

*Our Catholic Faith: Living What We Believe*  
Directed Reading Worksheet  
Chapter 7 *The Sacraments of Healing and Ministry*

**Directions:** As you read through the chapter, fill in the information below. All the questions run sequential to the chapter. If a true or false statement is false, correct it.

**Pages 184–187 *The Power of Forgiveness in a Suffering World***

1. Christ calls all of his \_\_\_\_\_ to extend his love and to \_\_\_\_\_ to others as well. He gave us the \_\_\_\_\_ to help us live out the \_\_\_\_\_ he gave us.
  
2. What are five insights into the question about why there's suffering and evil in the world?
  - (a)
  
  - (b)
  
  - (c)
  
  - (d)
  
  - (e)
  
3. God created \_\_\_\_\_ and angels with \_\_\_\_\_ and free will, two gifts which require responsibility. We must \_\_\_\_\_ choose to love God and others. When we refuse to love, we \_\_\_\_\_, and sin brings about incredible \_\_\_\_\_ and suffering. (186)
  
4. One of these statements is false. Circle the false statement and correct it.
  - Satan can do much to prevent the building up of God's reign
  - God permits moral evil
  - God knows how to derive good out of all evil

5. What are the worst two evils that Jesus' suffering, Death, and Resurrection have conquered?

**Pages 187-189 Penance**

6. Though we receive new life in the sacraments of \_\_\_\_\_, we still have a weakened \_\_\_\_\_ – we are still \_\_\_\_\_ to commit sin, a condition called “\_\_\_\_\_.”

7. One of these statements is false. Circle the false statement and correct it.

- For Catholics, individual and integral confession of our sins, followed by absolution, is the ordinary way of reconciliation with God and the Church.
- The sacrament of Penance reveals Jesus merciful forgiveness to individual sinners in a personal way
- Reconciliation is the prayer by which a priest pardons a repentant sinner

8. Identify which name for the sacrament of Penance is being described:

- \_\_\_\_\_ highlights the telling of our sins to the priest
- \_\_\_\_\_ involves changing our lives by rooting out sin
- \_\_\_\_\_ emphasizes God's loving forgiveness and the peace of conscience
- \_\_\_\_\_ God gives pardon and peace through the priest's words of absolution

9. The official name, the sacrament of Penance, stresses that, when we \_\_\_\_\_, we must do penance and make \_\_\_\_\_ for the sins we have committed. A sign of inner conversion is being willing to do \_\_\_\_\_ of penance.

10. Explain the two essential elements of the sacrament:

(a)

(b)

11. What is contrition? What is the difference between perfect and imperfect contrition?
12. There are three forms of the sacrament of Penance. The ordinary way is through \_\_\_\_\_ or face-to-face confession of sins to a priest. A second form is a \_\_\_\_\_ celebration which often takes place during liturgical seasons like Lent and \_\_\_\_\_. In times of serious need, a priest may give \_\_\_\_\_ absolution.

**Pages 191–193 *Anointing of the Sick***

13. One way Jesus showed the \_\_\_\_\_ of God’s kingdom was through his \_\_\_\_\_ healing ministry. He \_\_\_\_\_ suffering people and healed their spiritual, psychological, and physical \_\_\_\_\_.
14. His earliest disciples obeyed his charge to \_\_\_\_\_ his healing ministry by preaching \_\_\_\_\_, casting out \_\_\_\_\_, and anointing and \_\_\_\_\_ the sick.
15. True or False?  
Although the sacrament of the Sick was common in the early Church, by the Middle Ages, it was usually administered only to those who were dying.
16. One of these statements is false. Circle the false statement and correct it.
- The Second Vatican Council stressed that the sacrament was for those suffering from serious illness, the elderly, and those facing major surgery
  - Anointing and praying for the sick was common in the early Church
  - Viaticum is the final confession of sins before death
17. While only priests and \_\_\_\_\_ may administer the sacrament, the \_\_\_\_\_ of the entire Church is important because it shows the \_\_\_\_\_ of the family and friends with the sick person. The \_\_\_\_\_ is reminded to respond to those who are suffering when the sacrament takes place during \_\_\_\_\_.

18. Explain the essential elements of the sacrament:

(a)

(b)

(c)

19. One of these statements is false. Circle the false statement and correct it.

- The laying on of hands symbolizes the healing, strength, and special dedication to God
- The sacrament encourages the sick to identify with the sufferings of Jesus Christ
- In the rite of the sacrament an act of repentance precedes the liturgy of the Word

20. Identify five effects of the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick:

(a)

(b)

(c)

(d)

(e)

