

Holy Family Church

Family Catechism Schedule

09th MAR 2025 Ordinary Meeting 3 (St. Rita's Centre) 4pm – 7pm

- **Parents group:**
 - Last month report: experiences of meetings at home.
 - YouCat: III. Commandments: (nn. 110-121)
 - General (nn. 110-113)
 - 1st – 3rd commandments (nn. 114-121)
 - COMMANDMENTS: The Hug of Love.

- **Children group:**
 - YouCat: I. Creed; I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. (**nn. 13-22**)
 - Profess the CREED together n.13.
 - Repeat the questions 13-22. Let the children answer, share what they have learned at home with their parents and make sure all the children understand the basic answers of the Church (Catechism)
 - Find HIDDEN WORDS Gn 1-3 (The creation of the world - The origin of human beings - The fall)

FOR FAMILY MEETINGS AT HOME

YouCat for Kids

- nn. 110-113
- COMMANDMENTS: The Hug of Love.
- nn. 114-117
- nn. 118-121

BIG HUG OF LOVE

The **Love of God is our Law**, and this Law has been written in our hearts by the Spirit of Christ.

Our religion and worship to the Father should be **in Spirit and Truth**, our childhood worship to our heavenly Father should be enlightened by Christ and moved by the Holy Spirit.

This is the Law of God for us:

- his **Son** and his **Holy Spirit**, these **two arms** stretched out to us;
- the **love of God** and the **love of neighbours**, those **two hands** open out for us;
- the **Ten Commandments**, those **ten fingers** that grasp us into the way of God.

This is the **Law of God**, the **big hug of love from God to humankind**. When we accept to live according to the will of God, we are accepting this big hug of love for us.

Those ten fingers, those two hands, those two arms lead us straight to the Heart of God our Father.

The Law of God is an **easy yoke** and a **light burden**, **how good it is to live in the arms of our God like a child.**

Those arms who take us from the nasty ground of the world and raise us up to the chest of God and see the life and the world from the perspective of God, and **feel the warmly Love of his Heart, and find there consolation, joy and peace.**

But if we accept this hug of love, we should be **moved also by love**, we have to extend our arms and hands to our Father putting our hearts into the Hearth of God.

Our religion is as simple as that, a big hug of love, from Heart to heart, in the communion with all our brothers and sisters that have been also embraced with us by God, is let God raise us up so that we do not be contaminated by the world.

Genesis 1:1-2:2

The creation of the world

In the beginning God the heavens and the earth.

God ... And so it was.

God saw that it was .

God said, 'Let us make man in our own , in the likeness of ourselves, and let them be of the fish of the sea, the birds of heaven, the cattle, all the wild beasts and all the reptiles that crawl upon the earth.'

God created man in the image of himself,
in the image of God he created him,
 and he created them.

God blessed them, saying to them, 'Be , ,
 the earth and it.

God saw all he had made, and indeed it was .

Thus heaven and earth were completed with all their array. On the seventh day God completed the work he had been doing.

He on the seventh day after all the work he had been doing.

Genesis 2:4-9,15-25

The origins of human beings

The Lord God fashioned man of dust from the soil.

Then he into his nostrils a breath of life, and thus man became a living being.

The Lord God caused to spring up from the soil every kind of tree, enticing to look at and good to eat, with the tree of and the tree of the of good and evil in the middle of the garden. The Lord God took the man and settled him in the garden of Eden to cultivate and take care of it. Then the Lord God gave the man this admonition, 'You may eat indeed of all the trees in the garden. Nevertheless of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you are not to eat, for on the day you eat of it you shall most surely .

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be . I will make him a helpmate.'

So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep . And while he slept, he took one of his and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a , and brought her to the man.

Genesis 3:1-24

The fall of man

Then the serpent said to the woman, 'No! You will not die! God knows in fact that on the day you eat it your eyes will be opened and you will be like , knowing good and evil.'

The woman saw that the tree was good to eat and to the eye, and that it was desirable for the that it could give. So she took some of its fruit and ate it.

She gave some also to her who was with her, and he ate it.

The man and his wife heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they from the Lord God among the trees of the garden.

The Lord God him from the garden of Eden, to till the soil from which he had been taken.