This survey seeks information about parish catechetical programs for grades K-12 in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Please answer based on the current 2022-2023 program year. You may move forward and back within the survey until you are finished. If you are responsible for only a portion of the K-12 programs, please answer those questions that apply to your area. Skip those that are not applicable. Those responsible for other areas may complete their own survey.

This page asks about you, your parish, your areas of responsibility, and experience/education.

1. Please identify yourself

Name [ ]

Email Address [ ]

2. Job Title (Please choose one title that best suits your position)

- ◯ Director of Religious Education (DRE)
- ◯ Director of Child & Youth Ministry
- ◯ Director of Lifelong Faith Formation
- ◯ Religious Education Coordinator
- ◯ Director of Child Ministry
- ◯ Child Ministry Coordinator
- ◯ Director of Youth Ministry
- ◯ Youth Ministry Coordinator
- ◯ Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry
- ◯ Director of Evangelization
- ◯ Director of Family Ministry
- ◯ Director of Hispanic Ministry
- ◯ Pastoral Associate

3. Responsible for catechesis / formation of:

- ☐ Preschool
- ☐ Kindergarten
- ☐ 1st Grade
- ☐ 2nd Grade
- ☐ 3rd Grade
- ☐ 4th Grade
- ☐ 5th Grade
- ☐ 6th Grade
- ☐ 7th Grade
- ☐ 8th Grade
- ☐ 9th Grade
- ☐ 10th Grade
- ☐ 11th Grade
- ☐ 12th Grade
- ☐ Young Adults
- ☐ Adults

4. Specific Areas of Responsibility

- [ ] Elementary Religious Education
- [ ] Family Formation
- [ ] Baptism Preparation
- [ ] Sacramental Preparation for children

- [ ] Confirmation Preparation
- [ ] Middle School Ministry
- [ ] High School Youth Ministry
- [ ] RCIA

- [ ] Children's Liturgy of the Word
- [ ] Safe Environment Coordinator
- [ ] Other Parish Ministries

5. Is your position full time or part time?

- ( ) Full time
- ( ) Part time

6. For which Parish/Multi-parish program are you responsible? Select the parish or group name.

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If you don't see your parish or collaborative formation program listed, or if you wish to correct or clarify, please provide the correct name(s).

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7. In what deanery is the parish or group of parishes you serve?

- ( ) DGWSH
- ( ) FDLSH
- ( ) KENSH
- ( ) MILNW

- ( ) MILSE
- ( ) MILSW
- ( ) OZMIL
- ( ) RACINE

- ( ) WALWR
- ( ) WAUKE
- ( ) WAUKW

8. Please indicate associations you belong to

- [ ] Mareda
- [ ] NALM
- [ ] NCCL
- [ ] Other (please specify)

- [ ] NCEA
- [ ] NFCYM
- [ ] PMMA

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9. How many years have you served in your current position? (Count the current year as a full year)

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10. Had you been employed as a parish catechetical leader before your current position?

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No

11. If yes, how many years have you been employed in parish ministry, including your current position? (Count each as a full year)

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12. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

○ High school diploma

○ Some college but no degree

○ Associate degree

○ Bachelor's degree

○ Master's degree

○ Doctorate

13. Please indicate your degree(s), if any, according to the following categories (check all that apply)

☐ Associate Degree

☐ Bachelor's degree with major in religious studies or theology

☐ Bachelor's degree with other major

☐ Master's degree in religious studies, theology or ministry

☐ Master's degree in other field

☐ Doctorate in theology or ministry

☐ Doctorate in other field

14. Please check any non-degree formation or certification you have received.

☐ Lay ministry certificate program / institute

☐ Archdiocesan religious education certification

☐ Certificate in youth ministry studies

☐ Spiritual director training

☐ National lay ecclesial ministry certification

☐ Clinical pastoral education

☐ Teaching license

☐ Campus ministry certification

☐ Diaconate formation

☐ Formation for religious life

☐ Chaplain certification

☐ Other (please specify)

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15. Are you currently a student in a certificate or degree program?

○ Yes, certificate program (non-degree)

○ Yes, degree program

○ No

16. How would you describe the fit between your current position and your level of education?

○ a. Education is adequate or more than adequate.

○ b. Additional education would be helpful.

○ c. Both (a) and (b) are true.

17. If you said that additional education would be helpful, in what area(s)?

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Catechetical Program Information

This page asks you to provide enrollment information, for those grades for which you are responsible. Do NOT include any sacramental preparation numbers.

