



STATEMENT OF CATHOLIC FAITH AND MORALITY

Kolbe Academy was founded to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ rooted in the tradition of the Catholic Church and Sacred Scripture. For this reason, we are committed to presenting Catholic moral teaching with fidelity, and we firmly adhere to our mission in all school endeavors.

All Kolbe Academy students, Catholics and non-Catholics alike, are expected to show respect for the Church's traditions and refrain from displays of lifestyles or behaviors that conflict with Catholic moral teaching. Fundamental principles of morality can be found in the Catechism of the Catholic Church ("CCC"). Examples include:

Our Mission

Dedicated to the pursuit of truth, wisdom, and virtue as the primary and prescriptive ends of education in the Catholic tradition, Kolbe Academy aids students in acquiring the skills of the liberal arts, assists in forming classically educated students to develop a mature intellect and cultivates openness to the call to holiness.

On The Sanctity of Human Life

We believe all human life is of inestimable value and sacred in all stages, from conception to natural death. We are commanded by God to protect and defend human life regardless of its condition – pre-born babies, persons with physical or intellectual disabilities, the elderly, the sick, the suffering, and the dying. (Ps. 139 13-16, 1 Cor. 6:19, CCC 2258-2279)

On The Gift of Sexuality

We believe God wonderfully and immutably creates each person as male or female. These two distinct, complementary sexes together reflect the mystery of God. Rejection of one's biological sex is a rejection of natural law, biological anatomy, and God's plan for the human person made in His image. (Gen. 1:26-27, Matt. 19:4-6, CCC 2333-2334)

On The Dignity of Marriage

We believe the term "marriage" means the uniting of one man and one woman in a single, exclusive, and permanent union. We also believe God intends sexual intimacy to occur only in marriage as a means of expressing the love and fidelity of husband and wife and participating in God's gift of procreation. Living life according to God's plan for marriage leads us closer to His love, while misusing our sexuality through unchastity (e.g. pornography, fornication, homosexual behavior, cohabitation, etc.) hurts us and leads us away from God. (Gen. 2:18-25, Eph. 5:31-33, CCC 2337-2365)

These examples are not intended to be an exhaustive list; rather, they are given as particularly relevant illustrations of our beliefs. Kolbe Academy's administration and faculty are responsible for faithfully safeguarding and transmitting the truth, goodness, and beauty of the Catholic faith.

[Link to Catechism of the Catholic Church \(CCC\)](#)

Statement of Faith and Oath of Fidelity

All of our faculty and staff profess a Statement of Faith and sign an Oath of Fidelity to the Magisterium of the Holy Roman Catholic Church:

I, N., with firm faith believe and profess each and everything that is contained in the Symbol of faith, namely:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

With firm faith, I also believe everything contained in the word of God, whether written or handed down in Tradition, which the Church, either by a solemn judgment or by the ordinary and universal Magisterium, sets forth to be believed as divinely revealed.

I also firmly accept and hold each and everything definitively proposed by the Church regarding teaching on faith and morals.

Moreover, I adhere with religious submission of will and intellect to the teachings which either the Roman Pontiff or the College of Bishops enunciate when they exercise their authentic Magisterium, even if they do not intend to proclaim these teachings by a definitive act.

I N., in assuming the office of, promise that I shall always preserve communion with the Catholic Church whether in the words I speak or in the way I act.

With great care and fidelity I shall carry out the responsibilities (onera) by which I am bound in relation both to the Universal and to the particular church in which I am called to exercise my service according to the requirements of the law.

In carrying out my charge, which is committed to me in the name of the Church, I shall preserve the Deposit of Faith in its entirety, hand it on faithfully and make it shine forth. As a result, whatsoever teachings are contrary, I shall shun.

May God help me in this way through the holy Gospels of God, which I touch with my hands. I shall foster the common discipline of the whole Church and urge the observance of all ecclesiastical laws, especially those which are contained in the Code of Canon Law.

With Christian obedience I shall associate myself with what is expressed by the holy shepherds as authentic doctors and teachers of the Faith or established by them as rulers of the Church. And with diocesan bishops I shall gladly devote my energy so that apostolic activity, to be exercised by the mandate and in the name of the Church, is - with provision made for the character and goal of my institute - carried out in the communion with the Church.