

CURRICULUM TYPE:	<p style="text-align: center;">GREAT EXPECTATIONS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PARTNERING WITH PARENTS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">IN TEACHING RELIGION</p>
DESCRIPTION:	<p>Coaching Parents: A range of resources designed to help parish staff and catechists coach parents to take a key role in the formation of their children.</p> <p>Whole Family Catechesis: Parish Sessions where households sit together and the parents work directly with their own children.</p> <p>Topical Materials for parents to use at home.</p> <p>This process can be supplemented by a basil textbook containing family/parent resources.</p>
BEST SUITED FOR:	<p>The Whole Family Catechesis process is generally a non-grade specific process designed for families to do together. This makes it a suitable choice for small parish programs. An additional consideration arises because the themes are derived from a single outside source. Every family in the parish is studying the same theme at the same time which makes intergenerational activities easy to plan.</p>
CONSIDERATIONS:	<p>A family based curriculum provides the opportunity for year round faith formation. Whole Family Catechesis sessions can be planned during the summer to keep the families connected to the parish all year long.</p> <p>Catechists will need to be trained to assist parents without teaching the lesson for them.</p>

CURRICULUM TYPE WHOLE FAMILY CATECHESIS

PROGRAM NAME GREAT EXPECTATIONS

PUBLISHER TWENTY-THIRD PUBLICATIONS

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

TEXTBOOKS	Family Centered
STUDENT PAMPHLETS	<i>Growing Faith</i> booklets
FAMILY GUIDE	Yes
CATECHIST RESOURCE BOOK	<i>Whole Family Catechesis</i> Session Outlines
ACTIVITY PAGE SUPPLEMENTS	Part of <i>Whole Family Catechesis</i> Session
LENGTH OF STUDENT SESSIONS	60 to 90 minutes

PROGRAM MATERIALS AND COSTS

PROGRAM	AGE	COST	AVAILABLE
<i>Whole Family Catechesis</i> Session Outlines	Family works together		Reproducible outlines and Whole Family Catechesis Events
<i>Growing Faith</i> booklets (optional)	Family centered	\$4.24— pastoralplanning.com website	Topical booklets for families, either at home or at parish Event

FEATURES:

Outlines and worksheet are reproducible and ready to use. All handouts, prayers and other elements are provided.

Optional topical booklets are available

CONSIDERATIONS:

Growing Up Catholic, a Sacrament Preparation resource for Reconciliation and Eucharist, follows the same process of coaching parents to form their children.

These materials currently have no resources for children above the sixth grade.