

Catechists of St. Pius X School and Religious Education for Youth and Children

On January 11, 2009, we will have our second “**Semi-Annual Catechist Formation Day**”! Four presentations (that provide both Catechist [CAT] and Youth Ministry [YM] clock hours) are scheduled. There will be one in each of the four growth areas and each will be presented twice so that you have the opportunity to attend two one-hour presentations. A Brunch Buffet will add a extra touch to our day!

Catechist Formation Day 1-11-09



Session One – 11am to 12pm (choose one)

****Topic: The Way Forward: Discipleship**

CAT/YM – 1A

Speaker: Mr. D. Scott Miller, Division of Youth & Young Adult Ministry, Archdiocese of Baltimore

Discipleship is the way forward for those who claim to be followers of the Master. Yet the way forward is an uphill climb and demands that we take up the Cross. Let us be on our way.

****Topic: Family Ties: Restricting Growth or Providing Lifelines**

CAT/YM – 1-B

Speaker: Kristin Witte, Division of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, Archdiocese of Baltimore

We will explore some of the basic principles of family systems theory and what strategies work to help support and strengthen healthy relationships for those we minister to . . . and to ourselves.

****Topic: The Art of the “Unfinished Disciple”**

CAT/YM – 1C

Speaker: Sharon Bogusz, Division of Evangelization and Catechesis, Archdiocese of Baltimore

How well do seasoned ministers discover the “signs” of God’s presence amid daily life? How do they share their personal experiences of God and faith? This session will explore the skill every “unfinished disciple” needs to know to connect faith & experience.

****Topic: Eucharist (Part 1)**

CAT/YM – 1D

Speaker: Msgr. Rob Jaskot, Division of Worship, Archdiocese of Baltimore

Session Two - Repeat of the above – 12pm to 1pm (choose one)

REMEMBER TO SIGN IN AT EACH SESSION SO THAT YOU MAY BE GIVEN CREDIT FOR THOSE THAT YOU ATTEND

We are also going to begin Catechist Certification on a Parish Level.

Parish Catechist Certification

Level I = 8 clock hours with at least two in each Area of Growth*

Level II =16 clock hours with at least three in each Area of Growth*.

Level III =24 clock hours with at least four in each Area of Growth*

Upon reaching 30 clock hours with a minimum of five clock hours in each Area of Growth, catechists may apply for Preliminary Archdiocesan Certification.



***Areas of Growth**

A: Catechist as a Person of Faith

C: Context and Process of Catechesis

B: Understanding the Person Being Catechized

D: Message or Content of Catechesis

If you meet any Parish Level of Certification above, please contact Geri Morrison, Pinky Howard, Kristin Rupprecht or Ed Rogers so that we may begin to process your certificate!!!!!!!!!!