

Morality, Form IV

Course Description

This course is designed to train students in fundamental moral principles. With a foundation in this field, the students should be able to make proper moral choices throughout the rest of their lives with the goal of holiness in this life and salvation in the next.

The course will therefore introduce the student to the reality that the human person is created to love- to choose what is good and true. Living a moral life is first a “YES” to God (never ‘simply’ a set of rules). God initiates the relationship with us and gives us the gift of His divine life. The gift we have received should overflow into a desire to love God above all things and therefore wanting to please God in all that we say and do (it is precisely in this encounter that the human person is most fulfilled). The student will know moral principles and be able to apply natural law principles as well as Church teaching to specific moral questions present in the world today.

Course Goals

- To examine the life of Jesus Christ as the Author of holiness and the source of grace
- To understand the tremendous love God shows us in calling us to lead a moral life
- To demonstrate that true happiness and peace come to a soul only when it is union with its creator

Course Objectives

- To develop the necessary argot to understand the spiritual life and inner workings of the human soul
- To develop an understanding of the life of prayer and its importance in leading a moral life
- To discern Church teaching and moral principles that will help students deal with various life issues in the areas of human sexuality, suicide, depression, anger, relationships, etc.
- To engage the student to actively live a moral life in response to Christ’s invitation to be “perfect as our Heavenly Father is perfect.”