Final Performance Task Options for Unit 5

Important Information for All Three Options

The following are the main ideas you are to understand from this unit. They should appear in this final performance task so your teacher can assess whether you learned the most essential content.

• Through the Eucharist, we enter into the Paschal Mystery—the Passion, death, Resurrection, and Ascension—of Christ.

• In the Eucharist we are united with Christ and the entire Church.

• Jesus Christ is the Bread of Life, our food for life’s journey.

• The Eucharist is the source and summit of Christian life.

Option 1: The Eucharist as the Culmination of Christian Initiation

Write an essay (minimum 600 words, typed and double-spaced) explaining what the Church means in saying that the Eucharist is the culmination of Christian Initiation. Describe what the Eucharist is and does, using information from the student book and from one other reliable source. Incorporate the key understandings from the unit as a guide to make sure that your essay is complete.

Option 2: Teaching the Eucharist to a Teen RCIA Group

Create a short instructional video or audio CD explaining background information on the Eucharist to a teen RCIA group. Your video or audio CD must include the following parts:

• what the Eucharist is

• scriptural background on the Eucharist (at least four passages)

• what the Eucharist does

If you make a video, you may include a lecture, but also be sure to include images that convey ideas you are communicating. If you make an audio CD, you may include a lecture, but also include music that can convey your ideas. Be sure to incorporate all key understandings in your presentation.

Option 3: Class Blog

On a schedule determined by your teacher, you will make contributions to a blog, created by your teacher, on the topic of the Eucharist as the culmination of Christian Initiation. You may be assigned to a learning circle of students who will post blogs together. You may be asked to do outside research, to state your opinion, to list new insights you have gained, and so on. There will be three major topics: (1) What Is the Eucharist? (2) The Eucharist in Scripture, and (3) The Eucharist: Then and Now. Be sure to do the following when writing for the blog:

• Always maintain a high standard of writing. Remember that blogs usually have a public audience. Your writing should be organized and written with a strong voice. Before posting, edit your work for spelling, capitalization, punctuation, and grammar. Cite any outside sources.

• Make sure that you address, in your cumulative contributions to the blog, all key understandings for unit 5.