

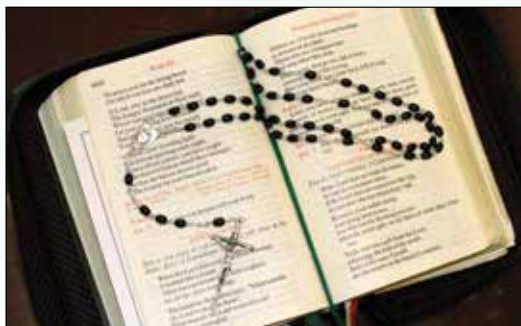
ONLINE

Catechist (CT) Track



Directed to any person engaged in teaching ministries at any level, this three-part comprehensive program offers spiritual, methodological, philosophical, and doctrinal topics essential to the teaching of the Catholic faith. Believing that the most significant factor in the catechetical endeavor is the individual catechist passing on the witness of a lived faith, this track aims to complement basic diocesan catechist certification. It does this by enriching in-diocese teaching with workshops designed to: 1) Take catechists to the next step of formation in key areas; 2) Address target areas needing strengthening in our current cultural context; and 3) Enable catechists to continue growing their skills and understanding in the years following completion of diocesan certification.

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Catechist (CT) Track

Foundational Catechist Certification (12 hrs)

FOUNDATIONS

1. The Vocation of the Catechist
2. Jesus: The Christocentricity of Catechesis
3. The Deposit of Faith: An Introduction to the Catechism
4. The Church Prays What She Believes: Liturgy in Catechesis

SCRIPTURE

5. Scripture, the Heart of Catechesis
6. Sacred Scripture: The Big Picture

METHOD

7. Child Catechetical Methodologies & Learning Styles or Adult Catechetical Methodologies & Learning Styles
8. The Ecclesial Method

PHILOSOPHY

9. Philosophical Foundations of Catechetics

SPIRITUAL

10. Prayer: Introduction to the Spiritual Life of the Catechist

DOCTRINE

11. The Trinity
12. Christ: His Person & Works

Advanced Catechist Certification, Part I (10 hrs + 2 electives)

FOUNDATIONS

1. Catechism & Other Magisterial Catechetical Documents
2. Pedagogy of Revelation & the Response of Faith

SCRIPTURE

3. Scripture: The Driving Force of Doctrine

METHOD

4. Analyzing Doctrine with Doctrinal Keys

PHILOSOPHY

5. The Human Person

SPIRITUAL

6. Praying with Scripture: *Lectio Divina*

DOCTRINE

7. The Sacramental Economy
8. The Holy Spirit in Catechesis
9. The Blessed Virgin Mary
10. The Church: Dispenser of the Mysteries & Guardian of the Deposit of Faith

Advanced Catechist Certification, Part II (10 hrs + 2 electives)

FOUNDATIONS

1. The Family: Context of Catechesis

SCRIPTURE

2. Introduction to the Old Testament
3. Introduction to the New Testament

METHOD

4. Liturgy & Catechetical Methodology

PHILOSOPHY

5. Reality: Epistemology for Catechists

SPIRITUAL

6. Being Guided & Guiding Souls

DOCTRINE

7. Ten Commandments & Beatitudes
8. The Four Last Things
9. Sin & Virtue
10. Catholic Social Teaching

Individuals taking this three-level certification are required to take a total of four electives from the lists below but would be allowed to take as many as they wish at no additional cost. All the workshops listed on this page will be available to take as enrichment by individuals in any other course or track.

ELECTIVES: ADULT CATECHESIS

1. Adult Faith & Moral Development
2. Hispanic Adult Ministry Strategies I
3. Hispanic Adult Ministry Strategies II
4. Catechetical Skills Builder Intensive I & II
5. Catechesis & Counseling
6. Catechesis & Deliverance/Healing
7. Contemporary Catechetical Issues & Their Philosophical Roots
8. The Catechumenal Model in Other Forms of Catechesis
9. Stages of the Catechumenate
10. The Parish: Home for the Catechumenate
11. The Parish: Home for Parent Formation
12. Rationale for the Catechumenate: Christian Initiation in the 21st Century
13. Relations Among Parish, Diocese, & Holy See
14. Catechetics & Conversion Spirituality
15. Catechetics & History I
16. Catechetics & History II
17. Catechetics & Catholic Identity
18. Forming Souls Through Small Groups
19. Formation Work With Men I
20. Formation Work With Men II
21. Formation Work With Women I
22. Formation Work With Women II
23. Outreach & Evangelization Ministry I
24. Outreach & Evangelization Ministry II
25. Baptism Preparation Ministry
26. Marriage Preparation Ministry
27. Digital Catechesis: Using Tech Tools to Teach Eternal Truths I & II
28. Parish Organizational Health I & II
29. Pastoral Issues in Adult Ministry
30. Creative Adult Formation Approaches

ELECTIVES: CHILDREN'S CATECHESIS

1. Child Faith & Moral Development I
2. Child Faith & Moral Development II
3. Teen Faith & Moral Development
4. Use of a Textbook & Other Resources
5. Ecclesial Method I & II
6. Selecting and Planning Liturgical & Prayer Experiences for Children
7. Classroom Management
8. Grading and Assessment
9. Beyond the Classroom
10. Managing the Classroom Like St. John Bosco
11. Lesson Planning for Conversion
12. Shifting to Family-Centered Parishes
13. Preventive System of St. John Bosco
14. A Vision for Effective Youth Ministry
15. Engaging Youth Culture
16. Incarnational Ministry: Relational Ministry With Teens
17. Effective Catechesis in a Youth Ministry Setting
18. Counseling & Pastoral Care of Teens
19. Understanding Catechesis With Teens
20. Theology of the Body: Teaching Catholic Sexuality to Teens
21. Mobilizing Teens for Service, Leadership, & Vocation
22. Introducing the Liturgy to Children
23. Introducing the Scriptures to Children
24. Introducing Reconciliation to Children
25. Introducing the Eucharist to Children
26. Observing & Evaluating Teachers
27. Working with Pastors & Principals
28. Pastoral Issues in Children's Ministry
29. Creative Children's Ministry Approaches

ELECTIVES: MINISTRY OF PARENTING

1. Theology of the Family
2. Domestic Church & School of Holiness
3. Godly Discipline
4. Parental Fortitude & Sunday Spirituality
5. Evangelical Effectiveness of Parenting
6. Mentoring Other Families
7. Parent Saints
8. Child Saints
9. Barriers to Evangelization Occurring for Parents & by Parents
10. A Family Vocation to Homeschooling
11. Some Means for Parishes to Foster Evangelizing Families
12. Training Parents to Form Their Children in a Catholic Vision of Sexuality
13. Questions for Parishes in Discerning Evangelization Efforts for Families
14. The Sacramentality Principle
15. Spiritual Honesty & Spiritual Joy
16. The Best of Effective Contemporary Teaching Strategies
17. Renewing Faith in Our Families
18. Pilgrimage & Prayer in Family Life
19. Faith in Hispanic Families I
20. Faith in Hispanic Families II
21. Faith in African-American Families
22. Fostering Vocations I
23. Fostering Vocations II
24. Fostering Vocations at Home I
25. Fostering Vocations at Home II
26. Wife & Mother
27. Husband & Father
28. Pastoral Issues in Family Ministry
29. Creative Family Ministry Approaches

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