18. Number of participants at each grade level in the current year:

PreK

Kindergarten

1st grade

2nd grade

3rd grade

4th grade

5th grade

6th grade

7th grade

8th grade

9th grade

10th grade

11th grade

12th grade

19. Impact of the Covid-19 Pandemic:
Have you witnessed any increase or decrease in enrollment compared to pre-pandemic numbers? What is your estimate of the change?

○ Increased enrollment, more than 25%

○ Increased enrollment, 10-25%

○ Similar enrollment +/- 10%

○ Decreased enrollment 10-25%

○ Decreased enrollment more than 25%

○ I was not in this position prior to the pandemic.

The following questions are divided into 3 levels: Elementary, Middle & High School. You will be asked if you are responsible for a level and, if so, will have the opportunity to answer those questions.

20. Does your position cover elementary level and/or 1st reconciliation/1st communion programming?

Please only respond to the questions in the context of Elementary Level Ministry. Do not include Sacramental Preparation.   Sacramental Prep questions follow below.

21. What models of faith formation do you use?

☐ Classroom model

☐ Small group model

☐ Lectionary-based program

☐ Family-centered program

☐ Intergenerational program

☐ Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

☐ Home-based religious education

☐ Programs for children with disabilities

☐ Summer vacation bible school

☐ Totus Tuus

☐ Retreat days

☐ Service Learning

☐ Other (please specify)

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22. How frequently do you schedule sessions?

○ Weekly

○ Biweekly or Twice monthly

○ Monthly

○ Summer Program

○ Other (please specify)

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23. Class times (check all that apply):

☐ Sunday Morning

☐ Sunday Midday

☐ Sunday Evening

☐ Saturday Morning

☐ Saturday Evening

☐ Weekday Right After school

☐ Monday Evening

☐ Tuesday Evening

☐ Wednesday Evening

☐ Thursday Evening

☐ Summer Weekday

24. Do you offer more than one scheduling option for this particular level?

○ Yes

○ No

25. Total number of instructional hours per year at each grade level (including faith formation sessions, classes, family program, group projects, other structured learning activities):

PreK

Kindergarten

1st grade

2nd grade

3rd grade

4th grade

5th grade

6th grade

26. Textbook/Resource used for Kindergarten
Select from the drop-down menu. If not listed, choose "Other" and provide the title in the box below. If you do not use a book or program, choose "We do not use a published program."

	Textbook/series
Kindergarten	

Other (please specify)

27. Textbook/series/resource used for grades 1-6
Select from the drop-down menu. If your resource is not listed, choose "Other" and provide the grade & title in the box. DO NOT include books for first reconciliation or communion here. If you do not use a textbook for a grade level, choose "We do not use a published program."

	Textbook series
1st grade	
2nd grade	
3rd grade	
4th grade	
5th grade	
6th grade	

Other (please specify)

28. How do you serve children with disabilities?

☐ Dedicated program (eg, SPRED, Vine & Branches, Arise, Journey, Risen)

☐ Parent assistance

☐ Treat each child and situation individually as needed

☐ Mainstream children with extra assistance from catechists or aides

☐ Nothing

☐ Catechist or tutor works one-on-one or in special group

☐ Use adaptive textbook and materials

29. If you use assessments, please check all that apply:

☐ Archdiocesan Religion Assessments

☐ Assessments created by Formation Staff

☐ NCEA's ACRE

☐ Assessments created by Catechist

☐ Assessments/Tests provided by textbook publisher

☐ None

☐ Other (please specify)

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Fees. If you have a family/intergenerational program and charge fees per family, please do not include those fees in the following questions, there will be questions later regarding family fees.

30. Do you charge an annual fee for elementary religious education?

○ Yes

○ No

31. What annual fee do you charge for one child (not including sacramental prep fees)?

$0	$400	$800	

32. What annual fees do you charge a family with two children in your program? (not including sacramental prep fee)

$0	$400	$800	

33. What annual fees do you charge a family with three children? (not including sacramental prep fees)

$0	$400	$800	

34. What is the maximum annual fee you charge a family for religious education? (not including sacramental prep fees)

$0	$400	$800	

35. Which of the following ways do you engage parents:

☐ Take-home materials   ☐ Parent/Child Sessions

☐ Special programs for parents   ☐ Parent Meetings

☐ Work with children in the classroom   ☐ Emails to Parents

☐ Online resources or activities   ☐ Use an app (eg, Remind or Parish App)

☐ Family sessions   ☐ Homework to be completed with parent

☐ Other (please specify)

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36. If your parish offers Children's Liturgy of the Word during Sunday Mass, what time of year?

