

Grade Level Glossary: Grade 3

Glossary Term	Std./Ind.	Definition	Req.
Abraham	02.09	Abraham was the father of the Jewish people, Christians are children of Abraham because Jesus Christ was a Jew.	Yes
Acolyte (Altar Server)	04.03	Someone who helps the priest at the altar during the celebration of the Mass.	No
Adoration	03.04	Praying silently and giving honor to God present in the tabernacle.	Yes
Advent	04.04	The four weeks before Christmas which help us prepare our hearts to celebrate Jesus' birth.	Yes
Anointing of the Sick	03.05	The sacrament given to people who are very old or sick. The holy oil and prayers give the person strength, peace and courage to face their illness.	Yes
Apostles' Creed	01.01	A prayer that tells what Catholics believe about God the Father, Jesus the Son and the Holy Spirit.	Yes
Baptismal Call	11.03	Because we have been baptized, we are called to be holy and to teach others about God and how much he loves us.	Yes
Bishops	08.08	Successors to the Apostles – which means they follow in an unbroken chain back to Peter, the first pope.	Yes
Bishops	08.02	Men who have received the highest level of Holy Orders; they are the most important teachers in the Church.	Yes

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Blessed Sacrament	03.04	The bread blessed by the priest at Mass to become the Body of Christ. It is kept in the tabernacle.	Yes
Body of Christ	08.03	The Church Jesus established. Jesus is its head and we are the members of the body.	Yes
Cain and Abel	02.06	The sons of Adam and Eve who made sacrifices to God: Cain gave only a little to God but Abel gave his best, and that is what is important to God.	No
Catholic Social Teaching	06.13	The way the Church teaches us to treat all other people, and God's creation, with love and care.	Yes
Christians	08.01	Everyone who has been anointed with the Holy Spirit in Baptism and follows Jesus.	No
Christmas	04.04	The day we celebrate the birth of Jesus.	Yes
Clergy	08.02	Another name for priests, these men have received the second level of Holy Orders; they guide the Church and bring the sacraments to the people.	Yes
Communion of Saints	08.06	All people alive now and those who have died, who have loved and served God as his friends in this life.	No
Deacon	04.03	A man who has received the sacrament of Holy Orders who helps the priest and bishop in the work of the Church.	No

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Decalogue	06.04	Another name for the ten commandments.	Yes
Denomination	09.01	A group or branch of a religious community.	No
Easter	04.04	The most important day of the Church year when we celebrate Jesus' rising from the dead after three days in the tomb.	Yes
Eucharist	03.03	The way Christ has chosen to remain physically with us.	No
Evangelization	14.02	To proclaim Christ and his Gospel through our words and lives; making disciples for Christ as he calls us to do.	Yes
Gospel	08.05	The stories in the Bible that tell us the Good News of Jesus' love and mercy. This love is best shown in his death and resurrection.	Yes
Heaven	01.10	A life of happiness with God that never ends.	No
Holy Orders	03.06	The sacrament that gives men the blessing and strength to carry on the mission of the Church, and bring the sacraments to the people.	Yes
Holy Trinity	01.01	The mystery of God being one God in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.	Yes

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Inspiration (Holy Spirit)	01.06	Being moved to do or think something good that you might not otherwise do or think.	Yes
Inspired (Scripture)	02.02	The Holy Spirit helping the authors of the Bible to tell the truth that God wants us to know.	Yes
Introductory Rites	04.05	The beginning the Mass where we pause to remember our sins, ask for forgiveness and give praise and glory to God.	Yes
Jesus Christ	01.05	The son of God who was born of the virgin Mary.	Yes
Judge (God as)	01.08	The right of God to ask us to explain how well we have obeyed his commands.	Yes
Justice	06.07	Treating all people with fairness.	Yes
Kingdom of God (Kingdom of Heaven)	02.12	The people of God on earth and in heaven that work to help teach the message of God to others.	No
Law of Love	05.04	The teaching of Jesus that sums up the ten commandments: love God and love our neighbor.	Yes
Lay People	08.02	Faithful men and women who are members of the Church but are not priests and do not belong to religious orders.	Yes

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Lector	04.03	A person who reads the Word of God (except the Gospel) during the Mass.	No
Lent	04.04	The forty days before Easter during which we pray and offer sacrifice so we can celebrate the joy of Jesus' resurrection.	Yes
Liturgy	04.01	A celebration where we give praise and thanks to God for all he has done for us.	Yes
Liturgy of the Word	04.05	The part of Mass where the Holy Word of God is read and the priest talks to us about the readings of the day.	Yes
Matrimony	03.06	Another name for marriage, it is the sacrament where a man and a woman agree to be partners for life in a family, to help make each other and their children grow in holiness.	Yes
Ministers of Holy Communion	04.03	A person who helps the priest give out Communion during Mass.	No
Morality	05.01	Helps us know whether our actions are right or wrong.	Yes
Noah	02.07	The people before the flood disobeyed God but Noah was obedient-- he did as God asked. Noah and his family survived because they had faith in God and God's promise.	No
Obedience	05.02	Doing what we are taught to do.	No

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One God	01.02	Even though we use the names of Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we believe that they are all persons of one God.	Yes
Ordinary Time	04.04	The time of the Church year when we pay special attention to the teachings of Jesus.	Yes
Our Father	02.13	The prayer of Jesus, found in the Gospels.	Yes
Penance/Reconciliation	03.05	The sacrament where we ask God to forgive our sins and celebrate our renewed friendship with God and others we have hurt with our sins.	Yes
Pentecost	08.09	The birthday of the Church because it is the day Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to the apostles to give them strength to carry on his work.	No
Pope	08.02	The visible leader of the Catholic Church on earth, he is called the successor of Peter because he follows all the other popes since the time of Jesus.	Yes
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Redeemer	01.05	Jesus, the Son of God, who set us free from sins through his life, death and resurrection.	Yes
Religious	08.02	A man or a woman who has a special vocation to serve God and his Church through service and prayer in a common order	Yes

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Resurrection	01.09	The bringing back to life of the body of Jesus after he had been dead for three days.	Yes
Sacramental	03.07	An object or prayer that helps us to become more holy.	No
Sacraments of Healing	03.05	The sacraments that give special grace to our soul and body. They are: Penance/Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick.	Yes
Sacraments of Initiation	03.02	Help Christians to live a life centered on Jesus.	No
Sacraments of Service of Communion	03.06	The sacraments that help us bring holiness to others. They are: Holy Orders and Marriage (matrimony)	Yes
Savior	01.05	Jesus, the Son of God, who became human to open the doors of heaven for us by forgiving our sins.	Yes
Sin	01.07	Something we do on purpose that is against God or his Commandments; it hurts our relationship with God and other people.	Yes
Ten Commandments	05.02	The laws God gave to Moses to guide us in living as God's children.	No
Tower of Babel	02.08	This story tells how people turned away from God by putting themselves first instead of growing closer to Him. God put an end to the people's pride by creating different nations and languages so they could not understand each other.	No

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Triduum	04.04	The three days just before Easter where we remember how Jesus suffered and died for us.	Yes
Two Great Commandments	06.04	The teaching of Jesus that sums up the ten commandments: to love God and love our neighbor.	Yes
Virtues	06.08	Good habits that help us to live holy and happy lives.	Yes
Virtues (applied)	06.09	Three special virtues God gives us are faith, hope and love.	No
Visible Head	08.07	The leader we can see. For the Church the pope is the visible head, but Jesus is the true head of the Church.	Yes
Vocation	11.03	A calling to love God and serve others.	Yes