

# AUTHENTICALLY CATHOLIC | RIGOROUSLY CLASSICAL

## *The Great Books of St. Michael Academy*

### FRESHMAN YEAR

*The Old Testament*  
*Catechism of the Catholic Church*  
*The Iliad*, Homer  
*The Odyssey*, Homer  
*The Aeneid*, Virgil  
*The Orestia Trilogy*, Aeschylus

*The Oedipus Trilogy*, Sophocles  
*Coriolanus*, Shakespeare  
*Julius Caesar*, Shakespeare  
*Plutarch's Lives*  
*The Histories*, Herodotus  
*The Peloponnesian War*, Thucydides

*The History of Rome*, Livy  
*The Lives of the Caesars*, Suetonius  
*The Dialogues of Plato*  
*The Ethics, Politics, and Ethics of Aristotle*  
*The Screwtape Letters*, C.S. Lewis

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### SOPHOMORE YEAR

*The New Testament*  
*Catechism of the Catholic Church*  
*Confessions*, St. Augustine  
*Beowulf*, Anonymous  
*Song of Roland*, Anonymous  
*Le Morte D'Arthur*, Sir Thomas Malory

*Macbeth*, Shakespeare  
*Ballad of the White Horse*, G.K. Chesterton  
*Ivanhoe*, Sir Walter Scott  
*St. Francis*, G.K. Chesterton  
*St. Thomas Aquinas*, G.K. Chesterton  
*The Crusades*, Thomas Maddon

*Life of Charlemagne*, Notker  
*The Life of Louis IX*, Jean de Joinville  
*Summa Theologica*, St. Thomas Aquinas  
*The Prince*, Niccolo Machiavelli  
*Leviathan*, Thomas Hobbes  
*The Four Loves*, C.S. Lewis

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### JUNIOR YEAR

*The Ignatius Bible*  
*Catechism of the Catholic Church*  
*Various Papal Encyclicals*  
*Inferno, Purgatorio, Paradiso*, Dante  
*Don Quixote*, Cervantes  
*Much Ado About Nothing*, Shakespeare  
*Hamlet*, Shakespeare  
*Lepanto*, G.K. Chesterton  
*The Count of Monte Cristo*, Dumas  
*A Man for All Seasons*, Robert Bolt  
*Magna Carta, Petition of Right, English Bill of Rights*

*Trial of Joan of Arc*  
*Edict of Nantes, Treaty of Westphalia*  
*Samuel Johnson* (Selections)  
*Declaration of the Rights of Man and of Citizen*  
*The Second Treatise on Government*, John Locke  
*The Spirit of the Laws*, Montesquieu  
*Reflections on the Revolution in France*, Burke  
*Beyond Good and Evil*, Nietzsche  
*What's Wrong with the World*, G.K. Chesterton  
*The Great Divorce*, C.S. Lewis

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### SENIOR YEAR

*The Ignatius Bible*  
*Catechism of the Catholic Church*  
*Various Papal Encyclicals*  
*Tale of Two Cities*, Charles Dickens  
*Great Expectations*, Charles Dickens  
*The Brothers Karamazov*, Dostoevsky  
*1984*, George Orwell  
*The Complete Stories*, Flannery O'Connor  
*The Everlasting Man*, G.K. Chesterton  
*The Declaration of Independence, The Articles of Confederation,*  
*The U.S. Constitution, The Bill of Rights*  
*The Federalist & Antifederalist Papers*

*The Great Speeches & Documents of American Statesmen*  
*Democracy in America*, Alexis de Tocqueville  
*The American Republic*, Orestes Brownson  
*Early Economic Writings*, Aristotle, Aquinas, Hume  
*The Wealth of Nations/Theory of Moral Sentiments*, Adam Smith  
*The Communist Manifesto*, Marx  
*The Servile State*, Hillaire Belloc  
*Distributism*, G.K. Chesterton  
*The Road to Serfdom*, Hayek  
*Basic Economics*, Thomas Sowell  
*The Abolition of Man*, C.S. Lewis