

Church of Saints Peter and Paul

Core Confirmation Course Descriptions & Expectations

Course: “Theology of the Body I”

1st Semester 9th grade

1. Course Topics: Fall and sin; The truth about human sexuality; Dating; Contraception/birth control; What it means to truly love; The truth about human sexuality, Sharing Christ’s love with others, Avoiding sin and embracing true life, what does chastity really mean?

Text: Catechism, “Pure Love” by Jason Evert, CD talk “Contraception, Why Not?”, Sex has a Price Tag (video), and Sex 2000, YM Central Con. Curriculum (Franciscan University of Steubenville)

Course: “Apologetics I”

2nd Semester 9th grade

1. Intro to Apologetics
2. “Existence of God”: YM Central Unit One, Session One
3. “The Catholic Church”: YM Central Unit One, Session Five
4. “The Canon of the Bible” and “Bible alone” from the Apologetics book
5. “The Eucharist” from the Apologetics book
6. “Prayer to Saints” from the Apologetics book
7. “Mary Doctrines” and “Questions asked about Mary” from the Apologetics book
8. Wrap Up – read out loud take home exams and quiz game

Text: “Beginning Apologetics” San Juan Catholic Seminars, The Catholic Answer Bible, YM Central Con. Curriculum

Course: “Apologetics II”

1st Semester 10th grade

1. “Apostolic Authority” from the Apologetics book
2. “Confession” from the Apologetics book
3. “Purgatory” from the Apologetics book
4. “Scandals in the Church” from the Apologetics book
5. “Misc. Questions” from the Apologetics book
6. “Salvation” Sola fide: Faith Alone
7. “Last Things” *Revelation as a blue print for the Mass & End times: Left Behind, DaVinci Code*

8. “Final Exam or Debate Tape” *James Adkins debating James White (Catholic Answers) Pat Madrid “Pat in the Lion’s Den”*

Text: “Beginning Apologetics” San Juan Catholic Seminars, The Catholic Answer Bible

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Course: “Theology of the Body II”

2nd Semester 10th grade

1. Finding true Happiness
2. Holding Onto True Happiness
3. What Does it Mean to Be a Human Person?
4. The Gift of Love and Sexuality
5. Freedom to Be Successful
6. Why Would a Loving God Allow Suffering?
7. Re-thinking Abortion
8. Wrap Up

Text: “The Sexual Integrity Program” Healing the Culture, Catechism, The Catholic Answer Bible

Course: “Confirmation Forum”

1st Semester 11th grade (final classroom formation)

Discussion format: examining modern culture, including entertainment and civic life, and drawing out the Catholic answer to the moral dilemmas found in our daily lives.

Wednesday Night Program Curriculum Requirements:

Confirmation Candidates must attend each of these five semesters of Core Confirmation Classes and demonstrate proficiency in these subject areas. The candidate will not be confirmed until he or she is able to complete all course work, has taken the confirmation retreat, and has demonstrated their proficiency in each subject area.