

**John Paul II
Institute of
Theology BUEA**



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DIOCESE OF BUEA

PURPOSE OF INSTITUTE
(Mission Statement)

The Primary purpose of this Institution (JOPASIT) is to provide an opportunity for Christians and people of goodwill in the Diocese, the Country, the world to know and deepen their faith so that they may be effective witnesses of Christ in the World.

GOALS

Goal 1: To provide a doctrinal formation that will foster a faith that is appropriate to adults or mature Christians.

Goal 2: To provide sound Catholic Doctrine to those who desire it in order that they may deepen their faith and live it with conviction in a complex and technological age.

Goal 3: Provide a comprehensive Christian Formation programme, structured in courses, modules and field work aimed at providing members with knowledge, skills and experiences that will foster holistic growth in their personal and spiritual lives.

SPECIFIC AIMS

1. To deepen the faith, intensify the prayer life and elevate the self-esteem of Catholic Christians and people of goodwill
2. To affect family life by modeling to children a living faith.
3. To teach teamwork, lifelong learning, collaboration, and team skills

4. To foster a deeper sense of appreciation for the ministry of priests.
5. To empower people to own and live their baptism in all arenas of life.
6. To offer a positive experience of the diocesan and global Church.
7. To provide formative and varied spiritual experiences.
8. To offer contemporary education and faith formation in the Roman Catholic faith.
9. To train personnel who will become religious educators and catechists in the diocese.
10. To motivate baptized Catholics in the diocese to discern and use their gifts in service of others and their communities.

ENTRY QUALIFICATION

- 2 “A” Levels and above
- Grade I Teacher Certificate
- The equivalent certificates as the above.

DURATION OF PROGRAMME.

- Number of Disciplines - 12
- Duration of Studies - 3 Years
- Certificate obtained - *Higher Diploma in Theology*

DISCIPLINES

1. Sacred Scriptures
2. Catechetics
3. Moral Theology
4. Canon Law
5. Spiritual Theology
6. Dogmatic Theology
7. Liturgy
8. Family Life
9. Introduction to Philosophy
10. Church History / Patristics
11. Latin
12. Methodology

TIME TABLE

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays
from 5:00 p.m.—8:10 p.m.

Location: Catholic Library, Molyko

REGISTRATION FEES

5,000frs

TUITION

75.000 per annum.

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RE-OPENING

1st Semester:

- 1st Monday in October

2nd Semester:

- 1st Monday in March

RECESS PERIODS

1ST Semester Recess

- December— January HARMATTAN

2ND Semester Recess:

- July—September MONSOON

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MAJOR FEAST DAYS

1 st November	-	Feast of All Saints
2 nd November	-	Feast of all Souls
8 th December	-	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
25 th December	-	Christmas Day
1 st January	-	Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
25 th January	-	Conversion of St. Joseph
15 th March	-	Solemnity of St. Joseph
30 th May	-	Solemnity, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
24 th June	-	Solemnity, The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
29 th June	-	Solemnity, SS. Peter and Paul

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

11 th February	-	Youth Day
1 st May	-	Labour Day
20 th May	-	National Day

WEEKLY HORARIUM

OCTOBER

1 MON	Phil. Ch. His., NT Scrip, Dogma
2 TUE	OT Scrip, Method(2x), , Lat.
3 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo
8 MON	Phil., Ch. His., NT Scrip., Dogma
9 TUE	OT Scrip. Method(2x), , Lat
10 WED	Phil., Care., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo
15 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
16 TUE	OT Scrip., Method (2x), Lat.
17 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo
22 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
23 TUE	OT Scrip. Method (2x), , Lat
24 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo
29 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
30 TUE	OT Scrip., , Method (2x) , Lat
31 WED	Phi., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo

NOVEMBER 2007

5 MON	Phil., Ch. His., NT Scrip., Dogma
6 TUE	OT Scrip., Method (2x), Lat
7 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo
12 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
13 TUE	OT Scrip., Method(2x), Lat
14 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo.
19 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
20 TUE	OT Scrip. Method (2x) ., Lat.
21 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo
26 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
27 TUE	OT Scrip.(2x), Method, Lat
28 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo

DECEMBER 2007

3 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
4TUE	OT Scrip., (Method2x), ,Lat.
5 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., MoTheo
10 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
11 TUE	OT Scrip., Method (2x), Lat.
12 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo
17 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
18 TUE	OT Scrip., Method (2x), ., Lat
19 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo (CLASSES END)
20 THUR	Harmatan holidays begin

