

Catechist Job Description

Job Title: Catechist

Accountable To: The Director of Faith Formation

Time Commitment: Approximately 5 Hours per month

- Monthly Virtus Training Bulletin (15 mins)
- Monthly Class Session with Children (1 Hour 30 mins for the class plus 15 minutes before and 15 minutes after class for a total of 2 Hours)
- Preparation for Monthly Class Session (2 Hours +/-)
- Meetings with the Director for guidance, direction, and support (as needed)

Length of Commitment: At least one year, preferably two.

Qualities:

- a desire to grow in and share the Catholic faith
- an awareness of God's grace and the desire to respond to that grace
- a commitment to the Church's liturgical and sacramental life and moral teachings
- a strength of character built on patience, responsibility, confidence, and creativity
- a generosity of spirit, respect for diversity, and a habit of hospitality and inclusion
- a love for and a desire to work with the age group being served

Knowledge and Skills:

- a basic understanding of Catholic teaching, Scripture, and Catholic Tradition (training is provided - AND the best way to learn, is to teach!)
- honest and caring relationships with the age group being served
- effective teaching techniques and strategies (training is provided)

Responsibilities

- complete initial training/formation provided by the Director of Faith Formation (attend the training workshop August 10-11 or schedule time to meet with the Director one-on-one)
- attend a Protecting God's Children Workshop (Only need to take one time)
- complete monthly Virtus bulletins
- commit to teaching 7 sessions per year
- attend the planning meeting for the intergenerational programs (Advent and Lent)
- commit to ongoing formation, in accordance with the diocesan policy (currently 5 hours per year (provided))

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