

St. John Bosco Conference Catechist Certification Track



Preparation for the catechetical mission: This is a comprehensive program offering the methodological, philosophical, and doctrinal topics essential to the teaching of the Faith. Believing that the most significant factor in the catechetical endeavor is the individual catechist passing on a lived faith, Franciscan University has committed itself to assisting in the preparation of men and women equal to the task of catechesis. While presenting a systematic doctrinal foundation coming directly from the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, this track also includes proven, effective methodologies.

Registration and Attendance

Conference participants who wish to register for this track may should do so at the Conference Registration tables at check-in, or online prior to the Conference.

Administrative Fee

In order to cover administrative costs to the Catechetical Institute (postage, supplies, photocopying, etc.) all track participants will be charged a \$25.00 fee each year. This fee will be paid to the Conference Office with your regular conference and housing costs.

Certification Requirements

1. Over successive summers, Catechist Certification Track participants will attend multiple workshops and general sessions on philosophy, methodology, and doctrine.
2. The candidates in their last year will be required to present a 30-minute teaching including complete lesson plan.

Assignment Guidelines

The workshops for the Catechist Track that you take during this year's conference each have a set of tasks assigned to them to assist you in developing mastery of the material covered. Those tasks will be made available to you online for your convenience. Upon your arrival and check-in at this year's conference, you'll be given assistance in how to access those tasks, and when they would need to be completed.

If you have questions, please contact your track coordinator:

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Assignment Guidelines for 30-Minute Teaching

All participants in final year of the Catechist Training Certification Track are to present a 30 minute teaching including complete lesson plan.

There are two ways this requirement may be satisfied:

1. Immediately prior to the St. John Bosco Conference at the campus of Franciscan University.
2. A 30-minute video of the candidate teaching a class may be submitted by the required date, prior to the conference. The "Video Taping Criteria" guidelines will be available during the conference.

Questions regarding assignments may be directed to the Catechetical Institute at: (740) 284-5317, or by email: catechetics@franciscan.edu.

Track Structure

On the second and third pages of this summary is a detailed breakdown of the structure of this track. As with all of the tracks at the St. John Bosco Conference, some of the workshops are taught at the Conference, and some are available online as well. Eventually, as our filming and post-production schedule permits, all of this track's workshops will be available online at: www.franciscanathome.com

We look forward to meeting you at the Conference, and to serving you!

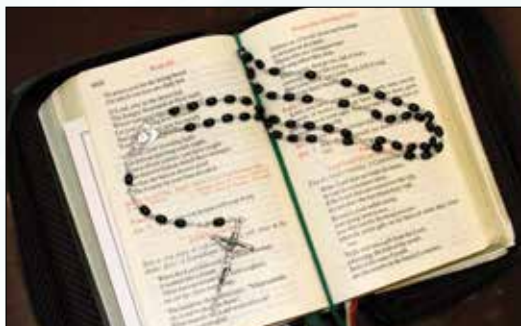
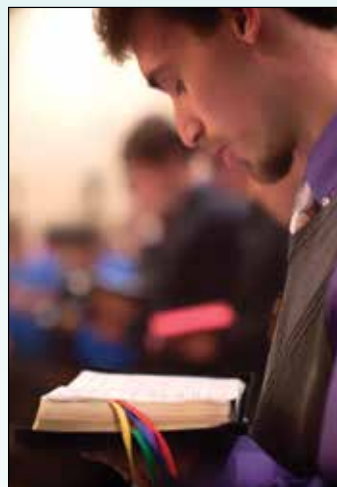
ONLINE

Catechist (CT) Track



Directed to any person engaged in teaching ministries at any level, this three-part comprehensive program offers spiritual, methodological, philosophical, and doctrinal topics essential to the teaching of the Catholic faith. Believing that the most significant factor in the catechetical endeavor is the individual catechist passing on the witness of a lived faith, this track aims to complement basic diocesan catechist certification. It does this by enriching in-diocese teaching with workshops designed to: 1) Take catechists to the next step of formation in key areas; 2) Address target areas needing strengthening in our current cultural context; and 3) Enable catechists to continue growing their skills and understanding in the years following completion of diocesan certification.

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Catechist (CT) Track

Foundational Catechist Certification (12 hrs)

FOUNDATIONS

1. The Vocation of the Catechist
2. Jesus: The Christocentricity of Catechesis
3. The Deposit of Faith: An Introduction to the Catechism
4. The Church Prays What She Believes: Liturgy in Catechesis

SCRIPTURE

5. Scripture, the Heart of Catechesis
6. Sacred Scripture: The Big Picture

METHOD

7. Child Catechetical Methodologies & Learning Styles or Adult Catechetical Methodologies & Learning Styles
8. The Ecclesial Method

PHILOSOPHY

9. Philosophical Foundations of Catechetics

SPIRITUAL

10. Prayer: Introduction to the Spiritual Life of the Catechist

DOCTRINE

11. The Trinity
12. Christ: His Person & Works

Advanced Catechist Certification, Part I (10 hrs + 2 electives)