JANUARY 2008

7 MON	(CLASSES BEGIN) Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
8 TUE	OT Scrip., (Method2x), Ch. His
9 WED	Phil, Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo
14 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
15 TUE	OT Scrip., Method (2x),. Lat
16 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo
21 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma
22 TUE	OT Scrip., Method(2x),. Lat
23 WED	Phil., Cate., Sp. Theo., Mo Theo
28 MON	Phil., Ch His., NT Scrip., Dogma (CLASSES END)

FEBRUARY 2008

4 MON	FIRST SEMESTER EXAMS BEGIN
5 TUE	FIRST SEMESTER EXAMS
6 WED	ASH WEDNESDAY (EXAMS)
11 MON	YOUTH DAY (NO LECTURES)
12 TUE	FIRST SEMESTER EXAMS
13 WED	FIRST SEMESTER EXAMS
18 MON	FIRST SEMESTER BREAK
19 TUE	FIRST SEMESTER BREAK
20 WED	FIRST SEMESTER BREAK
25 MON	SECOND SEMESTER BEFGINS: Lit, Dogma, Ch His (2x)
26 TUE	OT Scrip., , Method (2x), Sp Theo.
27 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat., Lit.

MARCH 2008

3 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma., Ch His (2x)
4 TUE	OT Scrip., Method(2x), Sp Theo
5 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat., Lit
10 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch His (2x)
11 TUE	OT Scrip. (Method2x), Sp Theo.
12 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat., Lit
16 MON	EASTER BREAK BEGINS
30 SUN	EASTER BREAK ENDS
31 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch. His (2x)

APRIL 2008

1 TUE	OT Scrip., Method.(2x), SP Theo.
2 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat., Lit.
7 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch His (2x)
8 TUE	OT Scrip., Method (2x)., Sp Theo.
9 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat., Lit.
14 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch His (2x)
15 TUE	OT Scrip., Method (2x)., Sp Theo.
16 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat., Lit.
21 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch His. (2x)
22 TUE	OT Scrip. Method (2x), Sp Theo.
23 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat., Lit.
28 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch His (2x)
29 TUE	OT Scrip. Method (2x), Sp Theo.
30 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat., Lit.

MAY 2008

1 THU	LABOUR DAT (NO LECTURES)
5 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch His
6 TUE	OT Scrip., Method (2x), Sp Theo.
7 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat., Lit
12 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch His
13 TUE	OT Scrip., Method(2x), Sp Theo
14 WED	Cate., Mo Theo., Lat., His
19 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch His (2x)
20 TUE	NATIONAL DAY (NO LECTURES)
21 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat., Lit.
26 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch His (2x)
27 TUE	OT Scrip., Method (2x),. Mo Theo.
28 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat. Lit.

JUNE 2008

2 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch His (2x)
3TUE	OT Scrip., Method (2x), Sp Theo
4 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat. Lit
9 MON	NT Scrip., Dogma, Ch His (2x)
10 TUE	OT Scrip., Method (2x), Sp. Theo.
11 WED	Cate., Mo. Theo., Lat., Lit. (LECTURES END)
16 MON	SECOND SEMESTER EXAMS BEGIN
17 TUE	SECOND SEMESTER EXAMS
18 WED	SECOND SEMESTER EXAMS
23 MON	SECOND SEMESTER EXAMS
24 TUE	SECOND SEMESTER EXAMS
25 WED	SECOND SEMESTER EXAMS
30 MON	MONSOON HOLIDAY BEGIN

FIRST SEMESTER TIME TABLE
1st OCTOBER 2007—30th JANUARY 2008

DAY	PERIODS	COURSE	KEYS	LECTURER
MONDAYS	5.00—5.45 pm	Philosophy	Phil.	Bp Bushu
	5.45 –6.30 pm	Church History	Ch His	Fr. Murphy
	6.30—6.40 pm	Break		
	6.40—7.25 pm	NT Scriptures	NT Scrip.	Fr. Nkeze
	7.25—8.10 pm	Dogma	Dogma	Fr. Nkeze
TUESDAY	5.00—5.45 pm	OT Scriptures	OT Scrip.	Fr. Ngalame
	5.45 –6.30 pm	Methodology	method	Sr. Yuh
	6.30—6.40 pm	Break		
	6.40—7.25 pm	Methodology	Method.	Sr. Yuh
	7.25—8.10 pm	Latin	Lat.	Fr. Fomukong
WED.	5.00—5.45 pm	Philosophy	Phil.	BP Bushu
	5.45 –6.30 pm	Catechetics	Cate.	Sr. Kombe
	6.30—6.40 pm	Break		
	6.40—7.25 pm	Spiritual Theology	Sp. Theo.	Fr. Anyanwu
	7.25—8.10 pm	Moral Theology	Mo Theo	Fr. Diang

Christmas Break: 20th December 2007—7th January 2008

First Semester Exams: 4th February 2008—14th February 2008

CANON LAW: Subject to arrangements following the programme of the lecturer Fr. Andrew Nkea.

