

Objects of the League - a Spiritual Perspective

2. to promote the teachings of the Catholic Church

How well do we ourselves know and truly understand our church's teaching and the magisterium we always hear about? Are we familiar with the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*? When was the last time you picked it up or referred to it? With so many issues coming at us we need a working knowledge and understanding of church doctrine.

By having a clear understanding and basic ability to explain our faith when called upon, we begin the process for peace. Many people have been misled or misunderstood. There are some who think they cannot attend mass because they are divorced or separated. Even within the League there is confusion over annulments. Think of other areas where we need to be clear about church teaching about sacraments, death and dying, stem cell research. A good working knowledge of the church's teachings will go a long way.

Is bible study a regular part of our prayer life? What do you know about the Great Adventure Bible series or Theology of the Body? There is rich and profound material from Pope John Paul II that puts everything in perspective – who we are; why we were created. What other courses can promote the teachings of the church?

Members are blessed with many opportunities at all levels to learn more about the saints, our faith and sacred scripture.

Discuss:

- a) Have you recently attended a seminar, course or bible study and what did you learn from it?
- b) Discuss ways of promoting the teachings of the church in your own life – how do we share the good news of the gospel?