Witness

Catholic Teachings Suggestion

“The disciple of Christ must not only keep the faith and live on it, but also profess it, confidently bear witness to it, and spread it.” CCC 1816

“We are called and empowered to share and to defend our faith by virtue of our Baptism and Confirmation.” CCC 1313

“The witness of a Christian life and good works done in a supernatural spirit have great power to draw men to the faith and to God.” CCC 2044

“Whatever be the level of his responsibility in the Church, every catechist must constantly endeavor to transmit by his teaching and behavior the teaching and life of Jesus.” Catechesi Tradendae, Pope John Paul II.

‘It’s not enough to know Christ, we must bring him to everyone!’ World Youth Day IV, Pope John Paul II to the youth of the world (Santiago de Compostela, August 1989)

Description of the Value

★ We are called to witness the Gospel in word and action
★ We are called to sacramental living
★ We are to be witnesses to the love of Jesus Christ

What we’ll see when this value is permeated in the Curriculum

★ Catholic school communities are called to be counter-cultural in witnessing to Catholic beliefs and values
★ We find ways in the curriculum for students to make positive life choices
★ We teach Catholic morality and reveal the face of Christ in respect for the dignity of each person

Scripture

‘But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.’ (Acts 1:8)

‘And every day, in the temple and from house to house, they kept right on teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.’ (Acts 5:42)

‘He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through.’ (John 1:7)

‘Proclaim the good news to all.’ (Mark 16:15)

‘Come, follow me.’ (Matthew 19:21)