

2025 ESSENTIALS *for* Catechetical Ministry

ESSENTIALS for Catechetical Ministry is designed to provide information, support, materials and resources that will be helpful to a new director of religious education, youth ministry or faith formation as their ministry unfolds. All directors who are new or nearly new to ministry, or new to the archdiocese, are welcome to join us.

Recognizing that ongoing formation is key to the success of those in lay ministry, ESSENTIALS provides:

1. Orientation to archdiocesan policies, procedures and personnel
2. Practical skills for ministry & leadership
3. Relationship-building with experienced catechetical ministers
4. Time to reflect on Church documents and best practices of the field
5. Networking with other new directors

2025 Schedule:

- September 4
- September 18
- September 25
- October 9
- October 23
- November 6
- November 20
- December 4 (Advent Retreat)
- March 12, 2026

"The single most critical factor in an effective parish catechetical program is the leadership of a professionally trained parish catechetical leader."

- National Directory of Catechesis

All sessions are held on Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. and include Mass and lunch.



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Cost to participate is \$135

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<https://archmil.regfox.com/essentials2025>

