

Parent and Family Resources Support in *Christ In Us*

Christ In Us partners with families to help them play an active and meaningful part in catechesis! Check out these resources:

1. The Home Guide eBook

This online resource allows the parents to truly live out their role as the primary catechists of their children. Every grade level features a Home Guide for the parents.

The Home Guide walks the parents through exploring the Essential Question and accompanying core content of every lesson. The Essential Question is the same for all grade levels. This allows parents who have children at different grade levels to explore the same concepts at the same time, making family faith formation more effective and faith sharing easier.

Each lesson features a simple, three-step process for the parent and child to follow:

Step One: Prepare

They begin by considering the lesson's Essential Question, recognizing God's presence in the family's life, and choosing the media they will use to share the lesson.

Step Two: Engage and Seek

As disciples on a journey of faith, they accompany one another in seeking and experiencing Christ while connecting with peers, catechists or teachers, other family members, neighbors, communities, and the Church.

Step Three: Witness

They witness to their role as missionary disciples and are moved to action, prepared to bring faith to life with intention while living with justice and peace and making disciples of others.

Grades
K-8



2. At Home/Faith in Action Feature in the Student Edition

These features, found at the end of every lesson in the Student Edition, bring families together to integrate what children are learning. Families take part in a fun and simple activity for each lesson that sparks faith sharing.

3. The Family Companion

Found in the School Guide, the Parish Student Edition and Guide, and on the parent portal, this resource reinforces Catholic traditional prayers, practices, and beliefs in the family.

Lesson 9 Portfolio

How can I help others know God's forgiveness and healing?

Mini-Task

A public service announcement (PSA) is a message that is shared on TV, radio, or other media. A PSA tells people about something important or helps them make a change.

What message do you want to share about God's forgiveness and healing?

Write your idea or use a picture to start creating your message.



Want to do more? Go to your Portfolio to continue this activity.

At Home

Name a few ways that you, as a family, share God's forgiveness and healing. How can you remind one another about God's forgiveness and healing?

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Your *Christ In Us*

Family Companion

Welcome. We are so glad that you are a *Christ In Us* family. In this section, you will find a treasury of resources as your family accompanies your child on our journey to a greater love in Jesus Christ. This material is written specifically for you as adult family members. But be certain that you review your child's resources that precede this section. Also, don't forget to look over the *Glossary* that follows. It will give you a good oversight of what your child has been experiencing this year. Finally, the *Q&A* offers a wonderful opportunity for your entire family to review the major faith statements of the grade.





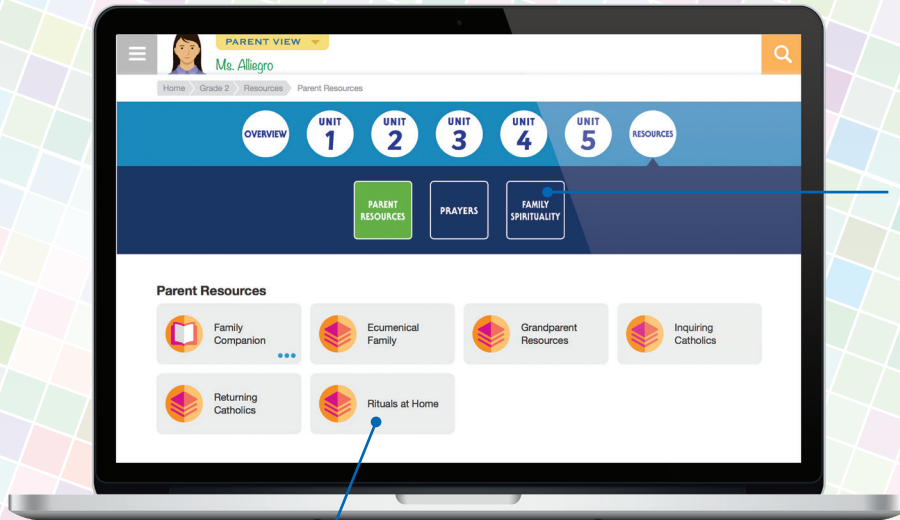
4. Other Online Resources include:

Parent Messaging Tool*

This messaging system makes communication with families systematic and easy.

Practical Ideas for Nurturing Faith in the Family*

This resource for each grade has practical ideas for parent-to-child catechesis on each of the four *Catechism of the Catholic Church* pillars.



Family Spirituality*

This grade-level resource has a rich biography of each saint along with easy-to-do suggestions for engaging with that saint's spirituality in the family's life.

Rituals at Home*

This resource includes fun and practical ways to incorporate family rituals and traditions, coinciding with the seasons of the year.

Why Am I Catholic?*

This is a faith-sharing essay for parents.

Grandparent Resources*

Storytelling prompts facilitate grandparent-child faith-sharing.

Pastoral Care of Families*

Rich articles for administrators help them welcome and engage with families wherever they are on their Catholic journey of faith.

Family Model

This provides five units for family catechesis gatherings with one welcome gathering.

Intergenerational Model

Intergenerational catechetical gathering resources are provided for Lent, Mary, All Saints/All Souls, and cultural diversity.

*These resources are also in Spanish.



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