SECOND SEMESTER TIMETABLE

DAY	PERIOD	COURSE	KEYS	LECTURER
MONDAYS	5.00—5.45 pm	Liturgy	Lit.	Fr. Fomukong
	5.45 –6.30 pm	Latin	Lat.	Fr. Fomukong
	6.30—6.40 pm	Break		
	6.40—7.25 pm	NT Scriptures	NT Scrip.	Fr. Nkeze
	7.25—8.10 pm	Dogma	Dogma	Fr. Nkeze
TUESDAY	5.00—5.45 pm	OT Scriptures	OT Scrip.	Fr. Ngalame
	5.45 –6.30 pm	OT Scriptures	OT Scrip.	Fr. Ngalame
	6.30—6.40 pm	Break		
	6.40—7.25 pm	Methodology	Method.	Sr. Yuh
	7.25—8.10 pm	Moral Theology	Mo Theo.	Fr. Diang
WED.	5.00—5.45 pm	Catechetics	Cate.	Sr. Kombe
	5.45 –6.30 pm	Spiritual Theology	Sp. Theo	Fr. Anyanwu
	6.30—6.40 pm	Break		
	6.40—7.25 pm	Church History	Ch. His.	Fr. Murphy
	7.25—8.10 pm	Church History	Ch. His.	Fr. Murphy

Easter Break: 16th March—30th March 2008

Second Semester Exams: 16th June 2008—25th 2008

Note: a) 10 minutes break from 6.30 –640 pm.

b) CANON LAW: Subject to arrangements, following the programme of Fr. Andrew Nkea.

SCRIPTURE: OLD TESTAMENT

YEAR ONE FIRST SEMESTER

During the First Semester, we shall tackle a general introduction to the Bible, the Old Testament and the Pentateuch. We shall also read, study detailedly the Books of the Pentateuch.

General Introduction to the Bible.

What is the Bible

Division of the Bible.

Why do we read and study the Bible?

Who wrote the Bible?

Why do we read and study the Old Testament?

Introduction to the Pentateuch.

Read and study Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy, using the following headings:

Introduction, Content, Principal character, Events, Setting, Time Span, Meaning Message.

SECOND SEMESTER

Historical Books / Former Prophets

Joshua, Judges, I Samuel, I Kings, 2 Kings

YEAR TWO—FIRST SEMESTER

Introduction to Prophetic Literature.

Major Prophets - Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel

Minor Prophets - Hosea, Joel, Amos, Obadiah, Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk

SECOND SEMESTER

Deutero canonical Book - Tobit, Wisdom, Judith, Ecclesiasticus, Baruch, I Maccabees, 2 Maccabees.

YEAR THREE—FIRST SEMESTER

The Writings: Psalms, Proverbs, Job, Daniel, Ezra, Nehemiah, I Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Song of Songs, Ruth, Lamentations.

The Concept of Wisdom, Origin of Wisdom Literature, Extra Biblical wisdom literature in the Old Testament.

SECOND SEMESTER

Ecclesiastes, Esther.
Revision

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Paul Heinisch: *Theology of the Old Testament*, The Liturgical Press—Collegeville—Minnesota, 1955

Westerman C., *Handbook to the Old Testament*, Augsburg Publishing House Minneapolis, 1976

Other Books

De Vaux R., (ed): *La Bible de Jérusalem*, les eds. Du Cerf, Paris, 1961. Jones A., (tr. and ed.). *The Jerusalem Bible*, Barton Longman and Todd, London 1966.

Meckenzie J.L., al., (e): *Dictionary of the Bible*, Geoffrey Chapman, London, 1968.

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Bruce Vawter C. M: *Introduction to the Prophetical Books*, The Liturgical Press—Collegeville—Minnesota, 1964

Karl A. Schultz: *The How-To Book of the Bible* A step- by -step Guidelines. Our Sunday Visitor Publishing Division Our Sunday Visitor, Inc. Indiana 46750. June 2004.

