

## Vocabulary for Grades 9-12

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This represents vocabulary found in the ACRE Assessment. It is not an exhaustive list of what Senior High youth may be expected to know.

Biblical Interpretation - the process of understanding the meaning and truth of the Scriptures.

Canonization - the Church's official declaration that a person is in heaven and worthy of public imitation and veneration.

Conversion (in the Christian context) - an embracing of Jesus Christ and a disavowal of whatever keeps one from God.

Ecclesial - referring to the local or universal Church.

Eucharistic Adoration - devotion to the Eucharist during Mass, through the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ feast day, during Forty Hours' Adoration, and through visits to the Blessed Sacrament.

Fortitude - a Cardinal Virtue and gift of the Holy Spirit that enable one to attain good even when suffering and effort are needed.

Four Cardinal Virtues - the "good habits" infused at baptism which enable a person to control moral conduct with grace and reason. They are prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance.

Holy Days of Obligation - feasts of such importance in the liturgical calendar that attendance at Mass is required.

Immanent - from within; the reference to God that describes His closeness to His creation.

Inspiration - the influence that God exercises on humans to communicate through them His divine revelation.

Justice - the Cardinal Virtue of giving to another of what is due him.

Liturgy of the Hours - the Church's official cycle of daily prayer, formerly called the Divine Office. Includes Office of Readings, morning prayer (Lauds), daytime prayer, evening prayer (vespers), and night prayer.

Ministerial - describing the approach of an act in light of service or ministry.

Mystagogia - post-baptismal catechesis occurring during the Easter Season.

Novena - a prayer with a specific intention offered nine days in a row, originating in the nine days of prayer by the disciples and Mary between the Ascension and Pentecost.

Prudence - a Cardinal Virtue; the exercise of the knowledge of what things ought to be avoided.

Revelation - God's activity in making Himself and His purposes known to humankind.

Stewards - those who manage physical and spiritual things which are used responsibly in according to God's will.

Synoptic Gospels - the Gospels of Mark, Matthew, and Luke which exhibit extensive similarity of content and arrangement.

Temperance - the Cardinal Virtue that moderates the drive for sensual pleasure.

Transcendent - the relationship between a superior and lesser thing; the reference to God that describes Him as surpassing the universe because He is its Creator and is not dependant on it.

Transubstantiation - the change of the substance of bread and wine into the substance of the Body and Blood of Christ, so that only the accidents (appearances) of bread and wine remain.