☐ All Year   ☐ Lent

☐ School Year   ☐ Advent

☐ Summer   ☐ Parish does not offer

37. If your parish offers Children's Liturgy of the Word during Sunday Mass, how often?

○ Weekly

○ Bi-weekly

○ Monthly

○ Parish does not offer

○ Other (please specify)

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38. If your parish offers Children's Liturgy of the Word, for which age children?

Youngest age   [   ]

Oldest age (not including helpers)   [   ]

39. Does you parish plan to offer a Vacation Bible School, a Camp or other summer program for children in summer 2023?

○ Yes

○ No

40. If yes, for which age children?

Youngest age of
attendees

Oldest age of
attendees (not
helpers)

41. Please indicate additional programs that are offered at your parish for children:

☐ Grief Support / Rainbows for All Children ☐ Children's Choir

☐ Cub Scouts and/or Scouts BSA ☐ Mass Servers

☐ Girl Scouts ☐ Athletics

☐ American Heritage Girls ☐ Retreats

☐ Little Flower Girls Group

☐ Other (please specify)

First Reconciliation/First Communion

Preparation

42. Number of participants in current year:

First Reconciliation Prep

First Communion Prep

43. What elements do your Sacramental programs include?

☐ Parent sessions ☐ Preparation integrated in Religious Ed or School classes

☐ Retreat or day of reflection

☐ At-home activities ☐ Special sessions for the children (in addition to regular class)

☐ Parent-child sessions

☐ Other (please specify)

44. Textbooks for First Reconciliation/Penance

Select from the drop-down menu. If your textbook/resource does not appear in the list, choose "Other" and enter the title in the box below.

	Textbook
First Reconciliation (primary grades)	
First Reconciliation for Older Children (intermediate grades)	

Other (please specify)

45. Textbooks for First Communion

Select from the drop-down menu. If your textbook does not appear, choose "Other" and enter the title in the box below.
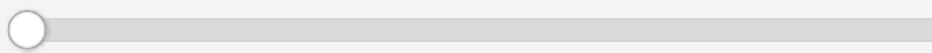
	Textbook
First Communion in Grade 2	
First Communion for Older Children	

Other (please specify)
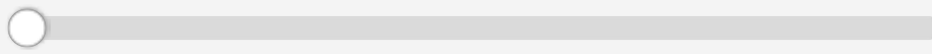
46. What fee do you charge for First Reconciliation Preparation?

$0	$75	$150	

47. What fee do you charge for First Communion Preparation?

$0	$75	$150	

Survey of Parish Catechetical Programs 2023

Middle School Ministry

48. Does your position cover middle school programming?

Please only respond to the questions below in the context of Middle School Ministry.

49. What models of faith formation do you use for middle school?

☐ Grade-specific, classroom model

☐ Small group model (no large group)

☐ Large group model with/without small groups

☐ Lectionary-based program

☐ Other (please specify)

☐ Mini-courses

☐ Family or Intergenerational program

☐ Fully virtual program

☐ Hybrid in-person/virtual program

☐ At-home study program

☐ Summer catechetical program

50. What supplemental elements are part of your middle school ministry?

☐ Retreats (required)

☐ Retreats (optional)

☐ Pilgrimage to holy sites

☐ Mission trip/Work camp (local)

☐ Mission trip/Work camp (not local)

☐ Summer Camp

☐ Other (please specify)

☐ Scripture study/reflection

☐ Youth leadership/advisory group

☐ Service opportunities

☐ Service hours (self-planned)

☐ Athletics

☐ Field trips/outings

☐ Guest speakers

☐ Youth Masses

☐ Eucharistic adoration

☐ Reconciliation

☐ Fun events at parish (movie night, open gym, etc)

51. How frequently does your middle school ministry meet?

○ Weekly

○ Two or three times monthly

○ Monthly

○ Other (please specify)

52. What time does your middle school ministry meet? (check all that apply):

☐ Sunday Morning   ☐ Monday Evening

☐ Sunday Midday   ☐ Tuesday Evening

☐ Sunday Evening   ☐ Wednesday Evening

☐ Saturday Morning   ☐ Thursday Evening

☐ Saturday Evening   ☐ Summer Weekday

☐ Weekday Right After school

53. Do you offer more than one scheduling option for this particular level?

○ Yes

○ No

54. Total number of instructional hours per year at each grade level (including formation sessions, family program, group projects, other structured learning activities):

6th grade   [   ]

7th grade   [   ]

8th grade   [   ]

55. What is your primary content / resource for middle school ministry? Select only your primary resource from the drop-down menu. If your resource is not listed, choose "Other" and provide the title in the box below. If you indicate "self-produced program," describe the program in the next question.

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56. If you indicated a self-produced program, please describe the central themes and topics covered as well as sources of material.