Bart D. Ehrman: *Lost Scriptures*. Books that did not make it into the New Testament. Oxford University Press. USA 2003

Jeffrey Geoghegan: *The Bible For Dummies* Wiley Publishing, Inc. Indianapolis 2002

**SCRIPTURE— GENERAL INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE
AND NEW TESTAMENT
YEAR ONE - FIRST SEMESTER**

1. General introduction: Finding your way around the Bible
 - What does the word Bible mean?
 - What does the word testament mean?
 - How are the books of the Old Testament and New Testament Divided?
 - Oral tradition and written tradition.
 - Criteria in determining Canonicity.
 - What is meant by the “Canon” of the Bible?
 - Origins and development of the “Canon” of the Bible.
 - When did the Bible become a “book” / Ancient ways of writing and re-coding what was written.
 - Non-Biblical writings and texts. (Disputed writings and rejected writings)
 - How to read the bible today—An African perspective of understanding the Bible.
 - Translations and Translators

2. What does the Catholic Church Teach about the Bible?
 - Dogmatic constitution on Divine Revelation (*Dei Verbum*), Latin word for “word of God”

3. What does it mean to say the Bible is inspired.
 - Theories of biblical inspiration
 - Biblical Inspiration and Biblical Inerrancy
 - How do Catholic interpret the Scriptures.
 - What does “biblical criticism” mean?
 - Understanding “Exegesis”.
 - The problem of Fundamentalism today.

4. Handing on of Divine Revelation
 - Stages in the development of the Gospels
 - The authority of Scripture and tradition
 - The different senses of tradition

5. Sacred Scripture in the life of the Church
 - Four Senses of Scripture
 - Lectio Divina

SECOND SEMESTER

6. Understanding the New Testament

- Why were the Gospels written?
- Why are there four gospels?

7 Gospel of Matthew. 8. Gospel of Mark 9. Gospel of Luke.

YEAR TWO—FIRST SEMESTER

10. Gospel of John

11. Other New Testament writings

12. Acts of the Apostles

SECOND SEMESTER

13. Introduction to the Letters.

14. Romans

15. 1 & 2 Corinthians

16. Galatians.

17. Ephesians

YEAR THREE—FIRST SEMESTER

18. Philippians

19. Colossians

20. 1st & 2nd Thessalonians

21. 1st and 2nd Timothy

22. Titus

23. Philemon

24. Hebrews

SECOND SEMESTER

25. James

26. 1st and 2nd Peter

27. 1st, 2nd & 3rd John

28. Book of John

29. The book of Revelation

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- Brown R. (1990). *Responses to 101 questions on the Bible*, New York, Paulist Press.

CATECHETICS

YEAR ONE

FIRST SEMESTER.

- INTRODUCTION
- THE PROFESSION OF FAITH.
- Our Capacity for God
- Faith is a dialogue of love
- Man's response to God
- Profession of the Christian faith
- We call God our Father
- The Creation
- Original Sin – The Fall
- Believe in Jesus Christ the Only son of God
- Conceived by the Holy Spirit – born of the Virgin
- Holy Mary – Mother of God
- The Jesus of the Gospels
- EVALUATION

SECOND SEMESTER

- Hold high the Cross
- The Glory of Easter
- The second coming of Jesus
- Believe in the Holy Spirit
- The Church – The people of God
- The four Marks of the Church
- Believe in the Mother of the church
- The Forgiveness of sins
- The resurrection of the bodies
- Life after death
- The last judgment
- EVALUATION

YEAR TWO—FIRST SEMESTER

CELEBRATION OF THE CHRISTIAN MYSTERY

- Liturgy as paschal mystery
- Sacraments – The Body of Christ at prayer
- Baptism – Born of Water and the Spirit
- Confirmation – Becoming a courageous Catholic
- Eucharist – the supper of the Lord
- EVALUATION

SECOND SEMESTER

- Forgiveness heals people
- Is there Anyone Sick Among You
- Bishop, Priest, and Deacons
- The Sacrament of marriage
- EVALUATION

YEAR THREE—FIRST SEMESTER

LIFE IN CHRIST

- Christian Morality is Life in Christ
- What is the Christian Moral Life?
- The First Commandment – love God totally
- The Second Commandment – Reverence of the Sacred
- The third Commandment – The joy of Worship
- The Fourth Commandment – Empower the Family
- The Fifth Commandment – Stop the killing
- The sixth Commandment – Practice Fidelity
- The seventh Commandment – Be honest and Just
- The Eighth Commandment – Tell the Truth
- The ninth Commandment – Cleanse Your Heart
- The Tenth Commandment – Reject Greed
- EVALUATION

SECOND SEMESTER

FAITH IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

- Prayer is the Power of the Heart
- The Seven Lessons of the Our Father
- Evaluation

LITURGY—TWO YEARS
YEAR ONE

- BASIC DEFINITIONS AND DISTINCTIONS

- Liturgy
- Theology
- The relationship between Liturgy and Theology

- INCULTURATION

- Definition
- Principles of adaptation

THE SACRAMENTS

- The celebration of the Sacrament and possible adaptation in our locality.
- Sacraments and Sacramental in the Eastern Church
- The influence they have in the Western Church

