

ST. LEONARD

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

Common Questions or Concerns when discerning the call of the Catechist / Small Group Leader

I DON'T KNOW MY FAITH WELL ENOUGH TO TEACH IT

The old saying, "***The best way to learn something is to teach it***" is true! You aren't expected to know it all - many of our teachers have no formal educational training or a background in theology. What is *most important* in a catechist is someone who is eager to learn and to share. We believe faith is both taught AND caught! You learn right along with your students!!



I WOULDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO

That's okay, too! We provide you with the lesson plans and supplemental materials you need to teach the class and fill the time with students. If it's in the lesson plan, it's in your supplies for the week! Teacher manuals and/or plans are easy to follow and use! PLUS, we are here to assist you, answer your questions and even visit in your classrooms!

I'M TOO BUSY / I DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO PREPARE

We will be honest - this will take *some* of your time. However, not as much as you may think. Your job as the catechist or small group leader is to review the materials, ask any questions you may have prior to the day of class and then show up, grab materials and get to business teaching and sharing! All of the prep work, materials gathering, etc., are done for you in advance. You may spend 60 - 90 minutes prior to the class as well as the instruction time! Often we have supplemental video clips, activities, guest speakers, on site "field trips" to other parts of the complex and more!



Any volunteer working with youth must be Safe Environment certified (and current on all requirements). Need help with this? Contact Lisa Jachimiec at: lisa.jachimiec@stleonards.org.

Can you help? Have questions?

**Contact St. Leonard Christian Formation at:
262-679-0880!**

We would love to have you join us!



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