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57. If you use a supplemental resource, select it from the drop-down menu, or choose "Other" and provide the title in the box below.

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58. Do the middle school youth use a physical textbook or workbook during the sessions?

○ Yes

○ No

59. Do your middle school youth have a Bible they bring to and use in sessions?

○ Yes, all sessions

○ Yes, some sessions

○ No

60. Do you use any assessments in middle school ministry? If so, indicate which:
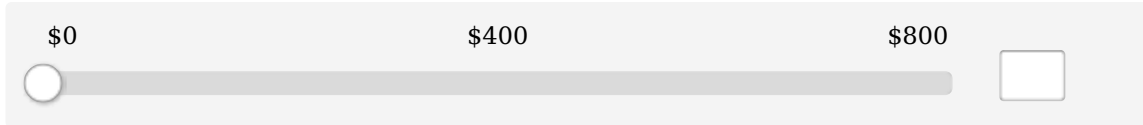
☐ Archdiocesan Religion Assessments   ☐ Assessments created by Formation Staff

☐ NCEA's ACRE   ☐ Assessments created by Catechist

☐ Assessments/Tests provided by textbook publisher   ☐ None

61. Do your middle schoolers participate in any of these programs or events? Check all that apply.

	Last year 2021-2022	Current yr 2022-2023 or planned later 2023
Wisconsin Catholic Youth Rally	☐	☐
John Bosco Day at Holy Hill	☐	☐
Spiritus Retreat	☐	☐
Scouts BSA	☐	☐
Girl Scouts	☐	☐
NET Retreat	☐	☐
American Heritage Girls	☐	☐
Troops of St. George	☐	☐
De Sales Days/Vocation Camp	☐	☐
Totus Tuus	☐	☐
Servers' Guild	☐	☐
Little Flower Girls Group	☐	☐
Love Begins Here	☐	☐
Life Teen Camp	☐	☐
Wyld Life (Young Life)	☐	☐

62. How do you serve youth with disabilities.

☐ Dedicated program (SPRED, Vine & Branches Arise, Journey, Risen)

☐ Mainstream children with extra assistance from catechists or aides

☐ Catechist or tutor works one-on-one or in special group

☐ Use adaptive textbook and materials

☐ Parent assistance

☐ Treat each child and situation individually as needed

☐ Nothing

63. Which of the following ways do you engage parents?

☐ Individual Parent / Family Meetings

☐ Parent Information Sessions

☐ Intergenerational / Family Sessions

☐ Parent Formation Sessions/Events

☐ Parent emails/texts after session

☐ Other (please specify)

☐ Prayer opportunities for parents (eg, adoration during class)

☐ Parent-based small groups

☐ Parent newsletter

☐ Take-home materials or lessons

☐ Required/expected volunteer roles or hours

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If you have a family program and charge fees per family, please do not include those fees in the following question, there will be questions later regarding family fees.

64. Do you charge an annual fee for middle school religious education?

○ Yes

○ No

65. What annual fees do you charge a family with one child in your program? (not including sacramental prep fees)

| $0 | $400 | $800 | |

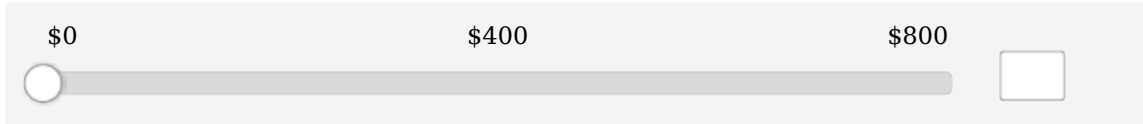66. What annual fees do you charge a family with two children? (not including sacramental prep fees)

| $0 | $400 | $800 | |

67. What annual fees do you charge a family with three children? (not including sacramental prep fees)

$0	$400	$800	

68. What is the maximum annual fee you charge for your religious education? (not including sacramental prep fees)

$0	$400	$800	

High School Ministry

69. Does your position cover high school and/or confirmation programming?

High School/Youth Ministry

Please only respond to the questions below in the context of High School Ministry. **Do not include Confirmation. Confirmation questions follow below.**

70. What models of faith formation do you use for high school?

- [ ] Grade-specific, classroom model
- [ ] Small group model (no large group)
- [ ] Large group model with/without small groups
- [ ] Lectionary-based program
- [ ] Other (please specify)

- [ ] Mini-courses
- [ ] Family or Intergenerational program
- [ ] Fully virtual program
- [ ] Hybrid in-person/virtual program

- [ ] At-home study program
- [ ] Summer catechetical program

71. What supplemental elements are part of your high school ministry?

☐ Retreats (required)

☐ Retreats (optional)

☐ Pilgrimage to holy sites

☐ Mission trip/Work camp (local)

☐ Mission trip/Work camp (not local)

☐ International mission trip

☐ Summer Camp

☐ Other (please specify)

☐ Scripture study/reflection

☐ Youth leadership/advisory group

☐ Service opportunities

☐ Service hours (self-planned)

☐ Athletics

☐ Field trips/outings

☐ Guest speakers

☐ District/deanery speakers or events

☐ Youth Masses

☐ Eucharistic adoration

☐ Reconciliation

☐ Fun events at parish (movie night, open gym, etc)

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72. How frequently does your high school ministry meet?

