# Jesus said "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of Heaven belongs." Matthew 19:14

An exciting way to help Jesus build his Kingdom ...

### Faith Formation Volunteer Catechist "Job Description"

Our parish is looking for faith-filled and dedicated adults to help in the children's Faith Formation Program Grades Individuals will pass on the faith with a set curriculum and by Christian example and witness.

Curriculum and materials will be provided by the parish.

Faith Formation sessions meet

A catechist must be willing to:

- Share his or her enthusiasm for the Catholic faith
- Devote appropriate time for session preparation
- Have a background check per the Diocese of Saginaw policy
- Commit to the Diocese of Saginaw Code of Conduct
- Attend Virtus (safe environment) training and maintain monthly online updates
- Continue to grow in his or her own Catholic faith
- Receive training as a catechist

## Additional qualifications:

- Attend mass and participate in the sacramental life of the Church on a regular basis
- Nourish your personal spiritual growth
- Practice common Catholic prayers and traditions
- Be comfortable and respectful of children and their different learning styles while maintaining a fair and safe environment
- Maintain professionalism and confidentiality regarding children, families and the Faith Formation Team as appropriate

Please contact

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if interested in more information.

Passing on the faith is everyone's baptismal call. How will you answer that call?

# Directions for using "Am I Called to be a Catechist?" and "Catechist Job Description"

These forms have been created for parish leaders to assist in the search for catechists if they find them helpful. Both are fillable PDFs which means that you will be able to customize them to fit your particular parish. They could also be used as a model to create your parish's own version with more specific details, but you will not be able to change any text in these PDFs other than adding information specific to your parish and program.

#### For both:

- 1. Download the form onto your computer.
- 2. Save the PDFs somewhere that you can locate it if needed later.
- 3. Once downloaded, open the PDF and locate the grey fillable boxes.
- 4. Enter your information into the grey boxes.
- 5. Right click somewhere on the PDF and choose "save as."
- 6. When you save it give it a title different than the original, so that you know that this is the one with your information already in it.
- 7. The text entered into the grey boxes looks washed out, but it will not come through that way when you print it.

### For "Am I Called to be a Catechist?":

This is intended to be a discernment and conversation aid as you encounter people who are considering being a catechist in your parish program.

- 1. Locate the contact information grey boxes at the bottom of the page.
- 2. Fill in the correct contact information.
- 3. Use "Save as" (see directions for both above).
- 4. Print it.

### For the "Catechist Job Description":

- 1. Locate the first grey box at the top of the page and fill in your parish name.
- 2. Locate the second grey box and fill in when your sessions meet.
- 3. Locate the contact information and fill in the name of the person in the first box and phone and/or email in the second.
- 4. Use "Save as" (see directions for both above)
- 5. 5. Print it.