



# DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO

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To: Pastors and Parish Catechetical leaders, Ministry Leaders and Religious education teachers

From: Sr. Luisa Mesina, VDMF- Associate Director for Lay Formation

Date: January 15, 2026

Re: Formation opportunities

We have two formation opportunities available that are about to start in February. Please share them with any parishioners who might be interested.

### **CATECHETICAL FOUNDATIONS**

Classes start in February. Register Now!

This class is necessary to obtain basic certification for both catechists and ministers. We have online and in-person centers. Several new in-person centers have been added. To register or for more information.

For English, visit <https://www.scd.org/catecheticalfoundations>

Para Español visite: <https://www.scd.org/fundamentoscatequeticos>

### **CATECHESIS AND PASTORAL ACCOMPANIMENT**

Brand New Series

Classes start on February 7th. Register Now!

At the completion of these subjects, participants can renew their Basic Certification as Catechists & Lay Ministers and are able to proceed with the **3-YEAR PROGRAM OF INTERMEDIATE COURSE SERIES** of Ministry areas and Theology Areas, that the Department of Lay Formation will provide starting on October 3, 2026.

This program of formation will equip catechists, ministers and educators with an in-depth understanding of the catholic faith leading them to a stronger personal knowledge of God and become convinced and revitalized missionary disciples of Christ in the parishes, apostolates and ministries.

To register or for more information, both English and Spanish, visit <https://www.scd.org/event/catechesis-pastoral-accompaniment>

*A grace-filled new year!*

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