By the end of Kindergarten, students will have an age-appropriate understanding of the concepts in each of the following areas:

**Area #1:**  *The Profession of Faith* (CCC #26-1065)

1. God is the creator of the world; the world is good and is God’s gift to us (CCC# 32, 54, 279-314)
2. God, our Father, loves every person and wants them to be happy (CCC# 232-248, 260, 374-379)
3. God made every person special and gives each person feelings and talents (CCC# 356-357, 374)
4. God sent us Jesus, His Son, to be our friend and teacher (CCC# 456-460)
5. Mary, our Mother, and Joseph raised Jesus (CCC# 522-534)
6. The Holy Spirit helps us to love others like Jesus did (CCC# 733-741)
7. We belong to the Catholic Church, our family of faith; the parish is the local Church (CCC# 781-791)
8. The Bible is God’s Word to us and teaches us about God. It is holy and should be treated with respect and reverence (CCC# 101-104)

**Area #2:**  *The Celebration of the Christian Mystery* (CCC #1066-1690)

1. Signs of God’s love in nature (CCC# 1147)
2. Families are signs of God’s love (CCC# 1655-1657)
3. Friends are signs of God’s love (CCC# 1148-1149)
4. Sacraments are important signs of God’s love (CCC# 1114-1130)
5. Baptism welcomes us into God’s family, the Church (CCC# 1229-1233)
6. The Mass is our celebration of Jesus (CCC# 1356-1358)

**Area #3:**  *Life in Christ* (CCC #1691-2550)
1. God made the world good (CCC# 198, 280, 338, 341)

2. All people are made in God’s image and likeness are a created good (CCC# 374, 1700-1705)

3. God gives us family and friends to love and who love us (CCC# 1655-1657)

4. Jesus teaches us in many ways how to show our love for others (CCC# 535-556, 1716-1717)

5. Jesus shows us how to make good choices and how to avoid bad choices (CCC# 1730-1742)

6. The Bible tells stories about holy people who love God (CCC# 107)

7. The saints show us how to love God and love others—especially poor, sick, or weak people (CCC# 2030)

8. Catholics care for God’s creation (CCC# 2415-2418)

Area #4: Christian Prayer (CCC #2558-2856)

1. Prayer is how we listen to and talk with Jesus (CCC# 2559-2565, 2616))

2. Kindergarten students will begin learning and frequently pray the following:
   a. The Sign of the Cross
   b. The Our Father
   c. The Hail Mary
   d. Prayer to the Guardian Angel
   e. Blessing with Holy Water
   f. Grace before and after meals
   g. Mass responses

3. Kindergarten students will celebrate the Liturgical Year, in class and with the entire parish community (CCC# 1168-1173)