YEAR TWO

- The Liturgy of the Hours and possible adaptations
- The different Rites of celebration in the CATHOLIC Church

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Peter J. Elliot; *Ceremonies of the Modern Roman Rites*, 1995
Rev William Ogradodowski; *The Catholic Book of the Mass*, 1985

FAMILY LIFE

YEAR ONE FIRST SEMESTER

1. Introduction to “Familliaris Consortio”
2. PART ONE: Bright sports and shadows for the family today
3. PART TWO: God’s plan for the marriage and the family

SECOND SEMESTER

4. PART THREE: the role of the Christian family
5. Sharing in the life and mission of the church
6. Pastoral care of the family

YEAR TWO—FIRST SEMESTER

7. The sanctity of marriage and the family
8. The fruitfulness of marriage
9. Harmonizing conjugal love

SECOND SEMESTER

10. The risk of love in marriage and the choice made
11. Marriage remains enviable

BIBLIGRAPHY

- Familiaris Consortio
- Gaudium et Spes
- Family life and education

SIRITUAL THEOLOGY

YEAR ONE FIRST SEMESTER

1. AIM AND SCOPE OF SPIRITUAL THEOLOGY

- a) Common terms of Spiritual Theology
- b) Spirituality and Theology
- c) Definition of Spiritual Theology
- d) Theological Method
- e) Sources of Spiritual Theology
- f) Schools of Spiritual Theology

2. THE GOAL OF OUR STRIVING

- a) What is the goal of our striving
- b) The Ultimate goal of the spiritual life
- c) The proximate goals of the spiritual life

SECOND SEMESTER

1. OUR SPIRITUAL LIFE IN CHRIST AND MARY

- a) Christ's role in our sanctification. Spiritual life is Christocentric
- b) What the Scriptures say about our life in Christ. Christ the Way, the Truth and the life.
- c) Christ as the meritorious cause of our salvation. Christ as the Head of the Mystical Body.
- d) The Liturgical Formula—Through Him, with Him, In Him
- e) Mary— Mother and Mediatrix

2. THE SUPERNATURAL LIFE

- a) Sanctifying Grace
- b) Effects of grace: Man becomes adopted, he becomes an heir and co-heir with Christ, just and pleasing to God.
- c) Supernatural life and supernatural merit.
- d) Grace and intimacy with God. Indwelling of the Holy Trinity

YEAR TWO—FIRST SEMESTER

1. THE SUPERNTURAL LIFE CONTINUES

- a) Actual Grace
- b) The infused virtues

- c) The differences between the acquired and infused virtues.
- d) The gifts of the Holy Spirit
- e) Necessity of the gifts.

2. CHRISTIAN PERFECTION

- a) The nature of Christian Perfection, certain questions about Christian perfection.

3. CHRISTIAN PERFECTION AND MYSTICAL EXPERIENCE

- a) The Mystical Experience
- b) The Mystical state and Christian perfection
- c) Infused spirituality

SECOND SEMESTER

1. GROWTH IN HOLINESS

- a) Conversion from sin
- b) Types of temperament and their difficulties
- c) The struggle against sin
- d) Temptations

2. PROGRESSIVE PURGATION IN THE SPIRITUAL LIFE

- a) Passive purification and Active Purifications.
- b) Purification of the internal and external senses.
- c) Purification of the internal senses of imagination and memory.
- d) Purification of the passions and purification of the intellect and will.
- e) Passive purgations: night of the senses and night of the spirit based on spiritual teachings of St. John of the Cross.

THIRD YEAR —FIRST SEMESTER

1. MEANS OF SPIRITUAL GROWTH

- a) Meaning of Spiritual growth based on the grace bestowed at Baptism.
- b) The Sacraments and their role in spiritual growth.
- c) Treatment of the Seven Sacraments: Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Penance, Anointing of the Sick, Marriage (Sacrament of personal union), Holy Orders.
- d) Meritorious good works and prayer

2. THE THEOLOGICAL VIRTUES: FAITH AND CHARITY

- a) The gifts of the Holy Spirit in relation to faith, hope and charity
- b) Understanding, Knowledge and Wisdom.

3. THE MORAL VIRTUES: In relation to the cardinal virtues of prudence, justice, Temperance and Fortitude.

4. Treatment of the gifts of the Holy Spirit: Counsel, Piety, Fortitude

5. Related virtues and charity which endures all things. Magnanimity, Patience and Perseverance.

SECOND SEMESTER

1. GRADES OF PRAYER

- a) Vocal Prayer, Meditation and its practice.
- b) The teaching of two spiritual masters on prayer: Teresa of Avila and John of the Cross.
- c) Progress in prayer leading to affective prayer, prayer of simplicity, Infused Contemplation, prayer of Quiet, prayer of Confirmation Union, prayer of Transforming Union, Ideal of Christian Performance, Conclusion.

