



Our Lady of the Rosary

FAMILY CATECHISM

LESSON 3: ON THE UNITY AND TRINITY OF GOD



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Activity 1: Verbal repetition

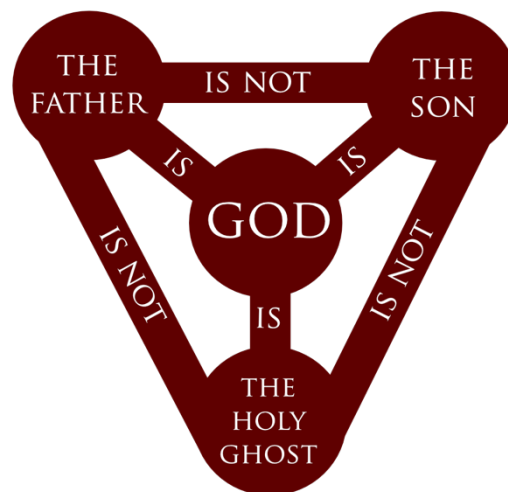
Repeat orally the questions and answers from the Baltimore Catechism.

21. Q. **Is there but one God?** A. Yes; there is but one God.
22. Q. **Why can there be but one God?** A. There can be but one God, because God, being supreme and infinite, cannot have an equal.
23. Q. **How many Persons are there in God?** A. In God there are three Divine Persons, really distinct, and equal in all things - the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.
24. Q. **Is the Father God?** A. The Father is God and the first Person of the Blessed Trinity.
25. Q. **Is the Son God?** A. The Son is God and the second Person of the Blessed Trinity.
26. Q. **Is the Holy Ghost God?** A. The Holy Ghost is God and the third Person of the Blessed Trinity.
27. Q. **What do you mean by the Blessed Trinity?** A. By the Blessed Trinity I mean one God in three Divine Persons.
28. Q. **Are the three Divine Persons equal in all things?** A. The three Divine Persons are equal in all things.
29. Q. **Are the three Divine Persons one and the same God?** A. The three Divine Persons are one and the same God, having one and the same Divine nature and substance.
30. Q. **Can we fully understand how the three Divine Persons are one and the same God?** A. We cannot fully understand how the three Divine Persons are one and the same God, because this is a mystery.
31. Q. **What is a mystery?** A. A mystery is a truth which we cannot fully understand.

Activity 2: Project

The **Scutum Fidei**, or the *Shield of Faith*, is a traditional symbol that has been used to express aspects of the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity.

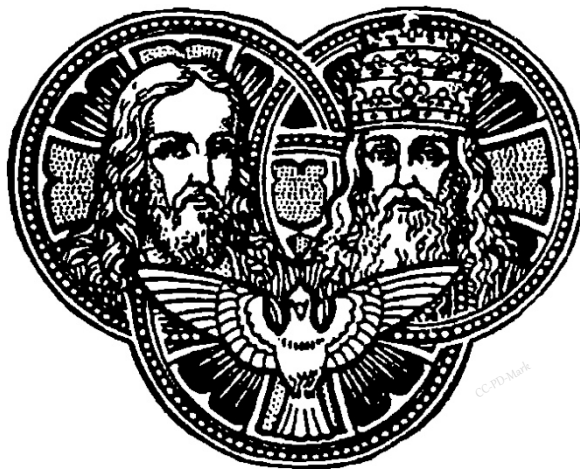
Using cardboard, or any other craft materials, create your own crusader's shield. It can be as large as you wish. Copy the Scutum Fidei onto the centre of your shield, using it as your coat of arms. Colour in and decorate your shield!



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Activity 3: Word search



Z	N	A	T	U	R	E	D	X	C	S	Z
F	L	L	H	J	P	X	I	D	F	O	Q
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Words

- ONE
- GOD
- THREE
- PERSONS
- DISTINCT
- EQUAL
- TRUTH
- FATHER
- SON
- HOLY GHOST
- DIVINE
- NATURE
- SUBSTANCE
- MYSTERY

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Activity 4: Fill in the gaps to the questions and answers that you have memorised in Activity 1.

Can you do this from memory?

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Activity 5: Prayer

Kneel down and make the sign of the Cross, saying:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Learn and pray the Glory Be or “Gloria Patri”:

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Can you fill in the gaps of the “Gloria Patri” in Latin?

Gloria _____, et _____, et _____ Sancto.

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in saecula saeculorum. Amen.

Spiritu

Patri

Filio

ANSWER: (in order) Patri, Filio, Spiritui

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Activity 6: Colouring



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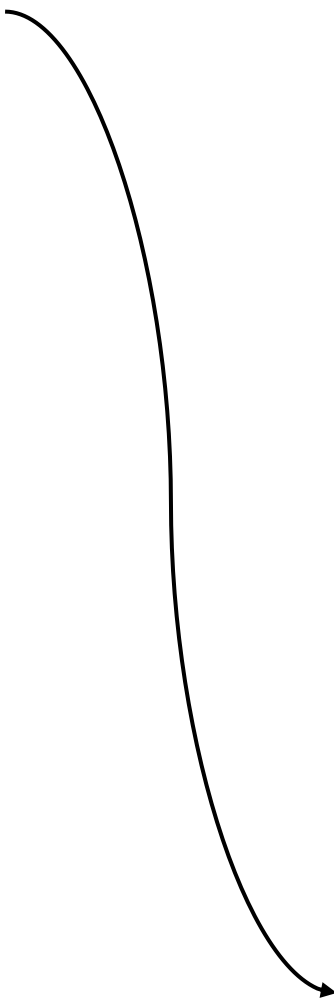
Activity 7: Match the questions and answers

Use an arrow to join up the questions with their corresponding answer.

Once you have done this, cut out the questions and answers and stick them together to make **FLASH CARDS**.

Alternatively, you may wish to use them to play **MEMORY PAIRS**.

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