

CURRICULUM TYPE:	TEXTBOOKS IN ALTERNATIVE MODELS
DESCRIPTION:	<p>Everyone is familiar with the use of textbooks in religious education. When textbooks are shifted for use in alternative models they may continue in use by catechists alongside larger adult events or be shifted into the home for family use. Either way they continue to assist the parish in providing a systematic approach to formation.</p> <p>Most major publishers have adapted teaching guides for use in different settings.</p>
BEST SUITED FOR:	<p>The continuing use of textbooks is best suited for a shift into a family centered alternative. The materials from most publishers allow parents to use the texts at home and most publishers have organized teaching materials so that parents can easily teach multiple grade levels at the same time.</p> <p>Textbooks also provide a sense of continuity with past programs as the parish shifts into a new model.</p>
CONSIDERATIONS:	<p>While textbooks can rather easily make the shift into homes that does not suggest that the home is either ready or prepared to receive them. There is typically significant resistance from parents who feel ill prepared to assume this responsibility.</p> <p>The continued use of textbooks alongside other components in a Whole Community model is difficult because they do not easily adapt to multi-grade groupings.</p>

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Loyola Press: <i>Finding God (2013)</i>	On – line <i>Finding God</i> <i>At Home Edition</i>	Adapted at- home lesson for each session Found at www.findinggod.com	Need internet connection / or parish copy for family
	Family E - newsletter	Offered 7 times / year	
Intergenerational	Events with activities for parents & children	5 planned events for each unit of content	
	Catechist Guide		
Our Sunday Visitor: <i>Alive in Christ (2014)</i>	<i>Take Out – Family faith on the Go</i>	Newsletter / magazine format (8 pages), topics designed around the liturgical year	10 issues, \$9.00 (0 – 99 copies)
	Prayers for our Catholic Family	4 in X 7 in booklet, Daily, traditional & basic prayers of the family	\$2.95 / \$1.00 with text
RCLBenziger: <i>Be My Disciple (2013)</i> Grades 1 - 6	At Home Family Guide	Enables parent to teach or reinforce the lesson – understandable language, lesson per chapter	\$28.50
	<i>Catechist Guide</i>		\$53.25
<i>Be My Disciple</i> Grades 7 - 8	Catechist Guide	No family guide	\$29.95

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Sadlier: We Believe with Project Disciple (2011) Grades 1-6	<i>Family Book</i>	Home lesson plans for teaching / reviewing	\$7.95
	On line Study Guide for family	Family enrichment with study guide, games, safe activities at www.webieveweb.com	Need internet connection / or parish copy for family
	<i>Catechist Guide</i>		\$55.95
We Live Our Faith Grades 7 - 8	<i>Catechist Guide</i>		\$53.45