



# Catechesis Corner

*"Catechesis is the echo of the Word of God."*

Pope Francis January 30, 2021

## Statement of Faith

**God is a Trinitarian communion of Persons whose life is love.  
He created us to share in this communion of love.**

Go Deeper:

*Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church*

Scripture	CCC
Matthew 25:21-23	41
John 14:23	214
2 Corinthians 1:22, 5:5	221
Galatians 4:6	246
Ephesians 3:9-10	253-259
Hebrews 1:2-3	260, 267
2 Timothy 1:8-9	759
2 Peter 1:4	1077
1 John 4:8	1084
	1091
	1720-1721
	2002
	2500

## Understanding the Symbols



### The Paschal Candle

The **Paschal Candle** represents Christ's victory over death and darkness, and the hope He brings to the faithful. In the center of the candle is a **cross**, which symbolizes the sacrifice of Jesus and his victory over death. The Greek letters **Alpha (A)** and **Omega (Ω)** represent that Jesus is the beginning and the end, indicating his eternity and constant presence in our lives. The **current year** inscribed on it reminds us of the continuity of faith and the presence of Christ throughout all time. **Five grains of incense** are inserted in the shape of a cross, the five grains symbolize the five wounds of Jesus and his sacrificial love for us. [EWTN](#)

The **paschal candle** has its proper place [during **Easter Time**] either **by the ambo or by the altar** and should be lit at least in all the more solemn liturgical celebrations of the season **until Pentecost Sunday**, whether at Mass, or at Morning and Evening Prayer. After Easter Time the candle should be kept with honor **in the baptistery**, so that **in the celebration of Baptism** the candles of the baptized may be lit from it. **In the celebration of funerals**, the paschal candle should be placed near the coffin to indicate Christ's undying presence, his victory over sin and death, and the promise of sharing in Christ's victory by virtue of being part of the Body of Christ. [USCCB](#)

## Jubilee 2025 is Coming!

An ordinary **Jubilee** in the Church takes place **once every 25 years**. The great tradition of opening the Holy Door will begin when Pope Francis opens the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica on December 24, 2024 inaugurating the **Jubilee of 2025** themed "**Pilgrims of Hope**." For details about this specific jubilee click: [USCCB](#). The Jubilee Year will offer the faithful opportunities to participate in various jubilee events at the Vatican and in their own dioceses.

The Catholic Jubilee has its roots in the Old Testament book of [Leviticus 25:8-55](#). The Levitical law states, "and you shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants; it shall be a jubilee for you, when each of you shall return to his property and each of you shall return to his family."

Videos to Explore

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## October's Devotion

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