

Basic Certification Requirements

40 Hours

Note: Hours are to be earned in each category: Methods, Scripture and Doctrine (Theology).

New Catholic School Teachers and Administrators (professional staff) complete Basic Certification through attending New Teacher Formation (three face-to-face sessions) and completing Symbolon Part I in the first two years of service.

Directors, Coordinators and Youth Ministers are to earn 12 hours of formation each year. Catechists are to receive 6 hours of formation per year.

Methodology

History and Explanation of Catechesis

Mission of the Church / Aims of Catechesis

Introduction to Catechetical Documents

On Catechesis in our Time – required

Revelation and Response of Faith / Faith Development

The Catechism of the Catholic Church: Hierarchy of Truths, Harmonies between Faith and Life, Deposit of Faith

Diocesan Religion Curriculum: Foundation of a teaching session

So Much to Teach; So Little Time: Teaching the Keys of Catholic Doctrine

Lesson Planning / Teaching for Conversion (The Ecclesial Method)

Person of the Catechist

The Person of the Catechist /Teacher of the Faith: Witnessing

The Spiritual Life of the Catechist

Harmony between Faith and Life

The Mind of a Catholic / Cultivating a Catholic Worldview

About the Learner

Learning Styles

The Human Person / Moral Development

Scripture

Divine Revelation

The Story of the Bible

Centrality of Scripture in Teaching for Conversion (Methodology ?)

Introduction to the Old Testament - Bible Timeline

Introduction to the New Testament - Bible Timeline

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The Gospels

Doctrine (Theology)

Introduction to Creed

- God the Father
- Creation, the Original Sin, the Promise of a Redeemer
- Divine Revelation
- God the Son
- Jesus' Public Ministry
- God the Holy Spirit
- The Church: The Kingdom of God on Earth
- The Apostolic Church
- Mary, the Mother of God
- The Saints
- The Dignity of the Human Person

Introduction to Sacraments

- Grace / Baptism
- Confirmation
- Holy Eucharist
- Reconciliation
- Holy Orders
- Matrimony
- The Anointing of the Sick
- The Liturgical Life: Living the Paschal Mystery of Christ

Introduction to Morality: Life in Christ

- Moral Development
- Sin: The Problem of Sin / Temptation
- God's Law: The Ten Commandments
- The Immeasurable Riches of His Grace (Sin, God's Law and Grace are one presentation)
- Faith
- Conversion
- The Life of Charity / The Virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity
- Formation in Chastity

Introduction to Prayer

The Devotional Life / Personal Prayer	(CCC 2650 – 2724)
Praying with Scripture	(CCC 2568-2643)
The Battle of Prayer	(CCC 2725 – 2758)
The Lord's Prayer	(CCC 2759 – 2865)