



Lesson 9

Why Belong to the Church?



Lesson 9 at a Glance



Learning Goals

- Jesus established the Catholic Church to continue His mission of the salvation of souls after He had returned to His Father in Heaven.
- One way the Church carries out her mission is by being a concrete way to be in relationship with God.
- God calls all of us to be saints.
- We ought to belong to the Church because she is the only sure path to holiness and relationship with God on our journey to respond to God's calling.



Lesson Plan Chart

DAY 1

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- *You will need: the video of the song "Salvation Belongs to Our God" found at SophiaOnline.org/SalvationBelongs*

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Connections to the Catechism in This Lesson

CCC 763–776, 823–829, 946–948



Vocabulary Your Students Will Learn

- **Worship** is the love and honor we give to God alone. When we worship God, we place Him at the center of our lives and show Him the love and honor He deserves.
- **Praise** is the form of prayer in which we tell God He is good not because of what He has done, but because of who He is.
- The **Communion of Saints** is the unity in Christ of all those souls in Heaven who enjoy the Beatific Vision, those souls in Purgatory enduring purification, and those souls on earth still working out their salvation.



Prayer for This Lesson

Salvation belongs to our God,
who sits upon the throne.
And unto the Lamb.
Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,
honor and power and strength,

Be to our God for ever and ever,
be to our God for ever and ever,
be to our God for ever and ever.
Amen.

And we, the redeemed, shall be strong
in purpose and unity.

Declaring aloud:

“Praise and glory, wisdom and thanks,
honor and power and strength,

Be to our God for ever and ever,
be to our God for ever and ever,
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Amen.”



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Warm-Up

- A.** Begin by leading your students in prayer by teaching them the lyrics of the worship song “Salvation Belongs to Our God” by Crystal Lewis. Then sing the song together as a class. You may **show the video**  of the song found at **SophiaOnline.org/SalvationBelongs** and sing along with it.



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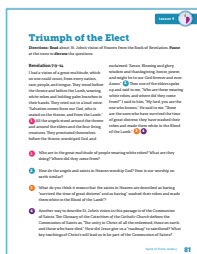
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- B.** Next, ask your students to list as many benefits or purposes of the Church as they can think of. Keep a list on the board. *Allow for reasoned discussion.*
- C.** Explain that Jesus did not establish the Catholic Church to just be one of many Christian communities for us to choose from. The Catholic Church, which Jesus founded during His earthly life, is and always has been the one true Church whose primary purpose is to continue Jesus’ mission of the salvation of souls after He returned to His Father in Heaven. The Church carries out this shared mission in many ways. One of those ways is by being a real and concrete way to be in relationship with God on our journey to be with Him forever in Heaven.



- D.** Then have your students turn to **Triumph of the Elect** on **pg. 81** in the Student Workbook.
- E.** Explain briefly that this reading comes from the Book of Revelation, the last book of the Bible. In Revelation, St. John the Evangelist is granted a vision of Heaven and the end of time when Jesus will return again. The Catholic Church has always understood St. John’s vision to be primarily about the Mass, where the Church, the Bride of Christ, is united to her Bridegroom, the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ, in the Eucharist.

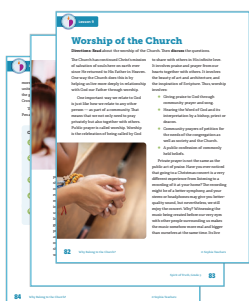


F. Read aloud **Revelation 7:9–14** or call on students to take turns reading aloud. Pause at the icons to discuss the questions.

G. Then explain that a saint is a soul who has lived a life of grace and truth according to God's divine plan. This person has "run the race" and "won the prize." In other words, he or she lived a holy life and, at death, entered into Heaven to live eternally with God. A canonized saint is someone who has been officially declared to be in Heaven by the Catholic Church. The saints worship God eternally and behold His glory. Worship is the only proper response to being in the fullness of God's presence. They also intercede on our behalf and pray for us. In fact, what better person could we ask to pray for us than one who is forever in front of God in Heaven! All of us are called to be saints. We all share the same end goal of our earthly lives — Heaven.

