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Christian Faith and Life

- Without God the world makes no sense.
- Humankind is estranged from God and does not fulfill His purpose.
- In Jesus God showed us what reconciled life is like and made it possible.
- Reconciliation exists through the Catholic Church, the medium of salvation.
- Participation in salvation begins in the Sacrament of Baptism and is sustained in the Sacrament of the Eucharist.
- The Church and its faith are Catholic; there is a direct continuity from its beginning to the present.
- Reconciled living is expressed in love for fellow Christians as well as persons outside the Church. There is no distinction between winning someone to Christ and winning someone into the Church. The Church is the Body of Christ here on earth today.
- The worship of God requires the most beautiful expression of which we are capable in all its diversity.
- While all true religion touches emotions, theology is the foundation upon which everything else is built.
- Moral behavior is life lived by the person in an attitude of Christian love.
- Truths discerned today cannot contradict "the faith once delivered to the Apostles."
- The work of the Holy Spirit can be discerned through Holy Scripture, Catholic and Apostolic Tradition, and Reason. All three are necessary, and no one can be used exclusively as a tool of discernment.