

**MINISTRY FORMATION - DIOCESE OF ROCKFORD
“MORALITY”**

**2021
(ROCKFORD, AURORA, MCHENRY, STOCKTON)
TAUGHT VIRTUALLY/REMOTELY**

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Class Dates:

Feb13 (McHenry), Feb 20 (Aurora), Feb 27 (Rockford), March 13(Stockton)

Required Text:

Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2nd Edition, Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 1997.

Recommended Resources:

Bohr, David. *Catholic Moral Tradition*, Revised. Huntington, IN: Our Sunday Visitor, 1999.

Fernandez, Aurelio, and James Socias. *Our Moral Life in Christ: A Basic Course on Moral Theology*. Chicago: Midwest Theological Forum, 1997.

Singer-Towns, Brian. *The Catholic Faith Handbook for Youth*. Winona, MN: St. Mary's Press, 2004.

General Class Information:

This is primarily a class on “Fundamental Moral Theology.” That is, one which seeks to lay the foundation for understanding Catholic moral teaching in light of Divine Revelation. It will seek to provide the framework, understanding and vocabulary necessary to discuss Catholic moral principles and apply them as they pertain to specific moral issues.

Scope and Themes of Class:

Being created in the image and likeness of God gives us our dignity and destiny, which is ultimately the fulfillment found in God Himself. Morality helps us to live in accord with that dignity and arrive at that destiny. In this course topics to be covered include: The Human Person, Good & Evil, The Sources of Morality, Human Actions, Freedom, Conscience and others depending on what time allows.

Some specific moral issues may be discussed as a way of illustration, but this is not primarily a course on special morals or specific issues.

Class Expectations:

Respectful participation is expected. Questions are encouraged so long as they are relevant to the topics being discussed.

Class Reading:

CCC 1691-1876, 1949-1986 (required)

CCC 1877-1948, 1987-2082 (recommended)

Post-Class Assignment:

There will be a short assignment given at the end of class. Due date is one week from class date. Further details in class.