○ Weekly

○ Two or three times monthly

○ Monthly

○ Other (please specify)

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73. What time does your high school ministry meet? (check all that apply):

☐ Sunday Morning

☐ Sunday Midday

☐ Sunday Evening

☐ Saturday Morning

☐ Saturday Evening

☐ Weekday Right After school

☐ Monday Evening

☐ Tuesday Evening

☐ Wednesday Evening

☐ Thursday Evening

☐ Summer Weekday

74. Do you offer more than one scheduling option for a particular level?

○ Yes

○ No

75. Total number of instructional hours per year at each grade level (including formation sessions, family program, group projects, other structured learning activities):

9th grade [   ]

10th grade [   ]

11th grade [   ]

12th grade [   ]

76. What is your primary content / resource for high school ministry? Select only your primary resource from the drop-down menu. If your resource is not listed, choose "Other" and provide the title in the box below. If you indicate "self-produced program," describe the program in the next question.

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77. If you indicated a self-produced program, please describe the central themes and topics covered as well as sources of material.

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78. If you use a supplemental resource, select it from the drop-down menu, or choose "Other" and provide the title in the box below.

[ ]

[ ]

79. Do the high school youth use a physical textbook or workbook during the sessions?

○ Yes

○ No

80. Do your high school youth have a Bible they bring to and use in sessions?

○ Yes, all sessions

○ Yes, some sessions

○ No

81. Do your high school youth participate in any of these programs or events? Check all that apply for the past year and/or current year.

	Last year 2021-2022	Current yr 2022-2023 or planned later 2023
Wisconsin Catholic Youth Rally	☐	☐
John Bosco Day at Holy Hill	☐	☐
Spiritus Retreat	☐	☐
NET Retreat	☐	☐
Scouts BSA	☐	☐
Troops of St. George	☐	☐
Girl Scouts	☐	☐
American Heritage Girls	☐	☐
De Sales Days/Vocation Camp	☐	☐
Totus Tuus	☐	☐
Love Begins Here	☐	☐
Servers' Guild	☐	☐
Young Life	☐	☐
CYM Sports	☐	☐
NCYC	☐	☐
Steubenville Youth Conference	☐	☐
Life Teen Camp	☐	☐
San Damiano Encounter	☐	☐

82. How do you serve youth with disabilities.

☐ Dedicated program (SPRED, Vine & Branches Arise, Journey, Risen)

☐ Mainstream children with extra assistance from catechists or aides

☐ Catechist or tutor works one-on-one or in special group

☐ Use adaptive textbook and materials

☐ Parent assistance

☐ Treat each child and situation individually as needed

☐ Nothing

83. Which of the following ways do you engage parents?

☐ Individual Parent / Family Meetings ☐ Parent emails/texts after session

☐ Parent Information Sessions ☐ Parent-based small groups

☐ Intergenerational / Family Sessions ☐ Take-home materials or lessons

☐ Parent Formation Sessions/Events ☐ Parent newsletter

☐ Prayer opportunities for parents (eg, adoration during class) ☐ Required/expected volunteer roles or hours

☐ Other (please specify)

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If you have a family/intergenerational program and charge fees per family, please do not include those fees here, there will be questions later regarding family fees.

84. Do you charge an annual fee for your high school religious education program?

○ Yes

○ No

85. What annual fees do you charge for one youth in your program? (not including confirmation prep fees)

$0 $400 $800   [   ]

86. What annual fees do you charge a family with two youth? (not including confirmation prep fees)

$0 $400 $800   [   ]

87. What annual fees do you charge a family with three youth in your program? (not including confirmation prep fees)

$0 $400 $800   [   ]

88. What is the maximum annual fee you charge? (not including confirmation prep fees)

$0 $400 $800   [   ]

Confirmation Preparation

89. Which best describes immediate preparation for Confirmation at your parish?

○ Confirmation preparation is immediate preparation ONLY and is done separate and in addition to participation in regular high school ministry.

