

Course Description

6-9 Formation Course Objectives

- To present the methodology and guiding principles of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd as it especially pertains to the 6 to 9 year old child, including Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation and Eucharist.
- To explore the religious nature and most vital religious needs of the 6 to 9 year old child.
- To meditate on the Biblical and Liturgical themes presented to the 6 to 9 year old child.
- To offer guidelines and assistance preparing the 6 to 9 year Atrium environment, and in making the catechists' album and catechetical material.

Certification

This approximately 90 hour course is designed to be a spiritual formation experience and instruction. Successful completion of this course will result in a certificate from the National Association of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd.

Note: The basis for this work is founded in the Roman Catholic tradition. The scope of the formation course is presented with respect to this tradition. A formation course in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, however, includes a dialogue and respect for participants from other traditions as we share what is most essential about our Christian faith and how it is met in this work of spiritual formation for children.

The Formation Team

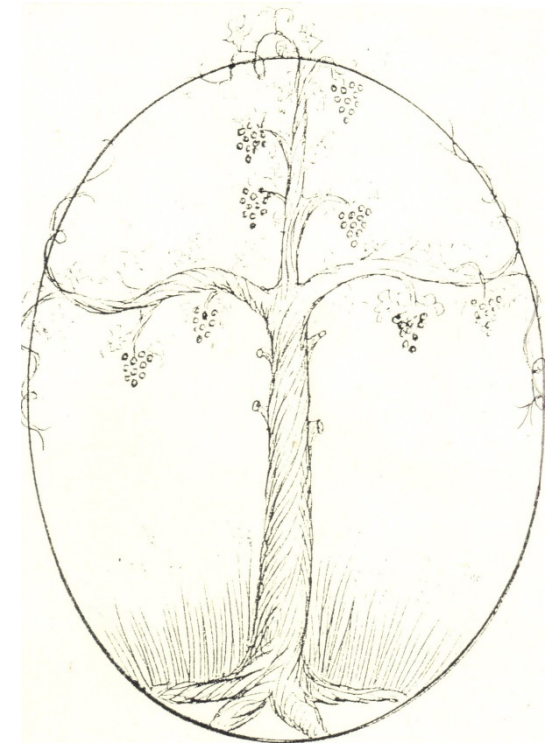
Formation Leader

Ann Garrido-Ann has been a catechist of the Good Shepherd since 1996. She holds a Doctorate in Ministry in Preaching and is a member of the faculty at Aquinas Institute of Theology where she founded the MAPS-CGS program, a pastoral studies degree program with a concentration in Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. She now serves as a spiritual formation director of the program. Ann is a member of the Formation Committee of the National Association and offers formation courses at all three levels. She is the author of *Mustard Seed Preaching* (LTP, 2004) *Redeeming Administration* (Ave Maria Press, 2013), *Redeeming Conflict* (Ave Maria Press, 2016) and *Let's Talk About Truth* (Ave Maria Press, 2020).

Formation Assistant

Terri Sills has been a Catechist since 1996 with experience in working with children in all three levels. She has been trained in all three levels of CGS and serves as Lead CGS catechist for Ascension Catholic Church.

The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd



***Level Two (6-9)
Catechist Formation Course
October 2020- March 2021***

***Ascension Catholic Church
2950 N. Harbor City Blvd.
Melbourne, FL 32935***

Course Logistics

The course will be held at the Ascension Catholic Church Buescher Ministry Building which provides two atria with additional space for the learning classroom. Ascension is located in Melbourne, FL— approximately a 20 minute drive from Cocoa Beach, FL and a 50 minute drive from Orlando International Airport (MC). We will meet from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. each day. The format will include presentations, reflections, and time to practice lessons and make materials.

2020-2021 Course Dates

Friday, 30 Oct, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, 31 Oct, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, 1 Nov, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday, 2 Nov, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday, 8 Jan, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, 9 Jan, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, 10 Jan, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday, 11 Jan, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday, 29 Jan, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, 30 Jan, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, 31 Jan, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday, 1 Feb, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Friday, 19 Mar, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday, 20 Mar, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday, 21 Mar, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Monday, 22 Mar, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Tuition and Texts

- Tuition for this course will be \$550 plus the cost of the textbooks.
- Registration forms will be honored in the order received. Applicants are asked to send in a \$100 non-refundable deposit along with their registration form (by September 1, 2020). The balance is due at the beginning of the course (October 30, 2020).
- Late registrations may be accepted depending on course capacity.
- Financial assistance may be available from the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd fund. www.cgsusa.org.

Participants are asked to purchase the following texts for the course. (Sofia's books are available through the National Association of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd www.cgsusa.org)

Required Texts:

Cavalletti, Sofia.

- *Religious Potential of the Child* v. 2
- *History of the Kingdom of God* v. 2 (former Living Liturgy)

Recommended Texts:

Cavalletti, Sofia.

- *History of the Kingdom of God*, v. 1 (former History's Golden Thread)

Duffy, Michael and D'Neil.

- *Children of the Universe: Cosmic Education in the Montessori Elementary Classroom*

(available thru Parent Child Press
866-727-3683
info@parentchildpress.com)

***The Registration Form can be found at
www.ascensioncatholic.net >***

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Please make checks payable to Ascension Catholic Church with "CGS Level 2 Training" in memo line

Please send registration with non-refundable deposit of \$100:

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Registration/deposit due: September 1, 2020

Remaining balance due: October 30, 2020

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