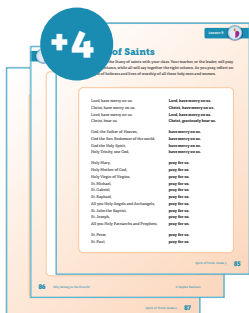
Activity

A. Begin by explaining our call to be saints — to be with God in Heaven and to worship Him eternally — requires we live our lives in pursuit of holiness and in relationship with God. Jesus, in His wisdom, established the Church to help us become holy men and women in loving relationship with the Father and one another. In this do we find one of the most important purposes and benefits of the Catholic Church — a sure path to holiness and relationship.



- B.** Have your students turn to **Worship of the Church** on **pg. 82** in the Student Workbook and read independently about the Church's invitation to the faithful to worship God together with one another. You may also choose to read aloud or call on students to take turns reading aloud.
- C.** Then arrange students into pairs or trios and have them discuss the conversation questions.
- D.** When finished, call on groups to share about their discussions.

Formative Assessment



- A.** Have your students turn to **Litany of Saints** on **pg. 85** in the Student Workbook and lead them in praying the litany of saints. Consider taking your students to your school's chapel or the parish church to pray the litany, or create a prayerful atmosphere in the classroom by dimming the lights and playing soft music. Invite your students to reflect on the example given by all these holy men and women —and all the communion of saints — of lives of holiness and worship, and how they, too, can follow in their footsteps.
- B.** Conclude by singing again together the worship song "Salvation Belongs to Our God."

**Answer Key****1.** The saints in Heaven.

They are praising and worshipping God. They came from every nation and people on the earth.

2. They stand before the throne of God with palm branches in hand (a symbol of triumph, victory, and peace) giving God the glory for His victory over sin and death, proclaiming loudly together, "Salvation comes from our God, who is seated on the throne, and from the Lamb . . . Amen. Blessing and glory, wisdom and thanksgiving, honor, power, and might be to our God forever and ever. Amen."

Our worship at Mass is similar, when we stand before the altar with the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist before us, and we proclaim His victory together with one voice as

God's People. Accept additional reasoned answers.

3. They have, as St. Paul put it, "run the race" and "won the prize." In other words, they lived holy lives and at death entered into Heaven to live eternally with God. They have accepted Christ as their Lord and Savior and lived according to His teaching and example.

4. Accept reasoned answers, which may include the Great Commandments, the Beatitudes, the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy, participating in the Sacraments, and so forth.

Warm-Up Worksheet

(page 81 in the Student Workbook)

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Activity Worksheet

(page 82 in the Student Workbook)



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One important way we relate to God is just like how we relate to any other person — as part of a community. That means that we not only need to pray privately but also together with others. Public prayer is called worship. Worship is the celebration of being called by God

to share with others in His infinite love. It involves praise and prayer from our hearts together with others. It involves the beauty of art and architecture, and the inspiration of Scripture. Thus, worship involves:

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- Hearing the Word of God and its interpretation by a bishop, priest or deacon.
- Community prayers of petition for the needs of the congregation as well as society and the Church.
- A public confession of commonly held beliefs.

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The public nature of worship is much greater than going to a concert. Not only do we share the joy of the event, but we also share the profession of our Faith, the proclamation of the Word of God, and the act of praising and praying to God together. Worship is an act of sharing with one another our relationship with God. This public act binds us more closely to both God and one another. It brings together love of God and love of neighbor into one public action.

As Catholics, we place the memorial celebration of the Last Supper at the center of our worship. During Mass, bread and wine are changed into the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ. When we receive the Eucharist, Jesus literally dwells within us. Catholic worship truly makes Jesus present to us. And He forgives sins, heals our hearts, transforms us in His image, and unites us with the rest of His Mystical Body, the Church. Catholic worship — also called liturgy — is filled with Scripture (such as during the first and second readings, the responsorial psalm, the Gospel, and in many other places) and its authentic interpretation (the homily). It contains contrition for our sins, praise, and blessing. It is filled with tradition, symbolism, music, art, seasons, and the visible mediation of a priest. It is the primary path to salvation. In fact, the





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more we worship, the more we become united with Jesus Christ and closer to the gift of salvation He won for us by His Cross and Resurrection.

The other six Sacraments (Baptism, Penance and Reconciliation, Confirmation,

Anointing of the Sick, Holy Orders, and Matrimony) make up a huge part of the Church's life of worship that Jesus established for us and in which the Church never ceases to invite us to participate.

