

2024-2025 DESCRIPTION OF FAMILY CATECHESIS VOLUNTEERS

CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD PROGRAM

Catechist

The catechist is an adult who guides the children. This person is not the teacher in the traditional sense. Instead, this person prepares the space where God and child can come together. The catechist creates materials, presents them to the child, and then participates with the child in a sense of wonder about God. This person needs to have completed at least 90 hours of formation through Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Registration for upcoming formation can be obtained by emailing psassistant@stpetercolumbus.com

Catechetical Assistant

The Assistant is a catechist who participates with the lead catechist in creating materials, preparing and maintaining the environment, and observing the needs of the children. Assistants may or may not have completed a formation course but do attend training sessions led by the lead catechist prior to the beginning of each new school year.

Atrium and Materials Preparation

This volunteer comes into the Atrium when Atrium is not in session to restore and restock materials, repair any damaged works, and make note of any additional needs.

JOURNEY WITH CHRIST PROGRAM

Catechist: Catechists are provided with materials and are responsible for being prepared each week to explore the faith or Gospel together with the children and to encourage positive behavior.

Permanent Catechist Substitute: Permanent Substitutes are required to be on site each week and to arrive 15 minutes early to prepare. They may be asked to serve as a Catechist or to assist in any way during the session.

Attendance Monitor: The Attendance Monitor is responsible for checking attendance for all groups, recording a headcount for emergency purposes, and assisting office staff.

Security Monitor: Security Monitors will monitor the doors at the entrance for late arrivals and sign in any adults entering.

Safety Monitor: Safety Monitors will report 15 minutes early and are responsible for parking lot safety before and after sessions. Safety Monitors also help monitor hallway activity.

Childcare: Childcare volunteers will arrive 15 minutes early. Their responsibilities include signing children in/out, verifying any allergies or special needs, and playing with the children.

Teen Volunteer: Teen Volunteers will be assisting in a variety of tasks. These volunteers are expected to attend the entire semester or year.

Note: All volunteers may need to assist in other areas outside of their regular position occasionally.