

CIRCLE OF LIFE TOPIC SCHEDULE w/ READINGS & SUGGESTED VIDEOS (updated March 2013)

Catholic Updates & Every Day Catholic (EDC) articles are available for purchase at: <http://catalog.franciscanmedia.org/> (click on Parish Resources > Catholic Update)

Most of these Catholic Updates are also available online at: <http://www.americancatholic.org/Newsletters/CU/Archive.asp>

Session	Topic	Main Catholic Update titles	Additional optional Catholic Updates & other readings	Video/DVD (available for purchase or viewing at the websites indicated)
1	1. The Seamless Garment: Respect for All Life from Womb to Tomb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Consistent Ethic of Life • Catholic Morality – Has It Changed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standing Up for Life –Moving From "Either/Or to "Both/And" (EDC) • Your Conscience and Church Teaching 	"The Seamless Garment" video (from ConsistentLife.org) http://www.consistent-life.org/consistent-life-video.html)
2	2. Respect for Unborn Life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abortion–What the Church Teaches • Stem-Cell Research – How Catholic Ethics Guides Us 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Support of Life • Stem Cell Research and Human Cloning – Questions and Answers 	"Stem Cell Research – Finding Cures We Can All Live With" (DVD) http://www.usccbpublishing.org/productdetails.cfm?PC=1204
3	3. Respect for the Poor and "the Least Among Us"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How Should We Think About the Poor • Key Themes of Charity in Truth • Aids & the Consistent Ethic of Life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It Wasn't Me" – Social Sin and Social Responsibility (EDC) 	"Poverty USA Tour" DVD from Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) http://www.usccbpublishing.org/productdetails.cfm?PC=528 See also http://www.usccb.org/about/catholic-campaign-for-human-development/povertyusa/
4	4. Respect for All, Including the Marginalized	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What the Church Teaches About Homosexuality • What Catholics Should Know About Solidarity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stories From the Heart—Being Catholic And Gay (EDC) • "Welcoming Homosexuals in the Church" (Bishop Kicanas: Vision May 2007) ** 	"Straight from the Heart"(optional: "De Colores") DVD From "Unlearning Homophobia Series" http://www.womanvision.org/unlearning-homophobia.html
5	5. Respect for All Races, Cultures, and Faiths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Racial Reconciliation • World Religions: A Primer for Catholics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Islam, What Catholics Should Know • Nostra Aetate** (Vatican website) • Many Faces in God's House 	VHS Video: "Many Faces in God's House" (USCCB) http://www.amazon.com/Many-Faces-Gods-House-VHS/dp/1574555103 (no longer at USCCB, OMOS has copy)
6	6. Respect for All, Including the Migrant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strangers No Longer – Together on the Journey of Hope • What the Church Teaches About Immigration Policy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immigration Basics & Myths About Immigrants (Justice for Immigrants) 	"Strangers No Longer" DVD (from USCCB) http://www.usccbpublishing.org/productdetails.cfm?PC=724 "A Sign of the Cross" DVD (from Blessed Nuno Society on border issues, border orphans, Just Coffee)
7	7. Respecting Creation for Future Generations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why Catholics Care for Creation • Peace with God the Creator, Peace with All of Creation (John Paul II World Day of Peace Message 1990) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Was Jesus a Tree Hugger? Ecology and Faith (EDC) • The Christian Consumer—A Contradiction? (EDC) 	"The Awakening Universe" DVD http://www.awakeninguniverse.com/index.html "Who's Under Your Carbon Footprint" video Catholic Coalition on Climate Change http://catholicclimatecovenant.org/
8	8. Respect for Peace, and Love for our Enemies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is "Just War" Today • The Challenge of Peace ** • Peace on Earth: God's Dream, Our Task 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peace—Possibility or Pipe Dream? (EDC) • Finding Renewal -Why the pro-life movement should return to its roots (America 2-16-09) ** 	"Hiroshima: Repentance & Renewal" (DVD) from Pax Christi (no longer available, but OMOS has a copy) or Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes www.informeddemocracy.com/sadako/contents.html
9	9. Respect for All, Both Victim and Detained	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Death Penalty – Why the Church Speaks a Countercultural Message • The Gospel of Life 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don't Kill My Killer (America 3-1-04) ** • When I was in Prison, You Came to Me (Vision June 07) ** 	"A Culture of Life and the Penalty of Death" DVD (from USCCB) http://www.usccbpublishing.org/productdetails.cfm?PC=626
10	10. Respect for Life until Natural Death	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End-of-Life Ethics – Preparing Now for the Hour of Death • Why the Church Opposes Assisted Suicide 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sounding the Soul ** (Carolyn Ancell from Casa de la Luz Hospice http://www.azstarnet.com/sn/faith/155611) 	"In God's Time" DVD (Washington State Catholic Conference, WSCC) view video online at: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GVsPQaMAb1o (can request DVD from WSCC)
11	11. Completing the Circle & Being Sent Forth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faithful Citizenship The Challenge of Forming Consciences (2008, 2012) • 100+Plus Years of Catholic Social Teaching 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our Brothers' Keepers-Faith, Politics and the Common Good (EDC) • Infallibility and Church Authority 	"Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship" videos (USCCB) online http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/videos-for-faithful-citizenship.cfm (OMOS has dvd)