Conversation Questions

- 1 What ways can you think of that the Church continues Christ's mission of the salvation of souls?
- 2 What other things in our lives are completely different experiences alone verses with others? Which do you think is better: being alone or being with others? Why?
- 3 What experiences of worship as described in the reading have you experienced in your church? Which do you like the most? Why?
- 4 Why is the public nature of worship an even greater experience than simply going to a concert or some other public event?
- 5 Does it surprise to learn that Heaven will be an eternal experience of perfect worship of God? What do you think that will be like?

Accept reasoned answers for all questions.



Formative Assessment Worksheet

(page 85 in the Student Workbook)



Litany of Saints

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Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, hear us.

God, the Father of Heaven,

God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

God the Holy Spirit,

Holy Trinity, one God,

Holy Mary,

Holy Mother of God,

Holy Virgin of Virgins,

St. Michael,

St. Gabriel,

St. Raphael,

All you Holy Angels and Archangels,

St. John the Baptist,

St. Joseph,

All you Holy Patriarchs and Prophets,

St. Peter,

St. Paul,

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

have mercy on us.

have mercy on us.

have mercy on us.

have mercy on us.

pray for us.

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St. Andrew,	pray for us.
St. James,	pray for us.
St. John,	pray for us.
St. Thomas,	pray for us.
St. James,	pray for us.
St. Philip,	pray for us.
St. Bartholomew,	pray for us.
St. Matthew,	pray for us.
St. Simon,	pray for us.
St. Jude,	pray for us.
St. Matthias,	pray for us.
St. Barnabas,	pray for us.
St. Luke,	pray for us.
St. Mark,	pray for us.
All you Holy Apostles and Evangelists,	pray for us.
All you Holy Disciples of the Lord,	pray for us.
All you Holy Innocents,	pray for us.
 St. Stephen,	pray for us.
St. Lawrence,	pray for us.
St. Vincent,	pray for us.
Sts. Fabian and Sebastian,	pray for us.
Sts. John and Paul,	pray for us.
Sts. Cosmas and Damian,	pray for us.
All you Holy Martyrs,	pray for us.



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St. Sylvester,	pray for us.
St. Gregory,	pray for us.
St. Ambrose,	pray for us.
St. Augustine,	pray for us.
St. Jerome,	pray for us.
St. Martin,	pray for us.
St. Nicholas,	pray for us.
All you Holy Bishops and Confessors,	pray for us.
All you Holy Doctors,	pray for us.
St. Anthony,	pray for us.
St. Benedict,	pray for us.
St. Bernard,	pray for us.
St. Dominic,	pray for us.
St. Francis,	pray for us.
All you Holy Priests and Levites,	pray for us.
All you Holy Monks and Hermits,	pray for us.
St. Mary Magdalene,	pray for us.
St. Agatha,	pray for us.
St. Lucy,	pray for us.
St. Agnes,	pray for us.
St. Cecilia,	pray for us.
St. Anastasia,	pray for us.
St. Catherine,	pray for us.
St. Clare,	pray for us.
All you Holy Virgins and Widows,	pray for us.
All you Holy Saints of God,	pray for us.



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Lord, be merciful,
 From all evil,
 From all sin,
 From your wrath,
 From a sudden and unprovided death,
 From the snares of the devil,
 From anger, hatred and all ill-will,
 From the spirit of uncleanness,
 From lightning and tempest,
 From the scourge of earthquake,
 From plague, famine, and war,
 From everlasting death,
 By the mystery of your Holy Incarnation,
 By Your Coming,
 By Your Birth,
 By Your Baptism and Holy Fasting,
 By Your Cross and Passion,
 By Your Death and Burial,
 By Your Holy Resurrection,
 By Your wonderful Ascension,
 By the coming of the Holy Spirit,
 On the Day of Judgment,

Be merciful to us sinners,
 That you will spare us,
 That you will pardon us,
 That it may please you to
 bring us to true penance,

Lord, save your people.
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Lord, hear our prayer.
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Guide and protect your holy Church,
Preserve in holy religion the Pope,
and all those in holy Orders,
Humble the enemies of holy Church,
Give peace and unity to the
whole Christian people,

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Bring back to the unity of the Church
all those who are straying, and bring all
unbelievers to the light of the Gospel,
Strengthen and preserve us
in your holy service,
Raise our minds to desire
the things of heaven,
Reward all our benefactors
with eternal blessings,
Deliver our souls from eternal
damnation, and the souls of our
brethren, relatives, and benefactors,

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, hear our prayer.