FOUNDATIONS

1. Catechism & Other Magisterial Catechetical Documents
2. Pedagogy of Revelation & the Response of Faith

SCRIPTURE

3. Scripture: The Driving Force of Doctrine

METHOD

4. Analyzing Doctrine with Doctrinal Keys

PHILOSOPHY

5. The Human Person

SPIRITUAL

6. Praying with Scripture: *Lectio Divina*

DOCTRINE

7. The Sacramental Economy
8. The Holy Spirit in Catechesis
9. The Blessed Virgin Mary
10. The Church: Dispenser of the Mysteries & Guardian of the Deposit of Faith

Advanced Catechist Certification, Part II (10 hrs + 2 electives)

FOUNDATIONS

1. The Family: Context of Catechesis

SCRIPTURE

2. Introduction to the Old Testament
3. Introduction to the New Testament

METHOD

4. Liturgy & Catechetical Methodology

PHILOSOPHY

5. Reality: Epistemology for Catechists

SPIRITUAL

6. Being Guided & Guiding Souls

DOCTRINE

7. Ten Commandments & Beatitudes
8. The Four Last Things
9. Sin & Virtue
10. Catholic Social Teaching

Individuals taking this three-level certification are required to take a total of four electives from the lists below but would be allowed to take as many as they wish at no additional cost. All the workshops listed on this page will be available to take as enrichment by individuals in any other course or track.

ELECTIVES: ADULT CATECHESIS

1. Adult Faith & Moral Development
2. Hispanic Adult Ministry Strategies I
3. Hispanic Adult Ministry Strategies II
4. Catechetical Skills Builder Intensive I & II
5. Catechesis & Counseling
6. Catechesis & Deliverance/Healing
7. Contemporary Catechetical Issues & Their Philosophical Roots
8. The Catechumenal Model in Other Forms of Catechesis
9. Stages of the Catechumenate
10. The Parish: Home for the Catechumenate
11. The Parish: Home for Parent Formation
12. Rationale for the Catechumenate: Christian Initiation in the 21st Century
13. Relations Among Parish, Diocese, & Holy See
14. Catechetics & Conversion Spirituality
15. Catechetics & History I
16. Catechetics & History II
17. Catechetics & Catholic Identity
18. Forming Souls Through Small Groups
19. Formation Work With Men I
20. Formation Work With Men II
21. Formation Work With Women I
22. Formation Work With Women II
23. Outreach & Evangelization Ministry I
24. Outreach & Evangelization Ministry II
25. Baptism Preparation Ministry
26. Marriage Preparation Ministry
27. Digital Catechesis: Using Tech Tools to Teach Eternal Truths I & II
28. Parish Organizational Health I & II
29. Pastoral Issues in Adult Ministry
30. Creative Adult Formation Approaches

ELECTIVES: CHILDREN'S CATECHESIS

1. Child Faith & Moral Development I
2. Child Faith & Moral Development II
3. Teen Faith & Moral Development
4. Use of a Textbook & Other Resources
5. Ecclesial Method I & II
6. Selecting and Planning Liturgical & Prayer Experiences for Children
7. Classroom Management
8. Grading and Assessment
9. Beyond the Classroom
10. Managing the Classroom Like St. John Bosco
11. Lesson Planning for Conversion
12. Shifting to Family-Centered Parishes
13. Preventive System of St. John Bosco
14. A Vision for Effective Youth Ministry
15. Engaging Youth Culture
16. Incarnational Ministry: Relational Ministry With Teens
17. Effective Catechesis in a Youth Ministry Setting
18. Counseling & Pastoral Care of Teens
19. Understanding Catechesis With Teens
20. Theology of the Body: Teaching Catholic Sexuality to Teens
21. Mobilizing Teens for Service, Leadership, & Vocation
22. Introducing the Liturgy to Children
23. Introducing the Scriptures to Children
24. Introducing Reconciliation to Children
25. Introducing the Eucharist to Children
26. Observing & Evaluating Teachers
27. Working with Pastors & Principals
28. Pastoral Issues in Children's Ministry
29. Creative Children's Ministry Approaches

ELECTIVES: MINISTRY OF PARENTING

1. Theology of the Family
2. Domestic Church & School of Holiness
3. Godly Discipline
4. Parental Fortitude & Sunday Spirituality
5. Evangelical Effectiveness of Parenting
6. Mentoring Other Families
7. Parent Saints
8. Child Saints
9. Barriers to Evangelization Occurring for Parents & by Parents
10. A Family Vocation to Homeschooling
11. Some Means for Parishes to Foster Evangelizing Families
12. Training Parents to Form Their Children in a Catholic Vision of Sexuality
13. Questions for Parishes in Discerning Evangelization Efforts for Families
14. The Sacramentality Principle
15. Spiritual Honesty & Spiritual Joy
16. The Best of Effective Contemporary Teaching Strategies
17. Renewing Faith in Our Families
18. Pilgrimage & Prayer in Family Life
19. Faith in Hispanic Families I
20. Faith in Hispanic Families II
21. Faith in African-American Families
22. Fostering Vocations I
23. Fostering Vocations II
24. Fostering Vocations at Home I
25. Fostering Vocations at Home II
26. Wife & Mother
27. Husband & Father
28. Pastoral Issues in Family Ministry
29. Creative Family Ministry Approaches

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