○ Confirmation preparation replaces a full year of high school ministry (i.e. 11th grade, with no other options for 11th grade)

○ Confirmation preparation spans across two separate years with regular high school ministry rounding out both years (i.e. begins in 10th grade and ends in 11th, with regular ministry during part of the year)

○ Other (please specify)

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90. Does your parish require remote preparation (i.e. in high school ministry) before beginning immediate preparation for Confirmation? (check all that are true)

☐ We have no requirement

☐ Candidates must participate in 1 year of high school ministry concurrent with Confirmation preparation (i.e. enroll in 11th grade)

☐ Candidates must participate the year prior to beginning preparation (i.e. 10th grade)

☐ Candidates must participate for more than 1 year prior to beginning preparation (i.e. 9th grade or sooner)

☐ Candidates who attend a Catholic High School are exempt from this requirement.

91. What elements are included in immediate preparation for Confirmation?

☐ Formation sessions

☐ Verified Mass attendance requirement

☐ Service requirement (# of hours)

☐ Service requirement (project or day-based)

☐ Retreat (specific for your parish)

☐ Retreat (wide range of options to choose from)

☐ Sponsor Training & Support

☐ Sponsor Session

☐ Candidate/Sponsor interaction outside of parish

☐ Parent Sessions

☐ Meeting with Candidate at beginning of process

☐ Candidate reflection/application at beginning of process

☐ Meeting with Candidate at end of process

☐ Saint Report (other than on Bishop's Questionnaire)

☐ Other (please specify)

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92. How long is your immediate preparation for Confirmation?

Number of months
(rounded) from
beginning to
celebration:

Number of formation
sessions, not including
retreat:

Approximate number
of contact hours, not
including retreat:

93. Number of confirmation candidates

94. What is your primary content/resource for immediate preparation for Confirmation?
(Select your primary from the drop-down menu. If your book/resource is not listed, choose
"Other" and describe in the box below. If "self-produced content," describe it in the following
question.)

95. If you indicated a self-produced program, please describe the central themes and topics
covered as well as sources of material.

96. Retreat length - How long is your Confirmation retreat?

- ⚪ Friday evening-Sunday (2 overnight)
- ⚪ Saturday morning-Sunday (1 overnight)
- ⚪ Friday evening-Saturday evening (1 overnight)
- ⚪ One-day, all day (10 hours or more)
- ⚪ Most of 1 day (4-10 hours)
- ⚪ Morning/Afternoon (4 hours or fewer)
- ⚪ Virtual Retreat
- ⚪ Other
- ⚪ Other (please specify)

97. Who facilitates your Confirmation retreat? (Check all that apply)

☐ Program coordinator with catechists/core team

☐ Program coordinator with separate retreat team

☐ Collaborative with other parishes (describe in other)

☐ Teen leaders (seniors)

☐ Spiritus Ministries

☐ NET Ministries

☐ Other

☐ Other (please specify)

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98. Where do you host your Confirmation retreat?

☐ Holy Hill Guest House

☐ Schoenstatt Retreat Center

☐ St. Vincent Pallotti Retreat Center

☐ Mount Tabor Center

☐ Camp Gray

☐ Camp Whitcomb/Mason

☐ Camp Minikani

☐ Daniel Soref Retreat Center

☐ Newman Center

☐ Green Lake Conference Center

☐ Multiple Locations

☐ At our parish

☐ At another parish

☐ OTHER

☐ Other (please specify)

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99. Which best describes the service component of your immediate preparation?

○ Candidates complete a service project within their class/small group

○ Candidates complete an individual service project

○ Candidates participate in a service opportunity/experience planned by the parish

○ Candidates complete a required number of service hours

100. If you indicated "service hours," how many hours are required?

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101. Sponsor Involvement.

Indicate ways that you engage sponsors in the preparation program.

☐ Sponsor orientation session

☐ Sponsor handbook or other materials

☐ Sponsor-candidate session(s) during the program

☐ Confirmation rehearsal

☐ Require candidates and sponsors to meet on their own

☐ Candidate Commitment Liturgy with Sponsors & Parents

☐ Other (please specify)

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102. Parent involvement

☐ Individual Parent/Candidate Meetings

☐ Regular parent newsletter (ad-hoc emails not included)

☐ Parent Information Meetings

☐ Take-home materials

☐ Parent Formation Sessions/Events

☐ Required/expected volunteer roles/hours

☐ Intergenerational/Family Sessions

☐ Parent-written letters to candidates

☐ Parent Email/text after sessions (ad-hoc emails not included)

☐ Parent participation in service projects

☐ Other (please specify)

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103. What fees do you charge for your Confirmation program?

