

Mission Statement

“Christ-led, Christ-fed and hope-filled*,” the Department of Faith Formation seeks to equip disciples with the tools they need to educate and evangelize in the Diocese of Ogdensburg. Through collaboration with parishes and other diocesan offices, the department provides effective programs that “renew faith, nurture hope and discover love” on the life-long journey of faith formation.

*Diocese of Ogdensburg Vision/Purpose Statement



Advanced Formation For Catechetical Leader

Continuing formation is available to all diocesan certified Catechetical Leaders by:

Completing the non - degree on line certificate program at Franciscan University at Steubenville in:

- Parish Catechetical Leader Track Foundational Certification (12 hours)
- Advanced (Part 1: 10 hours plus 2 electives)
- Advanced (Part 2: 10 hours plus 2 electives)



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Diocese of Ogdensburg



Diocesan Catechist Formation Program

Catholic School Teacher

Parish Catechist

Parish Catechetical Leader

Advanced Parish Catechetical Leader

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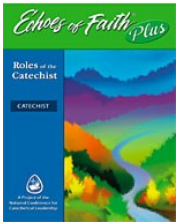
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PURPOSE

The Diocese of Ogdensburg's Growth in Faith (GIF) formation program for Catholic School Teachers, Catechists and Catechetical Leaders provides the theological and instructional formation necessary to hand on the faith effectively.

Program Content

Echoes of Faith Program (*in person gatherings with discussion in a group or Echoes Emmaus Program completed online.*)

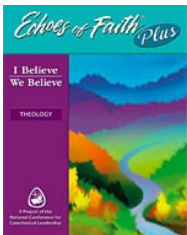
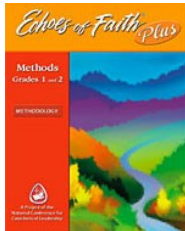


Level 1: Spirituality of the Catechist

- † Getting Started
- † Person of the Catechist
- † Roles of the Catechist

Level 2: Methodology

1. The Learner
2. Methods (take 1)
 - Grades 1,2
 - Grades 3,4
 - Grades 5, 6
 - Grades 7,8



Theology

3. I Believe, We Believe (Creed)
4. Liturgy & Sacraments
5. Catholic Morality
6. The Scriptures
7. Prayer & Spirituality

Credits from a college may be applied toward certification.

Paths to Certification

Catholic School Teachers & Parish Catechists

Levels 1 & 2

OR

Formation For Ministry program **AND**
Completion of Level 1 Echoes Program

Parish Catechetical Leader Certification

Certification as Parish Catechist; Completion of the Formation For Ministry workshops on Faith Formation; participation in LEAD.



Formation Is a Lifelong Process

Catholic School Teachers, Catechists and Catechetical Leaders are required to complete **3 hours** per year in pre-approved faith formation courses and/or attendance after formation is completed at:

- † Celebrate Christ
- † Retreat Days
- † National Catechetical Conferences
- † Diocesan and Regional LEAD gatherings
- † Parish Missions or Programs

