



DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

Office of Family and Faith Formation

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Dear Pastors, Directors and Coordinators of Religious Education, Parish Catechetical Leaders,

The Office of Family and Faith Formation has the following formation opportunities. For more information visit: www.scd.org/formationopportunities

BASIC FORMATION

Catechetical Foundations - English (Online) : September 2023 - May 2024 Cost: \$160

This is an eight unit/eight-month course to establish a strong foundation in the Catholic Faith. This course is required to obtain a Basic Catechist/Minister Certificate.

To enroll: www.scd.org/catecheticalfoundations

Catechetical Foundations – English (In person) : September 2023 - May 2024 Cost: \$160

Our lady of Mount Carmel, 2700 Dover Ave, Fairfield, CA 94533 (English)

Contact Shelley Kim (707) 422-7767 shelley.olmc@gmail.com

Fundamentos Catequeticos – Español (Online) : September 2023 - May 2024 Cost: \$160

Para aquellos que buscan conocer la fe católica y cómo compartirla. Al completar el curso se puede aplicar a la Certificación Básica

To enroll: <https://www.scd.org/fundamentoscatequeticos>

Fundamentos Catequeticos - Español (En Persona):

Para aquellos que buscan conocer la fe católica y cómo compartirla. Al completar el curso se puede aplicar a la Certificación Básica.

Santo Rosario, 575 California St, Woodland, CA 95695 (Espanol)

Comunicarse con Carmen Otero (530) 207-9220 carmen_odiaz@hotmail.com

MINISTRY SERIES SPECIALIZATIONS

Christian Initiation Series Level I: September 2023 - March 2024 Cost: \$120

English & Spanish

A seven-part series for Pastors, Deacons, Pastoral Leadership Teams, DRE's, Christian Initiation Directors/Coordinators and Teams as well as teachers, catechists and those who do sacramental preparation.

Purpose: To provide solid liturgical, catechetical, and pastoral formation that will equip all people in our Diocese of Sacramento to effectively use the model of Christian Initiation, which is the model for all catechesis (Directory for Catechesis 2;61-65). The goal is to form disciples who will become apostles and be sent out into the world to “renew the face of the earth” (Ps. 104:40). Drawing upon Scripture and the documents of the Church, this series offers a comprehensive introduction to the Christian Initiation Process (RCIA) according to the mind of the Church. Practical application will be emphasized.

To register: <https://www.scd.org/initiationseries>

Liturgy Formation Series: October 2023 - May 2024 Cost \$120

English & Spanish

A five-part series for liturgy committee members, liturgy coordinators, liturgical ministers, musicians, as well as teachers, catechists and those who do sacramental preparation.

Purpose: To promote the fully conscious and active participation of all the faithful by forming qualified liturgical leaders to achieve beautiful and dignified liturgies according to the teachings of the Church. Drawing upon Sacred Scripture and primary liturgical documents, this series offers a comprehensive introduction to liturgical principles and practices through selected readings, lecture, discussion, and individual projects. Practical application will be emphasized.

To register: <https://www.scd.org/liturgyseries>

LAY FORMATION

Lay Mission Project: October 2023 Cost: \$0

The Church needs passionate and holy lay Catholics to evangelize the secular world. But for the most part, the Church has not adequately formed the laity toward this end, and many have become lukewarm and are drifting into complete mediocrity and indifference. The Church will never fully realize its calling without a devout and passionate laity, which is why Bishop Soto has brought the Lay Mission Project to the diocese of Sacramento, and is offering it to ALL parishes for FREE!

The Lay Mission Project is a ministry committed to igniting the lay vocation. It offers formation and education to help lay Catholics fulfill their God-given mission, and helps lay Catholics learn what it means to evangelize the world.

Participants of the Lay Mission Project often report radical changes in their faith almost immediately. Where they used to be timid or unsure, they become confident and knowledgeable within weeks. Their prayer lives grow, and they feel part of a faith community that gives them a foundation for the evangelization of the rest of their lives. Bishop Soto wants this for all parishes in the Diocese, and he encourages you to offer it in yours!

To register: <https://laymission.net/sacramento>

ADVANCED MASTER FORMATION

The Diocese of Sacramento supports Lifelong Formation. For those seeking master's degree programs in Theology, Pastoral Ministries, or equivalent and would like to discuss support opportunities please contact the Office of Family and Faith Formation. LSolano@scd.org

In Christ,



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