

FOUR-YEAR STUDY PLAN - IPS CHICAGO CATHOLIC SCRIPTURE SCHOOL

Units	Biblical Books	Theological Themes	General Issues
First Year: Old Testament Foundations – Genesis Through Kings			
Unit 1	Exodus Leviticus Numbers	People of God Covenant Desert	Sources of the Pentateuch
Unit 2	Deuteronomy Genesis	Promise/The Land Creation/Sin	From Criticism Fertile Crescent
Unit 3	Joshua Judges 1 & 2 Samuel 1 & 2 Kings	Charismatic Leadership Kingship Prophecy	Geography of Palestine Canaanite Religion Biblical Chronology Biblical Archeology
Second Year: New Testament Foundations – Jesus and Discipleship			
Unit 1	Mark Luke Mathew 1 and 2	Charismatic Leadership Holy Spirit Infancy Narratives	Synoptic Question Form Criticism Redaction Criticism
Unit 2	Acts Pauline Letters	Church Gifts of the Holy Spirit	New Testament Geography Letter as literary Form
Unit 3	John and Johannine Letters Mark 13, Luke 21 Matthew 24-25 Revelation	Sacraments Eschatology	Apocalyptic Writing
Third Year: Old Testament Continued – Exile and Restoration			
Unit 1	Amos Hosea 1 Isaiah Maccabees Zephaniah Nahum Jeremiah	Social Justice Prophetic Vocation Marriage of God and Israel	Biblical Chronology
Unit 3	Lamentations Obadiah Ezekiel 2 Isaiah Haggai Zechariah 1-8 3 Isaiah Ezra	Destruction of the Temple Meaning of the Exile Renewal after Exile Community Rebuilt around the World	Crisis of the Exile Strategies of Renewal
Unit 3	1 & 2 Chronicles Joel Malachi Ruth Song of Songs Psalms	Rebuilding a People Importance of the Law	Historical Writings of Old Testament Hebrew Poetry Jewish Liturgy
Fourth Year: Both Testaments Concluded – The Word In The Hellenistic World			
Unit 1	Proverbs Habakkuk Job Ecclesiastes Sirach Wisdom	Creation Emphasis Problem of Suffering	Priest, Prophet, and Sage
Unit 2	Jonah Esther Tobit Baruch Zechariah 9-14 1 and 2 Maccabees Judith Daniel	Martyrdom Resurrection	Deuteroconanical Books Hellenism
Unit 3	Matthew Pastoral Letters Catholic Letters Hebrews	Role of Peter / Apostles New Testament as Fulfillment of Old Testament	Christianity as a New Form of Religion in the Roman World

