

Basic Certificate in the New Testament Objectives

The six required courses for this certificate are intended to equip the student with basic knowledge and guidance for reflecting on God's Revelation in the New Testament. Those who complete these courses should be able to:

- Use Catholic methods for reading and understanding the various books of the New Testament.
- Compare the synoptic Gospels and contrast these with the fourth Gospel.
- Identify key concepts that contribute to the particular themes that characterize each of the gospels.
- Appreciate the universal character of the salvation of Jesus and the ways the apostles resolved several theological issues that faced the Church in its very earliest years.
- Trace the missionary journeys of St. Paul and describe the impact of St Paul's life, preaching, and converts for the universal Church.
- Reflect upon the culture and issues of the Church in Thessalonica, Galatia, Rome, and Corinth and explore the main teachings that Paul conveyed through these letters.