Ch. 3 - The Nature of the Church

- Read pgs 19-21 (Stop @ 4 Marks)
- As you read, list "images of the Church"

IMAGES OF THE CHURCH

1) Mystical **Body** of Christ
2) Kingdom
3) Mustard Seed
4) Wheat
5) Building
6) Sheepfold
7) Vineyard
8) Bride
9) Net
10) Treasure
11) Pearl  
12) Sower & Seed  
13) Ship  
14) Yeast
IMAGE PASSAGES
1) Mk 4:30-32  Victor Julian            Claire Thinh
2) Jn 10:1-10  Lizbeth Ava
3) Mt 21: 33-43  Caroline Jenna
4) 1 Cor 3:9, Eph 2:19-22  Ines Rachel
5) Rev 21:9, Eph 5:22-33  Nicholas Sean
6) Jn 14:2, Mt 3:2, Mt 5:1-12  Tommy Hector
7) Mt 13:33  Tori Mia
8) Mt 6:21, Mt 13:44  Aiden Daniel     Brandon Steele
9) Mt 13:46  Maria  Angelica
10 Mt 13:47  Jackson  Anthony
11) 1 Cor 12:12-31  Bennett Dawson

1) Read Passage
2) Summariaze / Analyze
3) Apply to Church
4) Apply to 7th Grade

Draw pic
Pretend Image Model

Summary

According to religion class, the Church is like an orchestra which is composed of musicians led by a conductor. Together the various sections -- strings, woodwinds, and percussion -- play together in harmony to create a magnificent musical symphony.

This analogy symbolizes the structure and organization of the Church. God is the composer and manager who gave us a conductor, the pope, and lead instruments, the bishops, to help unify the musicians, the people of God, who proclaim one consistent message, the gospel of Jesus.

This applies to the Church around the world in many ways. First, Pope Francis, as successor to St. Peter - the Rock and representative of Christ, is like the conductor, in that he provides visible leadership to the entire Church to hold everyone together in unity. Second, our local bishop, Richard Stika, is like a first violin, the leader of our particular diocese in Knoxville. He provides spiritual direction for those under his care. Third, all Christians are able express a life of holiness because of the Faith and Sacraments, which are like the score and sacraments. Together the Church, like an orchestra, creates a beautiful path to knowing and experiencing God's presence.

I think this applies to 7th grade as well. Here at school we have a conductor, Mr. Zengel our principal, who oversees every grade and helps manage the overall success of the school. We also have teachers, who are like bishops and priests, in that they help guide the students to learn and grow in holiness. The 7th grade is composed of many different students, each with his or her own talents and gifts, which contribute to Body of Christ here at school. Each of us is called to a life of holiness which includes treating one another with respect. Just as an orchestra must listen, cooperate, and help one another to achieve an awesome musical piece, so too must everyone at school respond to God’s message to help one another achieve an environment of peace, learning, and charity.
Open textbook to pg. 21

**ONE: UNITY**
How is the Church one?
Beliefs: Creeds, CCC
Authority, Hierarchy
Moral teaching
Worship: Mass, Sacraments
Eucharist --> Communion

**HOLY: SACRED**
How is the Church holy?
Her founder
Guided by the Spirit
Members: Saints
Sacraments: Give grace
Purpose: Heaven

**CATHOLIC: UNIVERSAL**
How is the Church universal?
Extended around the world through mission work
Includes all people
All throughout time
Total truth & fullness of revelation

**APOSTOLIC: From the APOSTLES**
How is the Church apostolic?
Founded on apostles
Governed by legitimate successors of apostles
Same apostolic teachings

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**HW**
Read R.C. of pg. 23
List powers given to the Church.
What powers were given to the apostles to continue the work of Christ?

**SANCTIFY**
- consecrate the host at Mass  Euc.
- Perform exorcisms  Bap.
- bless objects
- ordain priest, deacons, bishops  Ord.
- healing  Anoint.
- Baptize

**GOVERN**
"Whatever you bind on Earth..."

**TEACH**
"teaching all that I have commanded you"
study blue questions
4 short answers
one, holy, Catholic, apostolic
WB 10-11
Textbook and notes
Videos