2. CERTAIN AIDS TO SPIRITUAL GROWTH

- a) Spiritual growth. "I have come that they may have life and have it to the full" (Jn 10:10)
- b) The desire for perfection
- c) Conformity to God's will
- d) Fidelity to God's will
- e) Fidelity to God's Grace
- f) Plan of life. What does this entails? (Special reference to the life of the diocesan priests).
- g) Spiritual Reading and Holy Friendships.

3. THE SPIRITUAL LIFE IN CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD

- a) Life in Christ
- b) In the Body of Christ
- c) Union with Christ in the Eucharist
- d) Living in the heart of Jesus Christ. Devotion to the Sacred Heart

4. DIVINE, HUMAN SPIRITUAL LOVE, HUMAN EMOTIONAL LOVE

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DOGMATIC THEOLOGY

YEAR ONE FIRST SEMESTER

1. Introduction to Theology; Why study theology?
2. The meaning of Dogma; How many Dogmas? Dogma and dogmatic formulas; The difference between Dogma and Doctrine. Dogma and the Charism of Infallibility and the Irreversibility of Certain Church Teachings; Gradations in Church teaching; The Hierarchy of truths: Definitive Doctrine, authoritative doctrine; Concrete applications of Church teaching, Prudential admonitions and Church discipline; The authority of the Church's Teaching office; The exercise of the Magisterium; Ordinary Magisterium, Extraordinary Magisterium and Ordinary universal Magisterium.
3. Revelation; The meaning of Revelation; Revelation in Vatican II and after; Christ, the Revelation of God; The church as bearer of Revelation; Man as recipient of revelation.
4. Inspiration of Sacred Scripture; Theories of Biblical Inspiration; Biblical Inerrancy. Scripture and tradition; Tradition: continuity and Discontinuity; Vatican II on Scripture and tradition.
Creation and Original Sin; Creation "ex nihilo"; Creation as the permanent basis of salvation; the doctrine of original sin; theological reflection on original sin; Fall of angels; Fall of Adam; Results of Adam's fall; How to restore a fallen race?

SECOND SEMESTER

1. The teachings of the councils – From Nicea (325) to Vatican II (1962-1965).
2. The catechism of the Catholic Church – an overview.
The catechism of the Catholic Church – the faith professed: Our capacity for God; The creed explained.

YEAR TWO FIRST SEMESTER

1. The catechism of the Catholic Church – the faith celebrated (Sacraments).
The sacramental dispensation. Sacraments in General: Defined teachings – Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Reconciliation, anointing, Holy order, and marriage.
2. Catechism of the Catholic Church – the faith lived.
Catechism of the Catholic Church – the faith prayed.

SECOND SEMESTER

1. Ecclesiology: The church in the Old Testament; the Church in the New Testament; the ecclesiology of Vatican II; The visible Church; Marks of the Church; The people of God: "Sacrament of Universal salvation" and Eschatological community; the catholic hierarchy; the Sovereign Pontiff and his Primacy; Episcopal collegiality; the powers of the Hierarchy, the laity in the Church.
2. Christology: Jesus Christ today: the problematic of contemporary Christology; the Jesus of History and the Christ of faith; the mystery of Jesus Christ; the names of Jesus Christ; the incarnation; Christ, God and Man. The Blessed Trinity; the doctrine outlined; The three Persons, Father and Son; the Holy Spirit; equality in majesty; appropriation; mystery; making the doctrine our own; God is Love.

YEAR THREE FIRST SEMESTER

1. Mariology: Doctrine of Vatican II about the Blessed Virgin Mary; Dogmas about Our Lady; the Immaculate Conception; Divine Motherhood, Perpetual Virginity; the Assumption.
2. The nature of man: soul and body; God's Law and freedom
The One God: Theological explanations of the properties of the divine being. Life and activities of God.

SECOND SEMESTER

1. Grace: Grace, virtues and gifts. The universal saving will of God and predestination. The road to justification. Justification and Sanctification. Activity in Grace.
2. Eschatology: The eschatological problem as the question about the essence of Christianity. Death and Immortality. The individual dimension of eschatology. The future life: Hell, Purgatory, Heaven; The end of the World.

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**MORAL THEOLOGY
YEAR ONE
FIRST SEMESTER**

CHRIST: THE BASIC NORMS IN NATURAL LAW MORALITY

1. Christian morality and natural law morality
2. Moral theology as the study of Christian morality, scope, method, relation to other theological disciplines
3. Brief history of moral theology
4. Old and new testament morality
5. The Christian vocation in Christ
6. Key points in the moral teaching of Christ
7. Christ as the fundamental Norm in Christian Morality
8. Human Acts: their psychological and normal aspects, sin as an unchristian act; conversion
9. Virtue: concept; theological virtues.

