



THE THEOLOGY PROGRAM

AT ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I need a textbook or a bible for the Freshman Theology class, *Sacred Scripture, Our Story*?

No textbook or bible is required for the Freshman Theology course. All materials will be provided. Each classroom has a set of Bibles and students access scripture online, as well. Students are welcome to use their own bible if they have one.

Will I succeed in a Theology class if I'm not a practicing Catholic?



Yes. St. Joseph's Academy welcomes students from all faith backgrounds. We understand each student comes to the Theology Department on their journey of faith. Some students are engaged in faith, others are barely interested, and others fall somewhere in between. All students can succeed in Theology classes by simply applying the same organizational skills, study habits, and critical thinking utilized in other courses. Students

will be expected to understand the basic beliefs of Christianity and Catholic traditions, but personal belief in them is not required.

Does my Theology grade impact my overall GPA?

Yes, Theology is a core content area at St. Joseph's Academy. Your grade in Theology is calculated into your GPA.

While completing assignments that involve personal reflection, can I feel safe sharing my unique thoughts, including my own language for God and faith?

Absolutely! Students are always encouraged to capture their understanding of God and faith using language that best suits them. Students are also encouraged to speak with their teachers if they are unsure how to approach a reflective assignment from their unique perspectives and beliefs.

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