$0 $150 $300   [ ]

104. What fees do you charge for your Confirmation retreat (if separate)?

$0 $150 $300   [ ]

105. What is the total amount for confirmation prep?

$0 $200 $400   [ ]

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Technology in Faith Formation

The Office of Evangelization & Catechesis is trying to get a better understanding of how technology is incorporated in faith formation and what hardware, software and media are used.

106. What devices do you use for work?

	Desktop Computer	Laptop	iPad/Tablet	Mobile Phone
Parish Provides	☐	☐	☐	☐
Use My Own Device	☐	☐	☐	☐

107. Does your parish provide you with an email address?

○ Yes, I use a parish email address with a parish domain (@stanyone.org)

○ Yes, I use a parish-provided generic email address (@gmail.com, @hotmail.com, etc.)

○ No, I use a personal email

108. Are you able to access files and/or email remotely?

○ Yes, I have access to all files and email remotely

○ Yes, I have access to only email remotely

○ No, I have no remote access

109. Please indicate what equipment is available for use in your faith formation program?

☐ WiFi

☐ Mounted Projector(s)

☐ Portable Projector(s)

☐ Mounted Screen(s)

☐ Portable Screen(s)

☐ Flat Screen TV

☐ Smart TV

☐ Laptop

☐ DVD Player

☐ Blue-ray Player

☐ Smartboard

☐ Camera for livestream or zoom

☐ Wireless Display

☐ Bluetooth Speakers

110. How do you use technology in your formation programs?

☐ Show Videos or Powerpoint

☐ Gaming/Interactive apps

☐ Use Smartboard

☐ Blended learning - Part Online/Part In Person

☐ Virtual classes or group meetings

☐ Flipped Classroom - instructional content viewed at Home/activities during Class

☐ Communication with Parents, Catechists, Youth

☐ Post past class materials online (make up work or parent viewing)

☐ Asynchronous group discussion or sharing

111. Does the catechetical program use the same database as the parish office?

○ Yes

○ No

112. How do you manage your catechetical program data & registration?

- [ ] Parishsoft
- [ ] ACS
- [ ] Parish Data System (PDS)
- [ ] Realm
- [ ] PSREnroll
- [ ] WeShare
- [ ] Other (please specify)

- [ ] Parishstaq
- [ ] Google Docs/Sheets
- [ ] Excel
- [ ] Access
- [ ] Paper only

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113. What information is posted on your parish website?

- [ ] Office Hours
- [ ] Mass Schedule
- [ ] Calendar
- [ ] Bulletin
- [ ] Staff Directory (Including Formation Staff)
- [ ] Online Giving
- [ ] Formation Program Calendar

- [ ] Formation Program Online Registration
- [ ] Formation Handbook
- [ ] Formation Program Information
- [ ] Formation Program Forms
- [ ] Formation Program Class Materials
- [ ] Recorded presentations
- [ ] Newsletters

114. Do you, as catechetical staff, have access to manage your content on the parish website?

- ( ) Yes, I manage web content for my program(s)
- ( ) No, but our administrative assistant can manage content
- ( ) No, I must submit a request for changes to another staff member
- ( ) No, I must contact a volunteer webmaster
- ( ) No, I have no input regarding the website

115. Do you have a formation/youth ministry website separate from the parish site (different domain name)?

- ( ) Yes
- ( ) No

116. Please select the social media you use in your ministry

	Facebook	Twitter	LinkedIn	YouTube	Vimeo	Instagram	Google +	Pinterest	Snapchat	TikTok
Formation Program Has an Account	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Parish Has an Account	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Use it to find content or activities for your program	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Post your own original content	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Use for personal or professional development	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Other (please specify other social media avenues you use)

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117. Does your parish provide cybersecurity training (eg, how to avoid phishing, malware, etc)?

○ Yes

○ No

118. How do you learn about and train on new technology?

☐ Gigs, Geeks & God Conference   ☐ Outside Training

☐ Webinars   ☐ In house sessions

☐ Blogs   ☐ Books

☐ YouTube Videos   ☐ Ask my students

☐ Websites   ☐ Find the youngest person on staff

☐ Self Taught

☐ Other (please specify)

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Family Involvement

119. Has your parish participated in Family Perspectives sponsored by Office of Evangelization & Catechesis?

○ Yes

○ No

120. What statement best reflects your parish situation

○ We only offer a Family or Intergenerational Program

○ We only offer a "traditional" Religious Education Program

○ We offer a "traditional" Religious Education Program with some Family events

○ We offer two distinct programs: a Family/Intergenerational Program and a Traditional Religious Education Program

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Intergenerational/Family Programming