SECOND SEMESTER

GOD'S WILL I

1. Moral Law
2. Human Law
3. Conscience in Scripture and theological reflection
4. God's will in the Decalogue
5. Worship of God and problems posed by Cameroonian beliefs and customs (witchcraft, divination, ancestor worship, secret societies etc)
6. Prayer: Notion, types, necessity, efficacy, growth in prayer life. Prayer as a gift and privilege.
7. Reverence for God's name
8. Sanctification of Sundays and feast days.

YEAR TWO: FIRST SEMESTER

1. Authority and obedience
2. Human health and life
3. Catholic and sexual ethics: Persona Humana
4. The Christian and property
5. Truthfulness

SECOND SEMESTER

BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION AND EUCHARIST

1. Sacraments in general
Moral aspects of baptism, confirmation and Eucharist

YEAR THREE— FIRST SEMESTER THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

1. Analysis of Religious conversion
2. Conversion, faith and the sacraments
3. The sacrament of reconciliation: liturgical history, institution, matter, form.
4. Contrition, confession, creative penances
5. Role of the confessor, jurisdiction
6. Confessional seal, integrity
7. Types of penitents
8. Abuses in confession and penalties
9. Absolution.
10. Pastoral problems
11. Human suffering and the sacrament of the sick
12. The sacrament of orders (Moral aspects)

SECOND SEMESTER

1. The sacrament of MARRIAGE: Responsible parenthood and family planning
2. Humane Vitae
3. The baptism of polygamous converts
4. Manipulation
5. Sects in Cameroon
6. Current problems in Moral Theology.

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CANON LAW

YEAER ONE FIRST SEMESTER

1. General Introduction to the Code of Canon Law
2. The purpose of Canon Law. Its characteristics and Principles.
3. Subjects of church law. Interpretation of law.
4. Common terms in church law.

SECOND SEMESTER

5. General norms (Book 1)
6. People of God (Book 2)
7. Teaching Office (Book 3)
8. Offences and Punishments (Book 6)

YEAR TWO—FIRST SEMESTER

SACRAMENTAL CHURCH LAW

1. General Introduction to sacramental church law
2. Baptism
3. The Eucharist
4. Anointing of the sick

SECOND SEMESTER

1. Confirmation
2. Penance
3. Matrimony
4. Holy orders

Book 7 (Tribunals) Pastoral problems in the parishes related to church law. With particular references to marriage.

INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY

YEAR ONE FIRST SEMESTER

1. Introduction—Definition, object of philosophy, importance of Philosophy, the true philosophy.
2. Origin of Philosophy—Roots of Philosophy, the emergence of Philosophy, the desire for intelligibility of the universe, the early effort of man to find answers to certain elementary questions like the ultimate matter of the universe.
3. The rise and growth of philosophy—Attempts of the Near and Far Eastern peoples, the early Greek philosophers, factors for the growth and perfection of Philosophy.
4. Philosophizing—what is philosophizing? Difference between philosophy and other disciplines. What it means to know, ways of thinking, philosophical questions.
5. Traditional African Thought—Issues of African Traditional thought—Modes of African thought, African concepts, African Philosophy, Influences on African thought.

HISTORY OF ANCIENT PHILOSOPHY

1. Pre-Socratics: Beginning of Philosophy in Wonder-Bout Nature, Nature and Man, Thought and Reality. The Ionians, Pythagoreans, Heraclites, Parmenides and Pluralists.
2. Sophists and Socrates. Change of Skepticism and Relativism, met by Socrates.

The Apology: Socrates' mission, Dialectic and Self-Knowledge, Virtue and the philosophic life.

3. Plato: Sources of his philosophy: Socrates, Pythagoreans, Heraclitus and Parmenides. Dialogues and the Academy: Letter VII. The Two Worlds: Opinion and knowledge, the Reality of the Forms. *The Republic*: Books I, II, V, VII

YEAR TWO

4. Aristotle: Relationship to Plato. The turn of nature, the scope of his writings. Experience, Art and knowledge: Practical and Theoretical Knowledge: *Metaphysics*, Book I (1-2); *Ethics*, Book VI Distinction of Matter and Form, definitions of soul and different kinds of soul. Book III (4-5). Teleology in Ethics and in Nature. The Unmoved Mover.

5. HELLENISM. Historical background: Alexander, Roman conquests. New movements in Philosophy, Epicureanism, Stoicism, Skepticism.

