



# Catechesis Corner

“Catechesis is the echo of the Word of God.”  
Pope Francis January 30, 2021

## Statement of Faith

**In His infinite goodness, God left in His creation traces and evidences of His existence, power, and wisdom, that men might seek Him, and, reaching out to Him, might find Him.**

Go Deeper:

*Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Scripture	CCC
Psalms 8:1-5	27-29
Psalms 19:1-4	31-33
Wisdom 7:25-26, 29-30, 8:2; 13:3, 5	50
Acts 17:27	52
Romans 1:19-22	299-308
Romans 2:14-16	843
1 Timothy 2:3-4	844
Hebrews 11:3	2125

## Salvation History is God’s Plan

Salvation history is the story of God’s plan to save the world from sin and death. The restoration of sinful and broken humanity had to be done gradually. It unfolds as a series of expanding **covenants** made by God with the human race; with a mediator. Here are the covenants:

- Adam** – One Holy **Couple** - Genesis 2:3
- Noah** - One Holy **Family** - Genesis 9
- Abraham** - One Holy **Tribe** - Genesis 15, 17, 22
- Moses** – One Holy **Nation** - Exodus 20, 24; Deuteronomy 29
- David** - One Holy **Kingdom** - 2 Samuel 7:11-15  
- *Jeremiah 31:31* -
- Jesus** – **One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church**  
Luke 22, Mark 14

Videos to Explore

### The Story of Creation

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### What Sums Up St. Francis' Spirituality?

Franciscan Media  
"God's Grandeur" Gerard Manly Hopkins  
read by Jonathan Roumie  
Day 43: Creation is Good - CCC in a Year

Father Mike Schmitz  
The Heavens Declare Student Life Camp

 Joyful Joyful We Adore Thee  
by Reawaken Hymns

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

Issac Watts

## September’s Devotion

Our  
Lady  
of  
Sorrows

## Understanding the Symbols



## Candles Mark the Dedication

When a new church is dedicated, its interior walls are solemnly anointed with sacred chrism and candles marking the site of each area are lit for the first time. In older churches there are also 12 crosses on the exterior walls of the building. **The anointing of the church signifies that it is given over entirely and perpetually to Christian worship.** In keeping with liturgical tradition, there are twelve anointings, or, where it is more convenient, four, as a symbol that the church is an image of the holy city of Jerusalem (see Ezekial 40-42) [EWTN](#)

As you enter the nave of Immaculate Heart of Mary, to the right of the baptismal font, on the wall, you will find the bell our priests ring to begin Mass. Have you noticed the candle below it? This candle and the three others mark where the walls were anointed with sacred chrism when the church was dedicated in June 2004. Try to find all four. Next time you are at our mother church, Cathedral of Christ the Light, look for the twelve candles and the marks on the cement that to this day show where it was anointed.



***Ite missa est - Go! You have been sent.***