121. What aspects are part of your family/intergenerational program?

☐ Meal   ☐ Adult Formation

☐ Intergenerational Activity   ☐ Service Opportunites

☐ Age specific session   ☐ Learning Centers

☐ Other (please specify)

122. Family Program times (check all that apply):

☐ Sunday Morning   ☐ Monday Evening

☐ Sunday Midday   ☐ Tuesday Evening

☐ Sunday Evening   ☐ Wednesday Evening

☐ Saturday Morning   ☐ Thursday Evening

☐ Saturday Evening   ☐ Summer Weekday

☐ Weekday Right After school

123. Do you offer more than one scheduling option for this particular program?

○ Yes

○ No

124. Family Program Information

# of Sessions per year

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# of Hours Per Session

[   ]

# of Formation Hours Per Session (Not
including meal time)

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125. How do you charge families in your program?

○ Per Person

○ Per Family based on # of Children in Program

○ Other (please specify)

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126. Please explain your family program fees

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Christian Initiation for Children

This page asks you to provide information on the RCIA adapted for children.

127. Number of participants in RCIA adapted for Children this year

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128. What program elements do you include?

☐ Parent sessions

☐ Retreat day

☐ At-home work

☐ Preparation integrated in Religious Ed or School classes

☐ Special sessions for the children

☐ Parent-child sessions

☐ Other (please specify)

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129. Textbooks or resources for RCIA for Children (Provide titles):

130. What fees do you charge for RCIA for Children preparation?

0	$50	100

Catechists and Assistants

This page asks you to provide information on your catechists and their formation, and on other adult involvement and service in your program.

131. Number of Catechists in program (for the grade levels for which you are responsible)

Total Number Elementary Level Catechists	
Total Number Middle School Catechists	
Total Number High School Catechists	

132. Number of Catechists, with certification and years of service (Answer for grade levels for which you are responsible)

Number with basic certification	
0-5 years of service	
Over 5 years of service	

133. Types of catechist formation that you offer (check all that apply):

☐ Individual orientation   ☐ Catechist group sharing

☐ Sharing reading materials   ☐ Speakers/adult education

☐ In-service training   ☐ Funding for conferences/courses

☐ One-on-one meetings through the year   ☐ District catechist day

☐ Archdiocesan catechetical conference   ☐ Forming the Catechetical Spirit program

☐ Echoes of Faith   ☐ Online courses (Franciscan, Dayton, Notre Dame, etc)

☐ Mentor program

☐ Share resources (video, websites, etc.)

☐ Other (please specify)

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134. How often do you meet with your core team or catechists?

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135. Catechists and Lesson Plans. Which of the following best describes your approach to lesson plans for catechists? Choose no more than two.

☐ Director creates lesson plans for each catechist in advance of each class.

☐ Catechists are given a text and create own lesson plans, having flexibility to use additional resources, with director's approval.

☐ Catechists are given a text and create own lesson plans, sticking strictly to the text.

☐ Catechists work with co-catechist or team with whom they alternate lesson planning.

☐ Director creates plans for the year and gives to catechists at beginning of year; with weekly updates or supplements as needed.

☐ Catechists periodically meet with Director to do lesson planning together.

136. In addition to catechists, in what other ways do adults serve in your faith formation program (check any that apply):

☐ Substitute catechists   ☐ Special event team

☐ Catechist aides, regularly in the classroom   ☐ Office assistants

☐ Assistants for children with special needs   ☐ Field trip chaperones

☐ Presenters on special topics   ☐ Children's Liturgy of the Word Leader

☐ Craft and project assistants   ☐ Religious Education Committee

☐ Hall monitors and greeters   ☐ Vacation Bible School Volunteer

☐ Set-up/equipment assistants   ☐ Service/Retreat Leaders

137. Do you have a functioning Formation Committee or Commission?

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138. If so, which types of members serve on the committee?

☐ Catechist

☐ Parent of student

☐ Liaison from Pastoral Council

☐ Parishioner at large

☐ Catholic school representative

☐ Faith formation staff (DRE, DYM, DFF, etc)

☐ Priest

☐ Other parish staff (Liturgy, Pastoral Associate, Communications)

☐ Deacon

☐ Other (please specify)

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139. Which functions does your committee perform?

☐ Assess needs and interests of parishioners

☐ Advise staff on development of policies and programs

☐ Participate in budget process as requested

☐ Devolop evangelization and adult formation initiatives

☐ Conduct evaluation of programs

☐ Assist in recruitment and training of catechists and other volunteers

☐ Report to, advocate, consult with the Pastoral Council

☐ Aid in hiring formation staff (identify priorities, shape job description)

☐ Engage in committee formation