**Pages 194–198 *Holy Orders***

21. One of these statements is false. Circle the false statement and correct it.
- The ministerial priesthood is received by deacons and priests through the sacrament of Holy Orders
  - Baptism and Confirmation initiate all of us into the common priesthood of the faithful
  - Sacramental ordination consecrates men to one of three degrees of a sacred order: the episcopacy, the presbyterate, and the diaconate
22. The \_\_\_\_\_ priesthood continues the special ministry Jesus entrusted to the \_\_\_\_\_. Through it Christ becomes \_\_\_\_\_ to the Church as its head and \_\_\_\_\_ of his redemptive sacrifice. The sacrament allows bishops and priests to exercise a “\_\_\_\_\_” on behalf of Christ for his Church.
23. What are three primary duties of bishops and priests?
- (a)
- (b)
- (c)
24. True or False?  
Although in Old Testament times there was a special rite to consecrate priests, their sacrifices and prayers could not bring Salvation.
25. Who fulfilled the Old Testament prefigurements of the priesthood?
26. As the \_\_\_\_\_ makes present Jesus’ saving sacrifice, so Holy Orders makes \_\_\_\_\_ Christ’s priesthood. Jesus is really present through the \_\_\_\_\_ of bishops and priests and we can obtain special \_\_\_\_\_ when the sacraments are administered.

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27. Bishops receive the \_\_\_\_\_ of Holy Orders, which confers a sacred \_\_\_\_\_ as a successor to the \_\_\_\_\_ to take Christ's place as teacher, as \_\_\_\_\_, and as priest.

28. The ordination of bishops must be approved by the \_\_\_\_\_ and they are consecrated only by other \_\_\_\_\_. This practice illustrates how the order of bishops is a \_\_\_\_\_ united with the pope, the bishop of Rome. Each bishop is the head of a local Church called a \_\_\_\_\_.

29. One of these statements is false. Circle the false statement and correct it.  
Priests represent their bishops to their parishes  
Ordination to the episcopacy makes priests members of the sacerdotal college around the bishop  
Like bishops, priests receive a sacramental character from the Holy Spirit

30. True or False?  
The bishop commissions deacons "to be served, not to serve."

31. What are the various ministries of deacons?

32. One of these statements is false. Circle the false statement and correct it.

- Holy Orders is administered within Mass, ideally at a cathedral with God's people present
- Only validly ordained bishops have the authority to ordain, which continues the apostolic line back to the early Church
- Because Jesus chose only male disciples, the Church does not have the authority to ordain females

33. A \_\_\_\_\_ reason for male only ordination comes from the truth that sacramental \_\_\_\_\_ should represent what they signify by natural \_\_\_\_\_. The priest is a sign of \_\_\_\_\_ and his representative when he \_\_\_\_\_ the Church in prayers.

34. What is the essential sign for all three orders?

35. What are four reasons why priests observe celibacy?

(a)

(b)

(c)

(D)

**Pages 198–202 *Matrimony***

36. Christian marriage is a sign of God calling a man and woman to \_\_\_\_\_ through ordinary married life. Christ joins the couple to \_\_\_\_\_, sustain, and \_\_\_\_\_ in their union by which they are committed to raise a family \_\_\_\_\_ if God should bless them with \_\_\_\_\_.

37. Marriage is a \_\_\_\_\_ written right into our very \_\_\_\_\_.  
Because of \_\_\_\_\_ men and women need God's \_\_\_\_\_ and help to live in the \_\_\_\_\_ he intends for us.

38. Explain two divine truths about marriage revealed in the book of Genesis.

39. One of these statements is false. Circle the false statement and correct it.

- Two Old Testament patriarchs preach about marriage as an image of how Yahweh loves his people, Israel, with great faithfulness
- By Jesus' attendance at the wedding feast of Cana he acknowledges his love and support of the institution of marriage
- Jesus taught that marriage is good and natural, that divorce is wrong, and that lustful thoughts lead to sexual sins

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40. St. Paul calls marriage a \_\_\_\_\_, an outward sign of Christ's love. Marriage is a \_\_\_\_\_, a total, \_\_\_\_\_ commitment that mirrors Christ's love for his \_\_\_\_\_.

41. What are the Church's boundaries on marriage?

42. True or False?

If freedom of consent is missing, then a true marriage never really existed.

43. True or False?

To have a true consent, the man and woman must commit to a legal contract, be capable of sexual intercourse, and be open to raising a family if God should bless them with children.

44. The ministers of the sacrament are the \_\_\_\_\_. In the Latin Rite, the sacrament usually takes place during \_\_\_\_\_. The essential sign is when the bridal couple \_\_\_\_\_ in the presence of the priest, \_\_\_\_\_, and the assembled Church.

45. Explain what the couple promises to each other?

46. One of these statements is false. Circle the false statement and correct it.

- The covenant of marriage involves a couple's total commitment
- A Christian marriage is valid even into eternity
- Christ promises to be with the couple each day of their marriage

47. Explain God's two-fold plan for sexual sharing.

48. What is the *domestic Church*?

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49. One of these statements is false. Circle the false statement and correct it.

- Jesus said, "What God has joined together, no human being must separate"
- Only divorce can dissolve a marriage covenant of validly married Catholics.
- In certain circumstances, a couple may separate for the good of the wife and children.

50. What is an annulment?