

CATECHESIS of the GOOD SHEPHERD



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WHERE...

- The Atrium is a quiet, prayerful environment calming the children to work quietly in a specially prepared place
- Located in the first rooms of the John Neumann Education Wing when entering from the exterior

HOW...

- Catechists facilitate; the Holy Spirit teaches
- The Atrium fosters a love of order and a desire for work
- All works use deliberate motion
- Using actual child-size tools/figures invite the child's attention and interest
- Gathering at the prayer table where actual Scripture is read and contemplated which draws minds and hearts to praise, thank, and ask God;



PRACTICAL LIFE WORKS...

- Plant Care
- Pouring
- Polishing
- Sweeping
- Cutting/pasting
- Flower arranging

CATECHETICAL WORKS...

- The Good Shepherd
- Kingdom of Heaven Parables
- Baptism
- Altar I, II, II
- Liturgical Calendar & Colors
- Infancy Narratives

OUTCOME...

- Care of the environment
- Reverence
- Work ethics; work is always completed and left "beautiful" for the next child
- Greater participation in the Liturgy of the Mass