6. ECLECTICISM AND RELIGIOUS-MYTHICAL TURN: Neopythagoreans, Philos of Alexandria, Plotinus and Neo-Platonism.

HISTORY OF MEDIEVAL PHILOSOPHY

1. Greek Philosophy and Christianity, first encounters and earlier attitudes: the Apologists, Clement of Alexandria, Tertullian, Neo-Platonism and Origin.
2. St. Augustine. His development: Africa—Roman setting, Manichaeism, Skepticism, Neo-Platonism and Christianity. The soul's search for God: Faith seeking understanding, Grace and Truth; seeking Happiness and Truth and Finding God. Faith, Authority and Reason. Free will and sin: the city of God.
3. Neo-Platonism after Augustine. Boethius: Plato and Aristotle translations, Porphyry's *Isogoge*. Pseudo—Dionysius and John Scotus Erigena.

4. Historical background: Carolingian Renaissance, Monastic and Cathedral schools, the making of Scholasticism, revival of Dialectic.
5. St. Anselm Positive and fruitful development of dialectic in the service of the Augustinian tradition in theology. Example: the ontological argument, *Proslogion* Ch. 1-4

YEAR THREE

1. Peter Abelard. The debate about Universals. Controversy concerning his application of dialectic to theology opposition of St. Bernard. Continuing development towards systematizing theology: Peter Lombard's *Sentences*; the growth of Universities.
 2. Aristotle re-discovered. The Islamic connection. Importance of Avicenna, Averroes and Maimonides. The impact of new texts on the young universities especially Paris. Attitude of the Church.
 3. St. Bonaventure. Attitude to the New Aristotelianism. Further development of an Augustinian synthesis: soul's journey to God. Exemplarism, Ontological Argument.
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1. St. Thomas Aquinas. The development of a Christian Aristotelianism. The scope of natural reason vis-à-vis faith; knowledge of God, that He is and what He is. His response to the challenge of Averroism. The opposition confuses Siger's Averroism and the Aristotelianism of Aquinas: Condemnations of 1270 and 1277.
 2. Subsequent developments. Disengagement of Faith and Reasons; initiated by Duns Scotus, Extreme development in the *Via Moderna* by Ockham and Nominalist Movement.
 3. Renaissance Philosophy. Nicholas of Cusa. New turns to Plato and Aristotle.

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CHURCH HISTORY AND PATRISTICS

YEAR ONE FIRST SEMESTER

FIRST SEMESTER

1. Introduction to Church History; The Early Church outside Jerusalem
2. The Origin of Gnosticism
3. Church and Empire
4. Heterodoxy and Orthodoxy twist under the Severi
5. Origin, Mani and Cyprain
6. Christianity on the eve of he great persecution; Last persecution and the peace of the Church.

SECOND SEMESTER

1. Arius and the Council of Nicea
2. Origin and early development of Monasticism
3. The spread of Christianity in the Empire
4. The Council of Ephesus—Council of Chalcedon
5. Monophysites and neochalcedonians
6. Eastern Monasticism in the 5th and 6th centuries; Pelagianism

YEAR TWO FIRST SEMESTER

1. The Chrsitianization of Europe.
2. The Churches of Eastern Europe.
3. The popes: The Churches of Byzantium
4. Rome and Constantinople.
5. Development of Monasticism.
6. The Gregorian Reform.

SECOND SEMESTER

1. 7. The Church in the 12th Century.
2. 8. Innocent III and four great figures of the Golden Age.
3. 9. Papal Supremacy and Expression of the Faith.
4. 10. The Mendicant Orders
5. 11. Heresies and the Western Schism
6. 12. Revision.

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METHODOLOGY OF SCIENTIFIC WORK

FIRST SEMESTER - 2hrs per Week

1. **Introduction:** Definition, Methodology, Scientific work, Intellectual work.
2. Method and Methodology of scientific work.
3. Characteristics of scientific work—nature, source, necessity of recourse to sources, disposition for scientific work. Reading and taking notes.
4. Reference works, Collection of sources, bibliographical aids, dictionaries and encyclopedias.

SECOND SEMESTER

1. Scientific work: Procedures for elementary work: oral and written exercises. Advanced work: Choosing a subject, synthesis and Exposition of work.
2. Writing exercise on assigned topics are presented to the class. Each presentation is followed by discussion and evaluation.

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LATIN

FIRST SEMESTER

I) INTRODUCTION

- i) Alphabet and Pronunciation of Sounds
- ii) Consonant and vowel

II) PARTS OF SPEECH

- a) Declension and the use of cases
- b) Number / gender

SECOND SEMESTER

2. Verbs / Conjunction

Tenses: present, past, future.

3. Adjective

Agreement with nouns

III. VOCABULARY AND TRANSLATION

