; 21:15–19 1 Corinthians 4:1; 7:7–8; 12:4–11 2 Timothy 1:6; 4:8	<i>Apostolic Letter to Youth of the World March 31, 1985</i> <i>Lumen Gentium (Dogmatic Constitution on the Church), 27, 29</i> <i>Optatam Totius (Decree on Priestly</i>	St. Paul St. Agnes St. Polycarp St. Pio of Pietrelcina St. Francis of Assisi St. Archbishop Óscar Romero St. Philip Neri

		<p>because the priesthood is for the Church.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After being accepted into a priestly formation program, a man enters seminary, where he is formed humanly, spiritually, intellectually, and pastorally.</li> <li>• The essential rite of the ordination of priests, deacons, and bishops is the laying on of hands accompanied by a special consecratory prayer. Priests and bishops are also anointed with sacred chrism.</li> <li>• The Sacrament of Holy Orders confers a permanent character, forever marking a man as ordained. The graces of the Holy Spirit conform the deacon, priest, or bishop to Christ in a singular</li> </ul>	<p>IVD3 IVD3a IVD3b IVD3c1 IVD3c2 IVE1 IVE2a IVE2b IVE3a IVE3b IVE3c IVF1 IVF2</p>			<p><i>Training</i>), 2, 4 <i>Pastores Dabo Vobis (I Will Give You Shepherds)</i> 47 <i>Presbyterorum Ordinis (Presbyterorum Ordinis)</i>, 16 <i>Sacerdotti Nostri Primordia (From the Beginning of Our Priesthood)</i> 6 <i>Words to Love By</i></p>	<p>St. Gregory the Great</p>
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Chapter 8 The Vocation to Consecrated Life	Why do some people choose a consecrate d life, taking public vows to observe the evangelica l counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience ?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The vocation to the consecrated life is for those who dedicate and unite their lives more closely to Christ by taking vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience.</li> <li>• The consecrated life has developed from individuals seeking a radical and solitary path of discipleship to more structured and diverse and often communal forms of consecrated life today.</li> <li>• At the core of all consecrated life are public vows to observe the evangelical counsels: poverty, chastity, and obedience.</li> <li>• The various religious communities—both active and contemplative orders—have</li> </ul>	IA1 IA2 IA3 IA6 IB6a IB6b IIA1 IIA2 IIIE3 IVD3c2 VA1 VA2 VA3 VA4 VA5 VA6 VA7 VB VC VD VE VF VG VID1 VID2 VID3 VID4 VID5 VID6	915 915– 916 923 929 930 931 932 1024 Glossa ry	Matthew 19:21; 22:30; 25:35 Mark 8:35; 12:29– 31 Luke 1:38 John 5:30; 15:16; 19:27 Acts 2:42, 44–45 2 Corinthians 8:9 Philippians 2:7	<i>Lumen Gentium</i> ( <i>Dogmatic Constitution on the Church</i> ) 5 <i>Ordo Consecrationis Virginium</i> ( <i>Order for Consecrating Virgins</i> ) <i>Praenotanda</i> 1 <i>Provida Mater Ecclesia</i> ( <i>Concerning Secular Institutes</i> ) “ <i>The Vowed Life</i> ” <i>Vita Consecrata</i> ( <i>On the Consecrated Life</i> ) 1, 16, 19, 21, 28, 32, 42	St. Anthony of Egypt St. Paul St. Athanasius St. Augustine St. Basil St. Benedict of Nursia St. Scholastica St. Dominic St. Francis of Assisi St. Thomas Aquinas St. Francis Xavier St. Ignatius of Loyola St. Vincent de Paul St. Louise de Marillac St. Elizabeth Ann Seton St. Agnes St. Cecilia St. Lucy St. Agatha St. Teresa of Ávila St. Philip Neri St. Teresa of Calcutta Bl. Irene Stefani St. Joan of Arc St. Joseph Cafasso St. Therese of Lisieux

		elements in common, such as the importance of prayer, community life, and the steps of formation.					
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