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Give and preserve the fruits of the earth,
Grant eternal rest to all the
faithful departed,
That it may please You to hear and
heed us, Jesus, Son of the Living God,

Lamb of God, who takes away
the sins of the world,
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Christ, hear us.
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Amen.

Lord, hear our prayer.

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spare us, O Lord!

graciously hear us, O Lord!

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God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God the Holy Spirit,
Holy Trinity, one God,

Holy Mary,
Holy Mother of God,
Holy Virgin of Virgins,
St. Michael,
St. Gabriel,
St. Raphael,
All you Holy Angels and Archangels,
St. John the Baptist,
St. Joseph,
All you Holy Patriarchs and Prophets,

St. Peter,
St. Paul,

Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, graciously hear us.

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St. James,	pray for us.
St. John,	pray for us.
St. Thomas,	pray for us.
St. James,	pray for us.
St. Philip,	pray for us.
St. Bartholomew,	pray for us.
St. Matthew,	pray for us.
St. Simon,	pray for us.
St. Jude,	pray for us.
St. Matthias,	pray for us.
St. Barnabas,	pray for us.
St. Luke,	pray for us.
St. Mark,	pray for us.
All you Holy Apostles and Evangelists,	pray for us.
All you Holy Disciples of the Lord,	pray for us.
All you Holy Innocents,	pray for us.
St. Stephen,	pray for us.
St. Lawrence,	pray for us.
St. Vincent,	pray for us.
Sts. Fabian and Sebastian,	pray for us.
Sts. John and Paul,	pray for us.
Sts. Cosmas and Damian,	pray for us.
All you Holy Martyrs,	pray for us.



St. Sylvester,	pray for us.
St. Gregory,	pray for us.
St. Ambrose,	pray for us.
St. Augustine,	pray for us.
St. Jerome,	pray for us.
St. Martin,	pray for us.
St. Nicholas,	pray for us.
All you Holy Bishops and Confessors,	pray for us.
All you Holy Doctors,	pray for us.
St. Anthony,	pray for us.
St. Benedict,	pray for us.
St. Bernard,	pray for us.
St. Dominic,	pray for us.
St. Francis,	pray for us.
All you Holy Priests and Levites,	pray for us.
All you Holy Monks and Hermits,	pray for us.
St. Mary Magdalene,	pray for us.
St. Agatha,	pray for us.
St. Lucy,	pray for us.
St. Agnes,	pray for us.
St. Cecilia,	pray for us.
St. Anastasia,	pray for us.
St. Catherine,	pray for us.
St. Clare,	pray for us.
All you Holy Virgins and Widows,	pray for us.
All you Holy Saints of God,	pray for us.



Lord, be merciful,
From all evil,
From all sin,
From your wrath,
From a sudden and unprovided death,
From the snares of the devil,
From anger, hatred and all ill-will,
From the spirit of uncleanness,
From lightning and tempest,
From the scourge of earthquake,
From plague, famine, and war,
From everlasting death,
By the mystery of your Holy Incarnation,
By Your Coming,
By Your Birth,
By Your Baptism and Holy Fasting,
By Your Cross and Passion,
By Your Death and Burial,
By Your Holy Resurrection,
By Your wonderful Ascension,
By the coming of the Holy Spirit,
On the Day of Judgment,

Be merciful to us sinners,
That you will spare us,
That you will pardon us,
That it may please you to
bring us to true penance,

Lord, save your people.
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Lord, hear our prayer.
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Guide and protect your holy Church,
 Preserve in holy religion the Pope,
 and all those in holy Orders,
 Humble the enemies of holy Church,
 Give peace and unity to the
 whole Christian people,

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, hear our prayer.

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Bring back to the unity of the Church
 all those who are straying, and bring all
 unbelievers to the light of the Gospel,
 Strengthen and preserve us
 in your holy service,
 Raise our minds to desire
 the things of heaven,
 Reward all our benefactors
 with eternal blessings,
 Deliver our souls from eternal
 damnation, and the souls of our
 brethren, relatives, and benefactors,

Lord, hear our prayer.

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Give and preserve the fruits of the earth,
Grant eternal rest to all the
faithful departed,
That it may please You to hear and
heed us, Jesus, Son of the Living God,

Lamb of God, who takes away
the sins of the world,
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the sins of the world,
Lamb of God, who takes away
the sins of the world,

Christ, hear us.
Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Amen.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord, hear our prayer.

spare us, O Lord!

graciously hear us, O Lord!

have mercy on us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

Lord Jesus, hear our prayer.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.