Are you: Single...Married...A college student... or Retired?

Consider becoming a Catechist!

Reasons why you should consider becoming a Catechist...

- You will meet new people and become part of a vibrant faith community.
- You will be provided with excellent resources that provide you with great support.
- You will be putting your faith into action, living out your baptismal call.
- You will have the privilege of walking with others on their faith journey.
- You will be mentoring others in a variety of ways using the knowledge and skills you already possess.
- You will grow deeper in your own faith, in your knowledge of the teachings of the Church, and in your relationship with Jesus.
- You will have the opportunity to share your own faith story.
- You will be energized.
- You will see the joy of knowing Jesus in the eyes of those you teach. What’s better than that?

We are in need of many volunteers. Please contact Deanna Gerber or Barb Miller if you are willing to share your faith with our kids.

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Having never been a teacher, how do I learn to teach?

Your Faith Formation Leaders, Deanna Gerber and Barb Miller, will assist you. In-services are provided throughout the year that deal with effective teaching techniques.

Who will assist me with lesson plans?

Textbooks recommended by the Archdiocese are designed for the catechist with no formal training. Teaching manuals are user-friendly and have a multitude of ideas on how to prepare and present lessons.

Without a background in theology, how am I expected to pass on the faith?

The role of the catechist is not based on a professional background in theology, rather, the ability to share faith, live faith, and journey with others as their faith develops and matures.

What if I don’t know the answers to the questions I am asked?

Resources are available through your Faith Formation Leaders and the Archdiocese. You will learn together with those you are catechizing.

What about classroom management?

Your Faith Formation Leader and catechist colleagues can offer motivation to encourage and maintain a positive and respectful learning environment.

Other than the weekly session, how much time will be expected?

Lesson preparation time is outside the weekly session time and can take approximately one to two hours to be fully prepared for each session. In-service opportunities are provided in addition to weekly sessions, but are scheduled in lieu of session.

When are Religious Education classes held?

Classes are held on Wednesday nights beginning in September. Kindergarten - fifth grade students meet at 4:45 - 5:55 PM or 6:15 - 7:25 PM. Middle School and High School meet from 6:15-7:30PM.

What grades do you need catechists for?

We are in need of catechists for all grade levels.

What if I don’t want to teach but would still like to help out?

We are also in need of catechist assistants, hall monitors, and office help.

Is this a volunteer position?

While you can choose to volunteer as a catechist a small stipend is offered.