Final Performance Tasks for Unit 1

The following is a list of the enduring understandings for unit 1. Demonstrating your grasp of one or more of these understandings will be essential to successfully completing your chosen final performance task. See the descriptions below to understand the specific elements that will be required for each performance task option.

* When we respond to the invitation to live in communion with God, we become more fully the people he created us to be.
* We can come to know God through the natural world and through human reason.
* God’s Revelation is communicated through Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition.

Option 1: A Visual, Personal Reflection
on God’s Revelation

Create a visual, personal reflection on God’s Revelation in your life. This may be a diagram, painting, drawing, or some other visual medium. Then write a minimum of two paragraphs explaining your visual depiction to clarify the meanings of the symbols and images you used. Both the visual reflection and writing will demonstrate your comprehension of the enduring understandings for the unit.

The visual reflection and writing will also consider the following questions:

* How have I experienced God inviting me to live in communion with him? To what extent have I faithfully responded to this invitation? How have I struggled to know God or to accept God’s Revelation?
* In what ways have I come to know God through human reason? In what ways, or through what experiences, have I come to know God through the natural world?
* How have I come to know God through Sacred Scripture? For example, what Scripture stories have been most meaningful to me? In what ways have I come to know God through Sacred Tradition?

Option 2: An Interview with a Person
of Faith

Interview an adult whom you would identify as a person of faith, and record the interview as either an audio or video file. Then choose a particular format in which to present the information you discovered during the interview, providing a brief reflection on what you have learned.

Ask the person you are interviewing the following questions:

* How have you experienced God inviting you to live in communion with him? To what extent have you faithfully responded to this invitation? How have you struggled to know God or to accept God’s Revelation?
* In what ways have you come to know God through human reason? In what ways, or through what experiences, have you come to know God through the natural world?
* How have you come to know God through Sacred Scripture? For example, what Scripture stories have been most meaningful to you? In what ways have you come to know God through Sacred Tradition?

Choose one of the following formats to present the information you discovered during the interview. Regardless of which format you choose, you must include at least three direct quotes from your interviewee.

* Write an essay in which you report the results of the interview.
* Record a podcast in which you report the results of the interview in a format similar to a radio broadcast.
* Make a video in which you report the results of the interview in a format similar to a news show.

Conclude your essay, podcast, or video with a brief personal reflection on what you have learned from the person you interviewed and how his or her life of faith is similar to, or different from, your own. Your reflection should demonstrate your comprehension of the enduring understandings for the unit.

Note: If you choose to complete this option with a partner, you must each conduct an interview with a person of faith. You will integrate the results of both interviews and present them in one essay, podcast, or video. Both you and your partner must include your own personal reflection at the end as well.